

THE PIPER



APRIL 26 - MAY 4, 2025

Trinity Lutheran Church

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TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

First Sunday after Easter
8:15AM Worship w/communion
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00am Worship w/ Communion

Monday, April 28

10am Bible Study at Foxdale
6:00PM Troop #375 Meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

10:30 GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP/PEACE ROOM
5:45pm Zumba

Wednesday, APRIL 30

1:00PM -9:00PM TRINITY TO HOST
CONFERENCE MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 1

5:45 pm Zumba

FRIDAY, MAY 2

9:00 AM State College Market.com
Market (Fellowship Hall)

SATURDAY, MAY 3

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

SUNDAY, MAY 4

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
8:15AM Worship w/communion
9:30AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00am Worship w/ Communion
Children's Service
11:00 am Deeper Waters

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Donna Weller, Lois Voight, Jim Cowan,
Alicia Musheno, Keith Smith, K.C. Kim,
John Owens, Carol Smith, Linda Leslie.

TLC FRIENDS

Esmerelda, Gwen, Dani, Brian, Sally,
Patrick Moseley, Rita Shetler, Debbie,
Jim Rearick, and Dave.

Readings

Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 150
Revelations 1:4-8
John 20:19-31

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY MAY 11TH

MOTHER'S DAY
GRADUATION
RECOGNITION DAY



MAY 12-16

YARD SALE SET-UP



MAY 17TH

YARD SALE 8AM-1PM



JUNE 8TH

OUTDOOR SERVICE

BEGINS 9:30AM



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Cameron Porter	3
John Owens	3
Cleo Campbell	4
Erik Orient	4
Rylan Wenrich	5
Hazel Jones	8
Ava Topper	8
Madeline Baney	9
Jenny Wenrich	9
Kristen Kewitt	9
Keith Smith	11
John Waters	11
Anya Brownson	13
Gwen Garbarino	14
McKenna Stout	17
Catherine (Sue)Forster	21
Elaine Burn	24
Tionni Wenrich	26
Jacob Piper	27

ALLEGHENY SYNOD NEWS



Go Tell It IN the Mountains Initiative

March 20, 2025

Dear Congregational leaders,

Greetings from the Go Tell It IN the Mountains grant initiative!

Have you heard of the grant? If not, here is a quick video link to explain it. [Introduction to Go Tell It IN the Mountains](#)

This initiative will benefit your congregation - we promise! We are just getting this five year grant off the ground and we need your help!

The task forces of the grant initiative are gathering individual thoughts, feelings and ideas about where the church is at and how we can make improvements together.

TWO ASSESSMENTS

You'll see two different assessments over the next six weeks. The first is about Faith Formation and will ask questions of your whole community. The resources to share it are below. The second is about Compelling Preaching for congregational leaders and rostered leaders. It will be distributed in a few weeks. These surveys will set the direction for the ways the grant monies are used to support the people and congregations across the 3 synods.

FAITH FORMATION SURVEY

We need your assistance getting the Faith Formation survey in front of the people in your community. Please saturate your people with information about and links for the survey. You will find lots of resources here to help you share this survey. Please use all the communication tools used by your congregation (bulletin, email, social media, etc.) to get the word out. As you share the information and link within your congregation, please try to include those who are served by your congregation, as well.

RESOURCE KIT

Below are links to the resource kit with newsletter articles, bulletin inserts, email posts, social media posts, PowerPoint slides, and memes to help you share the word in multiple ways. Please use each of these samples over the next six weeks across all of the communication tools your congregation uses to help invite and remind people to share their thoughts, experiences and feelings.

Here is a resource guide explaining each of the samples and how to share them. If you have questions or need any support please don't hesitate to contact Judith Gotwald creation@dca.net. Please put Go Tell It IN the Mountains in the subject line.

Thank you for your willingness to help get the word out in these hills and valleys of Pennsylvania!

God's peace,
Rev. John Kratz
Director of the *Go Tell It IN the Mountains* Initiative

P.S. - Your stories are important! As the survey process wraps up we will be inviting folks to share their stories through digital listening sessions in May.

