# THE PIPER

# November 22, 2015

# Trinity Lutheran Church

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The flowers are given by Don and Linda Leslie to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for all of His blessings.

# Prayer List

### TLC DISCIPLES

Sally Adams, Doug Perkins, Barb Trout, Barb Huntley (skin cancer), Jerry Wion, Kris Glad (military), Ray Petersen (military)

#### TLC FRIENDS

Julie Buechner, Ray Peterson (illness), Karen Heeter, Dustin, Helen, Sylvia, Carl, Tarra, Jake Petersen (military), Colleen Wisniewski (cancer), Lauren and Kyle, Ed and Evelyn Connor Family (daughters Amy and Judy, cancer), Kurt Huntley and family, Cami and family, Dennis and family, Michael Hamilton and family



### CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

If you would like to be part of the pre-service music (vocal or instrumental) for our 8:00 Christmas Eve Service, please contact Jim Rearick or Barb Roberts by December 13.

<u>November 22</u> Daniel 7:9-10; 13-14 Psalm 93 Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37



<u>November 29</u> Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

## PARK FOREST PRESCHOOL CRAFT KITS

Every year, Trinity provides craft kits for the children participating in the Park Forest Preschool Program. This year there are 29 children in the program. If you would like to donate a craft kit for a child, please select a name tag from the Christmas tree in the Narthex. The kit should contain the following six items:



Blunt Scissors Construction Paper Crayons Glue Stick Scotch Tape Writing Tablet



Please wrap the kit items and attach the tag to the package. <u>The kits need to be returned by December 6</u>. Note: Ignore the size information on the tags. This information is used by other groups who donate clothing items. Thank you for making a child's Christmas a bit brighter.

# TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion 11:45 am Coffee Hour

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23 10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study 7:00 pm Monday Night Study

<u>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24</u> 6:00 pm Zumba

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Thanksgiving Breakfast 10:45 am Worship with Communion

# THANKSGIVING BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 29, 2015

9:30 am

Fellowship Hall

Fruit, Juice and Baked Items provided

**Casseroles** Needed

Sign-Up Sheet posted on the door to Fellowship Hall

Everyone welcome!

(Held in lieu of our Thanksgiving Dinner)

#### ADVENT SOUP AND SALAD SUPPERS Wednesdays in Advent

6:00 pm – Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm – "Holden Evening Prayer"

**Proposed Menus\*** 

December 2 Chicken Noodle Tomato Bisque Pasta Fagioli Salad and Bread

December 9 Vegetable Beef Soup Delicious Kale Soup Creamy White Chili Salad and Rolls

December 16 Sweet Italian Sausage and Tortellini Soup Vegetarian Minestrone Beef, Bean and Beer Chili Salad and Bread

Sign-Up Sheet posted on Fellowship Hall door

Donations of desserts are requested and welcomed.

\*Menus are subject to change as may become necessary. Sorry in advance for any inconvenience.



## Poinsettia Order

#### Forms

Order forms to purchase poinsettias to adorn our worship area on Christmas Eve will be available at this weekend's services. Both white and red poinsettias are availa-

ble. The cost for a small pot with one plant is \$8.00; the large pot with two plants is \$14.50. Order forms, with payment, must be returned to the church office by <u>Sunday, December 6</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Marla at 238-2024 or tlcmarla@comcast.net.

#### **TLC FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

July 1, 2015 – October 31, 2015

Income	\$23,309.53
Expenses	\$23,038.78
Difference	\$270.75

These amounts represent operating income and expenses and do not include any interest, dividends or investment value changes.



The annual holiday food drive started Sunday, November 15, 2015. The following items are needed:

- Soups
- Cereal or Oatmeal
- Spaghetti/Pasta Sauce
- Dry pasta (spaghetti, elbow, egg noodles, etc.)
- Rice/Rice sides
- Tomato Product (diced, stewed, paste, sauce, etc.)
- Canned meats (chicken, Spam, tuna, etc.)
- Canned Pasta
- Protein Beans
- Mac n' Cheese
- Mayonnaise
- Condiments (ketchup, mustard, barbecue sauce, etc.)
- Juice (100%)
- Salad Dressing (Ranch, Italian, etc.)
- Sugar
- Flour
- Oil
- Coffee
- Tea
- Hot Chocolate
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Laundry Detergent
- Soap (bars/liquid)

#### Additional items needed for the holidays:

- Stuffing
- Sweet Potatoes
- Turkey Gravy
- Green Beans
- Corn
- Pumpkin
- Pie Crust Mix
- Pie Filling
- Gift Cards to Giant/Weis to purchase Turkeys
- Gift Cards to Wal-Mart/Sam's Club to purchase fresh potatoes

FROM PASTOR'S DESK ...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

What a wonderful worship celebration last Sunday afternoon to kick off our year-long 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary festivities! The Holy Spirit was palpable!

