

# MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER

## SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH AND 1ST WEEK OF APRIL

### LAY READERS

February 27 -- Mary Ann Price  
March 6 -- Kathy Brown  
March 13 -- Bridgette Hancock  
March 20 -- Mark Cote  
March 27 -- Jenny Hooper  
April 3 -- Kathy Jones

### GREETER

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

### WORSHIP COORDINATOR

March 13 -- Katie Crockett

### FLOWERS

March 13 -- Adella Houck  
March 20 -- Robinson Family

CAFE - no cafe in March due to Covid

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

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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

Right now we are doing zoom meeting, with the hope to have regular meetings starting in March or April.

If interested in attending via zoom, contact Pastor Patty for the link.

Our executive committee consists of:

Christine Macready -- President  
Sharon Smaling -- Vice President  
Kathy Jones -- Treasurer  
Tom Robinson -- Secretary  
and members-at-large -- Esther Markey and Pastor Patty

*My Dear Friends,*

*A few days ago, I saw those little green shoots peeking up through the mulch in front of the church; a sight that always brings me the joy of expecting spring. We are moving into the season of Lent a traditional time of striving for a deeper relationship with God. Perhaps we like the little green shoots are ready to come back from a period of dormancy. As individuals and as a community this Lenten season may be a time for blooming with God's love. Might we be ready to share that beauty and joy of our love of Christ with others?*



*This past Sunday, our guest from the Penn Central Conference Rev. Dr. Marisa Laviola reminded us that a small church is only small in numbers, not small in spirit or mission.*

*We have much to offer our neighbors and friends so please consider inviting someone to join you. Let's work together friends -- each and every one of us - TOGETHER - to show forth a beautiful garden of welcome, hope, and compassion that the people of our community can see.*

*Peace and blessings,*

*Pastor Patty*

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## LENT

### **March 2 – ASH Wednesday Noon and 7 pm**

This will be an opportunity to quietly pray and meditate at several stations in our sanctuary. We'll be reminded of the grace of our baptism, how God seeks to shape our lives, and more. A cross of ashes will be available for your forehead or hand. You can plan to be here for 15 – 20 minutes.

### **March 6 – First Sunday of Lent**

We will celebrate Communion together.

Each Sunday in Lent we will observe quiet in the sanctuary beginning at 10 am for quiet prayer, meditation and candle lighting. Also we will receive instructions to observe weekly practices of prayer, fasting and giving.

**March 27 – We will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.**

## BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group is studying the Gospel of John. They meet on Monday evenings at 7 PM via Zoom. The link to join the zoom meeting is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88429182679?pwd=eEloVVVzeS9nTFNycWVzL1BKbVBjdz09>

Meeting ID: 884 2918 2679

Passcode: 761544

Here are the dates with the weekly reading schedule for the rest of the bible study.

<u>STUDY DATE</u>	<u>WEEKLY READING</u>
Monday - Dec. 13 -----	John 1: 1-34
Monday - Dec 20 & 27 -----	No Bible study
Monday - January 3 -----	John 1:35-51, 2:1-12
Monday - January 10 -----	John 2: 13-25
Monday - January 17 -----	John 3: 1-36
Monday - January 24 -----	John 4: 1-45
Thursday - February 3 -----	John 4: 46-54, 5: 1-47
Monday - February 7 -----	John 6: 1-71, 7:1-24
Monday - February 14 -----	John 7: 25-52, 8:1-59
Monday - February 21 -----	John 9: 1-41, 10: 1-18
Thursday - March 3 -----	John 10: 19-42, 11: 1-57
Monday - March 7 -----	John 12: 1-50, 13: 1-38
Monday - March 14 -----	John 14: 1-31
Monday - March 21 -----	John 15: 1-27, 16: 1-24
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:** Did you know we have a library downstairs? It is located in the Social Room by the men's restroom. We also have DVD's for you to watch. Check out our selection of books and movies. No need to sign them out. Just take one along and bring it back when done reading or watching. Maybe you would like to place a note about it for the next person. If you happen to read a good book and think others would enjoy reading it just put it on the shelf.

