



Trinity Together

Trinity Lutheran Church

357 West Main Street
Kutztown, Pennsylvania 19530

March 2024

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Mission Statement:

“The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is to equip God’s people to do God’s work and bring good news to hungry people.”

Church Office Hours:

Tuesday through Friday 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Phone: 610-683-3450

Website: www.trinitykutztown.com

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 AM

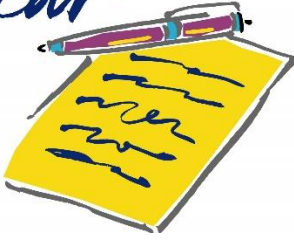
Adult Sunday School at 8:00 AM

Good News Club and Journey to Adulthood/Confirmation after worship

2024 Church Council Members

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| Jeff Collier | Property |
| Molly Dubbs | Worship Life |
| Randy Heffner | Endowment |
| Joseph Jedwab | Learning |
| Karise Mace | Stewardship |
| Jessica Miller | Treasurer, Finance |
| Ed Rakowiecki | Vice President, Personnel |
| Ann Towne | Secretary, Mission/Service |
| Alicia Wood | President, Fellowship |

From the Vicar



Hello Trinity Lutheran!

The season of Lent is upon us, and it can be an excellent time to focus and reflect upon our lives, repentance, and God's unending love for us. The Good News of our faith is that we don't have to be "good enough" to receive God's love, we don't have to have it all together, and we don't have to be perfect. All we must do is have faith that God has loved us, will continue to love us, and will never stop loving us. You can all know this with certainty because of your baptism. Through God's Word in the baptism, you were brought into new life with God and your sins were forgiven. And your baptism doesn't have a warranty! We continue to be forgiven when we come to God with a heart longing for forgiveness, but also with the knowledge that Christ loves us no matter what. God will forgive you always.

This season is a wonderful time to remember your baptism. Luther said that whenever you wash your hands, take a bath, get stuck in the rain that you are to remember your baptism. And that means to remember that you are loved, that you are forgiven, and that you have been set free from sin. The Good News of Jesus dying on the cross is that he set us free. And we didn't have to do anything to earn it! All our good deeds don't bring us closer to God because God is already as close as can be through Jesus' sacrifice and love for us on the cross.

So often we live in the shame of not being good enough. And we can start to believe that God doesn't love us. Yet Ephesians 2:8-9 tells us, "By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast..." God loves you on your bad days and your good days. We didn't have to do anything to earn that love, and yet the Creator of the universe loves us anyway. Now, that's truly good news.

Peace,

Vicar Seth Noggle



Schedule & Volunteers

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

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| March 3 | 9:30 AM | Carolyn Miller |
| March 10 | 9:30 AM | Joe Piscitelli |
| March 17 | 9:30 AM | Carolyn Miller |
| March 24 | 9:30 AM | Kris Tuerk |
| March 31 | 6:30 AM | OPEN |
| March 31 | 9:30 AM | Dan Raudenbush |

LAY READERS:

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| March 3 | 9:30 AM | Carolyn Miller |
| March 10 | 9:30 AM | Alice Kutz |
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ACOLYTES:

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| March 3 | 9:30 AM | Liam Miller |
| March 10 | 9:30 AM | Isaac Jedwab |
| March 17 | 9:30 AM | Liam Miller |
| March 24 | 9:30 AM | Elijah Miller |
| March 31 | 6:30 AM | TBD |
| March 31 | 9:30 AM | TBD |

USHERS/GREETERS:

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| March 3 | 9:30 AM | Molly & Dan Dubbs |
| March 10 | 9:30 AM | Alice Kutz & Melanie Wessner |
| March 17 | 9:30 AM | Linda Geiring & Donna Keglovits |
| March 24 | 9:30 AM | Susan Krause & Michele Zimmerman |
| March 31 | 6:30 AM | The DeVall Family |
| March 31 | 9:30 AM | Alicia Wood & Christopher Schomaker |

MONEY COUNTERS: Bob Hobaugh, Kurt Rohrbach, and Jean Ziegler

FLOWER CHAIRPERSON: Linda Geiring

ALTAR COMMITTEE: Lisa Fink & Alicia Wood

Committee Meeting Dates...

