

# THE PIPER



JUNE 15/16, 2024

## Trinity Lutheran Church

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### PRAYER LIST

#### TLC DISCIPLES

Mary Lou Kiel, John Owens, Donna Weller,  
Jerry Lauchle

#### TLC FRIENDS

Rita & Mary Shetler, Sindi, Debbie, Tracy  
Strosser

### Readings

Ezekiel 17:22-24  
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15  
2 Corinthians 5:6-17  
Mark 4:26-34

### TRINITY EVENTS

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 15

10:00 am Zumba  
5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 16

8:15 am Worship w/Communion  
9:15 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion  
10:00 am Worship w/Communion

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 18

5:45 pm Zumba  
7:00 pm Council Meeting—CANCELLED

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 20

5:45 pm Zumba

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 22

10:00 am Zumba  
5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 23

8:15 am Worship w/Communion  
9:15 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion  
10:00 am Worship w/Communion



A big thank you to

Lena Shaffer

and her other green thumb planters, Megan  
Orient and Debbie Fryer for weeding,  
planting flowers, recreating the butterfly  
garden and the herb garden.

Feel free to use the herbs for all your  
summer meals!



## WELCOME SUMMER CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Menu items provided:

Hamburgers w/bun, Hot Dogs w/roll, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese, Beverages

Please bring side dishes and desserts to share.

No need to sign up, just come and help welcome summer!

Speak to Pastor Ron for more information.

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

June 15/16, 2024

Dear Beloved of God,

St. Paul reminds us: “Rejoice in the Lord, always! Again, I say, rejoice!” With these words, Paul begins to wind down his letter to perhaps his most cherished community of faith referred to as the Philippians. Curiously enough, a footnote indicates the word, “rejoice” can also be translated, “farewell,” though I like “rejoice” better!

As summer is fast approaching, we here in Central PA find ourselves rejoicing in the warmer weather, opportunities to go to picnics, or camping or vacations to the mountains or the beach. All sorts of outdoor activities await us. With those thoughts in mind, one is led to join St. Paul and the believers in Philippi:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. (Phil 4:4-8)

On these more “lazy days of summer,” I find myself thinking back to the past year and all that has occurred here at Trinity. We have a myriad of reasons for rejoicing! A few come to mind:

Our Congregation Council, in the tradition of their preceding councils, continue to provide solid guidance, leadership and coordination to our ministry in fulfilling our mission. Our properties look lovely with so many people helping as they can.

We had another outstanding Yard Sale thanks in large part to Megan Orient for her leadership and commitment to this ministry. She also had a huge team to help prepare and conduct the sale itself.

Our Scout Troop #375 has begun making their presence known to us in helping with the yard work, cleaning up our grounds, and for providing the Food Booth at our Yard Sale. Great to have the Scouts and their Adult Leaders participating in the life of the congregation.

Worship attendance and weekly giving continue to be strong reflecting a commitment and faithfulness on the part of our disciples to the ministry we share as a community of faith. The worship and music staff we have in Jiyoung, Barb, and Graham have enhanced worship beyond anything I might have anticipated. We will enjoy their ministry and service as long as we can!

The overall health of our congregation demonstrates the power, presence, and stirring of the Holy Spirit through all of you who are the living stones of Trinity Lutheran Church. What a joy and honor to be able to serve these many years as your pastor.

May God bless you richly during the summer months that we all may continue to rejoice in what God is doing for us and through us to the glory of Christ our Lord.

Love, joy and peace,



Pastor Ron