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES FOR MARCH

### BIRTHDAYS

March 2 -- Amanda Sheaffer  
March 5 -- Cera Dodds  
March 10 - Alice Heitmueller  
March 15 - Zachery Jones  
March 18 - Mary Lenox  
March 21 - Karen Robinson  
March 25 - Phyllis Cliff  
March 27 - Janie Kaminski  
March 29 - Donna Moore

### ANNIVERSARIES

March 10 - Sharon and James Smaling

Please see that we get your birthday and anniversary dates. If we have them wrong, please let us know. We are trying to update our records. Thank you.

### THANK YOU!

To all those who sent cards and called me, my many thanks. We are a loving Church. May we all soon be back to "normal".

Gladys Drybred

Thank you for all the cards and prayers received upon the death of my beloved husband, Jack. I feel blessed to have such caring friends here at Trinity.

Diane Fiebert

Thank you for the cards and prayers Ron and I received during the time we had Covid.

Judy

## CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY

With the continuing presence of the Covid pandemic, visitation of homebound members has been heavily restricted. Our homebound members receive holiday card correspondence throughout the year as well as occasional "Thinking of You" cards and birthday cards. This year at Christmas, gift bags containing home-baked bread, a piece of fruit, and assorted candies were delivered. The bags also held cards prepared by our members of the church.

Our current homebound members are:

Harold "Pete" Dietrich - Mennonite Home  
Rachel Bates - Quarryville Presbyterian Home  
Kathleen 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

Please feel free to drop them a card and let them know you are thinking of them, too.

Called to Care also facilitates the Prayer Chain. This is a phone chain network of members who, upon request, individually offer prayers for special needs. Those participating are Pastor Patty, Mary Ann Price, Tierney Elslager, Helen Yohe, Phyllis Cliff, Gladys Drybred, Marilyn Shertzer, Lori Leaman, Eileen Himpsl, and Gail Crissey.

If you know of someone who needs prayers, call either Pastor Patty or Mary Ann Price and ask to have the prayer chain activated.

Our Card Ministry consists of sending birthday/anniversary cards to all members. Katie Crockett and Mary Ann Price alternate months for this service.

**OUR DAILY BREAD** : Booklets are available on the table in the narthex for the months of March, April, May 2022.

## GUILD NEWS

All members of Trinity are part of the Guild. The Guild supports the church in many ways. They take care of the kitchen, luncheons for events and funerals, paper supplies, bake bread, make soup, rummage sales, etc.

The Guild meets the 1st Tuesday of the month from September through June at 3 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

In January we had our own Kevin Robinson explaining and demonstrating his drum collection. Besides explaining the historical background of each, he led a group participation in a Drum Circle.

February, Kathy Jones and Sharon Knerr presented an activity on Personality Assessment - True Colors. It showed us where our strengths and weaknesses were. The majority of us fell into the blue category. After we figured which one we were, we broke into groups and made lists to share with others. A fun time was had by all.

\$1,000 was given to the church for operating expenses.

A Mother's Day Luncheon will be held May 7 at 1 PM. To be a catered meal for \$12 with entertainment by Sophie Glutz - comic and Amish impersonator.

Rummage sale dates were announced for 2022. We are planning on having one every other month with the first on March 18th and 19th, with set up on the 16th. Others will be May, July, September, and November. Watch for updates.

We are always looking for guest speakers or to learn a craft. If anyone knows of someone, please let us know. REMEMBER: WE ARE ALL PART OF THE GUILD and we value your input and help.

The next Guild meeting will be on Tuesday, March 1st at 3 PM. Our guest speaker, Master Gardener Barb Barker will share tips on "How our gardens and the earth can flourish through home composting." The first 16 persons to arrive will receive a spring gift from the TRUCC Green Team so God's creation may flourish. Join us! Visitors are always welcome so bring a friend!

### \*\*\*\*SOUP FOR SALE!\*\*\*

What? We have delicious homemade soup for sale. It sells for \$7.00 a quart and \$5.00 a pint.