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| Lay Eucharist Ministry | Tuesday, March 5, at 1 p.m. |
| Worship Life | Tuesday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. |
| Fellowship Team | Wed., March 6, at 3:30 p.m. |
| Church Council | Tuesday, March 12, at 7 p.m. |
| Hymn Selection | Saturday, March 23, at 9 a.m. |

Christian Education...

Adult Sunday School

The Adult Sunday School Class welcomes you to join us in enjoying “Examining Our Faith”, a series of readings that invites us to remember God’s unfaltering presence and invites us to turn the challenges of life into opportunities for nurturing a vibrant faith. But what does it mean to nurture a vibrant faith? We find the answer in the book of Jude where he appeals to us to stand strong for the faith that was once entrusted to the saints. First Peter offers comfort amid struggle, and urges us to defend our faith with humility, gentleness, and reverence. Each lesson offers us the opportunity to examine our faith in God with examples we can relate to our daily lives in inspiring ways. We will follow Rev, Amy Linderman Allen, ELCA pastor, and author of *For Theirs is the Kingdom: Inclusion and Participation of Children in the Gospel according to Luke*. Rev. Allen will help us embrace our call to examine our faith. Please join us Sundays at 8:00 AM in the parlor for discussion, coffee, and fellowship.

Good News Club/Journey to Adulthood

The Good News Club for grades Pre-K thru 5th grade and Journey to Adulthood/Confirmation Class starting in 6th grade meet after Church from 10:45-11:45AM.



March 10th

Bible Study

Bible Study is on Thursdays at 10 AM. They are led by either Vicar Seth Noggle or Pr. Ritter and are based on the upcoming Sunday's scripture reading(s). You can join the Bible study group in-person or on Zoom. Here's the Zoom link to click:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84530518506> To dial in by phone, call 1 301-715-8592 and use Meeting ID number: 845 3051 8506. No other password is needed.

Upcoming Worship Opportunities...

Mid-Week Lenten Worship, Meal and Study Opportunities

The mid-week Lenten worship and meal opportunities continue in March. The theme this year is "What R U Up2". Each evening will begin with a simple soup and bread meal at 6 PM at the host church and will be followed by worship at 7 PM. The rest of the schedule for the series is as follows:

- **March 6**, Trinity Lutheran Church, *Theme: Raise Up*, (Pr. Adamson preaches)
- **March 13**, St. Paul UCC, *Theme: Light Up*, (Vicar Noggle preaches)
- **March 20**, Trinity Lutheran Church, *Theme: Lift Up*, (Pr. Ritter preaches)

In addition, Bible study opportunities are scheduled during Lent for Tuesday mornings at 10 AM. They will take place at St. Paul UCC in its community room off Sander Alley. The series is based on a book by Will Willimon entitled, "Thank God It's Thursday: Encountering Jesus at the Lord's Table as if for the Last Time". The remaining dates are March 5, 12, and 19.

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Sunday, March 24, 9:30 AM

Palm/Passion Sunday: The Cry of the Whole Congregation

Thursday, March 28, 6:30 PM

Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, March 29, 7:00 PM

Good Friday Worship Service

Sunday, March 31, 6:30 and 9:30 AM

Easter Worship Services with Holy Communion

Rejoicing Spirits Worship Service

The next Rejoicing Spirits worship service will be on Sunday, March 3rd, at 3:00 PM. This will be their Easter service. "Rejoicing Spirits" is held monthly on the first Sunday of the month and is a worship and fellowship gathering for intellectually and developmentally disabled individuals held at St. Paul UCC (47 S. Whiteoak St.). Anyone is invited to attend. If you know of someone who is intellectually and developmentally disabled, let them know about this special, no shushing worship and fellowship opportunity to freely express their joy and love of God. For more information, please contact: Charlene Fisher (charf1sh@verizon.net, 610-223-9822) or Erin Webb (emwebb05@aol.com, 610-894-9949).

