



TRINITY REFORMED

United Church of Christ

Monthly Newsletter

November 2019

Friends,

In November we have a tradition of Thanksgiving that dates back to our colonial beginnings . I think it's important for us to give thanks all the time, but in the spirit of the month I want to name some of the things which I am thankful.

It has been just over a year since I came to serve as a "temporary bridge" until a plan was made for moving forward. I am so thankful for the ways that each one of you has encouraged me in this time, which has extended well beyond what we expected. Your engagement with worship, fellowship and study has been a gift.

I am grateful for the Executive team who listen and support me. I deeply appreciate the many people who step up to do the work of the church. I give thanks for Dan and Adrienne, who are awesome people to work with. And I give thanks to God for these gifts that have filled me with joy.

Blessings,

Pastor Patty



"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

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Announcements:

More Directories have been printed! Located on the table in the Narthex. If they are gone, you can place a note in Adrienne's mailbox or send her an email at truucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org and she can print more.

Upcoming Events Hartman Center Events- November 15-17 Women's Retreat & January 17-19 Men's Retreat

Printed Copies of the Newsletter are on the table in the narthex.

Volunteer Ministers - Thank you to all who stepped up to assist with worship and other responsibilities, which are a vital part of our worship and mission. If you have not signed up but are interested please contact Kathy Jones at jonesygirl1227@gmail.com.

Daylight Savings Time ENDS November 3rd! Don't forget to change your clocks and check smoke detectors

Spaghetti Supper November 2, 4-7PM please come and bring a friend. *Volunteers and donations appreciated.*

Many of us use "Our Daily Bread" or other devotional for our prayer time. For the Advent season (December 1-25) we are hoping to create Trinity's own daily devotional, written by us. Please sign up for a day or two and write a short reflection on a scripture (there is a list of suggestions) or on one of the advent themes of hope, peace, joy and love. Please send your reflection to the church office by November 17 so we can prepare the booklets to hand out by the beginning of December.

Next Sunday, November 3rd, we will celebrate All-Saints Day; Remembering those who have died and have joined the company of heaven. If you have loved one(s) to remember, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in their memory.

November 24th— Rev. Carrie Call will be our guest minister and special music by Choir & Bells. Potluck lunch to follow

*** Please make sure to get all information to be included in December's Newsletter to Adrienne by November 15th.**

The Guild News:

Gertrude Hawk Chocolates- Catalogs can be picked up on the table in the Narthex. Order forms and money due November 11, 2019. Checks are to be made payable to "The Guild." Delivery will be the week of December 9th. Any questions contact Mary Ibach

On November 5th at 7PM the Guild will have a short meeting and then the Muellers will be doing a craft. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas Party Event December 3rd at 6PM-Covered Dish, entertainment by Sandy Heisey " Christmas Music Sing Along"
*Please bring a donation to the Food Bank



November Birthdays:

2nd Pat Braungard

3rd Helen Gainer

16th David Himpsl

19th Nancy Henry

20th Charlie Miller

29th Bobbi Poteau

November Anniversaries :

1st Helen & Eugene Yohe



Dad's Leftover Turkey Pot Pie

“Turkey pot pie like you have never tasted before. It won't last long”

Ingredients:

2 cups frozen peas and carrots

2 cups frozen green beans

1 cup sliced celery

2/3 cup butter

2/3 cup chopped onion

2/3 cup all-purpose flour

1 tsp. salt

1 tsp. ground black pepper

1/2 tsp. celery seed

1/2 tsp. onion powder

1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning

1 3/4 cups chicken broth

1 1/3 cups milk

4 cups cubed cooked turkey meat

4 (9 inch) unbaked pie crust

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F**
- 2. Place peas and carrots, green beans, and celery into sauce pan; cover with water, bring to a boil, and simmer over medium– low heat until celery is tender (about minutes). Drain the vegetables in a colander; set in sink and set aside.**
- 3. Melt butter in a saucepan over medium heat, and cook onion until translucent, about 5 minutes. Stir in 2/3 cup of flour, salt, black pepper, celery seed, onion powder, and Italian seasoning; slowly whisk in the chicken broth and milk until the mixture thickens. Remove from heat; stir the cooked vegetables and turkey meat into the filling until well combined.**
- 4. Fit 2 pie crusts into the bottom of 2 (9 inch) pie dishes. Spoon half the filling into each pie crust, then top each pie with another crust. Pinch and roll the top and bottom together at the edge of each pie to seal, and cut several small slits into the top of the pies with a sharp knife to release steam.**
- 5. Bake in the preheated oven until crusts are golden brown and the filling is bubbly(30-35 minutes). If the crusts are browning too quickly, cover the pies with aluminum foil after about 15 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes before serving.**

