

Trinity Tidings

February 2020



“And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments; this is the commandment just as you have heard it from the beginning—you must walk in it.” 2 John 1:6

Traditionally Valentine’s Day sets the mood for love. Once a year, Hallmark, restaurants, florists and many institutions capitalize on the emotions of this special sweetheart day. But the kind of love this world requires and God commands is a bigger, deeper, more committed kind of love; a love like that of the cross. Jesus tells us the greatest of ALL commandments (even greater than ‘thou shalt not kill’) is LOVE; *“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets”* Matthew 27:37-40.

So let’s unpack these 4 short verses under the cross. When we give ALL our love, with every part of our being, we began to mirror Jesus’ life; an attitude, a way of life. To give ALL of our heart, soul and mind is almost impossible but with His help we can learn how to keep that mindset throughout the busyness of life. We all need reminders on how to set priorities midst a world that screams for attention. We need to put on that protective armor knowing we will hear the loudest in-your-face concerns and opinions about everything from parenting to politics to parity. Add to that each of our personal needs, those immediate concerns and the multiple voices relentlessly calling upon us to do something. And we *are* called to be advocates, to be the voice for the voiceless. We must search for the words and actions that will best portray our Savior.

God shows us, every day, through creation *His* love for *us*, whether a beautiful sunset, sunrise, colorful gardens, majestic mountains or vast seas of water. God greets us with His love through song of birds, breezes and bounty. God entertains us with creatures big and small (land, air and sea). Mostly God shows His love through the people in our lives, all of whom we have been asked to love and to care for. Love is so important that not only is it mentioned in the Bible over 300 times, but Jesus said it is LOVE which holds together all other commandments. Love is the glue. Love is the over encompassing elephant in the room that many times people do not acknowledge because fear and anger overshadow. No doubt we live in a fragile yet volatile society making it difficult to not worry while encouraging narrow mindedness visible through social media, protests and a ton of other communications. Our voice is important but everything we do should be done with passionate and loving hearts, souls and minds. Matt Koiceich in his book writes; God loves our “teachable heart” (Come follow Me, January 20). God created us with a teachable heart so that every day we might “yield more and more to His Spirit. Fear is unhealthy unless it is a ‘holy fear,’ which means keeping God’s commandments and not being afraid. Seek God with all your heart, soul and mind. Be bold—plants seeds of hope in hearts all around you...just as Jesus did in yours. The perfect time to start is now, and on Valentine’s Day, and every day thereafter.

“I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ.” Philemon 1:6

Blessings, Pastor Cheri

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Sunday, February 23

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that will begin. On the mount of transfiguration Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at His baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces His impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and be sung again at Easter.

"This is my Son, whom I have chosen – listen to him!" (Luke 9:35)



**ASH WEDNESDAY
SERVICE**
February 26
7:00 pm

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. - Ecclesiastes 3:20



**FIRST SUNDAY IN
LENT**
March 1

During, Lent, Lord, help us to grow in faith, hope and love — "and the greatest of these is love." - 1 Corinthians 13:13 NRSV

2020 ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS



Bill Calhoon, Pennie Freet, Jessica Granthon, Wendy Hammer (Vice President), Dan Hardy (Secretary), Jeff Keener (President), Pastor Cheri Korte, Rich Scanlon, Earl Smith and Tim Yeingst

Financial Officers: Audra Cuthie, Financial Secretary & Craig Korte, Treasurer

FEBRUARY WORSHIP TEAMS



*Thank you for serving as a team member at Trinity Lutheran Church!
Worship is enhanced with everyone's participation.*

Volunteers are reminded to sign up on the monthly assignment sheets. If there is a certain month you would prefer to serve, please let Barb Buchmoyer know.

| | Sunday February 2 | Sunday February 9 | Sunday February 16 | Sunday February 23 | Ash Wednesday February 26 |
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| Music Leader | Joe Buchmoyer | Acapella | Joe Buchmoyer | Praise Ensemble | Joe Buchmoyer |
| Head Usher | Rod Carroll | Brad Yeingst | Brad Yeingst | Glenn Hoy | |
| Head Usher | Diane Carroll | Dylan Y/Heather K | Tim Yeingst | Janet Hoy | |
| Acolyte | Victoria Brooks | | Victoria Brooks | | Katie Brooks |
| Communion Asst | Greg Kulp | Brad Yeingst | Bill Calhoon | Mary Stager | Brad Yeingst |
| Liturgist | Connie Weirich | Pennie Freet | Wendy Hammer | Dan Hardy | Wendy Hammer |
| Altar Care | Margaret Daub | Marie Martin | Diane Carroll | Wendy Hammer | Barb Buchmoyer |
| Altar Care | Mary Lois Smith | Mary Stager | Heather Kimmel | Bob Hammer | Janet Hoy |
| Offering Counter | Greg Kulp | Greg Kulp | Greg Kulp | Greg Kulp | Greg Kulp |
| Offering Counter | Earl Smith | Earl Smith | Earl Smith | Earl Smith | Earl Smith |
| Readers | The Lessons will be available in the Narthex. Feel free to pick a Lesson up as the Spirit moves you to be a reader. | | | | |

FREE!