From the Finance Committee...

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| Approved 2024 Budget -- | \$312,710 |
| Unrestricted income through Jan. | \$17,380 |
| Expenditures through Jan. | \$24,849 |
| Balance through Jan. | \$(7,469) |
| Average monthly offering | \$ 17,036 |

How You Can Help...

Fellowship Team

The Fellowship Team will be meeting on Wednesday, March 6 at 3:30 pm in the Library. We have a great group of ladies that plan events, but we are always looking for new members on the team! Life can be crazy so if you can't help out for every event but would like to be involved, please let us know. Or if there is something you love to do, whether it be cooking or baking, planning activities, setting up or cleaning up please let us know that too...we can make sure you can help out in that way. If you have any questions or are interested in helping out, please contact Lisa Finke (Lmfinke@msn.com or 610-349-2325). We hope you join us!

Attic Outlet

As you clean out your closets for the Spring, remember the Attic Outlet. We are looking for clean clothing. The sale is April 5 and 6 and April 12 and 13. Set-up dates are April 1st through 5th. Items can be brought to the church during office hours or call 610-683-7975.

Assisting Ministers and Lay Readers

Please note there is an additional opening on the schedule for assisting ministers and lay readers for the 6:30 a.m. Easter morning service as well as other openings going forward in 2024. Please consider volunteering to serve in these roles for worship services. Sign up at: <https://bit.ly/TrinityWorshipLeaderSchedule> or contact the church office. Thank you!



Student Food Pantry at KU

Thank you to everyone who has contributed time, groceries, and cash donations to this ministry. If you would like to contribute food items, here is a list of suggested items:

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| Peanut Butter | Juice |
| Miscellaneous Snacks | Crackers |
| Knorr Side Dish Packets | Cereal |
| Instant Potato Packets | Breakfast Bars |
| Toiletries | Mac 'n Cheese |
| Soup | Tuna |
| Canned Fruits & Veggies | Pasta |

There is a box outside of the Parlor for the items you are donating. If you have any questions about this program, please contact the church office.

Upcoming Events...

Rent-A-Hand

Need some help around the house? Yardwork? Putting away decorations? Painting? Trinity, St. John's, and Grace Lutheran Macungie Youth Groups are here to help! For \$50 you could have 2 helpers for a maximum of 3 hours of work. Each additional helper would be \$10. The proceeds go to the youth group trip to New Orleans this summer. Contact Alicia Wood (610-334-0733) to schedule.

Date Night Babysitting

On Friday, March 8, from 6-10 PM, the youth going to the Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer will be providing babysitting services so parents can have a night out! The babysitting will be provided at St. John's Lutheran in Kutztown. There will be food, a movie and fun for kids of all ages! Contact Alicia Wood to register at 610-334-0733 or drop in that evening. The cost is \$20 per child and proceeds will go to cover the costs of the trip this summer.

Dinner and a Show

On Saturday, March 23, from 6-9:00 pm come and enjoy Dinner and a Show to be held at Trinity. Dinner is by donation and proceeds will benefit the youth going to New Orleans this summer.

Ping Pong Club

A ping pong club for all ages is meeting downstairs on Friday afternoons at 4:30 p.m. Please talk to Isaac Jedwab if you are interested or have any questions.

Kutztown Kitchen

The next Kutztown Kitchen community meal will be on Sunday, March 24th, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. The Kutztown Rotary Club will be providing a meal of shepherd's pie. For questions or to request delivery, please call Ann Towne at 484-239-5314 or the church office.

Youth Group Schedule...

My E-mail is seth.noggle@gmail.com if you would like to E-mail me and ask to be on the youth group list. That's the best way to be updated on Youth Group activities.