Volunteer Ministers:

Lay Reader Schedule 2019:

November

11/3-Bobbie Poteau

11/10-Kathy Brown

11/17-Kathy Jones

11/24-Chuck Romberger

December

12/1-Christine Macready

12/8- Mary Ann Price

12/15- Wendy McKelvy

12/22- Eileen Scion

12/29- Flo Mitchell

Ushers:

November

11/3- Esther Markey/ Dee Koller

11/10-Marilyn Shertzer/ Gladys Drybread/ Bridgette Hancock

11/17- Tom & Karen Robinson/ Sharon Knerr

11/24- Esther Markey/ Dee Koller/ Kathy Jones

December

12/1-Marilyn Shertzer/Bridgette Hancock/Gladys Drybred

12/8- Esther Markey/ Dee Koller/ Kathy Jones

12/15-Fred& Jenny Hooper/ Charlie Miller

12/22-Adella Houck/ Wendy McKelvy/ Dee Koller

12/29- Tom & Karen Robinson/ Diane

Greeters:

November

11/3- Esther Markey/Dee Koller

11/10- Allison Yarrow

11/17- Fred & Jenny Hooper

11/24- Katie Crockett

Café:

November

11/3- Diane Fiebert

11/10-Kary Bauer

11/17-Kathy Jones

11/24-Gladys Drybread

Mark Your Calendars.....

11/2-Spaghetti Dinner

11/5-Guild Meeting

11/24-Potluck lunch after church

2019 *November*

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Altar Flower Schedule:

November:

11/3– Helen Yohe

11/10-Mary Ibach

11/17-Himpsl

11/24-Teofil Sklarosky

December:

***12/1-Needed**

12/8-Himpsl

***12/15-Needed**

***12/22-Needed**

12/29-Kathy Jones

Sundays that flowers are needed

If you want to sponsor a week for flowers please sign up on the chart in the hallway or contact the church office. Cost is \$15 per vase. Please put your payment in an envelope marked "flowers" and place it in the offering plate.

SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE:

Sunday noon: November Trinity Fellowship Hall *Last meeting November 17th*

Monday 7:00 pm: November Trinity Narthex *Last meeting November 18th*

Wednesday 5:00 pm: November Trinity Fellowship Hall * Last meeting November 20*

Thursday noon: November Trinity Fellowship Hall *Last meeting November 21st*

A DIFFERENT KIND OF WISH LIST

It's no secret that Trinity members make wishes come true! Whenever a request has been made, someone steps forward to help make it a reality. We are grateful for all your generosity. Now we have a different kind of wish list – one that we hope each of you who are able will commit to making happen. We need your time and talents to help with the many things that need to be done around the church on a regular basis. Here are some of the tasks that have been identified that could use YOUR talents and would require a modest amount of commitment and time:

- Tidying up the sanctuary weekly so that guests and members will enter a church that has been lovingly cared for. This would include discarding old bulletins, making sure the pencils in the pews are sharpened, refilling or replacing the hand sanitizers (we have the supplies for this), collecting communion cups, etc.
- Changing the sign in front of the church. Coordinating with the Pastor to change the message when needed and publicizing upcoming events.
- Sign up to care for ONE of the flower beds at the church. This would require weeding, planting new flowers if you choose, mulching the bed and light trimming around it. The church would provide the mulch needed.
- Update our website and work with the Administrative Assistant to keep it current.
- Attend to our social media presence 3 or more times weekly. This is something that does not require coming to the church but would need to be discussed regularly with the Pastor to determine what kinds of things should be appearing on the pages.
- Identify visitors, encourage them to sign the guest book, introduce them to the pastor, make sure they receive our gift bag.
- Contact visitors who have attended worship or other events.

It would be great if several people signed up for these tasks and could share the responsibility!



Fall Women's Retreat:

is planned for Nov 15th-17th(Friday the 15th at 7p.m. to Sunday the 17th at 11a.m.)
Leaders will be Sue D'heedene and Winnie Kowalik

The FIRST Annual Men's Retreat Coming in January 2020:

January 17-19 Planned by pastors and laymen of the Conference. Possible theme:
"Seasons of a Man's Life." Watch for details this fall.