The Art of Racing in the Rain

Friday, February 14 @ 6:00 pm

Great Food • Refreshments • Fresh Popcorn

Movie Poster & DVD Giveaway

ADDRESS CHANGE
Teresa Weidman
494 New Street
Lebanon, PA 17046



Flowers for the altar can be purchased for \$30 or \$50, in honor or memory of someone. Sign-up sheet is at the bottom of the stairwell just outside the fellowship hall.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Sue Baney; Carol Brown; Doris Bucks; Dave Buffington; Gretchen Burford; Ben & Chicoria; Rick Fox; Carol Gingrich; Pauline Greiner; Amy Kreider; Betty Kreider; Alyssa Newell; Debbie Ronning; Doris Savage; Nikki Scolet; Mary Lois Smith; Marino Tarashi; Teresa Weidman; Barb Witmer; Chris Yeingst

Assisted and Skilled Care – Ellen Gepfer

Others in Need – Australia Fire Crisis; Kiwira Coal Mine Congregation; the Middle East; Puerto Rico

First Responders – Brad Yeingst; Dylan Yeingst; Tim Yeingst

Military – Matthew Buchmoyer; Todd Campbell; Roger Daub; David Martin; Sawyer Mundorf; Townsend Mundorf; William Rimmler; David Walborn; Andrew Yeingst



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



**PRAYER
REQUESTS**

1. Pastor Cheri at 717.606.8851 to begin the prayer chain.
2. If Pastor Cheri is not available, call Barbara Hardy.
3. If Barbara Hardy is not available, call any other person listed.

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| Margaret Daub | 717.964.3342 | Lillian Minney | 717.964.5032 |
| Barbara Hardy | 717.867.1286 | June Tschudy | 717.964.3291 |
| Karen Miller | 717.304.7012 | Connie Weirich | 717.665.6448 |



Mandy Yeingst (Feb 5); Joseph Collins (Feb 8); Maya Fanus & Terry Weaber (Feb 14); Bob Fanus & June Tschudy (Feb 16); Rodney Carroll & Marcus Ward (Feb 18); Joseph Buchmoyer (Feb 20); Pauline Greiner (Feb 22)



Katie Lynn Young, daughter of Linda Yeingst-Young and granddaughter of Ruth Beane, graduated on Tuesday, December 17th with an Associates of Art Degree from H.A.C.C.

May He give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. – Psalm 20:4



Congratulations and best wishes to Dean Spang and Audra Cuthie, who will be united in marriage on Saturday, February 22.

May God unite your hearts in peace and love, bless your home with joy and laughter and fill your lives with hope and happiness.

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.



SOUPER BOWL FUN AGAIN!!

There's still time to bring in cans of soup for *Souper Bowl Sunday!*
 Bring them to church by February 2 and pick your favorite Super Bowl LIV
 football team's kettle!!
 Let's help out the food banks...all soup will be donated to them!



PRAYER SHAWL & QUILT NEWS

Hand-made items that have been shared with others in 2019:

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| 10 shawls | 5 scarves |
| 21 lap throws | 112 caps |
| 1 baby blanket | 24 quilts to Lutheran World Relief |

We thank everyone who has helped us in our effort in this worthwhile ministry!



EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

POSTPONED

Due to the winter forecast, Social Outreach decided to postpone Everybody's
 Birthday Party till **Sunday, February 16.**
 Same food, same fun, same monetary giving to Home of Hope in Manheim...maybe a
 few extra prayers for good weather!!