We have vegetable beef and chicken corn soup available right now.

## RUMMAGE SALES

We are planning on having a Rummage Sale every other month in 2022. Our first sale will be on March 18th and 19th with set up on the 16th. Other dates and set up times are as follows: May 20th and 21st - set up the 18th, July 22nd and 23rd - set up the 20th, September 16th and 17th - set up the 14th and November 18th and 19th - set up the 16th.

Time will be Fridays from 8AM to 2PM and Saturdays 8AM to Noon.

We appreciate and thank everyone who donates good, clean items to our rummage sales, however, there are some items we can not accept. We are using the Community Aid and Purple Heart as our guide as well as state laws and regulations.

We can NO longer accept the following:

Infant furniture - due to recall possibility, car seats, booster seats, high chairs, baby swings, walkers, cribs, playpens

bed pillows - unless new

\*\*homemade or taped from TV\*\* -- tapes, videos, CD's, DVD's  
VHS tapes

Furniture - upholstered and large pieces of furniture including mattresses and boxsprings

Miscellaneous - toiletries - if opened, exercise equipment such as treadmills, ellipticals, bicycles, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, heaters, anything that contained kerosene or gasoline in it, tires, weapons, gas powered tools, chemical/cleaning supplies and paint/paint thinner.

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

George (Keeper of the Rummage)

P.S. -- After our sale, items left are donated to the following:

Columbia Clothing Bank, Community Aide, Council of Churches, Homeless, Purple Heart, Habitat for Humanity, Blue Mountain Thrift Store in Palmyra, and other community organizations.

If you know of a need, please let us know.

We do ask if you are getting for resale, please come on Saturday after 10:30 AM.

We donate 10% of our proceeds to another organization.

## **MUSIC**

We have two music opportunities here at Trinity. The Choir and the Bell Choir. Our director of music is Dan Molkenthin.

The choirs meet every Wednesday. Bell Choir is at 6:30. Choir is on hiatus right now due to Covid.

If you would like to become a member of either or both, see Dan.

## **NURSERY/SUNDAY SCHOOL**

There have not been children attending our worship service in several years. The Sunday School curriculum has been temporarily suspended. There are child activity bags to use during the worship service.

A new program has been developed to accommodate any visiting children who would rather not sit in the sanctuary. The Nursery Room has been renamed the "Joyful Noises" Room. Children 12 years and under are invited to attend the supervised alternative instead of the worship service.

We have an activity table offering make and take crafts, fun worksheets and art supplies, in addition to the usual nursery fare. Precautions have been taken to avoid small choking craft items as well as messy craft supplies like paint. The activity table changes with the seasons and church calendar.

There is a need for additional volunteers, however child clearances are needed.

## **CHURCH PROPERTY/FACILITIES**

George and I work together when it comes to the maintenance of the building, both inside and outside. Our latest projects have included the hiring of our new cleaning personnel, Steve and Kathy Kurtz. They will be cleaning the church on Fridays. Their first day is Friday, Feb. 11th.

We are also working on getting the two burned out light bulbs in the sanctuary replaced.

If you see something needs done, please let us know. Any questions or concerns regarding the maintenance of the church should be directed to George Himpsl or Sharon Knerr.



## **FLOWER CHART**

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

## **FOOD BANK MINISTRY**

All donated food and other items generally are taken to the Columbia Food Bank or Hershey Mill Home on Monday.

For some years now, part of our mission has also involved taking donated bread and baked goods to the Food Bank and Hershey Mill. These bakery items are graciously donated by Weis Market on Stoney Battery Road.

Any items donated by members and friends of Trinity, can be designated to a specific place.

Cash and food items are always accepted, with the cash usually going to the Food Bank. The Food Bank operates Monday through Wednesday in the AM.

Donations can be brought to the church at any time. Refrigerated items can be put downstairs in our refrigerators in the kitchen.. Please let me know if you put items in the refrigerator.

If you have any questions or concerns about items being donated, please let me know. THANKS for being such a generous congregation.

