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TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF COLEBROOK COLEBROOK, PENNSYLVANIA

MAY 2016



"Live your live in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ" Philippians 1.27

A question on my heart lately has been, "Are we intentionally talking to people about the Good News? Have we grasped the significance of a caring God who willingly gave His life for <u>each</u> one of us? Are we excited enough to tell others about this amazing and selfless love?" We say

"Alleluia! Christ is risen," but...then what?

Evangelism may not be a comfortable word but we are called to live out our baptismal promise and share God's amazing love with *everyone*. If we allow people to make decisions that will eventually lead them farther away from the Gospel, we have failed. Sure, it is the parents' responsibility to raise up their children in the way of the Lord, but <u>no one</u> is exempt. We all, according to scripture, are called to live and breathe Christ, witnessing to all people, the riches of our faith. Everyone needs to hear the Good News *every* day! When we encourage others to join this community of believers, we offer them the same opportunities you and I have.

Sundays are a time for refueling for whatever lies ahead. It is the time in which we honor God, albeit only a couple of hours, yet the foundation for the <u>entire</u> week. Sundays are for worshiping and praising God, giving thanks for our many blessings (of both pain and joy). Sunday mornings should not be an option. The question should never be, "Am I going to church," but rather, "I wonder what I'll miss if I don't go?" When there is an obvious drop in attendance I have to ask, "Where is the excitement?"

Christians are held to a higher standard, accountable to the Word of God and its commandments. We ought to show our gratefulness to the One who created our very being, the One who is there every moment of our lives. God has more to offer than we can possibly imagine and so we ought to pray the Holy Spirit will be present in the lives of others: families, friends, neighbors, and even strangers. We can repeat the prayers heard Sunday morning, those whose names are printed in the bulletin and sent out through phone and email. Through prayer we can ask the Holy Spirit to bring our church to its potential. When we pray in harmony, God *will* answer our prayers. And so, let us also, join in prayer asking that God will lead us to places where we can share the awesome gift of our Savior Jesus Christ. Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" Romans 10:15

Pastor Cheri

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF COLEBROOK COUNCIL MEETING (Minutes Pending Approval) April 3, 2016

The council of Trinity met on March 3, 2016. In attendance were President Bill Calhoon, Vice President Bob Walborn, Audra Cuthie, Rick Fox, Pastor Cheri Korte, Craig Korte, Glenn Hoy, Elwood Weaber, and Brad Yeingst. Bob Walborn had devotions and Diane Carroll will have devotions for the May meeting. The Agenda was reviewed and Glenn Hoy made a motion to accept. Bill Calhoon seconded the motion.

MEETING MINUTES: Meeting minutes were transmitted electronically and reviewed prior to the meeting by council members. Pastor Cheri Korte made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Audra Cuthie seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written with no changes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report attached. Craig Korte reported that all designated benevolences were paid in this quarter for the year. Funds are steadily growing with Building and Disaster being the most frequently received funds. Mutual Funds is stable at the end of the 1^{st} Quarter.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT: Report attached. Audra Cuthie confirmed that her report matched Craig Korte's report. A Motion was made by Brad Yeingst to accept both the Treasurer's Report and the Financial Secretary's report. This was seconded by Bill Calhoon and the motion passed.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Report attached. Pastor reported that she would like to continue to have improved communication between the committees and the congregation to keep everyone informed of activities, events etc. Pastor requested vacation time from May 16th – May 22nd 2016. A motion was made by Glenn Hoy to accept both the Pastors report and approve her vacation request. This was seconded by Audra Cuthie and the motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE IN: We received a Thank You note from Lutheran Camping Corporation for the donation we sent, a Thank You note from Troy Williams LCCM for the donation we sent and also a Thank You note from Kiwira Coal Mine Tanzania for the donation we sent.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: There will be a Thank you card sent to Samantha Lund and Abby Silverio for their beautiful performance on Good Friday evening service.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Worship and Music: No report- Pastor Cheri mentioned that 1st Communion will be on May 1st 2016.

<u>Christian Education</u>: Report Attached. Audra Cuthie reported the Easter craft was a big success and there were lots of Easter Eggs for the children to find on Easter Sunday.

Finance and Stewardship: No Report

<u>Property Committee</u>: No Report- Brad Yeingst did mention that Keith Leedy replaced the thermostat in the fellowship hall and the contacts in the electrical box. This should help keep the temperature at a more comfortable setting in the fellowship hall. Property Committee will be meeting on Wednesday April 13th.