Sunday, March 3rd: Trinity

Primary Youth Group (Grades 2nd-7th)
Time: 4:30-6:00 PM

Secondary Youth Group (8th-12th)
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

Sunday, March 10th: No Scheduled Youth Group

Thursday, March 14th: Trinity Dungeons and Dragons Night

Who: All Ages
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

Sunday, March 17th: Trinity

Primary Youth Group (Grades 2nd-7th)
Time: 4:30-6:00 PM

Secondary Youth Group (8th-12th)
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

Sunday, March 24th: Trinity (Kutztown Kitchen)

KUTZTOWN KITCHEN (FREE MEAL IN TRINITY'S BASEMENT)
TIME: 4:30-6:00PM

Primary youth group will all eat at Kutztown Kitchen at the beginning of youth group. High School students are welcome to come to Kutztown Kitchen ahead of their youth group and eat.

Primary Youth Group (Grades 2nd -7th)
Time: 4:30-6:00 PM

Secondary Youth Group (8th-12th)
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

Tuesday, March 26th: Trinity Dungeons and Dragons Night

Who: All Ages
Time: 6:00-8:30 PM

Sunday, March 31st: No Scheduled Youth Group HAPPY EASTER!

Interested in Joining Trinity...

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of Trinity, please contact Vicar Seth Noggle or Pr. Dennis Ritter. No date has been set for the reception of new members until an individual(s) indicate a desire to join our congregation.

If you know of someone who is looking for a church home that is Gospel centered, ministry oriented and friendly, invite them to join you on a Sunday morning for worship!

Valentine Shut-In Care Packages...



Cupid and the Trinity Mission Committee wish to thank our members for their Valentine Bag donations. These donations helped make this project a breeze. 34 bags were delivered. It was such a pleasure to visit with these members. Being remembered by their church community means so much to these folks and the bags are appreciated. It was heartwarming to see the smiles on their faces. If we brought just One smile to someone, the project was worth it. Thanks again.

Bags were delivered to:

- Ruth Miller – The Lutheran Home at Topton
- Pauline Graff – Saucony Cross Apartments
- Nancy Klock – Keystone Villa
- Kathy Wise – Home
- Russell Smith – Home
- Ruth Evans – Home
- Paul Lilienthal – The Highlands
- Alice Rahn – Home
- Gayle Von Bergen – Home
- Faye Dundore – Home
- Shirley Wisser – Home
- Doris Sell – Home
- Judy Furst – Saucony Meadows
- Ruth Fegley – Maidencreek Place
- Warren Koch – Heritage at Green Hills
- Karl and Lucille Bubbenmoyer – Home
- Spencer Siefert – Home
- Charles and Bettis Kelchner – Home
- Nancy Konemann – Home
- Sherwood Hugo – Willow Brook
- Jean Hugo – Home

- Luther and Darlene Moyer – Home
- LeRoy and Alice Kutz – Home
- Deb Kenney – Home
- Arlan Seaman – Home
- Joe and Diane Piscitelli – Home
- Ruby Stump – Home
- Jean Wagner – Home
- Joanne Ross - Home

Sincerely,
Rita Robertson
Trinity's Mission Committee

Upcoming New Hymns...

There will be some new hymns sung in the next couple of months, and Music Director Bruce shared these links to the new hymns for those who would like to become familiar with what we will be singing.

[Turning Over Tables](#)

[Hosanna](#)

[Death In His Grave](#)

[He's Risen, Hallelujah](#)

Flag Retirement Box...

Trinity is a designated collection point for ready to be retired flags, sponsored by the Scouts of Kutztown. If you have a flag to be retired, please place it in the labeled wooden box across from the office.

Thank You Notes...

To Trinity and Mission Committee: Rita Robertson,
Thank you so much for my wonderful Valentine's Day goodies. It really means so much to me that people care.
Thanks again.

In God's Peace,
Alice Rahn

Dear Rita and Trinity Mission Committee,
We thank you all so very much for thinking of LeRoy and I and bringing us Valentine's Day gifts while my hubby recuperates from his recent knee surgery.

