

TRINITY *SPIRIT*

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TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Pastor's Note...

Recently Tina and I adopted a small dog named Niko. He has the potential to be a really good dog, but there are some things we need to work on. He does not do well with some people, and it is going to take a lot of work for him to do well with my granddaughter. But then again doesn't that describe all of us?

Paul in Romans 7 speaks of his inner conflict with sin, saying *"I do not understand my own actions. For I do not know what I want, but I do the very thing I hate."*

Because I love our dog I will work with him patiently to change his behavior. And because God loves us, he will work with us to change our behavior, making us more like Jesus Christ as is said in Romans what is truly wonderful is the recognition that *"God commanded us his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."* (Romans 5:8) As we move past lent, let us remember the greatness of God's love for us, and allow him to work in us and through us, making us more and more like Jesus, that we may share his love with others.

May God bless you all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Darryl E. Kensinger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Darryl E. Kensinger



ELECTION DAY DINNER - There will be an Election Day Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner on Tuesday, May 21st from 4:00 pm till sell out. Tickets are \$9.00 for adults and children under 12 are \$4.50. Take-outs are available please call 668-4630.

Feeding The Hungry - Our Trinity Soup Socials are held on the first Saturday of every month. Our upcoming socials are **Saturday, May 4 and June 1, 2019 from 4 - 6:00 pm.** Everyone is Welcome! You are invited to share our food, our friendship, and God's love. No charge.



*Pancake
Breakfast*



Breakfast - Saturday, May 18, 2019 here at Trinity from 8:00 am - 11:00 am in Founders Hall; Adults: \$5.00 Children Under 10: \$3.00 Meal includes Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee, tea, juice. We hope to see you there!

Mark your Calendars! Our next dinner will be September 22nd! Enjoy your summer and see you in the fall!!



Rummage Sale

Trinity United Church of Christ
22 Lafayette Street
Tamaqua, PA 18252

Monday, June 3rd - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tuesday, June 4th - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesday, June 5th - 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Baked Goods and
Refreshments available!

No Televisions or
Computer Monitors will
be accepted, thank you!



2019 Sponsors - There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for Bulletin, Communion Cup, and Candle Sponsors. **Please pay and fill out a memorial/honorarium sheet when you sign your name on the list.** There are cards available for you to fill out with your honorarium or memorial and attach that with your payment. Thank you in advance and if you have any questions please contact the church office at 668-4139.

Hospitalizations - If you or someone you know is hospitalized, please call the church office at 668-4139. Due to the HIPAA Law names are no longer published in the newspaper and we are not contacted by the hospital unless the patient requests it, when admitted, let them know you are a member of Trinity United Church of Christ. Also if you've added a name to the prayer list please keep the church office informed if the individual needs to be removed. Thank you!

We Rejoice in the Baptism of:

Stella Penelope Smink, daughter of Andrew Smink and Desiree Eltringham Smink, who was born on October 3, 2018. She received the Sacrament of Baptism on April 7, 2019.



National Day of Prayer Breakfast – Thursday, May 2nd at 9:00 am here at Trinity Church. The Breakfast will be followed by a time of prayer. All are welcome. A free-will offering of \$5 is suggested and will be taken to defray the cost of the breakfast.

Please Join Us!
Sunday Church School - 8:45 am
Sunday Worship - 10:00 am

DEADLINE: All information for the **June/ July/ August issue** of the "*Trinity Spirit*" is due at the church office no later than Monday, May 20, 2019. **Please note that this is a combined issue.** You may e-mail your information to officetamaquatrinity@verizon.net or drop it in the secretary's mailbox. Thank you for your co-operation!

Communion 2019

May 12

June 9, Pentecost

July 14

August 11

September 8

October 6

November 10

December 8

December 24, Christmas Eve

Please continue to use your Boyer's key tag every time you shop in any Boyer's Markets. Thank you for your participation in this program.