Social Outreach: No Report – Social Outreach will be meeting on Tuesday April 5th.

WELCA and Cemetery Committees: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: Synod Assembly Delegates- Ann Miller and Bill Calhoon will be Trinity's Synod Delegates this year and will attend the 2016 Synod Assembly along with Pastor Cheri to be held at Messiah College on June 3-5th 2016. Wendy Hammer will be putting together a signup sheet for volunteers to participate in the 2016 Hunger J.A.M on June 3rd at Messiah College.

NEW BUSINESS: No New Business

The next Council Meeting is scheduled for 5/1/16 at 6:00pm. A Motion was made by Bill Calhoon and seconded by Glenn Hoy to adjourn. We adjourned with the praying of the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Audra Cuthie - Surrogate for Connie Kelly
Council Secretary of Trinity Lutheran Church of Colebrook

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colebrook Mission Statement

Trinity Lutheran church is a warm and welcoming fellowship of believers called to worship God in Word and Sacrament. Through prayer, education, fellowship and benevolence we seek to make the Good News of Jesus Christ known to our congregation and our community. Seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we use our gifts and talents to support the spiritual needs of an active and growing community now and into the future.



May

Organist/Musicians

Shirley Keener

Liturgist

Renie Sanders

Communion Assistants

May 1	Mike Chapmar
May 8	Brad Yeingst
May 15	Mary Stager
May 22	Jeff Keener
May 29	Bill Calhoon

Youth Assistants

May 1	Katelyn Monette
May 8	Anna Craig
May 15	(A) Katelyn Brooks
	(CB) Kayleigh Leedy
	(TB) Marcus Ward
	(TB) Victoria Brooks

May 22 Makenzie Cuthie May 29 Maddy Fanus

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.

Altar Care

Connie Kelly

Helen Row

Head Ushers

Brad & Dylan Yeingst

Offering Counters

Phil Row

TBD

Your contribution to each worship service is very important to every member in attendance. If you are unable to be at the service you have been assigned to, please call and ask another volunteer to substitute for you. Perhaps you can arrange a switch and fill in for that person on another date.

If you are unable to find a substitute, please call Renie Sanders at 272.3264 (you can leave a message) or email her at sanders94@comcast.net. If you are unable to come at the last minute, please call the church on Sunday morning at 665.6670.

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Pastor Cheri will be on vacation May 16-22. Pastor Bob Hoffman, at 717.228.9985, will cover emergencies.



Thursday, May 5

Ascension of Our Lord



Sunday, May 15

Day of Pentecost Reminder to wear red!



Sunday, May 22

The Holy Trinity

First Communion

Sunday, May 1



Nolan Haney Katherine Kimmel Talon Speck

As you receive your First Communion, Jesus comes to you and promises to love and care for you always.

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 8 - Right After Church

EVERYONE INVITED! Especially The Ladies

Breakfast Casseroles • Danish • Fruit



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Sandy Walborn

Were you there at TLC on Good Friday at the evening service in remembrance of our Lord and Saviors' death on the Cross? The special music prepared and sung by Samantha Lund, Makenzie Cuthie and Abi Silverio, Sam's college friend from the Dominican Republic, was very fitting for the evening. Pastor Cheri's sermon, a contemporary commentary on Jesus' Seven Last Words, was inspiring.

At the end of the service Abi Silverio sang "Were You There" in a minor key. It was a duet with Sam singing and playing background piano accompaniment. This is a new concept that a Christian music singer has developed with Gospel songs, which Sam and Abi used, to put together this special presentation of "Were You There" in a minor key for this worship service.

Leaving the Nave in quiet contemplation in a soft glowing light and entering a clear darkening night, you could almost see three stark crosses on the farthest hill.



It was a very professional, emotion evoking and moving, 'one of a kind' experience. Every time we miss a service at TLC, we miss a unique experience like this to feel our Lord's presence in community with one another.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sandy Walborn
Greg Kulp
Matthew Monette
Madison Fanus
Melissa Ward
Katie Kimmel
Larry Minney
Robert Hammer
Steve Miller
Zach Haney
Jason Haney
Morris Greiner
Karen Rhoades
Bill Calhoon



Happy Anniversary

May 14 Ryan & Kristina Sweitzer May 22 Daniel & Lucrecia Hardy May 31 Rob & Tracy Craig

We are always looking to celebrate good news. If you know of anyone's birthday or anniversary that has been missed or if you know of any errors, please contact Diane Calhoon.