Rita, thank you also for delivering our Valentine bags. It was so nice to see you! It is so very nice of everyone who participated in putting this together for those of our congregation needing a little TLC while recuperating from surgery or illness. My husband is working hard with physical therapy and is doing well with it, but it is painful! Hopefully he'll be able to use his cane and get around better in a few more weeks.

Thank you all again for your thoughtfulness!
Alice and LeRoy Kutz

Dear Rita,
Thank you for sharing God's love through Trinity's Valentine's Day gift project. What a lovely way to give respite to those who are ill or shut in. Sweet treats and a visit are certain to lift spirits during long winter days.

A heartfelt thanks to you, Rita, and my Trinity family.

Gratefully,
Deb Kenney

Rita,
Diane and I would like to thank you and the mission committee for the two bags of goodies for Valentine's Day. It gives us an opportunity to share them with the students that we meet and with the rest of the family...thank you very much.
Di and Joe (Piscitelli)

I would like to sincerely THANK Rita Robertson and her wonderful team of helpers. It is one thing to accept your stage/situation in life as a "Shut In," but it's magnificently

overwhelming to be showered with kindness by these generous and giving people.

Thank you so kindly for remembering me with a Valentine Goodie Bag. Although largely a commercial holiday, it is very warming to one's heart to be part of this day of Love. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matt. 25:40)

Sincerely,
Gayle Von Bergen

Dear Friends of Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service),
Thank you for your generous contribution of \$500 to Global Refuge. Your gift sparks innovation and fresh perspectives, enabling us to magnify our impact. With more than 100 million people around the world displaced from their homes, we have seen tremendous growth in the need for our essential and innovative services, and I cannot thank you enough.

With gratitude,
Andrew G. Steele
Chief Development and Mobilization Officer

Thank you so much for giving to the ministry of Cornerstone in 2023. Your giving has helped us to continue the ministry of Oasis Youth Center, which has seen a huge uptick in youth attending this fall. A year ago, if we had 30 students at Oasis, that felt like a lot. This fall, it was normal to have 40+ students in attendance! Oasis is meeting a real need in our community and giving us regular opportunities to befriend and mentor students. Thank you again for your generosity!

Sincerely,
Nate Herrlin

Dear Pastor Ritter and members of Trinity,
Over the past 150 years, Seafarers International House (SIH) served over 2 million seafarers and immigrants. Your generosity allows us to continue this mission of welcoming the stranger. On their behalf we thank you for your generous gift of \$181.85 for General Support.

As an organization, we adjust our services to the ever-changing needs of immigrants and seafarers by having representation of both groups on our board: Former asylees and mariners, who are contributing their talent and resources to help us respond effectively to the plight of displaced people.

Thank you for sharing in our mission of caring for the stranger amongst us.

Henry Behnke
Director of Development & Communications

Dear Partners in Ministry,
Thank you for your gift of \$100 to Reconciling Works! We are so grateful for your engagement and support. Your contribution makes it possible for us to continue expanding the authentic welcome, acceptance and full participation of all God's beloved children in the Lutheran Church.

Joy Strunk, Administrative Assistant

Dear Friends,
Thank you for participating in our 2023 Christmas gift-giving program for the children in our care. Your gift of 20 gifts most certainly brightened the children's Christmas morning. It is gratifying when members of the community recognize the needs of these children and help us in our mission to support them as they grow into healthy, responsible community members.

Sincerely,
Kelly Crum, Region Director

Thrivent Choice Dollars Make a Difference!

If you have certain products with Thrivent Financial you may have *Choice Dollars* that you can designate to a charity of your choice, like Trinity. To find out, you can call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 or talk to your Thrivent agent. In 2022 Trinity's members designated over \$3,500 of their *Choice Dollars* to our congregation.

Please consider designating your *Choice Dollars* to Trinity this year! Deadline to designate is March 31st!

Winter Weather at Trinity...

