

# From the Pastor's Desk

#### My dear Trinity Family,

We count our blessings as Spring bursts forth with beauty! What a privilege to live in this part of the world especially in this season of time!!! A walk along paths decorated with redbud, magnolia, dogwood or forsythia fills the heart with wonder and draws the soul to worship. Even the coldest winter's day is blissfully forgotten in the warmth of a delightful Spring day. Who said waiting is not worthwhile? With cardinals, robins, finches, woodpeckers and other birds

adding to our audio-visual delights, our senses are tickled by nature's brushstrokes only leaving us craving for more! All this becomes even more meaningful in the season around Easter. It is no surprise that the famed Martin Luther said, "Our Lord has written the promise of the Resurrection, not in books alone but in every leaf of springtime".

As we savor the meaning of our Lenten journey and celebrate the victory of Christ's Resurrection, we are reminded that in Him all things are made new (2 Corinthians 5:17). Our youth shared that very promise with us on Youth Sunday as they focused on the theme, "Transformed". Each of them did their best in offering their worship unto the Lord. Using youth language, let me join you in saying, "Hey, guys, your Trinity Family is proud of you! You did a fantastic job!!" That goes for Haley and our adult volunteers too. And yes! Shane Sweger! Way to go!!!!

Our Men's Lenten prayer breakfasts were a treat of a time with powerful, soul-searching and inspiring messages from respected Pastors and superb breakfasts. Thanks to Eric Rodgers and our dedicated team of men. Thanks to all of you who attended and brought a friend.

As we approach the month of May 2019, we are entering a power-packed zone. Why do I say so? Because we will be joining a nation-wide celebration of the National Day of Prayer. Just imagine the power of millions of Christians praying in unity as we focus on the theme of love all across the United States of America? At Trinity it has been a special season of preparation as we engaged through the Lenten season with Pastor Rick Warren's "40

Days of prayer" series. What a blessing! Thanks to each of you who participated. Let us pray for Beth Sider and our National Day of Prayer team as they lead us to participate together at Trinity through our 24-hour prayer chain and street-side service. Let us remember Pastor Peggy Spengler as she leads the joint-effort of the churches of New Cumberland as we look forward to a united human chain of prayer on May 2. God is at work!

We also look forward to our partnership with the Churches and businesses of New Cumberland as Community day will be hosted on May 4. Trinity's hotdog and children's activity tents will be received with gratitude. Grateful to Tom and Cathy Baum and volunteers. Thanks to all of you for your support. Our Trinity Youth in partnership with Recycle Bicycles of Harrisburg and Parthermore Funeral Home will host the Bicycle Extravaganza on May 4 at the Trinity parking lot. You are invited to donate usable bicycles and also pass the message to anyone who might need a bicycle or helmet - free! Thank you, Jim Uber, Parthermore family and our Trinity Youth! On the heels of Community Day, we look forward to our second hand sale hosted by Donna Ratulowski and volunteers at Fellowship Hall on May 6-8. We are also gearing up for the most exciting children's programs of the year - Vacation Bible School and Summer in the Sonshine. Let us pray for a truly wonderful work of God's grace through the events. Let us pray for the VBS team lead by Donna Ratulowski and Haley Warner and our Summer in the Sonshine team led by Mary Herr. Stay tuned for further details.

# MAY 2019 THEME

# MIRACLES THAT SHAPE OUR VICTORY

#### May 5th A Miracle for a Broken Man Scripture 1: Psalm 93:1-5 Scripture 2: Mark 5:1-20

#### May 12th

The Miracle Called Mom! Dr. Paul Pitts Scripture 1: Proverbs 31:10-12, 23-31

#### May 19th

A Miracle for a Broken Woman Scripture 1: Psalm 96:1-13 Scripture 2: Mark 5:24-34

#### May 26th

A Miracle for a Little Girl Scripture 1: Psalm 98:1-9 Scripture 2: Mark 5:21-23, 35-43

As I write this letter, we continue to pray for our United Methodist Church, as we await the ruling of the Judicial Council with regard to the Traditional plan voted at the recently concluded General Conference. We keep our eyes on the Lord and trust Him to lead us as his people.

