



TRINITY REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

450 West Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554

Pastor - Reverend Patty Dodds

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Worship - 10:30 AM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Our executive committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. All members are invited to attend.

The executive committee consists of:

Christine Macready -- President

Sharon Smaling -- Vice-President

Kathy Jones -- Treasurer

Tom Robinson -- Secretary

Members-at-large -- Esther Markey and Pastor Patty

**SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR APRIL
AND 1ST WEEK OF MAY**

LAY READERS

April 3 --- Kathy Jones
April 10 -- Christine Macready
April 17 -- Gail Crissey
April 24 -- Mary Ann Price
May 1 --- Kathy Brown

GREETER

April -- Esther Markey and Dee Koller -- all month
May -- Eileen Himpsl -- all month

WORSHIP COORDINATOR

April 10 -- Katie Crockett

FLOWERS

April 3 -- Mary Ann Price -- Glory to God
April 10 -- Himpsl Family -- Honor of 50th Anniversary/family birthdays
April 17 -- Easter Flowers
April 24 -- Mary Lenox – sister, Sue's birthday

CAFE

April 3 -- Kathy Jones and Sharon Knerr

Where there are no dates listed above, they are open for volunteers. Please consider helping with our worship. Ushers, Lay Readers, Sound/Video, Cafe, etc. Volunteers are needed. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.

Help wanted -- sound/video, Power Point for church services
See article at bottom of Called to Care page.

Friends,

In December when we started the Gospel of John we read “And the word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a Father’s only son, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14 Through these months we have listened to the stories of Jesus showing God’s truth and grace in words and actions. In a few weeks, we will celebrate the fullness of God’s glory in Jesus as he is resurrected on Easter.

I pray that you are filled with joy as we experience again this wonderful miracle by which we are reconciled to God.

Pastor Patty

A reminder about my schedule:

My ministry as chaplain of The Lebanon Valley Home takes place on Monday and Wednesday from 9 AM – 5 PM I am not available during those hours. Please leave a phone message, text or email and I will respond as soon as I am able.

I am usually in my study at church on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 AM – 4 PM. Feel free to call or drop by. But if you want to meet, it’s a good idea to contact me and schedule something during those 2 days or at another time. We will begin to post the weekly schedule, including office hours in the weekly bulletin.

Pastoral Relations Committee

Bridgette Hancock, Fred Hooper, Tierney Elslager, and Pastor Patty Dodds met on March 22, 2022 at our church for the first meeting of the Pastoral Relations Committee. We met by Zoom with Reverend Nora Foust from the Penn Central Conference who answered questions and gave suggestions about best practices for our group.

The goal of this committee is to foster faithful, shared ministry between the pastor and the congregation. It is part of the pastors' call agreement with the church.

The committee provides confidential support for the pastor and is separate from the executive process. We will advocate and provide personal counsel to the pastor.

The committee also serves as a conduit for congregational concerns. We will assist and encourage congregants to discuss concerns with the pastor. We will not convey anonymous complaints.

If you have a concern, an idea, or a dream about the church please contact one of us. We will be happy to discuss it with the committee.

The committee will meet at least quarterly, but can meet quickly if the need arises.

We are all honored to do this mission.

Bridgette Hancock – bhancock1@comcast.net

Fred Hooper - fredbaby@aol.com

Tierney Elslager - fte1981@gmail.com

Rev. Patty Dodds - pastor@mountvilletrinityucc.or

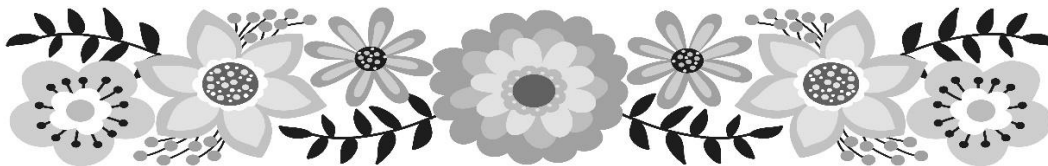
BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study on the Gospel of John concludes this month. The dates and weekly reading schedule is :

Thursday, March 31 ----- John 16: 25-31, 17: 1-26
Monday, April 4 ----- John 18: 1-40, 19:1-30
Monday, April 11 (Holy Week) -- John 19: 31-42, 20:1-18
Monday, April 18 ----- NO Bible Study
Thursday, April 28 ----- John 20: 19-31, 21: 1-25

BOOK STUDY -- nothing available right now

LIBRARY -- Don't forget to check out our library downstairs in the social room. I noticed there are some new additions since last month.



FLOWER CHART

If you would like to have flowers placed on the altar for a church service, there is a sign up sheet in the hallway upstairs, next to the office. Please include who the flowers are for and from. You may include in memory of, in honor of, or to the Glory of God, or if a special occasion, etc.

