



August 2022 Theme

Promises for the

grateful heart



My dear Church Family,

From time to time, God gives us opportunities to appreciate how people strive to make a difference. On June 23, our custodian, Harry Rodriguez, told me that his granddaughter Gabriella was involved in a summer kids' program. He also told me the kids in the program were trying to organize a lemonade stand fundraiser to support pediatric cancer research. Gabriella had requested him to ask if her church would be interested in supporting the effort. I shared the request with our finance team of Gary Foreman and Renee Cassimatis and a contribution of \$25 was soon on its way to the kids and their project through the Carol Wilson fund dispensing system.

What we were able to do that day was a very small act of love - but we certainly appreciated being able to encourage the kids in their noble mission.

A couple of days later, a cover filled with several handwritten notes arrived at our church office. The kids had taken the time and effort to draw and write notes of gratitude to Trinity United Methodist Church.

The next day I shared the story and cards with members of our staff during our prayer time. I also invited them to be part of a picture of gratitude. What we had experienced that day brought us smiles for the photograph and more. We were aware that we had become witnesses to exceptional gratitude in a world that has a proclivity to forget.

Oh! The power of gratitude!

Thank you, Lord!
Thank you, Gabby and friends!
Thank you, congregation.

Sincerely,
Arun



"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves ." – Sir James Matthew Barrie

THE PRAISE CORNER

by Todd Davis, Director of Music Ministries

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
the Lord God made them all.*
(Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848)

Happy **AUGUST!**

Wow! How summer flies by fast. Our family has been blessed to enjoy vacation time. This year, Hayden chose many of the places we visited. He is a very good planner, having led us to many fun places!

One summer program we have enjoyed for years and continue to participate in is the York County Libraries' SummerQuest program. Ranging from easy to difficult, there are 30 total hikes in parks throughout York County. On these hikes, we explore and find hidden posts for prizes. Hayden, and proudly so, along with Cathe and me, will have hiked all 30 trails!

Hiking with Cathe and Hayden through the county parks is great exercise; coupled with my bad knees, I'm constantly reminded how truly out-of-shape I am! Far greater though is the profound reminder of God's beautiful and colorful creation. How can we not see and hear God in the trees, the flowers, the clouds and stars, or every bird singing in the air?

Below, I share two pictures from our hikes. The first picture was taken in the Holtwood Dam area of Airville, PA. The gently flowing water gave me a sense of deep peace and assurance in God's Word, "He leadeth me beside the still waters..." (Psalm 23). Oh, how God walks with us, and talks with us, in ways like this, to know that he is right there beside us! Although the metaphorical waters of our lives may not always be still, I rest in His assurance, "Be still and know that I am God." (Psalm 46). Lead me, Lord!



The second picture was taken at Gifford Pinchot State Park. It seems, in this picture, that the sky meets the water, only separated by the trees. Much like the sky meeting the water, it gave me pause to think that God comes in these silent, yet picturesque and powerful ways, to meet us in our lives! The trees seem to be telling me to rid myself of those things that separate me from God. God, you are to be praised. How majestic is your name in all the earth!



Midweek Music concerts continue!
Many thanks to everyone who faithfully attends and watches online.

In July, we celebrated "Christmas in July!" On July 13th, Jennifer Hughes-Beshore sang a stunning program of Christmas music. To capture the mystery and awe of Christmas, we began with dimmed lights and a single spotlight as she sang, "Away in a Manger." It was a moving musical moment. Thank you, Jennifer, for your music!

Thank you also to Harry Rodriguez. Harry faithfully assists with promoting the concert series, taking part in programs as a drummer, and even helping as a 'stage manager.' Harry has begun learning drums. It is a great inspiration to see his love for the Lord, his hunger for God's Word, and his burning desire to learn music.

And, of course, thank you to Nihal and his faithful assistance with the audio and video production.

As part of the programs, we are making our way through the Psalms. Each week, a psalm is read with a musical reflection to follow. Beginning in August, we will continue our reading of the Psalms at Psalm 114. It's a powerful connection of scripture and song.

It is my hope that these programs are a blessing and powerful inspiration to all. Music has the awesome power to stir us in deep and profound ways. It has the amazing power to bring our hearts to praise, and to prayer!