Someone once said, "Prayer moves the hands that move the world". Prayer is a gift that transports sinners to the heart of a Gracious God. It is that divine balm which can soothe the pain in every broken heart. Prayer is the powerhouse in God's house! It is the fire beneath the revivals that changed nations. It is the force that propelled great missions, inaugurated life-changing ministries and transformed billions of lives through the centuries. It emboldened persecuted Christians to withstand the tyranny of tyrants, the heartlessness of persecutors and the unfaithfulness of traitors. Yes, if we only understand the power of prayer, we will never fear the power of any challenge.

The Greek words for power is "dunamis". You guessed it! The root of the word dynamite! Prayer is like dynamite. It can unearth hidden treasures. It can blast away hinderances. It can help relocate material. It can make way for tunnels, roads and tracks to previously inaccessible destinations.

May we continue to experience the power of prayer and enjoy the gift of prayers of power.

In Him who answers every call,

**Pastor Arun** 

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## THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 2, 2019



## **PRAYER RALLY KICK OFF**

WEDNESDAY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> | 6:30 PM NEW CUMBERLAND FIRST CHURCH OF GOD 323 RENO STREET | NEW CUMBERLAND Youth Groups of New Cumberland participating

#### **24 HOUR PRAYER VIGIL**

MAY 1ST | 7:00 PM - MAY 2ND| 7:00 AM 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM Prayer Vigil at your home with personal praying guide 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM Prayer Vigil in the sanctuary with guided personal praying guide *Coffee and pastries will be provided 7:00-11:00 AM* 

#### PRAYER RALLY SEND OFF

THURSDAY MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> | 6:30 PM
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
415 BRIDGE STREET | NEW CUMBERLAND
6:15 PM Gathering Music by Brass Triumphant
Prayer and Challenge by Pastor Arun
with music by Trinity Choirs
7:00 PM NATIONAL ANTHEM

#### **PRAYER CHAIN ON BRIDGE STREET**

 THURSDAY MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> | 7:05 PM
We will line up along Bridge Street from 4th to 5th Street with direction from Prayer Captains.
Each person will be given a prayer guide.



May 6 - 12 PM to 7 PM May 7 - 8 AM to 7 PM May 8 - 8 AM to 12 PM

#### **Drop off :**

May 1 - 9 AM - 12 PM and 6 PM - 8 PM May 2 - 9 AM - 12 PM and 6 PM - 8 PM May 3 - 9 AM - 12 PM

Monies from the Second Hand Sale will go to support our mission efforts, i.e., UM Home for Children; New Hope Ministries; Mission Central; and many others.

Team L Triple H is providing pick up by request & appointment. Please contact Tom Baum at 717-774-0907 to schedule this service.

Coordinator : Donna Ratulowski at 717-512-3365

#### STARFISH MINISTRY

Sign up at the info table or see Carol Crossley if you want to join us on Sunday, May 12th from 12:30-1:30 PM

#### **DONATIONS NEEDED**

- men's underwear
- white socks
- deodorant
- insulated cups with lids

#### DOWNTOWN DAILY BREAD

Trinity will be serving at DDB Tuesday May 7th and May 14th from 12 - 2 PM. If you would like to volunteer to serve, please sign up on the sheet on the information table.

# With Grateful Appreciation

Our Trinity Church Family was privileged to host the Annual Lenten Blood Drive on March 23rd. There were 13 registered donors - 11 unit of blood were collected. This equaled to 33 lives positively affected. My sincere appreciation to each of you making this decision is honorable.

...For God so love the world He gave his son for us. You have shared your life blood in remembrance of His ultimate sacrifice. Thank you for your support of this ministry! ~ Barbara Z.