The cost of flowers are \$15 for a centerpiece and \$30 for two vases. Mark which you want.

Tom Robinson will get in touch with you to see what colors and what type of flowers you would like or you can see him.

CARRY YOUR CROSS

Shall we carry the cross
Of our Savior on high
And continue His works
From deep down inside.
We have sisters and brothers
Less fortunate than us
Let us give them a hand
So in God they will trust.
The Lord's work to be done
Through you and me
Is caring for others
As well as can be.
Some have grown old
Others are still small
This makes no difference
For God loves them all.
These brothers and sisters
Are in our church homes
And we as one church
Do not stand alone.
We are sharing their needs
With others we know
And our share is important
If we are to grow.
The Lord shared with us
And gave up His son
Can we not carry the cross
So His work can be done.

Romans: 13:9 Love your fellow man as yourself.

Written by Helen Gainer in 1975



Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

April 5 --- Mark Crockett
April 6 --- Bill Sklaroski
April 13 -- Lorraine Clevinger
April 16 -- Kathy Brown
April 16 -- Sharon Smaling
April 20 -- Fred Hooper
April 23 -- Esther Markey
April 24 -- Isobel Kennedy
April 24 -- Andy Perez
April 29 -- Chris Himpsl
April 29 -- Sue Stoutzenberger

ANNIVERSARIES

April 8 -- George and Eileen Himpsl - 50 years
April 29 -- Mike and Lori Leaman

*** Please see that we get your birthday and anniversary dates.
We are trying to update our records. Thank you.

THANK YOU

I want to thank you for the cards and prayers received upon the death of my husband Glenn.

Mary Ibaugh

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Diane Fiebert - new email
dianefiebert@gmail.com
717-925-6470

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY

Please remember our homebound members. Send them a card to let them know you are thinking of them.

Harold "Pete" Dietrich -- Mennonite Home

Rachael Bates -- Quarryville Presbyterian Home

Kathleen "Cass" Campbell -- Oak Leaf Manor South

Bonnie Crone -- Manor Care

Don and Pat Braungard -- at home

Ann Groff -- at home

Sue Stoutzenberger and Family -- at home

Prayer chain -- offers prayers for those in need. Please contact either Pastor Patty or Mary Ann Price if you know someone who is in need.

OUR DAILY BREAD Booklets are available on the table in the narthex. Feel free to pick one up for yourself or a friend.

*****HELP WANTED:*****

Are you willing or interested in helping with the Power Point, sound and video for church services?

Please plan to stay after worship on Sunday, April 10 for training. If you are not sure, please stay and you can decide if it's a position for you.

GUILD NEWS

Guild meets the first Tuesday of every month at 3 PM. All members of Trinity are part of the Guild. Come join us!

We are always looking for guest speakers or to learn a craft. If you have a special hobby or maybe pictures of a trip you were on and would like to share it please let us know. We welcome suggestions.

Our March meeting we learned about composting from Kathy Jones, Fred Hooper and Tom Robinson. I know I personally learned a lot of good information. Everyone received a container with seeds to plant at home. They also talked about native plants vs. invasive plants. Also mentioned was upcoming plant sales. Article following.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 5 at 3 PM. Our guest speaker will be Winifred Foster Wolf. Her mother, Teresa Stauffer Foster, was an Army nurse stationed at the Tripler Army Hospital on Oahu, Hawaii at the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. She will be sharing some stories of the nurses who served at that time. Come and join us and learn more about Pearl Harbor and how the nurses diligently worked at this time.

*******SOUP FOR SALE!*******

Don't forget we have delicious homemade soup for sale.
The cost is \$7.00 a quart and \$5.00 a pint.
Available now is vegetable beef and chicken corn.

TRINITY'S FAMILY BANQUET
IN HONOR OF MOTHER'S DAY!

On Saturday, May 7 at 1 PM we will be having a family banquet in honor of Mother's Day, which is the next day. It will be catered by Katie Stoltzfus and consist of chicken, potatoes, green beans, salad and rolls. The cost is \$12 for the meal and \$1 tip. Total \$13.

The entertainment will be Pat Andersen. She is a comic and Amish impersonator and will be doing a half hour skit as Sophie Glutz.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. We need to have a count. Deadline for signing up is May 1st. Come join us for an afternoon of delicious food and entertainment!

RUMMAGE SALE

Our rummage sale in March was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Next rummage sale is May 20th from 8 AM to 2 PM and May 21 from 8 AM to 12 noon. Set up will be the 18th.

If you have any questions or I can be of help, please call me at (717) 618-2261.