Please join us for these times of music! Concerts are on Wednesdays at noon and last approximately 30-40 minutes. It's always a fun time, online, and/or in-person! You may even find humor in my jokes and entertainment in the occasional magic trick.

I am thankful to God for the opportunity to present these programs and thankful for everyone's continued support of these programs.

God be praised now and always, unto the end of ages. Amen!
Soli Deo Gloria!
Todd

CHOIR! CHOIR! CHOIR!

CALLING ALL TO CHOIR!

Chancel Choir rehearsals begin in SEPTEMBER!

Late this month, the Chancel Choir will take part in a choir retreat as a kickstart to rehearsals! We will have the opportunity to study God's Word and how music is a beautiful gift to spread the Gospel. We will situate ourselves in a quiet retreat center, away from the church. We'll pray. We'll praise. We'll marvel in God's creation. We'll grow deeper in our faith and musical journeys. Anyone interested in joining the Chancel Choir is more than welcome to attend! Please see me with any questions.

Rehearsals will then begin in September. More details will soon be available. The Chancel Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7:30, immediately following the Handbell Choir rehearsal. Singing weekly, at alternating services, the Chancel Choir faithfully leads the worship music and presents offerings of music directly connected to God's Word. In choosing music, we work closely with Pastor Arun as he sets forth his monthly scripture series. So many times, in scripture, especially the Psalms, we are commanded to sing and make music to the Lord. Singing is fun. Chancel Choir is fun! "The one who sings praises twice."

Please, join us. Please, offer up your talents. If it is not singing, perhaps it's another instrument. Please see me with any questions!

OUR MONTHLY PRAISE AND PRAYER FOCUS

Would you pray for India? India celebrates her 75th Independence Day on August 15th. Every time you see a person of Indian origin, would you whisper a prayer for India?

AUGUST THEME

PROMISES FOR THE GRATEFUL HEART

August 7 *

How gratitude brings joy.

The joy of the Lord is my strength.

Scripture: Nehemiah 8:10

Preacher: Rev. Raymond Brooks

August 14

How gratitude adds to well-being.

A merry heart is like a medicine.

Scripture: Proverbs 17:22

Preacher: Rev. John Shellenberger

August 21

How gratitude helps us cherish memories

Forget not all his benefits.

Scripture: Psalm 103: 2

August 28

How gratitude helps us become better servants

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Scripture: Psalm 100: 2

*Holy Communion services

GRANDPARENTS IN PRAYER

A Grandparent's Prayer
by Steve and Annie Chapman

*"Thank You, Lord, I've seen my children's children,
Heaven's love in flesh and bone.
Oh, how sweet it is to hear them laughing,
When it's been quiet for too long.*

*Lord, I pray for these treasures
You have given to my years,
Until they meet You in forever
Take their hand and keep them near.*

*Lord, I pray when they get older
And my name comes to their minds,
May it be the one thing they remember-
They saw Your blessed face in mine."*

All grandparents are invited to the first session of Grandparents in Prayer on Monday, September 19th at 10:45 in the St. Johns Room at Trinity. What a privilege to gather with others who support us and pray for one another's grandchildren!

We gather every other Monday morning at 10:45 and discuss a small section of the book, Grand-Parenting With a Purpose- Effective Ways to Pray for Your Grandchildren. Following the discussion we will have ½ hour of guided prayer time.

Contact Beth Sider at ronsider@gmail.com for more information or to order the resource book.

HERE'S THE SCOOP

Secret Sisters will have an Ice Cream Scoop buffet social on August 20 at 10:00 in Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP Vicky Forman by Text or phone message by August 16 at 717-919-9846 so Vicky can plan on the amount of ice cream needed.

There will be a door prize drawing for each Summer meeting. The July theme was a visit to grand old England with a tea party. Secret Sisters July Tea Party's center piece was created by our very own Floss Batcheler. She was the winner of the July door prize....a \$25 Karns gift certificate and a basket of assorted items. Congrats! It's never too late to join Secret Sister's.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TO RETURN!

On Sunday morning, September 18th Coffee Fellowship will return to the Fellowship Hall. The children's Sunday School classes, directed by Miriam Andrews, will return to their newly renovated class rooms. This will make the space available once again.