P.P.S.S. - Please make the *Go Tell It IN the Mountains* website a favorite in your resource library/bookmarks.
www.gotellitinthemountain.org

RESOURCE KIT LINK: <https://gotellitinthemountains.org/share-the-survey/>

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth."



Sequanota

Lutheran Conference Center & Camp

STEP OUTSIDE THIS EARTH DAY WEEKEND

Dates: April 26-27, 2025

Join us this Earth Day weekend as we come together to celebrate and protect our planet. Whether you're planting trees at camp or learning how to be more sustainable, your actions matter! Let's make every step count towards a healthier Earth! Take action, inspire change, and leave a lasting impact. Take a moment this weekend and appreciate the beauty of the Earth at Sequanota. Let's celebrate together by getting outside, breathing fresh air, and protecting our planet during the Love Your Mother (Earth) Retreat!



There is no set fee for this retreat, but if you would like to help offset the cost to Sequanota you may consider the following suggested donation amounts:

Lodging - \$50/room or cabin Meals - \$40/adult (includes 4 meals) & \$20/under 10 (includes 4 meals)



May 2
Spring Benefit Dinner

May 3
Spring Work Day

May 11
Mother's Day Banquet

Further details can be found on the bulletin board or go online to <https://sequanota.com>



THIRD ANNUAL 5K

A WALK TO REMEMBER OUR FALLEN

SATURDAY, MAY 24TH 2025

8:00AM until 9:45AM (rain or shine) at Pennsylvania Military Museum

Register at: Third Annual Walk to Remember our Fallen

A Soldier's Hands, Pennsylvania Military Museum in partnership with Carry the Load, are sponsoring this event to remember those who have given their lives in service to our country.

Come join us in this truly moving experience, every contribution brings a smile, a moment of comfort and a piece of home to our service members.

Trish Shallenberger, Founder/CEO A Soldier's Hands, Cell#267-564-5204



MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR!!

YARD SALE SATURDAY MAY 17TH

Once again we will be holding our annual yard sale. Megan Orient will chair this energetic event, but there's a lot of prep-work to be done. Here is a list of items which can be accepted.

ITEMS WE DO ACCEPT

Clothing, Shoes, Purses, Belts,
Household Items,
Books,
Furniture (in Good Condition)
Metal Bed Frames & Mattresses
Small Appliances,
Jewelry,
Linens,
Lamps,
Bicycles,
Glassware, Dishes
Kitchen Utensils,
Home and Holiday Decorations,
DVD Movies,
Air Conditioners, Fans
Pots and Pans,
Knick Knacks,
Antiques,
Tools,
Area Rugs

ITEMS WE CAN NOT ACCEPT

Waterbeds, Sofa Beds, Hospital Beds,
Headboards & Footboards,
Wooden Bed Frames,
Large Office Desks,
Toilets, Bath Tubs, Sinks, Shower Doors,
Construction Materials & Carpets,
Baby Cribs, & Baby Car Seats,
Diapers & Depends,
Pianos, Organs, Stereos,
TV,'s, VHS Movies & Electronics,
Computers & Monitors,
Tires,
Paint & Chemicals,
Kitchen Cabinets, Doors, Window,
Large Appliances, (Ex. Washer & Dryer),
Exercise Equipment,
Large Entertainment Centers,
Swing Sets & Swimming Pools,
Kerosene Heaters, Propane Tanks

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It's soon time to help Megan Orient volunteer to set-up, help during the yard sale and clean up. Further details will be provided but in the meantime, Spring clean those closets, and check your calendar for how you can help with this huge yearly event.

Proceeds will benefit Park Forest Day Nursery and Inner Faith Human Services.

Working up an appetite? Don't worry, Deeper Waters Youth Group is hosting a food booth!



SPRING CLEANUP



Grease your elbows and oil those tools to help clean up the church grounds,
flower beds and whatever else this past Winter weather brought
The #375 Scouting Troop will be helping us .



Saturday May 10,
9:00AM-Noon

A Commemoration for Jim Rearick:

We are having, for Jim Rearick, a commemoration at Farmer's Mills Church (296 Ridge Road, Spring Mills, PA 16875) on June 14th at 11 AM. Jim at one time was an organist at your church (2005-2019). Jim has actually been playing organ for churches for 61 consecutive years which is quite remarkable! Unfortunately he has been battling pancreatic cancer. He is seeking treatment at this time but his friends and family felt he was deserving of having a ceremony to celebrate his years of faith, service and dedication to the churches he has served. A luncheon will be served at the church from Noon to 1:00.

