THE PIPER

MARCH 8, 2020



Trinity Lutheran Church

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Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17





Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday night, March 7th

The Adult Sunday School class WILL meet on Sunday, March 15th at 9:30 am in the Faith Room

It is with Deep Sadness that we announce that

Rhonda Walker-Hall

passed away on Sunday, March 1st

Service details have not been worked out yet, but will be announced as soon as they are available.

Please keep Mike in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



<u>Lenten Soup & Salad</u> <u>Dinners</u>

Every Wednesday during Lent

Please sign up on the doors to Fellowship Hall.

Dinner is at 6:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm

Soups for Wednesday,
March 11th:

Vietnamese Beef & Noodle Soup
Seafood Stew
Creamy White Bean Soup
w/Smoked Ham Hocks

There is a Salad Bar and the "fixings" for Sandwiches.

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

8:15 am Worship with Communion

10:45 am Worship with Communion

11:45 am Social Time

MONDAY, MARCH 9

10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study

7:00 Bible Study

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

10:00 am Women's Exercise Group

5:45 pm Zumba - Cancelled

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

6:00 pm Soup & Salad Dinner

7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer

THURSDAY. MARCH 12

10:00 am Women's Exercise Group

5:45 pm Zumba - Cancelled

7:00 pm Small Group Book Discussion at

Delmonico's Home

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

8:15 am Worship with Communion 10:45 am Worship with Communion

11:45 am Social Time

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Carolyn Kresen, Carol Bernlohr , Dee Kiel, Donna Weller, Sylvia Musheno, Mike Hall <u>TLC FRIENDS</u>

Kathy Costello, Edwina Keim

SMALL GROUP SERIES

Often during Lent, disciples of Jesus look for ways to enhance their faith journey. To that end, in addition to Monday Night Bible Study and Wednesday Nights Soup Dinner with Holden Evening Prayer, a small group experience will be offered on Thursday nights. The materials are called, "If You Want to Walk on Water You Have to Get out of the Boat," by John Ortberg. This seven-week study is based on Peter asking Jesus, who was walking on the water, if he could join him.

The first session was on February 27, but if you missed that week, don't fret, plan to attend. The group will meet weekly through Lent. Gerry and Karen Delmonico have graciously offered to host this study in their home at 439 Timberton Circle, Bellefonte, PA 16823. For help with directions call them at 814-308-8761.

If you have questions or want to register for the class please contact Pastor Ron, <u>TLCRevRon@comcast.net</u>. There is no cost for materials.

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORMS

are on the stand in the back of the sanctuary

Flowers are \$10/pot
White Lilies, Tulips or Hyacinths
(various colors)
Orders are due no later than
Sunday, March 29th
Please include payment with
order form



SAVE THE DATE, The 19th Annual Brunch and Fashion Show, sponsored by the Centre County ALSM Auxiliary will be held at The Oaks in Pleasant Gap on Saturday, April 25th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Fashions will be by Helen Foxx and Co., Bellefonte.
Tickets are \$20.00 and may be purchased from Jean
Quinn or Karen Delmonico.
More info to follow.



This is a major fundraiser for the Oaks!! Thank you for your support!!

QUILTERS

Mark your calendars for Saturday,
March 14th
9:00 AM in the Faith Room

There are a lot of things that can be done, not all involve sewing.

If you have questions, please talk to: Barb Roberts

(barbroberts1960@gmail.com) or Jean Ross (gdnjr@comcast.net)

An informal, low impact exercise group for women

55 and over is meeting here at Trinity.

Tuesday and Thursday - 10:00 - 11:00 AM in Fellowship Hall

The classes are free, but they do collect anonymous donations for Trinity and the use of our facility.

The class is a 5 minute warm-up, strength training exercises, an informal nutrition discussion and a 5 minute cool down.

If you are unsure if this is the class for you, come try it.

They have free weights and exercise resistance bands to borrow, before you purchase your own.

Letter from the Bishop Transition Committee

February 20, 2020

God's peace and blessings my brothers and sisters in Christ!!

I am writing to give you an update on the Bishop Transition Committee. The committee members and I hope that you are well and prayerfully preparing for the Lenten Season. We have been busy going over all the surveys that have been sent back from congregations, councils and rostered leaders. We want to thank you all for the surveys we have received back so far, and we want to continue to encourage you to send in the remaining surveys you have as we are still accepting them. The more responses we have the better the analysis we can make with the information that you provide. Please send your completed surveys to the Synod office or to the chair of the Task Force at ccolledge750@gmail.com.