Our Heroes: Stuart Stoner Douglas Eakin Jed Beshore Stephen Eyer Scott Loomis Eugena Robison Alexander Panuccio Our Heroines: Dawn Bailets Mary Ellen Eyer Cara Bordner Cathy Baum Haley Warner Carrie Mcgahan

# Thank you from the Worship Team

Thank you to Connie Williams for sponsoring the congregation palm branches on Palm Sunday. And thank you to the youth who helping to split the palms on Saturday morning!

Thank you to Mary Lou Twigg and Jean Ruth for the new banners that they recently made for Trinity. The banners were displayed for the first on Easter Sunday and focus on our 2019 theme, "Victorious."

Thank you to the flower team headed by Joyce Klinger who was responsible for the decorating and arranging of the Easter flowers. Also, to those who helped distribute the flowers to the homebound.



# Thanksfor the Beauty of the Earth

In a span of twelve hours, I saw three things that reminded me of our many BLESSINGS here on earth. On my walk yesterday evening, I saw three doves that gave me a FEELING OF CALMNESS & PEACE this HOLY EASTER week. I also saw many trees and flowers that have their new SPRING attire on and they looked BEAUTIFUL reminding me of the BEAUTY of God's earth and how AWESOME his creations are. Then, while driving to work this morning, I saw the sun coming out of the clouds with BRIGHT LIGHT RAYS outstretched just like THE HAND'S OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR TO ALL OF US!!!

THE LORD HAS ARISEN INDEED!!! Cathy Baum





Have you walked through the hallways of church and noticed the fresh coat of paint? Thank you Harry Rodriguez and Daryl Potteiger for getting the job done!

# **SBIKE EXTRAVAGANZA** GET A BIKE • DONATE A BIKE • REPAIR A BIKE

If you are in need of transportation or your child needs a bike, join us during Community Day. New helmets, locks & bike registration will be provided, courtesy of Parthemore Funeral Home.

# BIKE EXTRAVAGANZA

Bike Extravaganza is happening on Community Day in the church parking lot. Trinity Youth Group, in conjunction with Recycle Bicyand Parthemore Funeral cle Homes, will take the lead for the event, but as always they can use some adult help. So, keep the date open and think of us!

Contact the church office or Jim Uber (717-608-6347) for details.

## SUPPER **FELLOWSHIP**

#### What's on the menu?

MAY 3rd Chicken Corn Soup and Sandwiches

MAY 17th Ham, Lasagna, Chicken and Waffles

MAY 31st Sloppy Joes and Macaroni Salad

We welcome volunteers to join us for setup, food-prep, serving, clean-up or simply come and spend time sharing a meal in conversation with our neighbors. You may volunteer by signing up on the info table or online at: https://trinityumnc.com/nextsteps/serve/

#### **New Cumberland Ministerium Community Outreach Day** May 4, 2019

If you are able to help in some way, please complete this form.

- Set-up (Sat. Morning 8:30 am meet at Trinity Kitchen to help take things to Baughman)
- Monetary donations for hot dogs, rolls, ketchup, mustard and onions
  - Work 1 hr. shift at Children's Craft Table (Craft materials will be provided.) Circle your choice of time. 10:30 - 11:30 or 11:30-12:30
- Work a 1 hr. shift at Trinity's Food Stand Circle your choice of time. 10:30 - 11:30 or 11:30 - 12:30

Help clean-up and return items to the church. (12:30-?)

Monetary donations should be given to Cathy Baum or the church office and marked for Community Day.