Open and Affirming Retreat May 29-31st, 2020

For LGBTQIA singles, families, couples and allies

Summer Camp (not just for kids) June 21st-July 25th, 2020

**FOR MORE INFORMATION THESE EVENTS PLEASE GO TO
HARTMANCENTER.COM—CLICK ON THE EVENTS TAB**

Trinity Reformed UCC
Executive Team Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2019

Attendees: Mark Cote, Pastor Patty Dodds, Esther Markey, Marilyn Shertzer, Sharon Smaling

Treasurer Kathy Jones was absent but sent the monthly report. After review, Esther moved to accept the report and Sharon seconded.

Pastor Patty discussed the progress of the fruitfulness project. The goal of the project is to create a vision statement and an action plan. All notes and findings from the various meetings will be combined in January and the groups will determine our core values and a plan to move forward.

The team agreed to allow outside help to train a few people on updating the website. A suggestion was made to provide refresher training for ushers, lay readers and greeters.

Carrie Call will be guest preacher on November 24, marking the end of the fruitfulness project; and a potluck lunch will be held to celebrate.

Mark noted that the next congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 27.

As there was no more business to discuss, Esther moved to adjourn with Marilyn seconding the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Smaling

Name: _____ Date: _____



A Thanksgiving Feast

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the delicious Thanksgiving food in the grid. Look for the words in all directions including backwards and diagonally. What's your favorite Thanksgiving food?

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- GREEN BEANS
- MAC AND CHEESE
- MASHED POTATOES
- MINCEMEAT
- PEAS
- PECAN PIE
- PUMPKIN PIE
- ROLLS
- SQUASH
- STUFFING
- SWEET POTATOES
- TURKEY
- YAMS

- APPLE PIE
- BISCUITS
- BRUSSEL SPROUTS
- CASSEROLE
- CHESTNUTS
- COLLARD GREENS
- CORNBREAD
- CRANBERRY SAUCE
- DRESSING
- GRAVY



Give Thanks

Sunday November 24th

Celebration of our Fruitfulness Project

Reverend Carrie Call, transitional conference minister, will be our guest

Special music by the Choir & Bells

Potluck Lunch to follow

Please plan to attend

Everyone should plan to come – If you don't cook, feel free to make a small donation to the Guild.



Lancaster County Fossil & Mineral Club

◀◀ presents ▶▶▶

its 6th Annual

◈ **Dis**covering Earth's Wonders Fall Show ◈



Saturday November 09, 2019 9AM-4PM

Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ

450 West Main St. Mountville, PA

⌘ First Class Minerals from PA & around the world!⌘

- ◆◆ Fossil fish
- ◆◆ Trilobites
- ◆◆ Small Shark's teeth
- ◆◆ Geodes
- ◆◆ Cabochons
- ◆◆ Eclectic Curiosities

◆◆◆ Free expert specimen identification & analysis◆◆◆

Kid's Activities 🚗 Free Parking ♿ Handicapped Accessible

Admission: Adults \$3, Students K-12 \$1, Under 5 Free



The Guild will be selling food at this event. Donations of snacks and desserts are needed, as well as volunteers.

**To help, contact Diane Fiebert at 609-709-4190
or Katie Crockett at 717-951-3695.**



PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE

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...equipping and empowering congregations and clergy for the declaration and demonstration of the courageous love of Christ!

A Message from PCC

October 23, 2019

Dear friends of Penn Central Conference,

"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help." (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10)

Years ago I worked with a very small church in Valparaiso, Indiana. This church had formed intentionally as an African-American presence in a largely white community that had been home to persistent racist behavior and rhetoric. A Lutheran pastor named Michael served the lively and unique church while I was there. Michael had been a world-class trombone player and had a deep appreciation for jazz as well as for the church. We talked about what it might take for the small church to continue having a big impact in that community. In one of our conversations Mike introduced a phrase to me that I've never forgotten. He said, "All of my work is about one thing: creating coalitions of possibility."

In the face of some of the most challenging work a church can do (racial healing in a community) he consistently looked for ways people could work together to bring light and hope, regardless of where they came from. That phrase has continued to inspire me and I thought of it again this past Sunday when I had the blessing of preaching at a combined service of two churches in the Lebanon Association (Redeemer in Hershey and Trinity in Palmyra). Pastors Donte Jones and Tom Caruso shared the liturgy and Redeemer UCC shared its remarkable music. The joyful service demonstrated what more we can do and experience when we do it together, even for just one hour on a Sunday.

Afterward we gathered in the parlor for conversation. One topic was the number of small churches in transition within the Conference. Congregants asked about churches joining forces, sharing pastors, or merging. Numerous churches are doing this already, looking like they did 100 years ago when 2, 3, even 5-point charges were common. However, resistance to this idea nowadays is common too. We

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Hartman Center

Upcoming Retreats

The PCC Confirmation Retreat will be held March 27 - 29, 2020 at Hartman Center. This weekend is always a great opportunity for our confirmands to explore "Being The Church" and to connect with other youth.