Coffee Fellowship will be held from 9:15 to 9:40 each Sunday. A big "thank you" to Jo Lower and Cathy Baum for hosting and organizing Coffee Fellowship! Come and enjoy fellowshiping with one another, and have coffee and a cookie!

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Sunday, September 11th will be a special Sunday at Trinity. We will have a Hymn Sing, family friendly combined service, at 10:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School for this Sunday only.

Following the service we will head down to Borough Park for children's games at 11:30 a.m. and a picnic lunch at 12:00 noon.

We will supply the hot dogs, drinks and place settings, and ask YOU to bring a side dish (cold or hot) to compliment the hot dogs, or a dessert.

If your last name starts with the letters
A-K please bring a side dish (cold or hot).

If your last name starts with the letters
L-Z please bring a dessert.

See you at Trinity for the service and then down at the park under the large pavilion for lunch.

Thank you!

Beth Sider, Worship Team Chair
Cathy Baum, Hospitality Team Coordinator
Pastor Arun Andrews, Senior Pastor

Thanking the Lord for Jack Baumbach's 100th birthday!



STARFISH MINISTRIES ~ SERVING NEXT ON AUGUST 14 ~ 12:00 - 1:30 P.M.

**Behind Citizens Bank, Square of Harrisburg
Faithfully serving our homeless friends in Harrisburg.**

When your life is reduced to the clothes you are wearing and a backpack or so, you are no less a human being than the wealthiest ones on the Forbes list!

This is to :

- honor our homeless friends who allow us to serve them.
- salute and celebrate the vision and mission of Starfish Ministries, founded by Carol Crossley.
- thank everyone in our congregation who has given a place in your heart and generosity to this ministry.
- thank our faithful volunteers from Trinity especially the Loomis Family, Charlotte Wagonor, Jim Luck, Susannah Croushore and Scott Sundy.

Whatever you did for the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

CURRENT NEEDS:

foot/body powder, acetamiphen, ibuprofen, umbrellas, ponchos, tissues and chapsticks



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUGUST 2 ~ 6-8 PM

Seeking Volunteers for this event. Sign up on the clipboard across from the mailboxes. National Night Out will take place on Tuesday August 2 from 6-8 pm at our parking lot and street side. We are partnering with the New Cumberland Borough, Fire Department, Police Department, Medard's House, Vicki's Angel Walk, New Cumberland Town Band, and a variety of community vendors. Music

* Children's Games * Food * Displays ALL FREE.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022 6:00 - 8:00 PM

TRINITY UMC PARKING LOT
415 BRIDGE STREET
NEW CUMBERLAND, PA

WWW.TRINITYUMC.COM



**LIVE MUSIC
GAMES FOR KIDS
FREE FOOD**

Thank You!

I need to thank so many people for the thoughts and prayers when I was diagnosed with cancer. Ruth and daughter, Anne-Marie and her husband, Dan, who took me in for a week after surgery.

Now to my Trinity family, who sent me cards, prayed for my surgery and sent get well cards after surgery.

Thank you much.

To those people who dropped food off at my home before and after surgery. Thank you so much.

I want to thank those who were just praying for my family. Thank you so much. I want to thank the homebound committee for a bag of wrapped gifts to be opened 1 gift a day. It was fun - Loved it.

Those who came personally to visit me at my home. Pastor Arun, Pastor Carl, and Barbara Zimmerman gave me communion, read scripture, and we had a great fellowship time. Very meaningful visit.

I am now cancer free. Thank you, Jesus for my successful surgery. I trust and have faith in believing Jesus is the great healing physician. Jesus and my Trinity family gave me hope.

Roger Miller and family

THANK YOU! Cathy & Tom Baum want to thank everyone who helped and supported the Backpack Giveaway Project. We appreciated all the member donations, all who helped to place the school supplies in the backpacks and all who handed out the backpacks to support the local children on July 27th and 28th. Our church is always a giving and supportive church. THANKS!!!

Dear Trinity Church Family,

Thank you so much for the birthday sunshine basket. I was truly surprised! I feel so blessed to have your friendship! Having a surprise to unwrap each day brightens my day. I smile every time I unwrap something. Thank you again!

Blessing to all, Linda Love

Dear Pastor Arun,

It was a pleasure to have you, Pastor Carl, and Barbara Zimmerman visit with us. What a delightful afternoon of conversation with lovely friends.