Sunshine lady...If you are aware of anyone that needs a Sympathy, Get Well, or just a Thinking of You card please call and let me know. It would help a great deal to have the input of anyone that may know of someone that is need of a card. Please contact Stacie Folk at (570) 734-3094.

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday

8:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday

1:00 PM ~ 5:00 PM

Let the heavens be
glad, and let the earth
rejoice,
and let them say
among the nations,
"The LORD is king!"

1 Chronicles 16:31



Acolyte & Crucifer Schedule

May – June – July 2019

May 5	Ella Morrison -A	Sadie Morrison -C
May 12	Emma Hope -A	Sarah Hope -C
May 19	Justin Folk -A	Blake Folk -C
May 26	Bryce DeAngelo -A	Andrew Fiorilla -C
June 2	Kurt Breiner -A	
June 9	Ethan Bennett -A	
June 16	Jared Hartranft -A	
June 23	Ella Morrison -A	
June 30	Ava Vengen -A	
July 7	Justin Folk -A	
July 14	Emma Hope -A	
July 21	Kurt Breiner -A	
July 28	Ethan Bennett -A	



Notes: As we approach summer I will need only acolytes for those months. Since I don't know everyone's vacation schedule I ask that if you are in church and you see we don't have our scheduled acolyte please jump in and do it. Congrats to the Confirmation Class of 2019. I hope you will continue to serve as acolytes and crucifers. We are in need of more help. Please contact me if you want to be part of our team.

Thank you,
Diane Chicanavage, Director (570-668-1444)



The FIN Food Pantry is in need of: Macaroni & Cheese, Stuffing, Instant Potatoes, Flavored Noodle Packs, Canned Fruit, Applesauce, Spaghetti O's and/or Ravioli, Hamburger & Tuna Helper, Pancake Mix/ Pancake Syrup, and Peanut Butter & Jelly. We have a generous supply of canned vegetables, but the above mentioned items would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

GREETER AND USHER SCHEDULE

May/ June 2019

ATTENTION GREETERS AND USHERS: Please check to see when you are scheduled to serve.

Please contact Betty Dolinsky if you are unable to serve on the scheduled date– 570-668-2584. Thank you to all who serve as Greeters and Ushers.

May 5

G –Charlie & Sally Mateyak
U –David Billig

May 12

G –Janet Kline & Sue Christian
U – Jim & Gail Jordan

May 19

G –Phyllis Pruett & Jack Myers
U – Stacie & David Folk

May 26

G –Margaret Coleman & John Scarbinsky
U – Robert & Dorothy Davis

June 2

G – Lois Comisac & Paul Miller
U – Ali & Jarrett Morrison

June 9

G – Diane Chicanavage & Ava Vengen
U –Lynn & Gary Myers

June 16

G –Charlie & Sally Mateyak
U –David Billig

June 23

G –Janet Kline & Sue Christian
U – Jim & Gail Jordan

June 30

G – Phyllis Pruett & John Myers
U – Stacie & David Folk

July 7

G –Margaret Coleman & John Scarbinsky
U – Robert & Dorothy Davis

2019graduates... If you or a member of your family will be graduating from High School, College, or Trade school (etc.) this year, please notify the church office no later than Monday, May 6th. We need this information to plan for our Graduate Recognition Sunday.

Tamaqua Community Hunger Weekend, May 3, 4, 5 - Benefiting food banks at the Tamaqua Salvation Army, Trinity UCC, and Primitive Methodist Church in Tamaqua. The 6th annual Hunger Walk is May 5th at 2 p.m. Registration begins at 1:30 at the Tamaqua Community Art Center. A fellowship time follows the walk which will be held rain or shine. Registration forms and sponsorship sheets are available on the TAFFN Facebook page and website (www.taffn.org). The 4th Annual Empty Bowl Dinner will be held May 15th at 5:30 pm at Trinity UCC. Tickets are \$10 each and will be available from TAFFN members as well as at the Tamaqua Chamber of Commerce office and the Tamaqua Community Art Center.