If folks plan on attending, please respond to his sister Amy Bowersox (814-777-5888) or daughter Michelle Snare (814-954-0089).

Thank you,

Amy Bowersox



The **Congregation** is deeply appreciative and blessed to have **Graham Sanders** as our **Choir Director**. Your beautiful selection of music throughout this Church season, fun and whimsy with the choir makes us more appreciative of what we have at **Trinity**; we are richly blessed. Thank you to the **Choir** who travel through all sorts of weather, juggle their own schedules in order to be at rehearsals. Thank you **Barb Roberts**, our **Organist** for serenading us with your selections of inspirational music, (even when we're chit chatting). It's only the first two measures you play that we remember the tune, so thank you!



The remaining Sundays for our choir to sing for Church will be May 18th, and June 1.
Rehearsals will be Sunday morning at 9:30AM.

Choir rehearsals will resume in September. We'd love to have more people join!

NEWCOMERS CLASS

Our next Newcomers/New Disciples Class is set begin, Saturday, May 3rd. Anyone interested in learning more about belonging to Trinity is invited and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Pastor Ron, 814-933-8514, or at tlcrevron@comcast.net



The central piece of our day together will be making visits with our legislators and their staff. We know that this can be intimidating. But by being rooted in our baptismal call to strive for justice and peace, and going as church together, we know that these visits will be fruitful, and maybe even fun!

Early Bird Rate – \$55 – Closes at 5 p.m. on April 11

Registration Rate – \$60 – Closes at 5 p.m. on May 6

The day takes place at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill and Pennsylvania State Capitol and includes:

Continental breakfast beginning at 8:15 a.m.

- * Learning sessions and policy updates on issues from hunger to housing and training for civic engagement
- * Exhibits to browse and connect with exciting things happening across the church in PA and nationally
- * Boxed lunch and celebration of advocates
- * Worship
- * Transportation to and from the Capitol
- * Legislative visits arranged by LAMPa Group photo in the beautiful Capitol Rotunda

Register at: <https://www.lutheranadvocacypa.org/> Further information contact Kayla Smith at Kayjosmith22@gmail.com

An Easter Letter From Our Pastor

Easter Sunday, 2025

Dear Beloved of God,

Once again, we hear the pronouncement, "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" In response we proclaim, "He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!" With that Easter is welcomed! The poem by Kelly Roper, "He Lives Again," captures the truth of Easter, the Day of Resurrection and what it means for us all.

Jesus rose on Easter day,
The stone by his tomb was rolled away.
He conquered death upon that day,
And He lives again to show us the way.

That first Easter was not a celebratory one, however. Jesus had died and cruel and miserable death, unfairly and unjustly executed in the most heinous manner. Yet Jesus never sought revenge or even defended his innocence. He bowed to the Father's will as God's unbelievable means of the salvation of the world.

Jesus lives and the signs of his presence and work in the world are all around us for those who have faith-formed eyes to see. Yes, there are those who pursue heinous ways to treat others as was done to Jesus, but that does not cancel the Good News or the hope that news brings. In "An Easter Prayer," Helen Steiner Rice, reminds us in a simple yet powerful way what this Good News means.

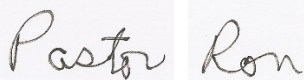
God, give us eyes to see
the beauty of the Spring,
And to behold Your majesty
in every living thing.

And may we see in lacy leaves
and every budding flower
The Hand that rules the universe
with gentleness and power.

So, this day, this Day of Resurrection, we look for the signs of the Risen Christ in our world. We celebrate Jesus' victory of sin and death, and we rejoice in what that means for all the world. We share in the blessings of Christ's resurrection and proclaim, "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" Then declare, "He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"

May the richest blessings of this Resurrection Day be your in abundance, as well as your loved ones, this day and always, until the risen Jesus returns in all his fullness in the kingdom that has no end!

Love, joy, and peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Ron". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Pastor Ron