#### **YOUR SERVICE & DONATIONS WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU**

#### PLEASE RETURN FORM TO CATHY BAUM OR TOM BAUM

Any questions contact Cathy at 717-774-0907 or newcumb502@aol.com

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_\_



#### TRINITY YOUTH HIGHLIGHTS

#### Youth Sunday 2019: A Day of Transformation (On the Inside & Out)

Samuel. Timothy. Solomon. David. Mary. Gideon. Josiah. Daniel. Esther. Joseph. Jeremiah. Ruth. What do all of these names have in common? They are all names of young lives which God called and used to change the world. Many scholars believe most of the disciples were under the age of 18. And God is DEFINITELY calling and using Trinity's Youth! The many hours of prayer, practice, and preparation became evident as our youth led and inspired all of us at this year's Youth Sunday service & Youth Room Dedication. Immeasurable time and support from the leadership, congregation, trustees, and youth leaders made it all possible. Whether it was through the music, testimonies, dance, or Shane's moving message, every piece of the service turned our minds and hearts to the truth of God's Spirit within us that is continuously transforming our identity, relationships, habits, and lives from the inside-out. Talk about transformation... did you see this new Youth Room?! If you want to see transformation check out these before & after pictures! We are so excited for the youth to have a renovated space of their own to connect, worship, and fellowship and we are beyond grateful that it was made possible. Thank you for worshipping with us and supporting our youth in so many ways.



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# SUNDAY DUTIES FOR MAY 2019

DUTY	MAY 5	MAY 12 UNITED SERVICE	MAY 19	MAY 26				
Altar Guild	Allyn Litzelman Jane Gable	Allyn Litzelman	Sue Butler	Sue Butler				
Children's Talk	No Children's Talk	No Children's Talk	Faith Sylor	Donna Ratulowski & Hailey Hollinger- Nance				
Nursery: 8:15	Cindy Bailey Pat Bashore		Doug Eakin Daryl Potteiger	Lo Lower Lucille Wilt				
10:45	Nina Stoner Cheryl Bargo		Jean Ruth Jody & Kaity Wickenheiser	Mary Herr				
Ushers: 8:15	*Tom Bailey, Harry Rodriguez, Susan Beshore, Jed Beshore, Erik Schaefer, Kurt Schaefer							
10:45	*Dave Leppo, Brian MacMinn, Jocelyn MacMinn, Norm Batcheler, Floss Batcheler *denotes head usher							
Coffee Fellowship	Adult Sunday School Class	Tuesday Morning Group	Chancel Choir	Youth Group				
Adult SS Teacher	Rev. Richard Creamer	Jed Beshore	Grover Herr	Ruth Miller				
Elective SS Teacher	Mary Strausbaugh	John Mickle	Jady Conroy	Bob Rosenthal				
Counting Team	Dianne Schofield and Tom Baum							

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Cedar Cliff Chamber Ensemble under the direction of Mr. Brian Buterbaugh will play at Trinity on May 19<sup>th</sup> in the 10:45 service. Please welcome these talented string players to Trinity!

# MUSIC SUNDAY

June 2nd at the 8:15 am and 10:45 am services

All of the music groups at Trinity will participate in the service – Sonshine Choir, Youth Singers, Sing and Celebrate, Chancel Choir, and United Bells. Instrumentalists will also be involved in the service and we will sing some of your favorite hymns. "When in Our Music God is Glorified" is the theme.

### JUNE COMMUNION

The June communion will be on June 9<sup>th</sup> due to Music Sunday being the first Sunday of the month.

# REFLECTIONS FROM A MOM AND YOUTH LEADER

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." ~Proverbs 22:6

Wasn't Youth Sunday on March 31st a blessed, inspiring and uplifting service? The youth, under the guidance of our youth leaders, took the lead to organize, plan, practice and ultimately lead in worship for the Glory of God. Personally, I couldn't be more proud of them.

I know that teenagers face a lot of challenges, distractions and things competing for their time and attention. I also know that parents face an equally challenging responsibility. I remember one day when my son, Seth, was 12 years old. My daily devotion that day was written by the mom of a teenage son. They had a good relationship, until the year her son turned 15. He became rebellious, searching for his identity and independence as he was growing up. She struggled with a relationship that had become stressful and confrontational. A friend assured her that this, too, would pass. It did, eventually. The year my son turned 14, I faced this same challenge. I became burdened with a relationship that had changed so dramatically. I remembered the devotion, prayed, and clung to the hope that this, too, would pass. It did, eventually. At the end of the summer that year, Seth and I headed to Philadelphia to see a Phillies game. We spent hours together in the car and at the game, and not once did we argue or upset each other. A staff person at the game was taking photos of fans that could be purchased online. I don't usually purchase these, but that day I did. It was worth every penny to have a photo of us smiling together, a tangible reminder of the day my prayers were answered.

