



Trinity Lutheran Church

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**PRAYER LIST**

TLC Disciples

Dan Brooks, Lorene Stitzer, Neil Kimerer, Cory Bird, Zachary Smith

TLC Friends

Alexandra, Judy, Gregg, Ardee, Mike C., Tim, Jean, Ron.

For the SECOND SUNDAY  
IN ADVENT we light the:

**CANDLE OF PEACE**

to remind us that Christ is  
the Prince of Peace, the One  
promised from the begin-  
ning of the world.



**Readings**

Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19  
Romans 15:4-13  
Matthew 3:1-12

DEEPER WATERS  
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14TH

After church we will eat lunch at  
Wendy's then go to 2000 Degrees!  
Hope to see you!  
Pastor Ron

**TRINITY EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025**

10:00AM ZUMBA  
5:00 PM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION  
6:00PM E2 REHEARSAL-SANCTUARY

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

8:15AM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION  
10:00AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION &  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH

**11:30AM LUNCH FOR CAROLERS**

**1:30PM CAROLING AT HARMONY HOUSE**

3:00PM TROOP#375 CUBS MTG

6:00PM E2 REHEARSAL

6:00PM GIRL SCOUT SERVICE UNIT

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 8**

6:15PM TROOP #375 MEETING  
6:30 TODD BANEY SURVIVORS GROUP MTG

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9**

11:30AM NITTANY CONFERENCE

5:00PM BROWNIE TROOP MTG

5:45PM ZUMBA

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

6:00PM MID WEEK ADVENT DINNER

7:00PM HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

7:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11**

5:45PM ZUMBA

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13**

10:00AM ZUMBA

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

8:15AM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION  
10:00AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION &  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH  
11AM DEEPER WATERS LUNCH & ACTIVITY



**CHRISTMAS  
CONCERT**

Saturday, December 6th at 7 PM  
Worship Hall, Pasquerilla  
Spiritual Center

Free Entry  
Suggested Donation: \$5 or  
new toys

Benefitting: The Jared Box  
Project

# FROM PASTOR'S DESK

December 6/7, 2025

Advent 2

Dear Beloved of God,

As you know, we are into the Advent Season that leads to Christmas. As always, people are very busy this year not only attending to daily duties and responsibilities but also investing time in the special activities we all do to make the season special for ourselves and our loved ones. The same is true in the church. As we move through this season of "waiting and watching," we read the assigned passages that suggest God is also busy preparing us for Christmas.

This weekend, Advent 2, we read a familiar passage from Matthew. John the Baptizer begins his ministry of preparing for the coming of the Messiah. He proclaims good news in the wilderness that to our ears may not sound so good:

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." (Mt. 3:7-12)

Perhaps like you, there are people, both individuals and groups, to whom I might like to address in the same vain as John. "You snakes in the grass..." (I know, I know, we are to love our enemies, and this is the season for love, but...!) Let me explain.

There are people who use their IT talents, not to benefit others but to take advantage of them. Recently you may have received an email that looked like it was from me. Unfortunately, it was NOT! It was/is a scam. I think there were at least two versions. One was that I had an important issue or matter I wanted to discuss with you and would do so the next time we met. I think that was a prelude to their real objective, so if you replied to the first you would get a second email. That email requested you to buy gift cards, scratch off the area to reveal the code number, take pictures of the numbers and email them back. Unfortunately, once someone has those numbers they now have the money that was put on the gift card. To my knowledge, there is no way to retrieve the money or to track down the "snakes"! (I hope there is a special place you know where for people who do this kind of thing to others!)

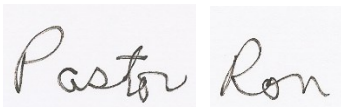
The only email addresses I use are [TLCRevRon@comcast.net](mailto:TLCRevRon@comcast.net) or [TLCRevRon@gmail.com](mailto:TLCRevRon@gmail.com). That noted, I would NEVER email or text you a request for money or gift cards. I would either call you or speak to you face to face. The only time I might discuss gift cards via email or text would be as a means of following up on something we have already agreed to doing. So, if you have doubts about any emails or text you think might be from me, please, please, call me.

I am profoundly sorry if you have been tricked by any emails that you think came from me, or from anyone else for that matter.

Yes, we are all busy preparing for Christmas and looking forward to celebrating the Birth of the Christ Child. Unfortunately, as John the Baptist reminds us, there are some who seem hellbent on ruining our plans for their own benefit! May God protect us from such scoundrels!

May you and your family have a wonderful Advent season! As we wait and watch, may God truly make us "as wise and serpents (snakes) and as innocent as doves." (Mt. 10:16)

Love, you and peace,



Pastor Ron

## WEATHER POLICY



Now that winter has seemingly arrived, just a reminder about cancelling church activities.

