

Trinity Tidings

April 2023

Now that we are officially into Spring let us “rejoice and be glad in it!” The Psalmist (in 118:24) and this particular time of year aptly capture the pure essence of joy. There is so much promise even in the smallest of details. These spring flowers, always the first to pop out of the ground, assure us of warmer and wonderful

days to come. After a cold drab winter, filled with challenges, all our worries seem to fade away. And once again we are reminded of those things, we take for granted. We can overlook the value of people, plants, animals, and nature itself because they have become part of everyday life. We do not recognize the beauty and relevance of even those we love dearly because they are always nearby. As I walked along outside of the fellowship windows today, I noticed the amazing gift of primrose and daffodils with all their splendor greeting me on this sun-filled

day. Although these tiny tenacious plants do not last long, they surely have evolved to endure the harshest of weather. These itty-bitty blossoms are a great reminder to each of us that no matter the struggle, pain, frustration, or feelings of failure, there will always be the absolute goodness of God in and around it all. *“I know that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it nor anything taken from it; God has done this so that all should stand in awe before him.”* Ecclesiastes 3:14.

We may not understand, now, or see how God can possibly be in these bad and sad

ventures of our lives much less figure out God’s ability to fix or make something good come out of our troubles. That is where our faith comes in. When we hold on to hope, and trust in God’s loving intentions, and when we allow the power of the Holy Spirit to embrace us and fill us with nothing but good thoughts, suddenly our perception changes, as we anticipate God’s plan and purpose for our every breath. We are fragile like a primrose, but we are also just as strong. We can endure harsh reality, and eventually bloom in the bright light of the Son of God. As I bent down to touch the white PRIMROSE, I noticed its plant marker. Upside down it looked like the word PROMISE! I don’t think that was by mistake. *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”* Romans 15:13

Blessings Pastor Cheri




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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE



PALM SUNDAY – April 2

10:00:00 am
Worship Service
Reading of the Passion



MAUNDY THURSDAY –

April 6

7:00 pm
Worship Service



GOOD FRIDAY – April 7

3:00 pm
Worship Service



RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD – EASTER DAY **Sunday, April 9**

8:00 am – Sunrise Service
9:00 am – Breakfast Following Sunrise Service
10:00 am – Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion



THE PASSION: NEW ORLEANS

Sundays of March 26 & April 2

Join us in the Theater after worship. Grab your drinks and snacks, then sit and enjoy a new musical of Christ's Passion.



EASTER LILLIES

"In honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one. Envelopes on the table in the Narthex. Fill out, slip money inside, and put it in the offering plate. You can take the flowers home after the second service on Easter Sunday. Lilies are \$10.00 each. Deadline is April 2.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Ruth Beane; Evonne Buckner & daughter Tristin Megolis; Mary Carroll; Rod Carroll; Ben Chicoria; Wayne DeFelice; Rick Fox; Charlotte Funk; Tom Haney; Dale, Sue & Jeff Long; Lois Lum; Penny Maze; Wilder Emmanuel McCullough; Steve Miller; Karlyn Morgan; David Peaslee; Freddie Ray; Ken Scanlon; Gerrie Scheidler; Frank Smith; Mary Stager; Bill & Alma Stober; Monica Werner; Caleb; Charles; Eric



Heartfelt Condolences – Family of Linda Scanlon (Rich Scanlon's sister-in-law)

Others in Need – Kiwira Coal Mine Congregation; the people of Ukraine; earthquake victims of Turkey and Syria

First Responders – Abigail Romberger; Brad Yeingst; Dylan Yeingst; Tim Yeingst

Military – Drue Gerasimoff; David Martin; Gavin Overholser; William Rimmner III; Adam Thieroff; Luke Waltz; Andrew Yeingst

To have the Prayer Chain activated for a family member or friend in need of our prayers, please contact:



1. **Pastor Cheri at 717.606.8851 to begin the prayer chain.**

2. **If Pastor Cheri is not available**, call Sandy Walborn at 717.838.1681

3. **If Sandy Walborn is not available**, call Carrol Brown at 717.367.4053

4. **If Carrol Brown is not available**, call any other person listed below

Margaret Daub 717.964.3342

Pennie Freet 717.269.3292

Karen Miller 717.304.7012

Lillian Minney 717.964.5032

Connie Weirich 717.665.6448



FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE

A prayer service is held every Friday at 10:00 AM. Bring your concerns, thoughtful support and may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ bring peace and healing to our world.

There will not be a prayer service on Good Friday, April 7.



