

TRUCC NEWS AND VIEWS

January 2017



*"No matter where you've been, no matter where you are going, Trinity can be a home for you. And that's a very good thing!"
This is a congregation in which we teach love; we preach compassion and justice; and, we expect diversity.
Everyone is welcome!*

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TRUCC HAPPENINGS

January Guild Meeting—We are starting the New Year off right with a Guild Business Meeting. Please join us on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We need and welcome your ideas and help. The year 2016 was a good one for the Guild. With your help, we can make the year 2017 even better.



Annual Reports—Reports are due Monday January 9, 2017 from all Church Leaders, Committee chairs, Ministry Leaders and Staff. Please dropped off in the church mailbox by the church office or email Eileen Littell at trucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org.

Sunday Bible Discussion Schedule— from 1:00 pm—2:30 pm

- January 8th will be the last meeting of the **Beginners Guide to the UCC**—this is session 4
The local congregation (in its many forms): how are WE UCC?
- January 15th—NO BIBLE DISCUSSION
- January 22nd
- January 29th

Blood Drive—Wednesday, January 4th from 1:00—6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Why give blood? The need is constant and your contribution is important for a healthy and reliable blood supply...and you'll feel good knowing you helped save a life! The Mountville Lions Club has snacks and refreshments available and are very supportive and friendly. For an appointment please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-red-cross (1-800-733-2767).



Guild Rummage Sale—Friday, January 20, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). It will be by donation, instead of charging a set price per item. Frozen quarts and pints of homemade soups are available for sale. Spread the word. Donations are greatly appreciated. **NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED.** We need volunteers to help set-up in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, January 18th and during the sale. Watch for sign-up sheets.



Guild Soup sales— We have a variety of soup. Soup is a welcome meal in the cold weather. Stop after Sunday morning worship and purchase the best soup in town.



Thank you to all the members of Trinity for your gifts to the Staff. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

INVITATION TO DONATE TO THE COLUMBIA FOOD BANK



If each adult member could contribute one or two non-perishable food items each month, we could help the Food Bank a great deal all year. Food is distributed to the needy on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. All food donations can be placed in the baskets. There is a bucket located in the narthex for cash donations. Cash donations are used to purchase much needed dairy and perishable products. Please place all monetary donations in the marked bucket in the Narthex. Donations can be made in cash or by check. Please make checks out to the Columbia Food Bank. Along with many baskets of dry goods in 2016 Trinity donated \$1644. Way to go!!

Thanks!

Tom Robinson

Volunteers at the Columbia Food Bank have been exceptionally busy since 2010, a reflection of the economic struggles affecting many families and individuals.

The food bank, the second largest in Lancaster County, distributed more than 166 tons of food, providing 331,972 meals to 15,172 people in 7,817 households from 2010 through October 2016, says executive director Danielle Peters.

"Unfortunately, the demand has continued to increase," Peters says. "The number of meals provided has increased 53 percent; the number of people, 42 percent. The number of households needing food assistance has increased by over 500 during the same period."

Of those clients served, 30 percent are 17 and under, 56 percent are ages 18 to 59, and 14 percent are 60 and older, she says.

"It can be a very sensitive issue, to reach out for help. But we are here and we want people to know that," says Peters, adding that the Columbia Food Bank promotes health, nutrition, human dignity and potential.

"Dignity is important. Many people who don't have enough to eat hesitate to ask for assistance. They want to be self-sufficient and do it on their own," she says. "When they see that their children are hungry or they open the cupboard to empty shelves, they realize that they need to do something."

(Above information taken from LNP article published 12/8/16)

JANUARY DISCIPLES

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred

Greeters:

Head Usher:

Children's Christian Education:

Lay Readers

1/1 Tom Duke

1/8 Christine MaCready

1/15 Eileen Scion

1/22 Bridgette Hancock

1/29 Mary Ann Price

Nursery

1/1

1/8

1/15

1/22

1/29

Counters

1/1

1/8

1/15

1/22

1/29



If you would like to serve please see sign-up sheets in the narthex.

January Communion Volunteers

If we have somehow overlooked
your birthday or anniversary,
please accept our sincere
apologies and notify the office at
717-285-5593 or
truucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org
Thank you for all of your help!



ALTAR FLOWERS

New Flower chart is hanging on
bulletin board outside the church
office.

1/1 Bonnie Crone

1/8

1/15

1/22

1/29



Greeting Card Volunteers

January—Gladys Drybred

February—Mary Ann Price



2th Mackenzie Cote

4th Jean Brown

7th Deb Hower

9th Carol Youtz

23rd Deb Froelich

26th Dave Henry

31st Mary Ibach



The are no January Anniversaries