We rarely cancel activities due to the weather. If we do cancel;  
we will do our best to notify everyone via email or on Facebook or our website.

If you feel uncomfortable driving in certain conditions, **STAY HOME.**

We want everyone to be safe and there is no need to take unnecessary risks.

If you have doubts about whether an event has been canceled,

**call the church office or feel free to call Pastor Ron, 814-933-8514.**



## CHRISTMAS CAROLLING

### Sunday, December 7, 2025



11:00 AM – Luncheon in Fellowship Hall

12:00 PM – Travel to Harmony House (on Blue Course Dr.)

12:30 PM – Sing to the residents

1:15 PM – Depart

(Time are estimates)

Everyone is welcome to join US!



## ADVENT 2025

### WEDNESDAY SOUP & SALAD SUPPERS

#### Wednesdays

6:00 PM-Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM - "Holden Evening Prayer"



#### December 10, 2022

Ham and Bean Soup (DF/GF)

Chicken Tortellini Soup with Mushrooms  
and Spinach Loaded Baked Potato Soup  
(GF)

Cabbage Beef Soup (DF/GF)

#### December 17, 2022

Carolina Shrimp Soup (DF/GF)

Chicken Com Cowder (DF)

Beef Vegetable (DF/GF)

Caribbean Black Beans Soup (DF/GF)



The Happy Valley Business Association will be conducting their, **20th Annual Winter Clothing Drive** of new or gently used winter coats, winter boots, scarves, gloves and hats to help support the Burrowes Street Yourh Haven as part of the Centre County Youth Service Bureau (YSB) in State College (boys and girls between the ages of 12-18). Donations are being accepted through December 19th.

Note: Due to current restrictions, please only drop off items in clean or “like new” conditions. This would be much appreciated by the recipients!

Thank you,  
Trevor Stark, Treasurer

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Food items have been collected so far!

Thank you!

# TOYS FOR TOTS CAMPAIGN & ANNUAL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

## WILL YOU HELP US?

On **November 1st thru December 14th**, we will conducting our **TOYS FOR TOTS Annual Holiday Food and Toy Drive**. This event will help **Centre County Food Pantries** to distribute food and Christmas toys.

This year, with the current government shutdown, our pantries have been pressured with extra challenges causing families to need extra care and help.

Please consider donating **unexpired, non-perishable food items, baking products, baby food, personal hygiene products, and/or cleaning supplies** so we can distribute these within our Centre County Food Pantries.

Trinity has been a big supporter for both **Toys for Tots Campaign and the Holiday Food Drive**. Gene and Donna would appreciate your help and support through these challenging economic times for low-income families.

Any questions can be directed to **Gene (814-571-4332 ) or Donna Weller(814-571-2280)**



# Join the Tradition – The IHS Wishing Well Campaign

For over **50** years **Interfaith Human Services** has provided programs to help low-income Centre County residents become financially stable. At Trinity, we have been there to support these programs. Please sign up for a one-hour shift on:

**We are still looking for volunteers to serve**

**December 19th at Meyer Dairy**

[Trinity Lutheran: Ring the Bells at Meyer Dairy](#)



Once again, be a part of the tradition. Come out to Ring the Bells and put the **FUN back** in FUNdraising

For more information contact Sue Forster at 814-876-2029 or [fsue58521@gmail.com](mailto:fsue58521@gmail.com)



## December Birthdays

Peggy McCabe	6
Mary Lou Kiel	7
Sylvia Musheno	8
Anthony Garritano	10
Noah Lichtig	10
Alison Wolff	10
Neil Kimerer	13
Benjamin Stout	17
Timothy Wenrich	19
Ronald Porter	20
Abby Lichtig	21
Barbara Trout	21
Lisa Cowan	23
Beth Robbins	25
Elena Wenrich	25
Russ Relkin	25
Joan Piper	26
Meg Relkin	27
John Terrill	28
Kayla Smith	30



The Altar Flowers have been sponsored by

John and Peggy McCabe.

(And Happy Birthday Peggy!)

**Trinity Lutheran Church** contributed

\$175.00 for the **2025 State College Crop Walk**,

That's \$20.00 more from last year.

Monetary donations are still being accepted through  
the month of December.

If by checks please memo for **Crop Walk**

Or go online to:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/event/statecollegetpa>

As of now, **State College Crop Walk has raised**

**\$12,623.12.**

And remember, every dollar we raise helps those in need  
and 25% will be sent to the State College Food Bank.

**Again thank you!**



# CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## CHRISTMAS EVE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Quiet Hour Christmas Worship

12:00 pm

Family Christmas Eve Worship with  
Communion

5:00 pm

Candlelight Worship with Communion

7:00 pm

## CHRISTMAS DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

Celebration of the Nativity with Communion

10:00 am