Karen Miller (Apr 7); James Collins (Apr 8); Kristina Sweitzer (Apr 12); Pastor Cheri Korte & Tracy Monette (Apr 14); Bill Stober (Apr 22); Heather Kimmel (Apr 28); Anna Craig (Apr 29)

Robert & Wendy Hammer (Apr 7); Jeffrey & Mary Keener (Apr 15); David & Sharon Albertson (Apr 18); Larry & Pennie Freet (Apr 19)



FOOD BANK SUNDAY – *First Sunday Each Month*

April Collection is for Manheim Food Bank

FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS: cereal, crackers, boxed rice (no bags), egg noodles, applesauce, spam, paper towels, toilet paper, canned pineapple, shampoo, diapers (size 4-5-6), and baby wipes



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

☒ LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT

Through Easter Sunday, you may take a box home and put dollars in the jar at the display. All proceeds will go to Lutheran World Relief earmarked for Turkey and Syria.



☒ PERSONAL CARE KITS PROJECT



When LWR distributes personal care kits, it's to people around the world who have experienced a disaster or emergency or who are struggling with long-term effects of poverty. They may have lost everything. "They clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a toothbrush ... and washing up. They know that they have not been forsaken by the world." A personal care kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew. You can share God's grace and love by providing some simple comfort.

Collection Time — Sunday, April 16 to Sunday, May 21

Assembly of Kits — Sunday, June 4

Blessing of Kits — Sunday, June 11

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- You can purchase items to complete the Thrivent towel purchases.

Items Needed: — soap (2-4 oz bars or 3 smaller bars in original packaging); — set of 2 adult toothbrushes in original packaging; — metal nail clippers; — sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs)

- You can supply the whole kit.

Items Needed: — 1 medium weight darker colored bath-size towel (52"x27"); — soap (2-4 oz bars or 3 smaller bars in original packaging); — metal nail clippers; — sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs)

THANK YOU FOR BEING SO GENEROUS

(Shared by Bill Calhoon)

Active Love by Heather Tietz

The Holy Spirit changes us. We wear evidence of Him in our decisions, in how we treat our family, our co-workers, our neighbors, that person who stole our parking space and that mom with the screaming child on the seat next to us.

Love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, faithfulness and self-control are our dress. We cover our bodies with them.

Our unsteady hormones, our tired limbs, our wavering feelings have to be covered in prayer and God's words. That's how we "remain" with Christ taking action and continually seeking God.





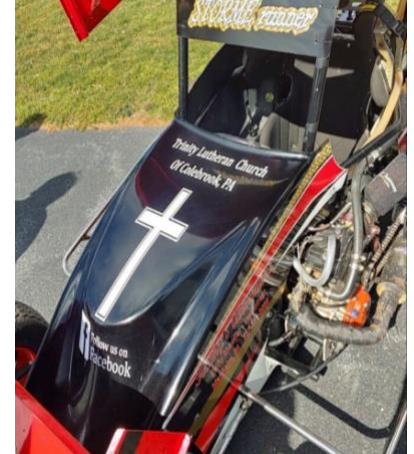
DYLAN YEINGST BLESSING

Sunday, March 19

Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Today we seek God's blessing as we gather in thankfulness to anoint Dylan and his race car to the glory of God. We pray that You will protect Dylan during races, and give him a clear mind, and good judgment at every turn. May this car not only carry Dylan through exciting times but be solid beneath his feet. Just as You are our rock may Your firm foundation keep Dylan and his four wheels always on the ground. Grant Brad, Mandy, Tim, and Ruth confidence in You and in Dylan's driving. May this

season bring joyful experiences. In Your mighty and capable hands, we commend Dylan Jaymes Storms Yeingst and his car.

+ In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.



2023 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Barb Buchmoyer, Diane Carroll, Pennie Freet, Bob Hammer, Dan Hardy (Secretary), Greg Kulp (President), Sally McGeehan, Steve Miller (Vice President) and Rich Scanlon

Finance Committee:

Diane Carroll, Dan Hardy, Jeff Keener (Chair), Craig Korte (Treasurer), Audra Spang (Financial Secretary) and Brad Yeingst

Cemetery Association:

Rod Carroll, Bob Hammer, Greg Kulp (Treasurer), Shaina Kulp, Steve Miller, Brad Yeingst and Tim Yeingst



Treasurer Report

ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF 3/2/2023

<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Bank Accounts		LiabilityAccounts	
Business Savings – T XX0000	34,900.00	Building	- 1,447.35
Checking	26,588.98	Memorial Fund	- 7,421.00
Youth Savings – Trin XX0001	81.09	TOTAL Liability Accounts	- 8,868.35
TOTAL Bank Accounts	61,570.07		
Asset Accounts			
MUTUAL FUND	58,841.69		
TOTAL Asset Accounts	58,841.69	OVERALL TOTAL	111,543.41

TIDINGS INFORMATION & ARTICLES



May 2023 Tidings Deadline
Sunday, April 16

Items can be emailed to grannycalhoon@gmail.com or put in Diane Calhoon's mailbox

GREETINGS FROM TANZANIA AFRICA

Happy New Year from Tanzania! Heri ya Mwaka Mpya kutoka Tanzania.

