# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH THE GOOD NEWS AUGUST 2022



Pastor's Pause August 2022

"Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things;<sup>42</sup>there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:41a-42, NRSV).

So many distractions. Just so many. This summer, many have been enjoying the weather, being together as family and friends playing, vacationing. All of that is time away from the distractions of life, in a sense, no?

When I was a child and would have a friend over to play, or when I'd go to a friend's house, the only time an adult could be seen is when we hurt ourselves or when we broke something or spilled something. Rarely, an adult was involved in the play time, in the game. The autonomy was wonderful as kids, of course, but later as an adult I wondered if our parents ever had fun themselves.

Our parents were always cleaning, cooking, baking, providing. There were always cookies or lunch, space ready for us. Like ghosts that slipped into and out of scenes, there were the adults in the background.

Perhaps in a desire to have it all or just wanting to still be kids, by the time we had our children, the parental scene had greatly changed and we actually participated in the fun. The cookies, lunches, and toys were still there – and the cleaning was still done; but, we also spent time in the pool, played yard games along with the kids, taking a break to just enjoy the company that blessed our home. The lesson in Luke from Christ to Martha is not that Mary is better than she is, nor is it about letting your housework just sit until community services are called in! Instead, it's a healthy reminder that constantly being engaged in the work game, in the battle to stockpile the most money (or toilet paper if we're in a pandemic!), or to have the nicest and cleanest house is not the goal of life. Life is to be enjoyed. Life is to be shared with family, friends and strangers who become new friends.

Life itself is to be itself praise of GOD! There are always distractions and we will always tend to them, as well. But, it is with great hope in Christ's love, that as the summer sun is enjoyed, as the breaks from work are taken, you experience joy in the love of GOD that brings that life to you.

Jesus let Martha know that the guest is as important as the reception of the guest. The hospitality industry knows that it is important to welcome a guest with a cleanliness, a good night's rest, with good food and drink; however, Jesus teaches Martha and us that a guest is welcomed in joy as well, with conversation, warmth, and treatment like family.

Jesus, our family guest, is always there, waiting for us to finish with our distractions and to join in the joy. I pray that you experience that joy and wonder this summer. Don't be a ghost in the shadows, or so intent on the mechanics of preparing for that joy that you miss it entirely.

God bless your play and your rest!

~Pastor Hahn



**Pastor's Schedule:** 

Pastor's e-mail: pastortlc@ptd.net

Please call the office at 570-275-0283 to set a time to meet with Pastor. Non-emergency visitations by appointment.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00AM - 1:00 PM.

Pastoral Care emergencies should be made to the Pastor regardless of day and time at 570-486-3792.

Thank you! Pastor Trevor

**Pastoral Emergencies:** The Pastor's emergency number is his personal phone number as published in the member directory. Please be sure to add this number to your speed dial on your home phone, on your cell phone, or both. Pastor can receive text messages, also. Please contact the pastor directly when there is an urgent pastoral need (an emergency visit to the hospital, accident, coping situations, family death). Please let the pastor know when there is a change in residence (such as from assisted living to the hospital, even if temporary).

We currently are not advised by area hospitals of when our members and member relatives are admitted, so we depend very heavily on the contact you make to the pastor and/or to the church office.

Food Insecurity: Montour County Human Relations Department waiving applications for all county residents. CALL 570-271-3028 and they'll advise options. 211 – system is up and running in PA, this is the first stop for referrals for individuals to agencies for assistance. National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) Nacional de Prevencion del Suicidio: 1-888-628-9454 Crisis Text line: Text "PA" to 741-741 Veterans Crisis Line: 1-800-985-5990 **Disaster Distress Helpline:** 1-800-985-5990 Get Help Now Hotline (for substance abuse disorders): 1-800-662-4357 PA Sexual Assault Helpline: 1-888-772-7227 Columbia-Montour Crisis Hotline (Women's Center): 1-800-544-8293 National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 Geisinger Coronavirus Hotline: 570-284-3657 LGBT National Hotline: 1-888-843-4564 The Trevor Project

**Please Note Information Below:** 



(suicide prevention, crisis intervention for LGBT youth): 1-866-488-7386

Remember! All medical emergencies require you to call 9-1-1!

