



# TRINITY TIMES

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Trinity United Church of Christ  
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## General Information:

### Worship Time

Sunday Service

9:00am

### Fellowship Time

10:00am

### Sunday School

10:30am

### Office Hours

Mon—Fri 9am—1pm

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Dear Friends in Christ,

We celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. It is the third most holy season to be celebrated along with Christmas and Easter. In fact, one may proclaim that the Holy Spirit deserves more attention in our lives of faith than most Christians realize. The Holy Spirit is understood to be the very presence of God among us today. While God's word and Jesus' teachings are paramount to our story as the people of God, it is the Holy Spirit that helps us to: remember, interpret, be guided and inspired by the written word. In the gospel of John, Jesus proclaimed he would not leave his followers orphaned when he left this world. The gift of the Holy Spirit is his and the father's presence gifted to lead and guide all who walk in the ways of the Lord. So, we are never orphans of faith. We are guided by our God and Savior through the Advocate, sent into the world on that original Pentecost day. That Spirit is acknowledged and celebrated at baptisms, in Holy Communion, in worship and on Holy Days. Yet we should recognize the presence of Spirit in our daily lives as it is the presence of the divine, the third person of the Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, God is always with us and we are able to definitively proclaim our place in the family of God's children in Christ.

May the Spirit strengthen and guide you throughout your life of Christian faith!

*Pastor Steve*

## A Friendly Reminder

When you write a check for your contribution, please remember Adams County National Bank will not accept a check for the following reasons:

- Postdated
- Without the current year
- If whiteout has been used on the check
- If the check has not been signed



We appreciate your financial support to Trinity UCC and to the ministries of the church.

## **Worship Ways at Trinity UCC**

Thank you to the congregation for your feedback on the worship services through the seasons of Lent and Easter. The modifications to our services to alleviate the frequent standing and sitting was well received. The choir will soon be taking a break for the summer and we wish to thank them for the beautiful anthems that have fostered our faith and the spirit among us. As we move into the Summer season this June, there will be a shift to shorter worship services. Communion Sunday will remain much the same on the first Sunday of each month. Other Sundays in the summer will embrace less liturgy and a brief homily. I am hopeful this will enable us meaningful worship throughout the summer which will allow our membership to get to the family gatherings and social events that make summer special. Thank you for your regular attendance to worship and fellowship as we build up the body of Christ at Trinity UCC.

### ***Marriage advice across the ages***

June is the beginning of a popular wedding season. So here's some marriage advice from across the centuries. Clearly, sometimes it depends on context.

- "It is impossible to keep peace between man and woman in family life if they do not condone and overlook each other's faults but watch everything to the smallest point. For who does not at times offend?" (Martin Luther, 16<sup>th</sup> century)
- "Watch yourself, be the first to ask pardon if you both err, and guard against the little piques, misunderstandings, and hasty words that often pave the way for bitter sorrow and regret." (Louisa May Alcott, 19<sup>th</sup> century)
- "The ear is the center of all relationships. It's not the heart, it's not the mind, it's the ear. Listening is the beginning and the end." (Henry Winkler, 21<sup>st</sup> century)

On the other hand ...

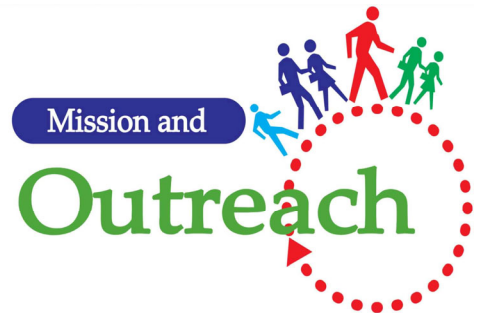
- "In every good marriage, it helps sometimes to be a little deaf." (Evelyn Ginsburg, mother-in-law of a Supreme Court justice, 20<sup>th</sup> century)

And above all:

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. (St. Paul, 1<sup>st</sup> century, in 1 Corinthians 13:4-6, ESV)

## Highlights from May Mission & Outreach Meeting

- Discussed the Neighborhood Supper on May 15. Welcome signs have been obtained and will be used for the first time.
- Team is waiting to hear more information pertaining to the Jared Box project. (Project to supply entertainment kits for children hospitalized at UPMC Hanover.)
- Discussed the *1000 Schools* Project that Pastor Steve's son is involved with. This will be discussed with Pastor Steve. More info later.
- Obtained information on "NAEIR." This is a website through which churches can obtain free goods. The team thinks that any decision should be made by the consistory.
- Discussed having a summer social "Sundae on Wednesday" with entertainer Derek Reed. Derek is a local young man who sings and has been highly recommended. Waiting to hear from Derek as to his availability on July 17.
- Lee and Billie will do a *Roots For Boots* luncheon on June 11. The menu will be barbeque and associated fixings. Lee has consulted with Pastor Steve about this activity. Hiring a caterer is entirely too costly.
- The team approved the purchase of 30 duffle type bags to be donated to *Hoffman Homes* for use by transitioning residents. Steve Hutton will facilitate this purchase.
- Billie inquired about a gun violence seminar focusing on church safety. More discussion is needed.
- The team is encouraging church family members to be welcoming to new faces at Trinity.