Now, I realize the Planning Committee decided to reenact the very first worship service 50 years ago but clearly God was at work in their efforts! I was particularly struck by the appropriateness of the readings, especially the words of St. Paul to the Philippians:

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, thankful for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel thus about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Not only do I want to thank God for how well the day went, I thank all those who had a hand in planning it or helped to make it a reality! Thanks to the following:

Bishop Rhyne and his family for joining us and his sharing the Word through preaching

Karen and Jay Aubuchon for the special anniversary banner

Those who set up and served the reception (I know a few names but don't want to overlook anyone!) you all did a fantastic job

Brian Woodland for coordinating the reception; Sylvia Musheno and Casey Richards for the special cakes to honor the day

Woodring's Floral Garden for providing the flowers on the tables

Our music staff, Jim Rearick, Donna Weller and Barb Roberts along with all the choir members

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee: Dick and Dee Frisque, Lou and Susan Mayer, Duane and Marla Moberg,

Megan Orient (Chair) and Christina Pillot.

All the members and friends of Trinity who have supported this congregation and its ministry these many years!

Many, many reasons to echo Paul's words to thank our God for all of these remembrances!

What joy and privilege to serve as Pastor here at Trinity! What more can I say, but "Thanks be to God!"

Peace,

Paster Ron

Friends,

Last year, working together, we did a wonderful thing to care for our communities and our neighbors in need. Together we participated in the 25,000 Can Challenge to gather food and items for our local Food Banks. Working together as the Allegheny Synod – you surpassed our goal gathering over 36,000 cans and items of food to care for our neighbors.

This year I would like to see if we can go even further. Since we gathered 36,000 – let us see if we can gather 40,000 this year. I am writing to invite you the members and congregations of the Allegheny Synod to participate in this year's 40,000 Can Challenge.

We will kick off the Challenge on the first day of Advent – November 29 – and will conclude on Super Bowl Sunday – February 7.

To participate you can gather cans, boxes, bags, bowls, and any kind of food or items to feed our friends and neighbors. Take the food you gather to your local food bank or ministry – and let us know in the Synod office what your totals are.

It is that simple. Michelle Bossler, our office manager, will keep a running tally and we will update you through email and our Allegheny Synod Facebook page, how we are doing as we are working together.

Thank you for helping us work together to meet the needs of our communities.

May God bless and keep you.

In Christ +Bishop Michael Rhyne



# 35,000 members, 116 Congregations, 7 counties... We are the Allegheny Synod



# **Conflict Management**

Though we wish for good days, we know that sometimes congregations can face times of struggle and conflict. When those times come, the staff of the Office of the Bishop is able to respond to help people talk to each other, make plans to move forward, and work toward resolution.

Most often when there is a time of conflict in a congregation, the Bishop and his staff can help them through the conflict with a series of meetings and consultation. If the situation is more difficult, the Bishop may call in the Synod's Reconciliation Team. This is a group of lay people and rostered leaders who are trained to walk with congregations in times of conflict. These volunteers work to help congregations discover the root of the issue, help all involved hear the other side's concerns, and help the congregation and individuals work toward a solution.

### The Allegheny Synod

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### Handel's Messiah

by The Pennsylvania Centre Orchestra Orpheus Singers and Soloists

> Sunday, December 13 7:30 pm Schwab Auditorium Penn State Campus

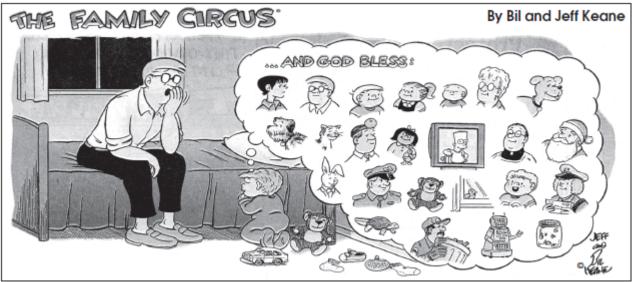
<u>Wednesday, December 16</u> 7:30 pm Faith United Methodist Church, Bellefonte

Advanced ticket purchase - \$20.00 At the door – \$25.00 Children 16 and under - \$5.00

#### The Smaller Beatitudes

- Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves: they will have no end of fun.
- Blessed are those who are sane enough not to take themselves seriously: they will be valued by those about them.
- Happy are you if you can appreciate a smile and forget a frown: you will walk on the sunny side of the street.
- Happy are you if you know how to hold your tongue and smile, even when people interrupt and contradict you or tread on your toes: the Gospel has begun to seep into your heart.
- Above all, blessed are you who recognize the Lord in all whom you meet: the light of truth shines in your life, for you have found true wisdom.

~ Joseph Folliet



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