Planning for this retreat is done by the Pastors and/or youth leaders of the participating churches. We will gather for an initial planning meeting on Monday November 18 from 1 - 3 pm at the conference office, and Zoom will be available.

Please contact Pastor Patty Dodds as soon as possible if your church is interested in participating. 717-502-2246 or Program@HartmanCenter.com

2020 VISION Retreat is for everyone willing to work for the future of Hartman Center to spend time together developing ACTION PLANS for 2020. December 6, 2019 at 2:00PM through noon on December 8, 2019 Register online.

Prayers for Penn Central Conference

Ephesians 6:18 (NLT)

Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.

This week, we pray for each other as we continue to live into God's calling...

Grace UCC, Shippensburg

St. Paul UCC, Shrewsbury

St Matthew (Colemans's) UCC, Spring Glen

Bethel UCC, Spring Grove



Message from the Conference cont'

know the reasons why - devotion to our buildings, unwillingness to share a pastor, fear of losing a distinctive identity, fear of being hurt, fear of losing members. The list goes on. All the reasons are understandable. Yet they still emerge out of fear, and not hope. They still speak to closed systems, and not to possibility. They still demonstrate individual identity, rather than a shared sense of being the coalition of God's people.

I believe God is calling us, and has always called us out of a place of fear. God calls us as individuals and as congregations into new ways of being in the world - dynamic ways that will make us stronger and more effective in sharing and living God's Word. God's people, those free of fear, should be the leaders at the art of forming coalitions of possibility. What might this look like in Penn Central Conference?

Peace,

Carrie

Town Halls

You are invited to gather with others from your association (clergy and lay people alike) for fellowship and a light dinner of soup, sandwiches and dessert. (See dates and locations below.)

Conversation with Rev. Carrie Call will follow our dinner. She will provide updates about Penn Central Conference, touching on topics such as new staffing, updated strategic planning, and the Hartman Center.

Please bring your questions and concerns as well as your enthusiasm and ideas for our Conference!

Mercersburg Association
Monday October 28th, 6:00PM
First UCC, Carlisle

Central and Northern Associations
Tuesday October 29th, 6:30PM
St. John's UCC, Lewisburg

Lancaster Association
Wednesday October 30th, 6:00PM
Trinity UCC, East Petersburg

Lebanon Association
Wednesday November 13th, 6:00PM
Quentin UCC, Quentin

Upcoming Events

34th Annual Christmas Bazaar
November 2 8:00AM - 1:00PM

Salem UCC, Roherstown
2312 Marietta Ave, Lancaster PA

Upcoming Events

Devonshire Fair

November 6 & 7 9:30AM - 7:00PM

Colonial Park UCC
5000 Devonshire Road Harrisburg, PA 17109

Check out other upcoming events on our website:

<https://pccucc.org/calendar/>

Read our full weekly eNews:

<https://pccucc.org/enews-archive/>

Sign up for our weekly eNews:

Link at bottom of any page on www.pccucc.org

More From Hartman Center

Fall Women's Retreat: Living Well—In The Moment

Friday the 15th at 7 p.m. to Sunday the 17th at 11 a.m.
Leaders: Sue D'heedene and Winnie Kowalik. Register online

Fall Youth Retreat: Never Alone

Friday November 15, 2019 7:00 PM - Sunday, November 17, 2019 11:00 AM register online

Men's Retreat: Seasons of a Man's Life

Friday, January 17, 2020 at 7PM - Sunday January 19, 2020 at 1PM register online

Contact us!

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Thanksgiving Written By Helen Gainer

T is for thanks for blessings received
H is for harvest with hunger appeased
A for another grand bountiful year
N is for neighbors with help ever near
K is for the knowledge to labor and prosper
S for the season when families all gather
G is for grace, our thanksgiving prayer
I for God's infinite mercy and care
V is for visions of a world even grater
I for the instinct to do even better
N is for nature's unending treasure
G is for giving, life's greatest pleasure





A note from the desk of your Administrative Assistant ...

This year is flying by! The next and final Newsletter I will be creating for TRUCC in 2019 will be December, which is only a month away!

To make December's Newsletter a special one, and hopefully the best one yet, I would like each of you to think about what Holiday traditions you grew up with and continue to celebrate with your family.

Share these with me at trucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org.

You are also more than welcome to send a picture along with the Traditions. I will be adding what is shared to the upcoming Newsletter.

I think this is a great way to get to know each other and create excitement for the upcoming holiday.

Warm wishes,

Adrienne Weidman



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