MAY 2019

TRINITY UCC SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

(M. Isabelle Fisher/James R. McConnell/Norman J. Johnson Scholarship)

2015 Scholarship recipient - Olivia Morrison, continues at Penn State University Park, planning on graduating in August, 2019. Her degree was recently merged with her double major consisting of a B.A. in Geopolitics and a B.S. in Cybersecurity. She completed one of her final thesis and is now officially a Political Scientist. Olivia has applied and is currently awaiting replies from graduate schools. Olivia appeared on the cover of “VALLEY” magazine (Penn State’s only fashion and lifestyle magazine) this semester with a featured story inside.

2017 Scholarship recipient - Joshua Derrick, continues studying at Lehigh Carbon Community College majoring in Business Management. After he graduates with an Associate’s Degree, he plans on pursuing a degree in marketing.

2018 Scholarship recipient - Abby Fiorilla will be completing her freshman year on May 10th, 2019 and will begin her sophomore year in August at Alvernia University. She is enrolled in the Occupational Therapy master’s program and planning on obtaining her doctorate’s degree. She will be taking a summer course in English at LCCC. After her finals in May, Abby will then be doing a week long service trip with other students from Alvernia. Their team will be assisting diverse non-profit agencies like food banks and shelters in the Reading area.

We congratulate everyone for all their achievements and thank them for their volunteerism, helping those in need, and for their acts of kindness displayed in their daily lives.

Our Trinity family is so very proud of all our Trinity Scholarship recipients.

A stylized, cursive signature in black ink that reads "Ruthy".

Ruthy Kerr, Trinity Scholarship Chairperson

May 2019
“TRINITY STITCHERS”
A/K/A TRINITY PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Well, it seems like SPRING has finally sprung! We would like to extend a warm, welcoming hand to those who would like to join our ministry. You are invited to come to our prayer shawl room to choose yarn and supplies to create beautiful shawls, throws, and baby blankets for those in need. If you are unable to attend our weekly Saturday meetings, we can make arrangements to meet with you to make your selections and then you can relax at home to complete your project.

If you are aware of anyone in need of a prayer shawl or throw, please contact a member of our group or contact our church office. In the near future, we will again have a large number of beautiful prayer shawls blessed by Pastor Kensinger.

We are constantly brain-storming during our hours of fellowship together every Saturday afternoon. We pray for God to guide us, to help our ministry to both grow in reaching out to others in their hour of need, AND to find ways to increase our fellowship members.

Please feel free to share your ideas/offer suggestions to anyone participating in this wonderful ministry. We are planning on growing/expanding in 2019 and look forward to hearing from you. Currently our plans are to focus on making various articles as a means of a fund raiser for our church. Materials for machine embroidery, jewelry projects and scrap booking are all now available for those interested in joining our ministry. Expanded hours during the week have also been suggested.

We would like to thank all those who so generously supply yarn, material, supplies and offer monetary donations to our ministry.

God blessed you with very special talents. Let your light shine for all to see. Share your blessings and love with others.

COME JOIN US, ENJOY OUR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP, WHILE SHARING GOD’S LOVE AND DECIPLESHIP!

Ruthy
Trinity Prayer Shawl Ministry



Mother's Day

Second Sunday of May



APPRECIATION
BEAUTIFUL
BREAKFAST
CANDY
CHARMING
COMFORT
DEVOTED
FLOWERS
FORGIVING
GIFTS

GUIDANCE
HUGS
JEWELRY
JOY
KISSES
LAUGHTER
LOVE
MATERNAL
MOM
MOTHER

NURTURE
PERFUME
PROTECTIVE
SHARE
TELEPHONE
TENDER
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WARM
WISE



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Return Service Requested

This Newsletter was prepared
Especially for:



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