We Remember In Our Prayers



Harold Brown	Ollie Landis
Josh Buchmoyer	Bob Lighty
Doris Bucks	Xen Meyer
Tom Campbell	Larry Minney
Delmar Cantrell	Don Monn
Rod Carroll	Greg, Kelly, Ben, Branson, Brayson & Karlyn Morgan
Ralph Clare	Jim Plumber
Joe Collins	Leonard Reisinger
Lori Colwill	Mike Sower
Bud Crisp	June Tschudy
Charles Erb	Teresa Weidman
Carol Gingrich	Shawn Winters & Newborn Child
Gideon Hardy	Kendra Wolf
Remington Paul Hardy	Bob Yeingst
Earl Hoy	Chris Yeingst
Wally Haward	Dan Yeingst
Marty III	Mary
Connie & Megan Kelly	Olive, Rick, Deb & Annie

Grieving

The Family of Dottie Zentz
The Families of Joe & Jackie Bolinger

Assisted and Skilled Care

Betty Chatten Ellen Gepfer Effie Neiswender

Others In Need

Andrew & Angie Hammer & Family (Synod Missionaries) Kiwira Coal Mine Congregation

First Responders

Brad Yeingst	Dylan Yeingst	Tim Yeingst
	<u>Military</u>	
	Todd Campbell	William Rimmler
	Joe Dempsey	Missy Singer
	David Martin	David Walborn

Townsend Mundorf



To have the Prayer Chain activated for a family member or friend who is 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 Barbara Hardy.
- 3. If Barbara Hardy is not available, call any other person listed.

Margaret Daub	964.3342
Pauline Greiner	664.2011
Barbara Hardy	867.1286
Helen Row	626.6076
Irene Sanders	272.3264
Connie Weirich	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.

National Nurses Day is

held annually on May 6, which marks the beginning of National Nurses Week. The day is to recognize the contribution nurses make to our world. The final day of Nurses Week, May 12, is Florence Nightingale's birthday.



This special week prompts us to remember nurses who represent Jesus to patients, families and co-workers.

- We pray that nurses and nursing students will experience God's encouragement as they face opportunities and challenges in caring for others in the name of Jesus Christ.
- We pray for nurses, as well as other health care providers in the church and community, to be strong in the Lord.
- We pray for healing for those experiencing illness in our church and that people in our congregation will be witnesses of God's love and compassion to them.
- We pray that God will empower and equip nurses to bring them knowledge, hope and courage.



Trinity Congregation Nurses

Barbara Buchmoyer
Heather Fanus
Shirley Keener
Christie Leedy
Tiffany Speraw
Sandy Walborn

THANK YOU

Ruth Beane would like to thank everyone for their prayers and concerns. Her family is doing much better.

Dan is still off work and starting rehab. He will find out May 3 when he can go back to work. Chris came home and will work half days. Bob had his fifth infusion and getting the usual side effects. Katie is scheduled for a tonsillectomy May 13.



Graduation Reminder – don't forget to let us know about family members who will be graduating for the *Tidings*. Include relationship to

congregation member and any brief information about degree earned or future plans. Please put information in Diane Calhoon's mailbox or email to grannycalhoon@gmail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS

Diane Carroll was named Pennsylvania's AFL-CIO 2016 Woman of the Year, at the union's Philadelphia convention. She is the first, and only, woman to ever hold an officer position at the Chocolate Worker's Union, Local 464. She has been recognized as working tirelessly for every union member. Although she appreciates the honor, Diane has said, "I just like helping people."



Keaira Haney, due to her leadership ability and academic knowledge, has been invited to attend the Junior National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. She is not planning to attend due to the cost of the program but honored to be invited.

LENTEN GIVING

Whether you sat on the left or the right side of the church, your giving was great and very much appreciated from the Manheim Food Bank, Lebanon County Christian Ministries and the Lebanon Rescue Mission. It was estimated that over 200 pounds of non-perishables (2 huge trunk fulls!!) were distributed between the three, as well as, \$200.00 that was collected in the

THANK YOU once again for your amazing outreach in caring for others.

We will continue with the First Sunday of each month for bringing in non-perishables. May and June we will be taking the items to the Caring Cupboard in Palmyra.

Hunger J.A.M. 2016 – Synod Assembly Spread a Little Justice and Mercy Friday, June 3 at Messiah College



Lenten boxes.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider volunteering to help make 400,000 meals to feed the hungry! Eight people are needed to fill each station (one table). We will be working in two hour shifts.