### Come & See

Growing in the life of faith is an important part of being a follower of Christ. We have been blessed to see that growth in spirit and in numbers here at Trinity. And while we have additional folks interested in joining the church, I want to encourage you to invite your family and friends to come and see what God is doing among us here. There is truly a new Spirit in this place and I have sensed it is the Spirit of the Lord who is seeking to bless this congregation with new life. So let us accept this gift with joy and celebrate. Let us proclaim to our friends, family, neighbors, and former members that God is moving among us at Trinity. Let us invite them to the celebrations of worship, fellowship, and mission we have come to embrace as God's call upon us. I will soon be announcing another *New Member* Sunday to receive folks ready and waiting to join us. So let's get the word out and invite people to 'come and see' what God is doing at Trinity.

*Pastor Steve*



Day	Name	Yrs.	Day	Name	Yrs.
2	Yvonne and John Dickert	61	16	Sarah and Richard Krout	68
4	Deborah and Richard Rorrer, Jr.	47	17	Georgia and Rick Foye	46
5	Jen and Daniel Leib	25	17	Gail and William Stelger	63
8	Sally and George Sepic	59	18	Susan and Ray Mummert	52
9	Darlene and James Miner	51	19	Stephanie and Thomas Werner	31
11	Peggy and Joseph Oaster	58	20	Judith and Clyde Leppo	65
12	Ellie and Scott Rebert	42	23	Stacy and Michael Jamison	17
14	Amy and David Lentz	27	23	Jamie and Michael Kuchar	23
			28	Valerie and Greg Wentz	21

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

*We would like to thank those who helped transport Sylvester Haynes to and from dialysis at Renal Care in Hanover and York and also transporting him to and from church on Sundays.*

*For several months Bill Foreman, John Dickert, Bunny Harman, Don Harman, Ken Heasley, Mike Sabaka, Steve Sabaka, Sue Seidenstricker, Valerie Wentz, and Bob Williams have supplied transportation for Sylvester.*

*Sylvester and we would like to thank them for their service of Christian love.*





	<u><i>Born</i></u>	<u><i>Died</i></u>
Dorothy E. O'Leary	January 20, 1931	April 20, 2024
Naomi H. Bair	May 16, 1937	April 30, 2024

### Last Call for VBS!

Vacation Bible School is almost here! VBS this year is the week of June 17-21 from 9-11:30 a.m. If you have not already volunteered to help or registered your children or grandchildren, time is running out. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office at 717-637-2233 or you may email Diane Betlyon at: [dbetlyon@gmail.com](mailto:dbetlyon@gmail.com). A VBS info and orientation session is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12 at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall.



Registration deadline is Friday, June 7, or when classes are full. Whichever comes first. Children ages 4-12 may be registered. Registration and helper forms can be found in the narthex or on the church website at: [www.trinityucchanover.org](http://www.trinityucchanover.org).



### Installation of Rev. Steven Ostendorf as Pastor

We have been announcing to the congregation the official installation date of Rev. Steven Ostendorf as pastor of Trinity UCC. Invitations have gone out to area UCC churches inviting them to join in our celebration of calling Pr. Steve as our settled pastor. After many years of searching with anticipation, we can celebrate the efforts of our search committee and the work of the spirit through this special event. It will be held at Trinity on Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 2:30 PM. Leadership from the Penn Central Conference and Gettysburg Association will be on hand to make this official with us. A time of fellowship with refreshments will follow. Please mark your calendars to be present for this special event. We look forward to celebrating as a family of faith.

<b>June</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>30</b>
			Father's Day		
<b>Consistory Teams</b>	5&2	6&3	1&4	2&5	3&6
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Lorene Crooks	Kate & Maggie Mininger	Caleb Leckrone	Aaden Reichart	Brittany Breighner
<b>Altar Flower Sponsor</b>	Open	Open	Dubs	Maust	Open
<b>Chancel Flower Sponsor</b>	Open	Open	Angel	Open	Cooper & Rebert
<b>Bulletin Sponsor</b>	Wilson	Wilson	Open	Open	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.

## *June Trinity Times*

### **Trinity United Church of Christ**

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Hanover, PA 17331

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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.*

#### **Trinity Staff:**

Rev. Steven Ostendorf, Pastor

Mike Blottenberger, Admin. Assistant

Betsy Bristol, Secretary

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Tony Brallier, Ruth Weaver, & Larry Dubs, Sextons

Trinity Nursery School, Tina McCole, Director

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