We truly appreciated the service of communion, including the singing and partaking of the elements.

We can't thank you enough for all your dedication, service to Trinity and your participation in events throughout the community.

Sincerely, Ginny Anderson and Nevin White

NEW CUMBERLAND APPLE FESTIVAL

September 24

Scarecrow Clothing Needed!

Trinity youth are back at it and need your help! Please donate any extra clothing you might have! We need colorful long-sleeved button-down shirts, jeans (small holes are okay!), neckties, belts, baseball hats and pantyhose (small runs are okay!).

Please place your donations in the bin in the hallway.

Volunteers Needed!

Please volunteer on the sign up sheet to join us and help.

For further details contact Jan Snyder.

Thank you for all your help!



Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, flowers, food and expressions of sympathy in Phil's passing. We love and appreciate all the wonderful things our church family does for us.

Missi St. Cyr and family

DOWNTOWN DAILY BREAD

August 9 & 30, 2022 11:30-1 PM

We continue to serve lunch at Downtown Daily Bread which is a 7 day soup kitchen in Harrisburg. Due to National Night Out, we will not be serving at Downtown Daily Bread the first week of August. Sign up on the table across from the mailboxes. Homemade pies are needed for the 9th and bundt cakes for the 30th. To know more contact Carol Crossley

BLANKET SUNDAY AUGUST 14, 2022

The Church World Service Blankets+ Program is a worldwide effort to provide emergency supplies in the aftermath of a crisis. First blankets, then tents and food, then tools to rebuild and training for the future. As people recover from disaster or adjust to resettlement, Church World Service blankets provide comfort and shelter, can be used as a sunshade or provide a dry place to sit and rest. Blankets are distributed wherever they are needed and may end up on the other side of the world, or in our own community. Church World Service is a collection of 37 different denominations, including the United Methodist Church. UMCOR relies on CWS as part of its disaster response program. Supplies are ready to go at the moment they are needed.

If you would like to know more about Church World Service, check out the CWS website at cwsglobal.org or visit UMCOR's website at umcmission.org/umcor. The blankets program is assigned UMCOR Advance #982810.

On August 14 we will pin your donation to our sample blanket, or you may take an envelope to contribute later, or bring a blanket to be used locally. If you send a check to the church office, please write Blanket Sunday in the memo section. To know more contact Allyn Litzelman



THANK YOU

We are very thankful for Miriam Andrews for meticulously sifting through materials and beautifully arranging the content in these rooms. Thanks to all our teachers and volunteers for their faithful ministry.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ROOM RENOVATION

Beautiful spaces for our precious little people!
Our gratitude to Dave Leppo for leading the project and for all who stepped in and stepped up to help make this a reality! What a blessing you are to the faith formation of our children. May these beautiful rooms be rededicated for the glory of God and that kids might grow in favor and Knowledge of the Lord



GRATEFUL FOR ANGELS

A team from our church were out meeting people who operate businesses in our town. Their goal was to place fliers about National Night Out in business locations. Having completed their goals for the morning, they were on their way back to Trinity when they met with an accident.

Here are Carol Crossley's words along with the picture of the car : "This is Sandy William's car. We were doing the fliers today and stopped to pick up four of the walkers (volunteers) to bring them back to the church. A big pickup turned right into our drivers side. No one was hurt. Just shaken up."

We are very sorry for the damage that Sandy and John Williams' vehicle suffered. On the other hand we are very, very, thankful to the Lord for the protection and safety that those who were in the car experienced: Sandy Williams, Carol Crossley, Wilma Rockey, Jan, Angel and Kaylynn Snyder.

Just a few days ago, in a youth session conversation, the Snyder girls had a question about angels. I shared a brief response about the reality and ministry of angels and recalled that the Bible references angels about 300 times. I also shared this promise which we committed to memorize:

"For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."

Psalms 91:11 NIV

<https://psalm.bible/psalm-91-11>

Grateful for angels,
Pastor Arun
New Cumberland
July 8, 2022



BACKPACK GIVEAWAY

Our Facebook post about the backpack give away sent this message to our community:

We want your kids to be blessed and have a wonderful school year.

In 3 days our Facebook post had reached 5,803 people.