It is highly unlikely that Trinity will ever need to cancel meetings or worship due to the technology at our disposal. If the need should arise to cancel in-person meetings or worship due to the condition of the roads, etc. it is our intent to announce the cancellation on

- Channel 69 news & WFMZ website
- Email blast and All-Call
- Calling Trinity's Office (610-683-3450) for messages regarding changes in schedule

That will be the signal for you to use the zoom log on that is sent out each week for worship or the one that is used for meetings or other activities.

Community Events...

Free Senior Luncheon

St. Barnabas Center at 234 East Main Street, Kutztown is hosting a free senior luncheon on **March 1st** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This month: "Luck o' the Irish."



Better With Age

The Kutztown Community Library hosts Better With Age the third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. at the library, located at 70 Bieber Alley, Kutztown. This month: Explaining Dementia with Dr. Becker. Please call 610-683-5820 for more information.

Theology With a Twist

The next Theology With a Twist will be on **March 5th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Kutztown Tavern. The topic will be "Faith and the Upcoming Elections." The nation's increasingly combative political polarization is partly fueled by the tension between "red state" and "blue state" forms of Christianity. Join Dr. Lee Barrett as we explore the visceral spiritual hungers and fears that motivate each of these factions and consider possible ways to promote a less belligerent conversation. Dr. Barrett is the Chair in Theology and Professor of Systematic Theology at Lancaster Theological Seminary.

Kutztown Folk Music Society

The next concert in the 2023-2024 Kutztown Folk Music Society series will be on Friday, **March 8th**, featuring the Kutztown Pipe Band. Concerts are held at St. Paul's UCC, Kutztown, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. There is a \$9 donation for the concert; \$7 for seniors, military and students; free for children 12 and under. Please see the full schedule of concerts posted on the church bulletin board.

Young at Heart

Young at Heart Seniors meets every third Wednesday of the month at St. Paul's UCC, 47 South Whiteoak Street, Kutztown at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. **March 20th** features Kevin McCloskey, award-winning children's author and illustrator. Please RSVP to the church office at 610-683-3393.

"The 28 Large" Reunion Concert

A 50-year reunion concert of "The 28 Large," the Kutztown High School Pop Group under the direction of Lucinda B. Knauer, will take place on Sunday, **April 14th**, at 2 p.m. at St. John's UCC, 257 W. Walnut Street, Kutztown. A free will offering will be taken for the Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Memorial Fund at Moravian College.

Talisman Players Production

The Talisman Players will be presenting "The Importance of Being Earnest, A Trivial Comedy for Serious People," by Oscar Wilde at The Barnabas Center, 234 E. Main Street, Kutztown, on March 21 at 7 p.m., March 22 at 7 p.m., March 23 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and March 24 at 2 p.m. All tickets are \$20. For details, go to: TalismanPlayers.com.

Friend, Inc. Benefit Auction

Come join Friend, Inc. Community Services on Saturday, **April 27, 2024** for our 34th annual Benefit Auction at Beltzner Hall, in the Kutztown Fairgrounds, at 5:00 PM. All proceeds directly support Friend's food pantry and social support programs. Tickets include catered dinner, drinks, and a chance to bid on our famous desserts! If you can't make it in person, you can bid online! To purchase a ticket or bid online visit: www.friendinc.org/benefit-auction. For any questions, please contact Sara Snyder at sarasnyder10@gmail.com or 484-866-0393.

Bear Creek Camp...

Registration for youth and family summer camps at Bear Creek is now open. New this summer is rafting day trips, new lake pavilion, and expanded ropes course. Register online at:

<https://bearcreekcamp.campbrainregistration.com/>

Register before March 31st for an exclusive Early Bird T-shirt with this summer's logo.