Just as we all have hope that, despite our sin and rebelliousness, one day we will be reconciled with God in heaven, parents, hold onto the hope for your children given in Proverbs 22:6.

Carol Wilson

# TRAINING SEMINARS FOR ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Calling all adult volunteers who work with our church's children or youth in any capacity!

- MAY 5: Learning Styles
- MAY 19: Challenging Circumstances
- JUNE 2: Leading Children to Jesus

Immediately following the 10:45 AM worship service, we are holding adult volunteer training seminars from 12-1:30 PM. Each seminar is focused around leading and loving our children and will include a light lunch, a guest speaking on a focused topic, and breakout sessions.

Whether you already serve or hope to serve at VBS, Summer in the Sonshine, Kingdom Kids, Youth Group, Sunday School, or another kid-based program, all are welcome and we hope you will attend!



Summer in the SONshine is a FREE program of songs, worship, crafts, and games. Lunch will be provided with special entertainment performed in Trinity's Fellowship Hall.

VICTORY IN JESUS is our 2019 theme for Summer in the SONshine. We'll learn how to celebrate Victory in trying, Victory in teamwork, and Victor y in telling.

Registration is available online beginning May 1st at https://trinityumnc.com/ministries/kids/

Please sign up to volunteer any or all of the days. The Volunteer Sign Up Sheet is on the information table.



One out of every three students at WSSD is considered HUNGRY. These students are fed Monday-Friday with subsidized FREE breakfasts and lunches at school but some go hungry over the weekends.

Christian Churches United started a new program and is asking churches to support students in the West Shore School District area, in partnership with the district social worker and nurses. The program is called **Project A.S.K.-Assisting Students & Kids**.

The Hospitality team and the Missions team are asking our church to participate with an on-going food drive, collecting food items that can be carried home by a student in their backpack and prepared by a child at home. You only need to bring the items below to church-There will be a table in the narthex provided.

Then the items will be taken to WSSD sorted and the Social Worker will determine which schools are in need of these items.

This project provides dignity; anonymity and a basic need to the students of WSSD plus Trinity church will be supporting OUR COMMUNITY with this effort.

#### Will YOU help with this cause???

Please contact Cathy Baum or Carol Evertts for further information. Thanks for all your help!!!

#### LIST OF PREFERRED ITEMS

- Pop top canned meals like Chef Boyardee
- Small containers of peanut butter and jelly
- Individual packs of oatmeal
- Ramen noodles packs or cups
- Pop top canned tuna
- Individual bags of snacks
- Pop top canned soups
- Case of bottled water
- mac n cheese individual cups
- Individual snack packs of cereal
- individual snack bars and fruit snacks
- Poptarts and cups of fruit
- pop top Dinty Moore beef stew
- small pop top canned vegetables
- popcorn
- Juice boxes
- GROCERY GIFT CARD DONATIONS!!!

# VBS 2019 JUNE 9-14 5:30 - 8:30 pm

## EXPLORE WHERE GOD'S POWER CAN TAKE YOU!

Registration is available online beginning May 1st at https://trinityumnc.com/ ministries/kids/