Here are two responses from parents in our community:

Thank you for providing this to our community! It is a service that means more than you might ever know. Rebecca

This is amazing! Thank you! Things have been crazy the past 6 month financially and I don't even know how I'm going to afford school stuff this year! Shannon

We want to thank you as a congregation for your support to this ministry. We want to thank Cathy and Tom Baum, for leading our team of volunteers this year even as Carol Everetts who has coordinated this ministry for years is taking care of Randy.

As our volunteers worked on arranging the bags and content, we were encouraged to pray for the kids who will receive these gifts - that their lives be touched by the love of Jesus.

Thank you team Backpack giveaway 2022!



DUTIES FOR AUGUST 2022

DUTIES:	GREETERS	WORSHIP LEADERS	CHILDREN'S TALK
AUGUST 7	8:15 Ken/Jane Gable 10:45 Tom/Cathy Baum	8:15 Sue Grubb 10:45 Patricia Stacey	Jady Conroy
AUGUST 14	8:15 Kathy Miller 10:45 Marjorie Creamer	Sharon Sheffer	Pastor Raymond Brooks
AUGUST 21	8:15 Tom/Cathy Baum 10:45 Betty Hannum	8:15 Jane Rosenthal 10:45 Linda Love	John Mickle
AUGUST 28	8:15 Jady Conroy 10:45 Betty Caboot	8:15 Jed Beshore 10:45 Vicky Forman	Pastor Arun Andrews



September 15th

A MEAL & FOOD ITEMS

PICKUP BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY

FIRST COME ~ FIRST SERVE

LOVE BOXES FOR FREE!

LOVE BOXES

September 15th
9:15- 11:30 AM

NO Love boxes for August.

Thank you for graciously giving food and donations. We give away 60 boxes each month and have given 2,800 boxes total since we began.

Thank you to the team and others that have helped! Carol Everetts, Harry Rodriguez, Cathy & Tom Baum, Daryl Potteiger, Betty Caboot, Marjorie & Dick Creamer.

TRINITY SMILES

Guess who was on that adventure trail?
And it's a pity that we didn't get those pictures of Cathy and Tom Baum and Mike!

Country Star?
Did you spot that Allan Jackson look?



CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday Worship Services: 8:15 & 10:45 AM	1 6:30 PM Worship Team Mtg	2 6 PM National Night Out 8 PM Facebook Live Time of Prayer	3 12 PM Facebook Live Midweek Music	4 10 AM Sewing Group (WR) 10:30 AM Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (LL)	5 9 AM Ickler's Prayer Bkfst	6 9 AM Communion Prep
7 9:30 AM Sunday School 6 PM Youth Group	8	9 12 PM DDB 8 PM Facebook Live Time of Prayer	10 12 PM Facebook Live Midweek Music	11 10:30 AM Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (LL)	12	13
14 9:30 AM Sunday School 12 PM Starfish Ministry 6 PM Youth Group	15 6:30 PM Pray & Go	16 8 PM Facebook Live Time of Prayer	17 12 PM Facebook Live Midweek Music	18 10 AM Sewing Group (WR) 10:30 AM Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (LL)	19	20 10 AM Secret Sisters (FH)
21 9:30 AM Sunday School 6 PM Youth Group	22	23 8 PM Facebook Live Time of Prayer	24 12 PM Facebook Live Midweek Music	25 10:30 AM Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (LL)	26	27
28 9:30 AM Sunday School 6 PM Youth Group	29 6 PM Leadership Team Mtg (SJ)	30 12 PM DDB 8 PM Facebook Live Time of Prayer	31 12 PM Facebook Live Midweek Music	<div> CELEBRATE FROM HEART AND SPIRIT BIBLE STUDY The Believer's Authority Thursdays, 10:30 AM - 12 PM. Scripture: Luke 10:19 Questions contact Cindy Deborow. NOTE: Celebrate from the Heart and Spirit Bible Study group will be providing sugar free candy in a container with a label marked, "Sugar-Free" in the Genesis room. </div>		





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8:15 AM and 10:45 AM

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**FORWARDING SERVICE
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August 2022

Please submit articles for the
September 2022 TRINITY TIDINGS by August 15th.



Adopt a Pew, Embrace a life.

Pray over seats and pews.

Pray that God's love touches
those who occupy them.

Pray that new guests
come and fill empty ones.

Come early and pray
for a mighty work of God.

Are you in?