As we enter 2023, I am praying for a productive year working with our partnership in Konde Diocese. There is so much to do! The Diocese has 90+ congregations and pastors under its care as well as numerous projects (tea, cocoa, and avocado plantations, training of evangelists and theologians/future pastors) and institutions (Itete and Matema Hospitals and several dispensaries and health centers, Iwambi Orphanage, Manow Lutheran Junior Seminary, Matema Bible College, Mwakaleli Vocational Center, Matema Beach Lutheran Center) that it oversees. The LSS Konde Fund supports many of these projects and institutions with your monetary contributions – and the Diocese is grateful for these gifts. But our prayers and our presence are important to them also. They (and I) would love to welcome you to Tanzania to visit your partnered congregation and/or to learn more about the work that they do to the glory of God.

A few months ago the Assistant to the Bishop, Rev. Dr. Meshack Njinga, took a survey among pastors attending a seminar in the Diocese. He asked how many of them thought they had a partner congregation in the Lower Susquehanna Synod. Forty-eight of them believed this was the case. Out of those 48, it turns out that 23 of them actually do have an LSS partner congregation. Even in Konde Diocese, not everyone is aware of their partnerships.

Among the congregations of the Lower Susquehanna Synod, we have 58 partnerships with Konde congregations. Some of these relationships are quite active and include frequent communication, regular visiting, financial contributions, or scholarships. Many more of them have unfortunately gone dormant, sometimes to the extent that one or both partners are unaware of the partnership. One of my responsibilities as the LSS – Konde Liaison is to strengthen not only the Synod–Diocese partnership but these congregational partnerships as well. Some of them will require a jump-start. But that's what I'm here for.

I am listing here our 58 partnerships, with my thanks to each of these congregations for their support – past, present, or future – of their partners and their willingness to participate in the life and mission of Konde Diocese.

Advent, York – Ipinda

Canadochly, York – Halungu

Christ, Elizabethtown – Sanya

Christ, Gettysburg – Lwangwa

Christ, Lancaster – Itete Parish

Christ, Shrewsbury – Matema Parish

Concordia, Columbia – Luteba

Emmanuel, Lancaster – Mbalizi

Good Shepherd, Liverpool – Ibungu

Grace, Camp Hill – Kasyabone

Grace, Lancaster – Tukuyu (Cathedral)

Grace, Red Lion – Isuba

Holy Spirit, Lancaster – Uyole

Holy Trinity, Hershey – Vwawa

Luther Memorial, York – Tunduma

Mt. Zion, York – Kamsamba

Paradise, Thomasville – Kiwira

Redeemer, Lancaster – Isange

Salem, Chambersburg – Mbigili

Salem, Dover – Lubaga

Salem, Lebanon – Idweli and Mwakaleli

Shiloh, York – Agape

Solomon, Chambersburg – Lukwego

St. John, Mt. Wolf – Mbambo

St. John, Shiremanstown – Katumba

St. Luke, Chambersburg – Kandete

St. Matthew, Lancaster – Ileje

St. Matthew, York – Ruanda

St. Michael's, Strasburg – Lusanje

St. Paul (York Street), Hanover – Masebe

St. Paul, Carlisle – Iwambi Parish

St. Paul, Lititz – Kanga

St. Paul, Littlestown – Songwe

St. Paul, Millersville – Tumaini

St. Paul, New Cumberland – Mlowo

St. Paul, Penryn – Isyesye

St. Paul, York – Mpuguso

St. Peter, Lancaster – Busoka

St. Peter, Middletown – Bethel

St. Peter, York – Iyunga

Tree of Life, Harrisburg – Lufilyo

Trindle Spring, Mechanicsburg – Ilemi

Trinity, Jefferson – Kipangamansi

Trinity, Camp Hill – Kambasegela

Trinity, Colebrook – **Kiwira Coal Mines**

Trinity, East Berlin – Sinai

Trinity, Greencastle – Ukukwe

Trinity, Mt. Joy – Ntaba

Zion, Akron – Nzovwe

Zion, East Petersburg – Forest

Zion, Enola – Lukasi

Zion, Etters – Mahanji

Zion, Lebanon – Mbafwa

Zion, Leola – Mpata

Zion, Marietta – Makwale

Zion, Newville – Ngamanga

Zion, York – Kyela



Kiwira Coal Mines congregation's Pastor and his family.
(From Trinity Tidings, Oct 2020.)