



TRINITY TIMES

Trinity United Church of Christ
www.trinityucchanover.org

MARCH, 2020

General Information:

Worship Schedule:

Sunday Service

9:00am

Fellowship Time

10:00am

Sunday School

10:30am

Office Hours:

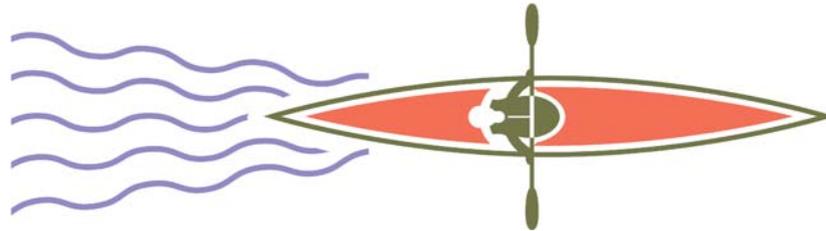
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Padding through Lent — and life

Lent is a time for restoring balance to our lives. The Eskimos practice balance as they venture into freezing Arctic waters in little boats. If you've ever paddled a kayak, you know how easy they are to tip. Thankfully, kayaks are just as easy to turn back upright.

That isn't a bad image for Lent — or for life as a whole. Whatever spiritual disciplines we adopt, if we succumb to temptation, it's no biggie. One of the lessons of Lent is that, as long as we're traveling light, it takes only a quick twist of the paddle to right us. That paddle twist might take the form of a quick but heartfelt prayer: "Jesus, set me straight again!" Or it might mean some extra time set aside for quiet meditation with God. Don't get worried if your spiritual discipline fails now and then. Just let Jesus help you get upright once more, and keep paddling!

—adapted from Carlos Wilton, in *Homiletics*

Don't settle

For most of us, the great danger is not that we will renounce our faith. It is that we will become so distracted and rushed and preoccupied that we will settle for a mediocre version of it. We will just skim our lives instead of actually living them.

—John Ortberg, *The Life You've Always Wanted*

Special dates

First Sunday in Lent, *March 1, 2020*

World Day of Prayer, *March 6, 2020*

Second Sunday in Lent, *March 8, 2020*

Daylight-Saving Time begins, *March 8, 2020*

Third Sunday in Lent, *March 15, 2020*

First day of spring, *March 19, 2020*

Fourth Sunday in Lent, *March 22, 2020*

Fifth Sunday in Lent, *March 29, 2020*

Inclement Weather

Please remember in the event of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, you may call the church at 717 637-2233 to get a recorded message regarding cancellation.

That same information will be available on the church website at:

www.trinityucchanover.org

or scrolling on WHP-CBS or WHTM-ABC, your local television stations.

Dear Friends:

Our wheel of the church year turns to Lent, on February 26, when we observe Ash Wednesday. The service will be at 7pm and include imposition of ashes, special music, and prayers to mark the beginning of our Lenten journey. Our Lenten discipline will also include a special 7 week teaching series during Adult Sunday School, beginning on Feb. 23. We are using a resource called “The Way” by Adam Hamilton.

Hamilton uses historical background, archaeological findings, and Bible stories of our faith to retrace the footsteps of Jesus. We will follow Jesus’ journey from his baptism, to the temptation of the wilderness, his proclamation of the Kingdom, his ministry to sinners and outcasts, and his final earthly journey to the cross. Join us as we deepen both our faith and our love for Jesus.

In Lent we also will gather on Wednesday mornings at 9am for coffee, devotions, and discussion. We will use a companion resource to the Hamilton book, called “The Way: 40 Days of Reflection.” This short resource contains 40 days of devotions and will enable us to take time to reflect on the power of Jesus’ teachings. The Wednesday morning series will begin on March 4th. Please let Pastor Kim or BJ Rhodes know of your interest so enough books can be ordered.