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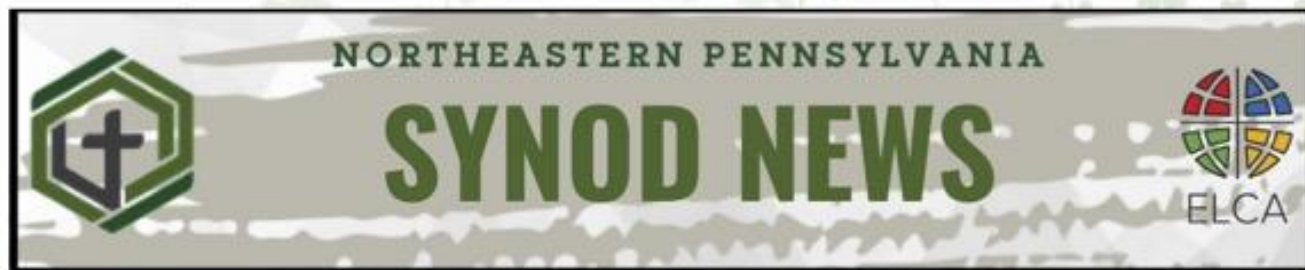


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Birthdays

2024

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | | 1 Dennis Angelisanti | 2 Michele Zimmerman |
| 3 | 4 Nancy Konemann Patrick Miller | 5 Louise DeVall | 6 Kyle Garland | 7 | 8 Hannah Solivan Jack Solivan Colleen Lichtenwalner Samantha Hottenstein | 9 Rebecca Stump |
| 10 Scott Sanders Sarah Woodland | 11 Rhea Ziegler | 12 Emily Fuessle | 13 Donald Ziegler | 14 Steve Finke Tom Kulp | 15 Sydney Sanders Jill Raziano | 16 Brandon Keglovits |
| 17 | 18 Jennifer Rohrbach James Schlegel Brody Graff | 19 Katrina Billig Steven Bond Edward Keglovits III | 20 Andrew Kelchner Jacob Kelchner Alexander Kern Jean Wagner | 21 Logan Lichtenwalner Savannah Keglovits | 22 | 23 Robert Gottlund |
| 24 | 25 Faye Dundore Sarah Bubbenmoyer | 26 | 27 Debbie Ziegler | 28 | 29 Ruth Evans Michael Reffie IV | 30 Susan Ritter |
| 31 Sandi Fisher Greg Esser Alexa Scheidt | | | | | | |



Cultivating Generosity

Throughout the fall our congregations are often focused on stewardship and gratitude for the generosity of members. Folks provide stewardship talks, members complete commitment cards, and sermons are proclaimed to encourage generosity of time, talent and finances. But did you know that our ELCA Congregation and Synod Support Team offers training and recommendations on cultivating generosity?

This past fall, in partnership with the Lake Institute on Faith and Giving, stewardship leaders from eight congregations, representing four ELCA synods, came together for a training series called "Cultivating Generous Congregations" (CGC). Over seven weeks leaders from these eight congregations gathered online as a cohort with the Lake Institute's trained faculty and each other. Cultivating Generous Congregations maps the new landscape of religious giving and provides congregational teams with tools to build a culture of generosity unique to each congregation's needs, challenges, and opportunities. CGC explores theology, the role of adaptive leadership, fiscal transparency, and the importance of giver care, with action steps to impact the exploration of generosity and energize congregational generosity to take the significant and necessary steps to creating lasting cultural change.

Following the final session, the eight congregations received a year of access to the Lake Institute's numerous stewardship resources, as well as optional coaching to assist in the implementation of these practices. Mission Support funds the opportunity for congregations and leaders to learn from stewardship experts and one another and to grow together so that their local mission, and how God is growing generosity, can be told in more effective ways in today's culture.





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Northeastern Pennsylvania SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2024

“HUNGRY FOR LIFE TOGETHER IN CHRIST”

Saturday, June 8, 8:30am-4:30pm

TWO ATTENDANCE OPTIONS FOR VOTING MEMBERS:

In-person and online (Zoom)

Registration: \$130 (same for both attendance options)

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 16

Watch for email that day, with detailed info and registration link

Info also posted that day on our synod website: www.godslove.org

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