### **MAILING ADDRESS:**

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### Email

trinitylutheran@ptd.net

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Trinity Lutheran Church Danville, PA 17821

### Website

www.tlcdanville.org

### **CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Trevor Hahn ~ Pastor Ed Haas ~ Custodian Shawn Haas ~ Assist. Custodian Carol Payne ~ Organist Robin Santucci ~ Secretary Gary Kurtz ~ (Interim) Treasurer

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday	10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Friday	CLOSED

### **Deacon Schedule**

August 7Abby MillerZac MillerAugust 14Nicole KendrickKate SiatsAugust 21Joe SheppersonBarbara FruinAugust 28Stephen HumphriesBetty Pirnot

### Assisting Minister Schedule

August 7	Kathy Mordan
August 14	Kathy Hahn
August 21	Brenda Reber
August 28	Kate Siats



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### **Executive Committee**

Brenda Reber, President Zac Miller, Vice President Nicole Kendrick, Secretary

### Our Congregational Council & Ministry Chair Members

Council Member	Ministry	Chair/Co-Chair			
Joe Shepperson	Mutual Ministry	Linda Harvey			
Zac Miller	Communications	Valerie Humphries			
Brenda Reber	Evangelism	N/A			
Betty Pirnot	Fellowship				
Stephen Humphries	Property	Ed Haas			
Barbara Fruin	Finance	Barry Ashenfelder			
Executive Comm.	Grace Fund	Dale Erb			
Abby Miller	Christian Education	Betty Pirnot			
& Youth					
Zac Miller	Music & Worship	Carol Payne			
Kate Siats	Outreach &	Linda Harvey			

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Member Giving	\$	11,163.56
Rents	\$	1,100.00
Bulletins	\$	75.00
Flowers	\$	108.00
INVESCO (Haney)	\$	141.06
Wells Fargo Interest	\$	2,629.57
Miscellaneous	\$	31.72
Outreach	\$	40.00
TOTAL INCOME:	<u>\$</u>	15,288.91
<u>EXPENSES:</u>		
Pastor & Staff Compensation	\$	9,774.00
Music & Worship	\$	219.43
Parish Administration	\$	2,199.36
Church Property	\$	2,727.71
Apt 1-339 Church St.	\$	284.00
Apt 2-343 Church St.	\$	448.00
Christian Education	\$	
Ministry Expense	\$	
Outreach	\$	387.50
Fellowship	\$	
Prof/Assem/Conf-Exp's	\$	
TOTAL EXPENSES:	<u>\$</u>	16,040.00
MONTHLY TOTAL:	<u>\$</u>	(751.09)
NET LOSS/SURPLUS YTD ACTUAL:	¢	( <b>10 77</b> 4 84)
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## August Altar Flowers

August 7

August 14

August 21

In Honor of Kathy & Barry Mordan's 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary presented by Kathy & Barry Mordan

August 28

# August Bulletins

August 7<sup>th</sup>

August 14<sup>th</sup>

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# Thoughts and Prayers

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Rhonda & Eric Brouse **Brad** Bartlett Robert Derr Fred Fenstermacher Sophia Foster Jeffrey Freezer Ed Harvey Pauline Hesbacher Kathy Knarr Sylvia Lewis Carol Miller Kim Mollica Jean Oberdorf Anthony Palombo June Reich Elmer Sabo Lauren Santucci George Styer Karen Swisher Rick Mason Alanna

### Family and Friends of:

Tom Summers

### Serving in Our Military

Casey Reber Aaron Warntz Kurt Wimble Do you have a minute to send a card to brighten someone's day? Listed below are Trinity Members who would like to hear from you:

### Ruth Campbell

Emmanuel Nursing Center Room 106 11 Schoolhouse Road Danville, PA 17821

### June Reich

The Easton Home 1022 Northhampton St. Chaplewood Room 15 Easton, PA 18042

**Rhonda Brouse** 682 Elysburg Road Danville, PA 17821

### Althea Wertman

Vintage Knolls 9 Justin Drive Room 201 Danville, PA 17821 **Betty Gehrig** 312 East Market Street Danville, PA 17821

**Sylvia Lewis** 140 Heather Hills Drive Danville, PA 17821



### <u>AUGUST BIRTHDAYS</u>

Aug 1

Aug 2

Aug 5

Aug 6

Aug 8

Aug 9

Aug 10

Aug 11

Aug 12

Aug 14

Aug 16

Aug 20

Aug 21

Aug 22

Aug 24

Aug 26

Aug 27

Aug 29

Aug 30

Megan Fitzpatrick Sara Tessarvich Hannah Semiclose Beth Mertz Kate Siats Gayle Hendrickson Joe Muscato Gail Summers Wendy Weader Drew Sassaman Delores Madden Garrick Feldmann **Emily Feldmann** Jodi Hendrickson Hurley Moll, Sr. Kelly Saul Bromwell Griffin Reber Gunner Feldmann Cathy Burger-Gray Rebecca Frey Robin Santucci Mallory Jones Wayne Tessarvich Bonnie Smith Yvonne Burger Sarah Swartzlander David Martin Sydney McWilliams

Barbara Criswell

Craig Santucci

### NO CONDEMNATION

There is no condemnation for all who are in Christ. Romans 8:1

For he came not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. John 3:17

Our greatest hope comes from these simple verses that tell us exactly how precious we are to God. He is omniscient, therefore He knows all, knows what a mess the world is in the last days. However, He is not willing to part with a single one of us. God wants each one of us to be saved, by faith in Him.