Lent, of course, is the forty-day preparation for the highlight of the Christian year, Easter. The forty days do not include Sundays; but in reality, we consider Lent to be forty weekdays and six Sundays—including Palm Sunday. The number forty is a popular number in the Bible and a round number used to represent fullness, or sometimes, testing. Here are some of the occurrences for the number forty in scripture:

The rain fell on Noah’s Ark for 40 days.

Moses and Elijah lived in Horeb for forty years.

The Israelites wandered for forty years.

Twice, Moses was on the mountain for forty days.

Goliath challenged the Israelite army for forty days before David killed him.

The kings David and Solomon were reported to have ruled for forty years, and Eli was judge over Israel for forty years.

The Hebrews were in exile for 40 years.

Jesus fasted for 40 days in the wilderness.

After the resurrection, there was a forty-day period during which the risen Jesus was revealed to the disciples.



Make this Lent a forty-day personal journey in which your faith grows. As in Advent, we are called to “prepare the way” for Jesus to enter our hearts through preparation, prayer, and praise. I look forward to joining you on the journey!

See you in church,

Pastor Kim

Circle the Week!

Trinity's VBS this year is the week of June 15-19. As in years past, children will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they discover their strength in God via Bible stories and verses, music, crafts, games, and snacks. Circle the week on your calendar and stay-tuned for more info!



New in the Neighborhood

Check out the new street pantry called the "Blessing Box." It's located at the corner of Locust and Middle Streets and is the idea of the *First United Methodist Church*. The intention is to help our community friends who are in need. If you would like, you can add to the box items with things such as food bars, snacks, cereal, etc. For now, don't place anything in the box that could possibly freeze. Those who are in need of these items will help themselves. Is this not good community stewardship or what? Any questions, please call Dick Betlyon at 717-632-6507.



Born

Died

Nadine M. Lippy

June 11, 1922

February 1, 2020

Janet Reindollar Foreman

October 10, 1924

February 3, 2020

Statia H. Weaver

December 4, 1927

February 11, 2020

2020-21 CONSISTORY

The new year for Consistory is beginning and we are looking forward to a productive time of growth and continued renewal for Trinity Church. If you have any concerns or issues, ideas for outreach or a desire to serve your church in some capacity, please talk with any member. We pray for God's guidance to uphold the mission of Trinity Church within our church family and the broader community outside our doors.

Belinda Sabaka - President
 Diane Betlyon - Vice President
 John Coulson - Treasurer
 Lorene Crooks - Secretary
 Kay Altland
 Brittany Breighner

Karl Albin
 Lee Bartlett
 Dennis Rhodes
 Mike Sabaka
 Jim Barnhart
 Neil Kessel Jr



Day	Name	Yrs.	Day	Name	Yrs.
5	Karen and Joel Weaver	43	21	Barbara and Robert Williams, Jr.	49
10	Tena and Steve Albin	47	23	Sherry and Lonny Smith	35
12	Tina and Trevis Becker	32	24	Peggy and Anthony Brallier	36
15	Connie and Richard Messinger	67	26	June and Jeffrey Klinedinst	43
20	Kimberly and William Spangler	10	30	Dolores and James Zinneman	69
			30	Rebecca and Andrew Blumenthal	46

Note: *If your anniversary was omitted, please contact the office to update your records.*

Sewing Circle Thank You Notes!

Thank you for the lap quilt. It was so thoughtful of all of you. Bless you.

Luther Hess

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the beautiful quilt. It is so colorful! God bless the hands that made it.

Leona Casteel

Dear Trinity Sewing Circle,

Thank you very much for the quilt! It is absolutely beautiful and has clearly been made with so much love. We really like foxes & woodland critters so the fabric is perfect. We are grateful for your support and can feel the love from your prayers. Thank you for thinking of us!

With love,

Brianna, Jake, & Jameson Crooks



Dorcas Transeau March 18
Madge Mitchell March 24

Words of thanks to the "Called to Care" group!

