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Trinity United Church of Christ
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General Information:

Worship Schedule:

Sunday Service

9:00am

Fellowship Time

10:00am

Sunday School

10:30am

Office Hours:

Mon—Fri 9am—1pm

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Restart your heart

Pain and loss are inescapable on this earth; fortunately, the Great Physician specializes in fixing hearts. Our participation is vital to recovery, though, as Danny Gokey sings in “Tell Your Heart to Beat Again.”

The song was inspired by a pastor asking to watch a cardiac surgeon — one of his congregants — in action. When the doctor attempted to restart the patient’s heart after repairing it, the organ wouldn’t cooperate. The surgeon knelt to speak to his patient: “We have fixed your heart. We have repaired it. There is nothing wrong with your heart. If you can hear me, I need you to tell your heart to beat again.” And it did — because she did.

“You *can* get back up again,” says Gokey, who faced loss when his first wife died. “You *can* move forward with your life, and you don’t have to walk with a limp.” God has fixed our hearts, Gokey says, but we need to recognize that — and begin to hope again.

Walk the walk

Do you rush, push, shout and become generally unpleasant on Sunday mornings? Do you complain about church? Are you irregular in your attendance? Are you over-conscientious about matters that are not really important?

Do you always criticize the pastor, the choir, the length of services and the usher crew? Then don’t be surprised if your children grow up to look at Sundays as the worst day of the week.

Special dates

National Day of Prayer, *May 3, 2018*

Ascension, *May 10, 2018*

Mother’s Day, *May 13, 2018*

Armed Forces Day, *May 19, 2018*

Pentecost, *May 20, 2018*



Prayers of the People and A Little Workshop on Prayer Writing

Years ago many of the adult liturgists were actively engaged in writing and offering the “Prayers of the People” during Sunday worship. As you know I usually offer the “Pastoral Prayer” after the sermon, however, I think it may be time to pick up the older tradition of having our liturgists or others offer the Prayers of the People in lieu of the Pastoral Prayer.

I am happy to offer a pastoral prayer whenever needed. Liturgists are not required to write and offer the Prayers of the People, however, I will be happy to assist anyone who would like to try their hand at writing these prayers for the service, including those who are not part of our regular liturgist rotation.

So, whether you are a regular liturgist or not, if you would like help in writing a prayer, you are invited to attend a little workshop on prayer writing (other types of prayers can be explored too), Monday evening, May 14th at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday afternoon, May 16th at 2:00 p.m. in the library. Expect to spend about an hour.

Peg

Call for Delegates

Friday and Saturday, June 8 & 9, clergy, delegates, and visitors will gather for the Fifty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Penn Central Conference at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA. The theme this year is “Christ Alive.” Each church is entitled to two lay delegates, one of whom should be under 21 years of age if possible. If you are interested in attending please see Pastor Peg immediately. The church will pay the registration fees, the meals offered on campus, and overnight housing if you are staying in a campus dorm room.



The final agenda, a campus map, dorm assignments, and other information can be picked up at 1:00 p.m. on Friday. The meeting begins at 2:00. The meeting will conclude on Saturday, about 4:30.

Business items include a vote on the 2019 Conference Budget, a vote on a series of amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the United Church of Christ, a vote to elect nominees to the Board of Directors, Commissions, and the Synod.

This year’s mission project is entitled **3 Great Loves!** Church stories and pictures about Trinity’s Knit Wits, Toy Workshop, PAL lunch, and any of our stewardship/mission work should be sent to Stephanie Rader-Titzel at the Conference office. Her email: srader-titzel@pccucc.org.



Day	Name	Yrs.	Day	Name	Yrs.
3	Crystal and Brock Arentz	21	17	Sally and Donald Hoover	33
3	Adam and Sara Weaver	10	18	Tammie and Don Knight	27
6	Stephanie and Scott Markle	29	21	Melanie and Russell Berwager	35
8	Jacquelyn and Byron Thoman	31	26	Jean and Greg Yiengst	45
13	Kellie and Jim Musselman	23	26	Patricia and Michael Fuhrman	44
13	Jennifer and Bryant McCusker	18	29	Sharon and Scott Fuhrman	36
13	Wendy and Gregory Eline	29	30	Arlene and Merle Dubbs	66
15	Kathy and Andy Hansford	47	30	Rachel and Andrew Betlyon	9

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



- Rodger Saltzgiver May 1
- Hollis Arentz May 3
- Johanna Berwager May 11
- Shirley Krepps May 25

Health Kits

Hygiene kit materials will be collected on Sunday, May 6th and again on the 13th. There will be a display in the narthex featuring assembled kits and the necessary instructions to put one together. Your continuing support of this program is very important and helps to ensure CWS Kits are available for immediate response after a disaster. Monetary donations to help defray the cost of shipping will also be gratefully accepted. Questions? Please contact Betty Jane Rhodes.

VBS Planning Underway!

Trinity's Vacation Bible School plans for 2018 are in full swing! Our theme this year is "ShipWrecked—Rescued By Jesus." **Save the week—June 18-22 from 9-11:30am.** 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.