Tom Robinson

## **HERSHEY MILL HOME**

We here at Trinity continue to support the Hershey Mill Home.

For valentine's day, each resident was given cards and a \$10 gift certificate for Two Cousins.

If you have any questions or suggestions for other activities we can do with them or for them, please contact Katie Crockett at 717-684-7925.

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHICH MEET HERE AT TRINITY and INFORMATION ABOUT THEM

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

### **FRONTIER GIRLS**

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

The Frontier Girls Club 191 started in 2012. The club ranges in age from Kindergarten to 12th grade. It is a scout like organization that promotes community service, patriotism, life skills and leadership.

The girls earn badges, go on field trips and do community service projects. At the end of the year, they have a trip that coincides with the badges they earned and are working on.

The girls enjoy the friendships they have made. They like the hands on learning and love learning with fun! They love camping, cooking on an open fire and nature crafts.

The service projects include Scouting for Food, Arbor Day Program and cleaning up Jansen Park in Columbia.

For more information contact: [hgraybill832@gmail.com](mailto:hgraybill832@gmail.com)

### **KPETS**

KPETS is an organization which provides a network of dependable, registered, volunteer therapy teams committed to providing therapeutic benefits through the use of animals to physically, emotionally and mentally challenged people from all walks of life in a wide variety of settings.

It was established in January 2003 by Karen Gerth, founder. It started in a church when Karen started taking her dog to church to comfort people going through tough times. She soon realized just how many lives her one dog was helping and saw a need.

KPETS now has over 375 volunteer teams serving over 300 facilities in 14 counties in South Central PA and Northern Maryland. KPETS provides therapy services FREE of charge!

KPETS meet the 4th Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall to run group evaluations. They do not have regular meetings. Unfortunately with Covid these sessions are not open to the public.

You can learn more about KPETS at: [www.KPETS.org](http://www.KPETS.org).

### **ELECTIONS**

The Board of Elections uses our Fellowship Hall in May and November for the elections. This is a polling place for the Chestnut Hill area of West Hempfield Township

## **LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

The Mountville Lion's Club meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM. Public is invited.

The Mountville Lion's are celebrating their 75th Anniversary this year. We here at Trinity want to say Congratulations and Thank You for all you do for our community.

The mission of the Lion's Club is to promote good citizenship and government, to take an active interest in civil, cultural, social, and moral welfare of the community, to create and foster an understanding among all people throughout the world, and to encourage others to serve their communities without financial or personal gains to themselves.

The Lion's sponsor and support many organizations, projects and events throughout the community. These are just a few:

American Red Cross Blood Drive - see article below

Vision Corps - blind and visually impaired

Collect used eyeglasses

Team River Runner - a kayaking and adventure paddling for therapeutic health and healing for the military - injured, active duty, veterans and disabled

Community Park and pavilion

Columbia Food Bank

Cookies with Santa with the Fire Company

Easter Egg Hunt for preschool through 3rd grade

Scholarships for graduating seniors

Did you know? They donated a Brady Buggy Wagon to the Pediatric Unit at Penn Medicine/LGH.

They have several fundraisers to help support their missions. Some of these include: Lion's mints, White Cane Days which is held in October, broom sales, and their famous Chicken Pot Pie Take-Out (formerly suppers) - see article below.

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

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

The blood drives are sponsored by the Lion's Club and are held four times a year here at Trinity in the Fellowship Hall from 1 to 6:30 PM. Watch for future dates. Next blood drive is Monday, May 2nd.

## **\*\*\*\*\*CHICKEN POT PIE TAKE-OUT ONLY\*\*\*\*\***

The Lion's Club is having their famous Chicken Pot Pie Take-Out!

When? -- Saturday, March 19th

Where? -- St. Paul's United Methodist Church (rear)

100 W. Main Street, Mountville

(next to Workman's Funeral Home)

Time? -- 10 AM till sold out

Cost? -- \$10 a quart

COME EARLY! We sell out fast!