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us! Ephesians 3:20

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MAY 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUNDAYS 8:15am Worship Service - S 9:30am Sunday School for All Ages 9:30am Coffee Fellowship - FH 10:45am Worship Service - S 10:45am Kingdom Kids - JR			WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM Sing & Celebrate 6:30-7:15 PM SONshine Singers	THURSDAYS 6:30-7:30 PM United Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	Take 5 to Pray Daily at 8:30 PM	
CR=Creation RoomFH=Fellowship HallPS=Preschool RoomMO=Mt. Olivet RoomYD=Young Disciple RmO=Otterbein Conf. RmWR=Wellness RoomS=SanctuaryL&L=Lion & Lamb RoomSJ=St. Johns RoomJR=Junior RoomSI=St. Johns Room		1 9am-12pm 2nd Hand Sale Drop Off 9:30am Strong Women (MO) 6-8pm 2nd Hand Sale Drop Off 7pm Prayer Rally Kick Off	<b>2</b> 9am-12pm 2nd Hand Sale Drop Off 10am Sewing (WR) 10am Cooking (FH) 10:30am Celebrate from H&S (L&L) 6-8pm 2nd Hand Sale Drop Off 7pm Prayer Rally	<b>3</b> 9am-12pm 2nd Hand Sale Drop Off 9:00am Prayer Breakfast (Ickler's) 5:00pm Supper Fellowship (K&FH)	<b>4</b> 9am Bike Extravaganza 9am Community Day 9am Communion Prep (WR)	
<b>5</b> 12pm Adult Volunteer Seminar (FH) 6pm Youth Gr (CR & FH) 6:30pm Prayer Shawl	6 9:30am Strong Women (MO) 10:45am Grandparents in Prayer (SJ) 12pm 2nd Hand Sale (FH)	7 8am 2nd Hand Sale (FH) 11:45am Downtown Daily Bread	8 8am 2nd Hand Sale (FH) 9:30am Strong Women (MO)	9 10:30am Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (L&L) 11am District Retired Pastors Luncheon (FH)	10	11 6:30pm The Scribe (Red Land H.S.)
<b>12</b> <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b> <b>UNITED SERVICE</b> 10:45 Dr. Paul Pitts 12:30pm Starfish Ministry 6:00pm Youth Group (FH & WR)	13 9:30am Strong Women (MO)	14 11:45am Downtown Daily Bread 7:30pm NC Town Band (FH)	15 Tidings Deadline 9:30am Strong Women (MO)	16 10:00am Sewing (WR) 10am Cooking (FH) 10:30am Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (L& L)	17 5:00pm Supper Fellowship (K&FH)	18
<b>19</b> 9:30am Blood Pressure 12pm Adult Volunteer Seminar (FH) 6pm Youth Gr (CR & FH) 6:30pm Prayer Shawl	<b>20</b> 11:30am Grandparents in Prayer (John's Diner) 6pm Initial Safe Sanctuary Training (SJ)	<b>21</b> 6pm Safe Sanctuary Review (SJ) 7:30pm NC Town Band (FH)	22	<b>23</b> 10:30am Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (L& L) 11:00am Staff Meeting (OC)	24 Set Up for Wedding Reception (FH) 5pm Wedding Rehearsal	25 2pm Wedding 4pm Reception (FH)
26 6:00pm Youth Gr (CR & FH)	27 MEMORIAL DAY Office Closed 6:30pm Leadership Team Mtg. (SJ)	28 Ipm Safe Sanctuary Review (SJ) 7:30pm NC Town Band (FH)	<b>29</b> 8:30am Assemble Tidings (OC)	<b>30</b> 10am Cooking (FH) 10:30am Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (L& L)	<b>31</b> 5:00pm Supper Fellowship (K&FH)	

# Trinity United Methodist Church

Susquehanna Conference

#### THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Sunday Worship Services** 8: 15 AM and 10:45 AM

Sunday School Classes For all ages at 9:30 AM **Dated Material** 

FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED



The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world



Please submit articles for the JUNE 2019 TRINITY TIDINGS by May 15th Experience the event that changed the world **"The Scribe"** is an unforgettable musical presentation of the life of Christ through the eyes of a Centurion Soldier.



Paul will be performing "The Scribe" in it's entirety at Red Land High School on May 11th at 6:30 PM.

Dr. Paul Pitts is an internationally-known tenor. Paul has sung over 6,500 performances on 7 continents to over 5 billion people by television, radio and personal appearances. Please take this opportunity to invite your friends, family members, neighbors, colleagues, fellow students to this life-changing event and service.

Paul will also be speaking at Trinity United Methodist Church New Cumberland on Sunday, May 12th at the 10:45 AM United Service.