If you are interested, look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Specific times for each shift will be posted as they become available.

Synod Assembly Delegates

Ann Miller and Bill Calhoon will be joining Pastor Cheri as Trinity's delegates at the Synod Assembly. Our congratulations and thanks to them.

Wandering Singles

The Wandering Singles traveled to the Quentin Haus for their monthly dinner out. We welcomed Irene Sanders, Mary Stager and Betty Kreider. There were five others enjoying each other's company and we had a wonderful meal. We will check if we will



DIRECTORY UPDATES

go out next month due to the Mother's Day brunch at church.

Address change: Shaina Kulp no longer lives in Philadelphia, she is back at home.

Church directory correction for Betty Kreider: Betty's phone number should be 717.838.2666.

Address change: James Collins Sr. and Jr. are now at 3009 State Route 147, Millersburg, PA 17061-8819.

Address change: Beginning May 4, Bill and Diane Calhoon's address will be Westwood 2 J, PO Box 125, Cornwall, PA 17016-0125. Phone numbers and email remain the same.



Could you use a little help . . . cleaning out a garage, trimming a tree, washing some windows, organizing a closet, etc.?

Social Outreach would like to extend some helping hands to those who could use some help doing those jobs that might be a little more than you can handle.

Helping and caring for others is what God calls us to do, so please let Pastor Cheri know if we can help!

Altar **Flowers**

NEEDED FOR

May 1, 8, 15 & 29 June 5, 12 & 26

Royers will deliver at a cost of \$30.00. If you would like to buy and arrange your own flowers, you still need to sign up on the chart, but note that you are bringing your own.



Friday, June 3 - Hunger J.A.M. Fri-Sun, June 3-5 – Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly

June Tidings Deadline

Sunday, May 15

Items can be put in Diane Calhoon's mailbox or emailed to grannycalhoon@gmail.com. PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME WITH SUBMISSIONS.



Lebanon County Church Women Annual May Friendship Day Friday, May 6 St. Paul's UCC of Hamlin 2351 Mt. Zion Road, Fredericksburg

Theme: Gathering at God's Table

Registration is 3:30 pm. The event includes a Bible study, chicken cordon blue dinner and worship service. A leprosy offering and a Storybook Ministries offering will be taken.

The cost is \$8.00 per person. Checks should be made payable to Lebanon County Church Women.

If interested, contact Mrs. Gerda Balthaser at 273.8710 ASAP.

Dust Busters

Shared by Margaret Daub

I can't tell you how many countless hours that I have spent CLEANING! I used to spend at least 8 hours every weekend making sure things were just perfect – "in case someone came over." Then I realized one day that no one came over; they were all out living life and having fun!

Now, when people visit, I find no need to explain the "condition" of my home. They are more interested in hearing about the things I've been doing while I was away living life and having fun. If you haven't figured this out yet, please heed this advice. Life is short. Enjoy it!

Dust if you must but wouldn't it be better to paint a picture or write a letter, bake a cake or plant a seed, ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time, with rivers to swim and mountains to climb, music to hear and books to read, friends to cherish and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there with the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair, a flutter of snow, a shower of rain. This day will not come around again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind, old age will come and it's not kind. And when you go – and go you must – you, yourself will make more dust!

It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10:45-Noon Confirmation Class		Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	7:00 pm Choir Practice		10:00 am Prayer Service	
FOOD BANK SUNDAY 6:00 pm Church Council Mtg				ASCENSION OF OUR LORD	Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Wandering Singles (May be		Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	7:00 pm Choir Practice		10:00 am Prayer Service	
rescheduled) MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH					Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	
MOTHER'S DAY						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
10:45-Noon Confirmation Class		Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	7:00 pm Choir Practice		Prayer Service – Pastor Cheri on vacation	
1:00-3:00 pm Prayer Shawl & Quilt Ministry					Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	
TIDINGS INFORMATION DEADLINE	Pastor Cheri on	Pastor Cheri on	Pastor Cheri on	Pastor Cheri on	Pastor Cheri on	Pastor Cheri on
DAY OF PENTECOST	Vacation	Vacation	Vacation	Vacation	Vacation	Vacation
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
THE HOLY TRINITY		Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	7:00 pm Choir Practice		10:00 am Prayer Service	
Pastor Cheri on Vacation					Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up	
29	30	31				
		Lawn Turnpike Toll Plaza Food Pick Up				
KID'S SPECIAL MUSIC	MEMORIAL DAY					