## **ROCK, FOSSIL, AND MINERAL CLUB**

The Fossil and Mineral Club meets the 4th Thursday of each month in the Fellowship Hall from 7 to 9 PM, except in November and December - then they meet the 3rd Thursday. The meetings are open to the public.

The club is comprised of rock and mineral enthusiasts within the Tri-state area. They have a variety of programs, activities and field trips. They collect rocks and fossils, identify them, learn about their history and also use photographs to show how the earth has changed throughout the years.

In January they had their annual safety meeting. February 24th they will learn about the beginnings of a Geologist's career. On March 31, they will have a field trip to Pine Creek Quarry in PA. The meeting on April 28 is on Earthquakes and is open to the public. May 26 is a program on notable geology sites.

On Saturday, November 5 they will have their annual Rocks and Mineral Club Show here at Trinity from 9 AM to 4 PM. A small admission fee is charged. Come and enjoy the show. You get to see a large variety of rocks, minerals, and fossils. ask questions and learn a lot! A fun time is waiting and it is very interesting. You go away with information you didn't know and have a deeper appreciation of the earth's formation.

For more information you can contact Chris Haefner at 717-606-4450.

## **ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB**

The Arts and Crafts Club meets the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6 to 9 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to come.

Everyone brings something from home that they are working on. We have a huge variety - from stenciling, scrapbooking, making cards, to crocheting. You can see what others are doing and learn how to make it.

Not crafty? That's okay. Bring along a coloring book with crayons and/or colored pencils, drawing tablet, write poetry, etc.

Can't come at 6? That's okay, too. You can come and leave at any time. We have a lot of fun and great fellowship. Hope to see you there!

## **COMMUNITY AID**

Community Aid has a thrift store on Columbia Avenue - next to Lowe's. Their mission is about neighbors helping neighbors by accepting donations in order to create quality jobs and by offering an affordable shopping experience. They support non-profit partners serving our local community.

As you know, we have a Community Aid Drop Box in the rear parking lot. We ask that you please make sure your donations are in the box as they cannot take items left outside - they must be thrown away at an additional expense to them. If you have larger items you can drop them off at the store's drop-off area on the Good Drive side.

Please do not put trash in this box as it is NOT a trash box.

Our church receives a donation for what they receive from our box.

Thank you for your donations.

For more information about Community Aid go to: [www.communityaid.org](http://www.communityaid.org).

## **NEWSLETTER**

I would like to have feed back on the newsletter. I know this first one is long but I wanted to include ALL organizations that use the building here at Trinity, including all committees from the church. with a bit of who and what they are about and do.

I plan to keep all meeting times and websites for everyone in each newsletter, along with any fundraisers or special events that are happening.

If you have a something special, such as a poem you would like to include or there is something you would like to see included, please let me know or place it in my mailbox in the hallway upstairs.

Starting next month the newsletter will be done quarterly. So next month will be activities from April through June, including the first week of July. I plan to overlap by one week. Followed by July through September plus the first week of October, and lastly October through December, plus first week in January 2023. There may also be a special December edition due to all the holiday activities.

DEADLINE for the Newsletter will the 20th of the month.

So - March 20th, June 20th, September 20th

Make sure you have all information for 3 months including fundraisers and special events.

Thank you for your input.

Eileen Himpsl

Help needed -- if you would like to learn how to operate the sound/video equipment, contact Kathy Jones.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS FOR MARCH**

Tuesday, March 1st at 3 PM -- Guild -- speaker - Master Gardener  
Barb Barker - "How our gardens and the earth can flourish  
through home composting"

Wednesday, March 2 -- Ash Wednesday --  
Self-guided prayer stations -- Noon to 1 PM and 7 -8 PM -  
allow 15 to 20 minutes  
Service of evening prayer -- 7:45 PM

Daylight Savings Time begins - March 13th Don't forget to reset your clock!

Rummage Sale - Friday, March 18th from 8AM to 2 PM  
Saturday, March 19th from 8AM to 12 NOON

Lion's Club - Saturday, March 19th - Chicken Pot Pie Take-Out  
10 AM til sold out Cost \$10 a quart  
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