UPCOMING SOCIAL OUTREACH EVENTS

Dates to Keep on Your Radar and Watch for More Info to Come



- March 1 First Sunday in Lent – collecting to help babies through the Appalachian Outreach in WV and on the local level
- March 15 Welcome Spring Brunch
- April 2 Ladies Lenten Luncheon
- April 26 Begin Personal Care Kits
- May 9 Volunteers needed to make breakfast at Ronald McDonald House in Hershey





Lucrecia Hardy has been a member at Trinity for 41 years. She is related to Dan, Barbara, Jess Writer, Amelia Granthon and Diane Haney who are also members of Trinity. Some of her **favorite things** to do are hang out with the grandkids. She claims to be a homebody and is happiest at home. Lucrecia has a heart of gold and though she didn't answer the question about what we might not know about her I would say get to know her and you will soon find out. She too, walks through life with experiences that shaped her into who she is today. Her **favorite Bible verse** might be John 3:16 but she loves all scripture. Lucrecia's **favorite Hymn** is "Make Me a Channel of Thy Peace." Her **faith** helps her all the time and the one person who **made a difference** in her life is her hubby Dan. She felt **God present** when her mom was sick and when her grandson Remington was going into heart surgery. She says "He looked at me with those eyes and said 'I'm gonna be ok.' Then he closed his eyes." **God surprises Lucrecia** all the time and especially now that Remy is running around like a healthy little boy.

God bless you, Lucrecia, may you continue to find those happiest moments... through your grandkids and those who surround you with their love.

Dan Hardy has been a member of Trinity for 50 years. He is related to Lucrecia, Barbara, Jess Writer, Amelia Granthon and Diane Haney. Some of his **favorite things** to do are sing and play bluegrass and gospel music. He, too, loves to hang out with the grandkids. One thing you may not know about Dan is...wait, I guess he can't think of anything. He says his life is an open book. His **favorite Bible** verse is Psalm 51 and his **favorite hymn** is "When Peace like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)." Dan says his **faith** helps him through each day. **Someone who made a difference** in his life is his wife, Lucrecia, who he says has saved him from himself. A time when he **felt God present** is everytime he explains his faith to the young people he meets. It is as though God gives him the words to say. A time **God surprised** Dan – explaining his faith to young people.

Thank you, Dan, it seems as if all IS well with your soul.



Betty Lighty has been a member at Trinity for 23 years. She joined in November 1996. She has a son in York PA, a daughter in Clemson SC, 4 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren living in in York and Baltimore area, Greenville SC and Kalaheo, Kauai. Some of Betty's **favorite things** to do are: volunteer at the Health Care Center, play Majong, shuffle board, walk, and exercise in the therapy pool and in the wellness center. One thing you may not know about Betty is that her husband, Bob, passed away suddenly only two months after they joined Trinity. The candle hanging in front of the church (the eternal light) was given to Trinity in memory of Bob by Betty and her family. Betty's **favorite Bible verses** are Psalm 23 and 100. Her **favorite Hymns** are "How Great Thou Art," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Every Hour I Need Thee," and "Amazing Grace." Her **faith** helps her in her everyday

life. People who have **made a difference** in Betty's life is her late husband Bob, several pastors – past and present. She felt **God present** when she found herself suddenly a widow and learning to cope with all her problems. A time **God surprised** Betty: She says I seem to feel his presence when something goes wrong and I am able to handle it.

Thank You Betty - you are an inspiration. I have seen how you handle anything and everything that comes your way. God bless you.

FEBRUARY

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
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| March Tidings Deadline Sunday, February 16  Items can be put in Diane Calhoon's mailbox or emailed to grannycalhoon@gmail.com . | |  Soup Supper Wednesdays in Lent | | | Beginning March 4 Look for Sign Up Sheets | | 1 9:00 am - Noon WELCA Pie and Soup Pick Up |
| 2  Church Council Mtg Following Church | 3 | 4 Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 5 7:00 pm Choir Practice | 6 | 7 10:00 am Prayer Service Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 8 | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 12 7:00 pm Choir Practice | 13 | 14 10:00 am Prayer Service Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #e0f0e0; display: inline-block;"> 6:00 pm Dinner & Movie Racing in the Rain </div> <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i> | 15 | |
| 16 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #e0f0f0; display: inline-block;"> EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY (NOTE DATE CHANGE) </div> 1:00-3:00 pm Prayer Shawl & Quilt Ministry Mtg <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #fff9c4; display: inline-block;"> TIDINGS INFORMATION DEADLINE </div> | 17  | 18 Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up 6:30 pm Christian Education Committee Mtg | 19 7:00 pm Choir Practice | 20 | 21 10:00 am Prayer Service Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 22 | |
| 23  Transfiguration of Our Lord | 24 | 25 Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 26  ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7:00 PM | 27 4:00 pm Social Outreach Committee Mtg | 28 10:00 am Prayer Service Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up | 29 9:00- Noon CHURCH COUNCIL RETREAT | |