Thanks again,
George

CHICKEN BARBEQUE

On Saturday, May 21 we will be having a chicken barbeque from 10 AM till sold out. The price is \$10. This includes a half chicken, baked potato, butter and a drink.

Come early, sells fast!

MUSIC

Starting April 6 our choir is back! Choir practice meets every Wednesday at 7:30 PM.

The Bell Choir meets every Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

If you would like to join either or both, see Dan.

CHURCH PROPERTY/FACILITIES

If you see something that needs done, please let us know. George and I work together on the maintenance of the building both inside and out. Questions or concerns regarding maintenance should be directed to either George Himpsl or Sharon Knerr.

FOOD BANK MINISTRY

We received a valentine thank you from the Columbia Food Bank. Their mission: to promote health, nutrition, human dignity and potential. Their vision: No one should know hunger!

Their valentine reads: Roses are Red

Violets are Blue

For your donation this month

God Bless You!

You are in our hearts, thoughts and prayers, always.

Signed by Danielle J. Peters - Director with a personal note saying "Your kindness warms our hearts!"

Donated food items can be brought to the church at any time. Cash donations are also accepted. Any questions contact Tom Robinson

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHICH MEET HERE AT TRINITY WITH INFORMATION AND UPCOMING EVENTS

AA -- meets Mondays at 8 PM in the Fellowship Hall
meets Tuesdays at 8 PM in the narthex

FRONTIER GIRLS

Meets the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wednesdays of each month
in the Fellowship Hall from 6 to 7:30 PM.

For more information contact: hgraybill832@gmail.com

KPETS

meets the 4th Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship
Hall to run group evaluations.

Learn more about KPETS at: www.KPETS.org

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL - MOUNTVILLE

meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the
Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM.

for more information contact: www.mountvillelionsclub.org
or go their facebook page [@mountvillelionsclub.org](https://www.facebook.com/mountvillelionsclub.org) and like them.

Upcoming events:

Saturday, April 16 -- Easter egg hunt - 1 PM at the Park across
from the elementary school at the large pavillion (Lemon
Street). This is for pre-school through 3rd grade.

Monday, May 2 -- American Red Cross Blood Drive from
1 to 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity.

Wed. May, 18 to Sat. May 21 -- Mountville Carnival Days
at Froelich Park. (next to Trinity).

Come visit our stand and try your hand at roller ball.

ELECTIONS

Tuesday, May 17 from 7AM to 8PM Primary voting will take place in the Fellowship Hall. This is a polling place for the Chestnut Hill area of West Hempfield Township.

ROCK, FOSSIL, AND MINERAL CLUB

meets the last Thursday of each month from 7 to 9 PM in the Fellowship Hall, except in November and December - then they meet the 3rd Thursday.

for more information contact: Chris Haefner at 717-606-4450

Upcoming events:

Thursday, March 31st - presentation on Pine Creek Quarry in Central PA by Bill Stephens

Thursday, April 28th at 7 PM -- Earthquakes by Jeri Jones of York, PA. This is open to the public.

Thursday, May 26th at 7 PM - presentation on Geology hot spots, places people can go by Bill Osburn.

ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB

meets the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6-9 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to come.

*****NOTE: Due to the Easter Holidays (Maundy Thursday) the arts and crafts club will be meeting on April 7th *****

MOUNTVILLE MUSEUM

The Mountville Museum is located in the Mountville Community Center. It is open the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 1 to 4 PM. There is no entrance fee, but a small donation is greatly appreciated.

To reach the museum you must enter through the 1901 part of the building at the Susquehanna Dance Studio. Unfortunately it is not handicapped accessible.

It opened in 2013. It houses artifacts and items that have been donated or are on loan as well as a vast amount of photographs on the history of Mountville. Displays are changed yearly.

This year from March through December you can see a collection of Mountville artifacts donated by Bob Zink. He had been collecting them for 40 years. He also has a collection of Indian artifacts which were found locally on loan to the museum.

Stop by and check it out! Closed Palm Sunday, April 10.

MASTER GARDEN PLANT SALE - MAY 7

Lancaster will be held on Saturday, May 7 from 8AM to 12 noon. at the Farm and Home Center, Arcadia Road, Lancaster. Just off the Manheim Pike.

They have an online presale from March through April 20 featuring garden kits for butterflies, sun, shade, and pollinators. For more information and to order go to the following link:
<https://extension.psu.edu/master-gardener-plant-presale>.

In-person sale includes varieties of native plants, plants for sun, shade, perennials, and annuals. Also tomato and pepper plants and herbs.

Educational booths on composting, native plants, terrariums, lawn care, bees, a garden hotline and a demonstration of DIY starter pots. Soil test kits are also for purchase.

