

The Herald

Trinity Lutheran Church
1141 West Chester Pike Havertown PA 19083

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*"When the power of love overcomes the love of power,
the world will know peace."*

- Jimi Hendrix.

Mask Update

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Following the current CDC guidelines and policies and in keeping with the current COVID transmission level in Delaware County (as of March 20th it was low) **Masking/Face Coverings will now be optional.** This will be for all Worship Events and experiences **beginning April 1, 2022**, in the Chapel area and in the Sanctuary. This is subject to change should the levels of transmission rates increase in the future

TRINITY IS OPEN FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

9:45 AM – Worship Time Change Beginning on June 12, 2022

Those who cannot join us in person can follow us on “Facebook Live.” Please go to Trinity Lutheran Church Havertown on Facebook and the link is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/trinitylutheranchurchhavertown>

Financial Update

Our 2022 approved budget for the church expects an average income of \$9,950 a month from contributions, outreach, grocery dollars, etc. (Excludes Nursery School). While we have bigger income months due to Easter, Christmas, and the Crab group in the summer it would be wonderful if we could meet or exceed the budget each and every month!!

January our income was \$6,281 versus the budget amount of \$9,950.

February our income was \$7,116

March our income was \$6608

April our income was approx. \$19,000!!! Wow and Yay. Thank You.

YTD our income was \$39,000 versus the needed budget amount for 4 months of \$39,800

Expenses still exceed income even in the month of April, remembering that we are supplementing our budget with money from our endowment monthly to meet the expenses.

Thank you so much for all who gave in April, financially and for volunteer activities. It was most appreciated.

Barbara Ryan

TRINITY'S TRANSITION TEAM

Contact your Transition Team with any questions or comments:

Peggy DiSciascio – peggy@bytemonkey.net or 610-446-2695

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Pastor Gwen King – pastor@trinityhavertown.org or 610-446-6398

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Need something fun to do with your youth this summer? Send them to Church Camp! Bear Creek Camp is a ministry of the Southeastern and Northeastern Pennsylvania Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Located on nearly 3,000 acres in the beauty of the Pocono Mountains, Bear Creek Camp offers year-round opportunities, including summer residential youth camp, nature day camp, environmental education programs, weekend camp retreats and outside group rentals. <https://bearcreekcamp.org/> ~~Jenn Pruski

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Trinity's Women's Bible Study group meets via ZOOM on Friday mornings at 10 AM. We will be ending our study for this year on June 10 and will meet up and have lunch together on Thursday, June 16.

Please think about joining us in the fall, date to be determined. Following our opening time of catching up with each other from the previous week, we begin with prayer. It is a wonderful time to share our concerns, sorrows and joys and then bring them to the Lord. After that time of fellowship and prayer we begin our study.

MUSIC MINISTRY – ADULT CHOIR AND BELL CHOIR

You are invited to join the Adult Choir, following the Sunday service, or Bell Choir which meets every other Monday evening at 7 PM.

I've always wanted to play piano...

My colleagues call this the YOLO effect (you only live once)—emerging from the worst of the pandemic, people are making considerations for things they've always wanted to do, and one of those things is learning an instrument. So here's the scoop as an informal guide.

There are some important questions to answer either for yourself or your child:

- a. Are you or your child asking to play piano?
- b. Can your child sit still for 15 minutes?
- c. Do you have time to help them?
- d. Do you have access to an instrument?
- e. Does the instrument fit the child?

If you can answer yes to all of these questions, then you or your child can start lessons, but let's review these questions individually.

If there is a genuine desire to play, a child won't stop asking. I asked my parents for two years before we were able to get a piano. As an adult, if you are the one who wants the child to study piano, then take a step back and make sure they want it as well. No age is too old to start. I actually taught my grandfather how to play keyboard when he was 70.

Sitting still with focus is important. If your child cannot sit still, then maybe consider a music movement class where they can experience music but not need to practice.

DO YOU HAVE TIME TO HELP THEM? I repeat...DO YOU HAVE TIME? A child under the age of 12 will not be able to do this on their own. This is the biggest mistake I experience with parents. Music IS NOT like riding a bike. Yes, you can learn fundamentals, but you don't get "good at it" by just showing up for lessons. It takes practice. Same goes for an adult learner. If you don't have at least 15 minutes a day to devote to practice, then music study is not for you.

And therefore, to practice, you need an instrument at your home or access to one daily.

Lastly, musical instruments are sized to a child/adult. With the exception of instruments like a piano that should have 88 keys, other instruments come in a variety of sizes. Make sure a professional helps you.

I welcome answering any questions you may have about music study!

~~Kirsten

Trinity Lutheran Nursery School and Mother's Morning Out News

We were so thankful for the beautiful weather during our Easter break. We all enjoyed the sun and warm temperatures! But before and after our break we had the last reminders of winter weather. We left with umbrellas and returned in winter coats!

Each class had classroom Easter Egg Hunts inside the building. Eggs were hidden EVERYWHERE! The eggs were filled with chocolate, rings, little cars and stickers. We will be finding eggs well into summer! Parties were filled with lots of goodies. We painted, stamped, colored and drew lots of Easter Bunnies to take home to our families. Our Easter celebration was fun!