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the lovely bouquet & gifts. It means so much to be remembered in your prayers. God bless you for thinking of me.

Leona Casteel

Thanks for thinking about me with a visit from Judy Maust. Our friendship and service to Trinity have some history. A special thanks for the flowers, readings, & card. Of course, a big thank you for the goodie bag!

*Blessings to all,
Helen Yingling*

Dear friends at Trinity,

Thank you for the gift bag of goodies, flowers, and the visit from Denise.

In appreciation of your thoughtfulness,

Statia Weaver (received days before her death on Feb. 11th)

Dear friends at Trinity,

We want to thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers for Don during his recent open heart surgery. After 31 days at the hospital and rehab, he is finally home. A special thank you to Pastor Kim for her visits, prayers, and encouraging words. Also, to the Knit Wits for the beautiful prayer shawl. Your kindness is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Don & Peg Jamison

Dear Trinity family,

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Sewing Circle ladies for the beautiful lap quilt. Also, thank you to everyone for the cards and phone calls after my recent fall. It is all very much appreciated!

Sincerely,

Verna Wentz

*Thank
You!*



Joyful noise



Use your voice and this hand-crafted percussion instrument to make joyful noises to the Lord.

What you need:

- Dry beans (about one Tbsp)
- Plastic Easter egg
- 2 plastic spoons
- Masking tape
- Markers and stickers

What you do:

1. Place the beans inside the egg and snap it closed.
2. Set the egg in a spoon and cover it with the second spoon so the spoons are holding the egg.
3. Tape the spoons to the egg. Also wrap tape around the spoons from top to bottom to make a shaker handle.
4. Decorate your shaker and use it as you sing praises to God.
5. Experiment with sounds by filling other eggs with coins, rice, and so on.



MAKE MUSIC TO THE LORD

People of the Bible used many different instruments to worship God through music.

Directions: Using the clues, unscramble the names of instruments found in Psalm 150. Then write the circled letters in order in the spaces below to complete verse 6.



- A type of horn MURTEP
- Played by King David PRHA
- Plucked to make sound IGSNSTR
- Similar to a tambourine MRBELIT
- A type of harp ELRY
- Blown through to make sound EPPI
- A percussion instrument YBLACMS

Le_ everyt_ing tha_ has _r_ath
_raise the _ORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV

Answer: trumpet, harp, strings, timbrel, lyre, pipe, cymbals; Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV

March	1	8	15	22	29
	Lent 1	Lent 2/ Daylight Savings Time Begins	Lent 3	Lent 4	Lent 5
Consistory Team	5	6	1	2	3
Worship Leader					
		Lee Bartlett	Doug Cooper	Kay Altland	Lorraine Hall
Young Adult Leader					
	Caleb Leckrone	Aaden Reichart	Josiah Leckrone	Eric Leib	Grant Reichart
Ushers					
	Mike & Michelle Becker, Neil Kessel Jr.	Joel Weaver, Bill Foreman	Greg & Sue Alwine, Jim & Ellen Oaster	Susan Erb	John & Gail Coulson, Mary Snyder
Fellowship Host	Dave & Mary Snyder	WOT	Mummert/ Stauffer	Leib, Sanders, Altland, & Nace families	Leckrone
Altar Flower Sponsor	Erb	G. Ronald Albright	Lobach	Bristol	Open
Chancel Flower Sponsor	Forry	Dolores Albright	Foreman/Crooks	Open	Open
Bulletin Sponsor	Wilson	Open	Crooks	Stauffer	Open

Please call the church office to schedule a flower or bulletin dedication for any available date.
The cost is \$40 for altar flowers and \$25 for pedestal arrangements (plus tax), and \$20 for bulletins.
If you would like to assist with ushering duties or fellowship time, please call the church office at 717-637-2233.
Volunteers are always needed. Thank you.

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March 15, 2020