Our loving, merciful God sent his son, Jesus Christ, to be unmercifully killed by us, humans, His own creations, yet He forgives. Christ forgives, God forgives. They refuse to let go of us, even though that is what we deserve. They refuse to condemn us to death, but make a way out for us that includes the gift of everlasting life.

This was not by accident.

In these times of global pandemics, mass shootings, declining mental health, political turmoil, and great division, we can have peace knowing that LOVE WINS in the end! <u>Stewards in Christ</u> Danville Area Food Bank Canned Vegetables

Good Samaritan Mission

*The Gate House* Transitional Housing

Upper Susquehanna Synod Local Congregation Support Global Partnerships

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

World Hunger Appeal, Lutheran Work Relief, Lutheran Disaster Night of Joy 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Meals will be distributed from the church parking lot:

8/30

### Jubilee Kitchen

Will resume Saturday, September 17th

> For anyone wishing to make a Financial donation to the community Please do so to:

The Good Samaritan Mission (taking Crisis Calls)

Columbia-Montour United Way (has a COV?I-19 Crisis Fund)

**Danville Area Food Bank** (giveaways once a month)

Outreach will be collecting toilet paper (4 pk.) for the month of August. Please put donations in the kitchen. THANK YOU!!



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WORLD WITH WORLD WITH WORLD WITH WORLD WITH Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> is Blanket Sunday. Please think about

donating a blanket. (more details to follow)

**BLANKET THE** 

Volunteers Looking for volunteers for the following: Assistant Minister Acolyte Please sign up at the table outside the Fellowship Hall.

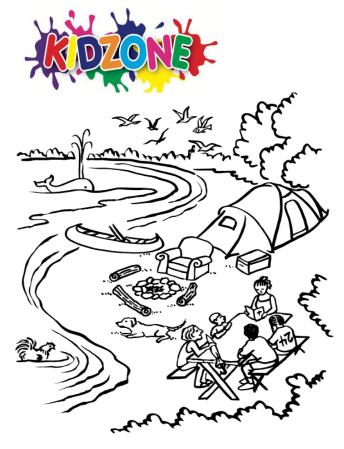
THANK YOU!!



Please contact the church office @ 570-275-0283 with any phone or address changes. THANK YOU!!



"The Thomas Beaver Free Library is looking for volunteers for its English and Adult Literacy Learning Partners program. The program provides adults free tutoring to improve their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills and offers English as a second language sessions as well. The program is staffed by volunteer tutors committed to providing an hour and a half of instruction once or twice a week. Tutors will receive training and materials needed for tutoring free of charge. If you are interested in participating by being a tutor, please contact the Library Director, Kathleen McQuiston, by calling 570-275-4180 ext. 101 or by emailing her at TBFLDirector@ptd.net."



Circle seven mixed up things in the picture above.

When you are away from your church you can still have a sabbath time. Even on vacation you can stop to rest, read the Bible, attend worship, and pray together. We need a time to give our prayers and praise to God every week. Without sabbath time, the six days left in the week seem mixed up.





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We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Amen

#### God invites us to Holy Communion

God gives us Jesus in the bread and wine we share. Draw the bread and wine on the altar.

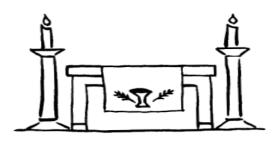


### Why worship on Sunday?

Christians worship on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day Jesus rose from the dead. Maybe we should call it Sonday to remember God's Son, Jesus!

### What is the sabbath?

Sabbath is resting time, a holy time when we stop our everyday tasks to honor and praise God. Sabbath can be any time we leave our own work or play and put God in the center of things.



God's invitation is for all people. We can invite everyone to worship God and learn about God. All are welcome in God's family.

Name five gifts God has given you or your family.









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6
7 Service 9:00 AM Fellowship Mtg. (following worship)	8	9	10	11	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13
14 Service 9:00 AM Christian Ed. Mtg. (following worship)	15 Worship & Music Mtg. @ 4 PM Communication Mtg. @ 5 PM	16	17 Finance Meeting @ 6 PM	18	19 OFFICE CLOSED	20
21 Service 9:00 AM Outreach Mtg.	22	23	24	25 Council Meeting @ 6 PM	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27
28 Service 9:00 AM	29	30 Night of Joy 3:30 - 5:30 PM	31			