Much thanks to Jim Hasselman for the wonderful job he did outside. We now have a new fence to keep our children safe. Thank you Jim! ~~Miss Marian



Trinity has a prayer ministry comprised of 30+ members. We pray for concerns and joys not only for our Trinity family but for relatives and friends of our Trinity family. We also pray for those whom we do not know but whose story has touched our hearts. If you would like to be a part of this important and powerful ministry contact Peggy DiSciascio (peggy@bytemonkey.net) or Darlene Leech (office@trinityhavertown.org).

PRAYING THROUGH MEMBERSHIP

Margit and Krystle Mackley, Caitlyn Maguire, Debbie Maguire, Crystal Mangir, the Mark Family, Danielle and Dan Matsinger, Dan and Jessica Matsinger, Jordan Matsinger, Tom Matsko, The McDevitt Family, Glenn Miller, and the Moser Family.

Please Pray for... Dorothy Plantholt, Don and Nancy Cornman, Susan Haines, Carol Lyons, Dave Huntington, Louise Wallace, Glenn Miller, Margit Hibben, Debbie Maguire, Richard Campbell, Tom Shiffer, Connie Young, the family of Bill Bast, and the Anna Willox Family.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

More than thirty people participate in Trinity's Prayer Chain Ministry. We love to hear good news that new can thank God for but we also pray for concerns and sorrows of our Trinity family and their friends and relatives. To be a part of this important ministry or submit a prayer request, please contact Peggy DiSciascio (peggy@bytemonkey.net) or Darlene Leech (office@trinityhavertown.org).

MEALS FOR THE LIFE CENTER

We **NEED** the following to make hot casseroles for the Life Center:
**Cream of Mushroom soup, Mayonnaise, Canned Tuna, Mixed Vegetables,
and Shredded Cheese (you can put the cheese in the silver refrigerator in the Social Hall)**
Please help when you are out grocery shopping.

Cooks for the May meal: Brigitte Gdovin and Tom Shiffer. Ann Shiffer delivered the meal to the Life Center.

We are now serving ice tea and/or lemonade from Swiss Farms rather than in powdered form, so any donations for drinks can be made in the gallon jug or perhaps a gift card from Swiss Farms or Wawa. Thank you again for your continued support and generosity.

PLEASE HELP TRINITY HELP OTHERS

Trinity is continuing to provide a hot meal the first Tuesday of each month for the Life Center.

In addition, we are going to provide **30 substantial lunches for PROJECT SHARE** to be dropped off at Trinity on the **first Sunday of the month**. **PROJECT SHARE** provides daytime mental health services for about 25-30 homeless persons. There is no meal program. The lunches we and other groups provide are their only sources of a balanced cold meal. If you can volunteer to make lunches, please contact Ann Shiffer at t.shiffer@comcast.net or Darlene in Trinity's office.

These lunches will be dropped off at Trinity on the first Sunday of the month. Please label them (SHARE) and place them in the refrigerator downstairs in the Social Hall.

There is a list with drop-off dates out on the bulletin board by the elevator where you can volunteer and add how many lunches you will make.

The lunches need to be dropped off the FIRST SUNDAY of the month.

Ann Shiffer or a volunteer will take them to **SHARE**. Remember, we need 30 lunches; if you can make 5 that would make it easier for more to volunteer and share the love of helping others.
~Ann Shiffer (t.shiffer@comcast.net, or 484-995-1751)

*Dolores Pindjack and Danielle Causland will make lunches in June.
Helen and David Koch will make lunches in July.*

We will continue making lunches throughout the rest of the year. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the elevator. Remember, you do not have to make all 30 lunches yourself. Ask a friend or a member of our Trinity family to help. Folks love to help!!!

FREE MONEY FOR TRINITY

SCRIP = gift cards for food stores and easy way to donate to Trinity. Acme, Giant (use them for gas as well as groceries), Colonial Village in Manoa Shopping Center, each will give the church 5% of the amount you purchase. Although the stores make these donations, you can still make purchases equal to the face value of the gift cards you purchase. Buy them on Sunday mornings from Peggy DiSciascio or call her during the week (610-446-2695) to make arrangement for purchasing during the week.



Sunday, June 5 – Confirmation of Olivia Carson

Tuesday, June 21, 2022, 7:00 PM

Church Council via ZOOM

All are welcome!

Let Alice Huntington, President of Council (alicehuntington@gmail.com) or Darlene Leech (office@trinityhavertown.org) know you would like to attend and you will be sent the ZOOM link to join the meeting.

Trinity School Supply Drive

Thank you for participating so generously in past school supply drives.
Our drive this year will continue through August 7 and I will place boxes in the Sanctuary for depositing your donations.

More info is on the bulletin board in the hallway. ~~~Darlene

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Plastic Pencil Box
Pocket Tissue Packs
Composition Books
Crayons (24 count box)
Washable Markers (8 count box)
Glue (8-ounce bottle)
Glue Sticks
Large Pink Erasers
No. 2 Pencils
Pocket Folders
Safety Scissors
Pencil Sharpener Ruler

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Plastic Pencil Box
Pocket Folders
Scotch Tape
Highlighters
No. 2 Pencils
Mechanical Pencils
Colored Pencils
Pencil Sharpener
3 x 5 Index Cards (ruled & unruled)
Pens and Ruler
3 Ring Binders
Binder Dividers
Loose Leaf Paper
Post It Notes
1 Subject Notebooks
3 or 5 Subject Spiral Notebooks