We will provide more information about the survey outcomes in the upcoming May/June edition of the Lutheran Letter. In the meantime, there are topics that we would like to make sure to give you further information on as we prepare for the Synod Assembly and the Bishop's Election:

As we prepare for the upcoming Bishop's Election, the committee would like to encourage you to be in prayer from now until the Synod Assembly. With the Lenten season fast approaching, we have worked with Bishop Michael to come up with some prayer petitions for each Sunday in Lent that we thought would be helpful and meaningful as we all prepare for the call of new Bishop. These Prayer Petitions are listed are attached. We ask rostered leaders to include these in their Prayers of the People each Sunday during Lent as well. Please distribute to your congregation members.

We wanted to make sure that congregations understand the Synod constitutional provisions with regards to the number of voting members that each congregation can send to Synod Assembly:

Constitutional provisions 5.01.f, †S7.21., †S6.04. & †S6.04.01. all help to define the rules & guidelines for selecting voting members...

A <u>minimum</u> of one lay member elected by each congregation with fewer than 175 baptized members

A <u>minimum</u> of two lay members elected by each congregation with 175 or more baptized members

The goal for Synod Assembly members is that...

10% of the Assembly be persons of color, or whose primary language is other than English

<u>10% of the Assembly be youth or young adults</u> (youth = less than 18, young adults = 18-30)

The Synod Council shall seek to ensure that

at least 45 percent of the lay members of the assembly are women

at least 45 percent of the lay members of the assembly are men.

At least 60% of the Assembly be laypersons

Continuing Resolution 5.01.C00. defines the term, "persons of color and/or persons whose primary language is other than English," shall be understood to mean African American, Black, Arab and Middle Eastern, Asian and Pacific Islander, Latino, American Indian, and Alaska Native people. This definition, however, shall not be understood as limiting this church's commitment to inclusive participation in its life and work.

What this means is that the number of voting members based on the size of your congregation is just the minimum you can select to come to Synod Assembly. If your congregation can send a youth or young adult voting member, this would be an additional voting member that you could bring from your congregation. We want to make sure that congregations understand the wording in the constitution is saying the minimum number, not the maximum number of voting members. If you have any questions with regards to your congregation's voting members, you are welcome to contact Synod Secretary, David Finney (synodsec814@gmail.com) for clarification. We hope this information helps you when selecting the number of voting members your congregation would like to send to Synod Assembly.

We want to encourage all voting members and rostered leaders to attend their conference's Spring Caucus Meetings. One member of the Transition Committee will be attending each of the meetings to share information about the Ecclesiastical ballot and to help answer any questions that voting members have with the regards to the election process. The meeting dates are as follows and all meetings are set for 7 PM. Meeting locations are still tentative, make sure to check back with the Allegheny Synod Connections and the Allegheny Synod Facebook page for more information about the locations as soon as they are set.

April 23 - Nittany Conference

April 28 – Bedford

April 29 – Laurel Highlands

May 5 – Johnstown

May 6 – Blair/Huntingdon

May 14 – Clearfield

I would like to personally thank my fellow committee members for their time and willingness to serve on this committee. The Committee members are Donna Lucas, Sally Williams, Gary McGovern, Jim Lakso, Synod Secretary David Finney, Synod Vice President Gary Gable, and our consultant Pastor Judy Simonson.

We look forward to seeing you at the Spring Caucus Meetings and will be praying with you during this time of anticipation and discerning for the call of our new Bishop at the Synod Assembly.

Sincerely yours,

Ms. Casey Colledge

Chairperson, Bishop Transition Committee



Emmanuel Lutheran Church invites you to the Installation celebration of our new Pastor,

Pastor Logan Wilmoth. The Installation service will be at 3:00 PM on Saturday, the 14th of March at Albright-Bethune Methodist Church, 206 S. Burrowes Street, State College, PA 16801.

A dinner reception will immediately follow the service at Hoss's Steak and Sea House, <u>1450 N. Atherton Street</u>, <u>State College, PA 16803</u>. Please visit <u>www.hosss.com</u> for menu and pricing information.

Please use the following link to RSVP for the dinner reception.

We look forward to celebrating

Pastor Wilmoth and the beginning of our ministry together!