Come early for best selection. Cash and checks are preferred,

but credit cards are accepted. The sale supports many programs offered to the community through the Penn State Master Gardeners.

FILM - YOUTH VS. GOV.

On Friday, April 29 at 7 PM we will have the opportunity to see the film "YOUTH VS. GOV." This is a powerful film that follows 21 young Americans suing the world's most powerful government to protect their constitutional rights to a stable climate.

We will watch the movie in our sanctuary and follow up with conversation and refreshments in the narthex. Come join us and bring along a friend or two.

NEWSLETTER INFO AND DEADLINE

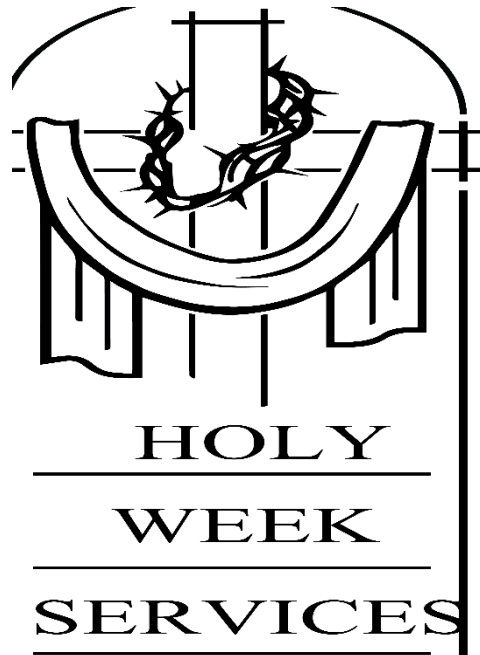
*** **DEADLINE** for the next newsletter is **April 20th**.***

The next newsletter will be a two month edition - **May and June**.
Please see that if you have any news items, fundraisers or events for these months that I get them. My mailbox is located in the hallway upstairs.

If you have something special, such as a poem, recipe, etc. that you would like to have included, let me know.

Thank you to those who gave me feedback. I appreciated it.
You can also contact me by e-mail: elgh32@hotmail.com.

Eileen



Sunday, April 10 -- Palm -- Passion Sunday

We will celebrate the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and the events of the week leading to his death.

Monday, April 11 -- 7PM - Evening Prayer on Zoom followed by Bible study at 7:30

Tuesday, April 12 -- 7PM - Evening Prayer on Zoom

Wednesday, April 13 - 7:30 - Evening Prayer on Zoom

Maundy Thursday, April 14 - 6PM - meal and worship in the Fellowship hall

Good Friday, April 15 - 7PM - Worship

Saturday, Friday, April 16 - 7PM - Evening Prayer

Sunday, April 17 -- 10:30 AM - Easter Worship with communion

Zoom link for Evening Prayer in Holy Week:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84213492724?>

[pwd=aHBNZjJaUFlxdFoYnQzTFILVDBEQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84213492724?pwd=aHBNZjJaUFlxdFoYnQzTFILVDBEQT09)

By phone: 1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 842 1349 2724

Passcode: 259966

Calendar of Events for April/May

- Thursday, March 31 - 7PM - Rock & Mineral - Pine Creek Quarry presentation - Bill Stephens
- Tuesday, April 5 - 3PM Guild -- guest speaker - Winifred Foster Wolf sharing stories of nurses, including her mother, who served during the attack at Pearl Harbor in 1941. Bring a friend and join us.
- **Thursday, April 7 - 6-9 PM - Arts and Crafts Night (NOTE change of date - is first Thursday)
- Saturday, April 16 - 1PM - Lion's Club Easter Egg Hunt - Mountville Park (off Lemon Street)
- Tuesday, April 19 - 6:30 PM - Executive team meeting
- Friday, April 22 - EARTH DAY
- Thursday, April 28 - 7 PM - Rock & Mineral Club - program on Earthquakes by Jeri Jones -- Open to the public.
- Friday, April 29 - 7PM - Film "Youth vs. Gov" -- sanctuary
- Monday, May 2 - 1PM to 6:30 PM -- Lion's Club Blood Drive - Fellowship Hall
- Saturday, May 7 -1PM - Trinity's Family Banquet honoring Mother's Day - Entertainment by Pam Anderson - comic and Amish impersonator. (see article)
- Sunday, May 8 - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
- Tuesday, May 17 - Election Day
- Wednesday, May 18 through Saturday, May 21 - Carnival Days
- Friday, May 20 - 8 AM to 2 PM - Rummage Sale
- Saturday, May 21 - 8 AM to 12 noon - Rummage Sale
- Saturday, May 21 - 10AM til Sold out - Chicken BBQ
- Monday, May 30 - MEMORIAL DAY