As always we need volunteers, estimating 2 adults for 15 children which does not include session leaders and snack preparers. All adult volunteers must undergo the state-mandated background checks if they have not already done so. Please see Pastor Peg or Diane Betlyon to volunteer. They will give you information on background check sign-up. The background checks are easy to do so please don't let that discourage you from volunteering. We really do need your help to have a successful VBS!

Attention Graduating Seniors!

Trinity would like to recognize graduating seniors from both high school and college. If your son or daughter, grandchild, or you will be graduating this month or in June, please contact the church office at 637-2233 or via e-mail at: info@trinityucchanover.org. We would like the name of the graduate and the high school or college/university, and name of parents if applicable. All graduates will be recognized during the worship service on Sunday, May 13.



Are you having trouble keeping up with your daily living expenses? The Century Trust Fund may be able to help. Assistance from the Century Trust Fund is available to members of Trinity United Church of Christ who may be in need of financial aid to remain in their own homes, retirement homes, boarding homes, or nursing homes, provided certain conditions are met. Applicants must be members of Trinity Church for at least five (5) years, at least 62 years of age, and must show reasonable proof of financial need. Financial assistance provided by the Century Trust Fund need not be paid back. All applications are strictly confidential and are available in the bin across from the church office.

Donated piano

Trinity’s music committee recently approved the donation of a piano to Lazarus United Church of Christ in Lineboro, MD after a devastating fire destroyed the church on Dec. 3, 2013. The donated piano had been occupying one of the corners in Rm 45 and was not being used. Now its new home is in the sanctuary of the newly constructed Lazarus UCC. Lazarus feels “blessed” to have received the piano and prays for God’s richest blessings to be bestowed upon Trinity and its members.

Lobsang Tsering, our sponsored child through the *Global Ministries Child Sponsorship Program* turns fourteen years old on June 10th. If you would like to send a card to Lobsang, address labels can be found in an envelope on the narthex bulletin board. Cards must be sent as early as possible so that they will reach Lobsang in time for his birthday.



Born

Patricia A. Speers

June 21, 1932

Died

March 20, 2018

Strengthen the Church is the second of four offerings taken specifically by United Church of Christ congregations and grows the UCC’s future by:

- Funding new church starts and invigorating existing congregations.
- Nurturing lay and pastoral leadership.
- Building youth and young adult ministries.
- Supporting the *God is Stillspeaking* Ministry and its extravagant welcome for all within the United Church of Christ.



 **Strengthen the Church
Special Mission Offering**

All gifts are directed to activities and programs of your church’s local conference as well as the UCC’s national ministries. The offering will be received on Pentecost Sunday, May 20th.



May	6	13	20	27
	Health Kit Sunday	Recognition of Graduates & Health Kit Sunday	Pentecost	
Consistory Team	6	1	2	3
Worship Leader				
	Katie Winhauer	Lee Bartlett	Doug Cooper	Steve Hutton
Youth Leader				
	Eric Leib	Josiah Leckrone	Kyle McCormick	Matthew Hutton
Ushers				
	Vic & Lorene Crooks	Hutton Family, Lee Bartlett	Ryan, Marie, & Leland Smith	Ushers Needed
Fellowship Host	Host Needed	Host Needed	Mummert/ Stauffer families	Host Needed
Altar Flower Sponsor	Open	Trone	Hoke	Junga
Chancel Flower Sponsor	Open	Yoder & Gershon	Berwager	Open
Bulletin Sponsor	Rhodes	Open	Wilson	Wilson

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. Ushers are always needed. If you would like to volunteer, please call the church office at 637-2233.



TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Vacation Bible School: June 18-22, 2018

9:00 – 11:30 am

REGISTRATION/EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM (one per child)

Name of Child	Age (on 6/1/18)	Preschool Year or Grade Completed
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Address	City/Town	State	Zip Code
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Parent/Legal Guardian	Phone #'s	E-mail Address (please print carefully)
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(Emergency Contact Person) (other than parent)	Relationship to Child	Phone #'s
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Name of person(s) allowed to pick up your child _____
(Your child will only be released to those listed)

Name of home church, if any: _____

Allergies (food/seasonal, etc): _____

Other important information: (illnesses, medication, activity restrictions, etc.):

I give permission for my child's picture to be taken and displayed _____ Yes _____ No
(For church use only – some pictures will appear on church website)

Please return Registration/Emergency Contact Form to:
Trinity United Church of Christ
116 York Street, Hanover PA 17331

Please note: Registration deadline is Tuesday, June 12 or when we receive 75 registrations, whichever comes first. To participate in VBS, children must have reached the age of four before June 1, 2018 and should be no older than eleven years of age. Please contact Trinity at 717-637-2233 (9am-3:30pm) or email Diane Betlyon at betpiano@pa.net.

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Trinity's Mission Statement: Trinity United Church of Christ strives to be a warm, caring family of Christian believers. Our calling is to witness and strengthen the Christian faith through meaningful worship, Christian education, and Christian living in the home, the community, and the world.

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