



# The Trindle Trumpeter

**MISSION STATEMENT** - **Claimed** by God in baptism; **Fed** by Christ in worship; **Led** by the Spirit in love for one another and the world.

**Trindle Spring Lutheran Church**  
14 State Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

**August 2023**

Friends in Christ,

As we work our way through the book “Real Faith for Real Life, Living the Marks of Discipleship” several things have struck me. Many congregations end up spending way too much time on the things that don’t matter to our faith and not nearly enough time on the essentials of faith. In his book, Michael Foss explores the six building blocks of faith; daily prayer, weekly worship, Bible reading, serving others, faith nurturing relationships, and a generous spirit. These might sound like simple things to do but making them a priority in our lives can be challenging.

Throughout the book he offers examples and even different approaches and options for these marks of discipleship. It strikes me that most of what he does throughout the book is to give his reader as many ways as possible to connect with God. Take prayer for instance. Foss goes through a number of types of prayer, some I do not use regularly because I don’t find them to be overly effective for me. But they are effective forms of prayer for others.

What I’m saying is that faith is not an equation or scientific fact where there is only one right answer or one correct way to go about it. Growing in our faith is about knowing yourself and how you connect with God. For any of these “marks” to make a difference in our lives one thing is true; God and our relationship with him must be a priority in our lives and in our community of faith.

In our conversation about the book, what I have enjoyed most is hearing how each mark of discipleship is experienced by each individual. Our conversation has been rich and meaningful, and I believe that is part of what draws us together as a community in Christ; meaningful conversation about faith.

So, as the summer draws to a close, all too soon I might add, I want to invite you to consider how you are being fed. What are you choosing to make a priority for your own faith life? Take those marks of discipleship I mentioned at the beginning of this letter and make a meaningful stride to engage in those practices more. We need you to be fully engaged so we can best be the body of Christ that we are called to be. But we each need to continue to grow in our relationship with God for our own faith lives. If you need some help or conversation in order to figure out how to take that next step, let’s talk.

Yours in Christ,

*Pastor Aaron*

**The August 2023 Newsletter is dedicated to the Glory of God and  
in loving memory of Marlin E. Wood, by his family.**

# PARISH NEWS

## TSLC COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS JULY 11, 2023



### Newsletter Summary -

Finance Committee Update – June 2023 income was \$30,939; down from May, 2023 and also less than June of 2022. Although we typically see a decrease in giving in the summer, this will need to be watched and a reminder sent to members stressing the importance of continued giving even when vacationing and not in attendance. Also noted that lighting improvements (Fetrow Electric) have begun in the West Wing. A motion was made to use an additional \$4,800 from Capital Improvements for steeple removal.

Materials have been mailed to all congregation members for the special Congregational Meeting to be held on August 20, 2023, following the worship service. This mailing also includes notice of the date for the November Congregational Meeting.

Council members are working on a Committee Policies/Procedure Handbook. Conversation is also continuing on the Rostered Leader Sabbatical Leave Policy with a vote expected in August.

A decision was made to change the October Council meeting date to the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month (October 3, 2023) due to a conflict with Mechanicsburg's Halloween parade.

### **Council Members and Liaisons to Committees:**

2023 Council Members	Council Role	E-mail Address	Committee Assignment
Jan Ingraham	President	janingraham@gmail.com	KYCS
Deb Sterling	Vice-President	Dsterling56@msn.com	Youth & Family
Stefani Eichelberger	Secretary	stef.eichelberger@gmail.com	Fellowship
Cindy Duck	Member	clduckie@gmail.com	Outreach
Joy Grant	Member	joygrant89@aol.com	Christian Education
Bill Book	Member	bookpine@outlook.com	Archives
Kristin Cleaver	Member	Kristin.cleaver@gmail.com	Evangelism
Marty Baim	Member	bonboncoki@aol.com	Property
Joanna McIntyre	Member	mcintyrejo@hotmail.com	Worship & Music
Ken Decker	Member	kennethadecker@gmail.com	Stewardship
John Eberly	Member	jeberly48@hotmail.com	Finance
Bonnie Distad	Member	bonnie.distad@yahoo.com	KYCS

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RECAP



## WHO IS *my neighbor?*



### Vacation Bible School RECAP

Everyone had an awesome week at Vacation Bible School, July 17-21! There were 38 children who learned a Bible story, made a craft, played games, and visited with a different mission organization each night. At the mission's station children learned about Families United, Lutheran World Relief, home visitation, Dog T.A.G.S, and Operation Warm Hearts. Our children and adults gave generously this year. We collected \$962.12, which will go toward supporting our missions' focus. The adult class studied the creeds of the Lutheran Church and was well attended with over 24 people. It takes many people each night of VBS to run the program; this year we had over 60 volunteers, including 10 of our youth. The volunteers did everything from painting sets, decorating, teaching, leading small groups, moving a 300lb bounce house, singing in worship band and generally anything that was asked of them. Our kitchen staff served over 500 dinners and snacks. Danielle Erdley, Deb Smith and I would like to thank the many people who volunteered in various ways and to the many congregational members who donated items for our LWR health kits, snacks, and ice cream. Many thanks to the area businesses that supported us this year by donating pizza and gift cards. Please support these businesses: Grocery Outlet, Giant, Karns, Weis and Wegmans.

~ Tammy Snyder, VBS Co-Coordinator



## **GROWING AS DISCIPLES** *TSLC Summer 2023*

This summer at TSLC, we have been focusing on growing as disciples of Jesus. Through our summer book study, social media posts, spending time as a congregation reading Proverbs together, and other activities, we have had the chance to explore and practice the 6 marks of discipleship outlined in Michael Foss' book, "Real Faith for Real Life." Throughout the month of August we will continue to offer opportunities to learn about and practice these marks of discipleship: Daily Prayer, Bible Reading, Weekly Worship, Christian Service, Relationships that encourage spiritual growth, and giving in the spirit of generosity. We encourage you to take advantage of any and all ways of learning and growing that are meaningful to you, and challenge you to step outside your comfort zone and try to grow in an area that might be challenging for you.

### **Daily Prayer**

How would you like to increase or strengthen your prayer life this summer? We encourage you to check out prayer resources available in the church narthex. We also encourage you to take your bulletins home each week and spend a little bit of time each day praying for those on our community prayer list. If you would like to join our congregational prayer chain, please contact Linda Yohn. One idea we offer to enhance your prayer life is to keep a prayer journal—write down those people or situations you are praying for, and take time every month to look back on it and see how God has worked through your prayers and the prayers of others in those people's lives and situations. Look for more ideas to help your prayer life on our church social media accounts in the month of August.

### **Weekly Worship:**

The staff hears all the time about how much people love our one-service Sundays during the summer, as they get to see friends they have missed from attending different services and share in worship and study with their entire church family! We feel the same way and want to see you every week you are in town! But we also know that summers are a time for travelling and exploring new places, visiting family, and taking some time to relax. Some of you will join us from far off places through our livestream. Some of you will join family in their home congregations. And some of you will brave being visitors in an unknown church. We invite you to share these experiences with us! Each Monday we will post on social media asking those of you who worshipped elsewhere that past weekend to share something with us—take a picture, tell us a story, whatever you like! We want to know where your travels take you and how God met you there!

### **Relationships that Encourage Spiritual Growth: GROWING AS DISCIPLES IN OUR FAMILIES**

TSLC offers so many ways to connect with others in our faith families. We encourage this summer to make this a priority—take part in one of the many activities the fellowship committee has planned, volunteer for a new group or committee to meet new people, or even just reach out to someone you don't know as well in our congregation and see if they would like to get dinner. Nurturing relationships with people who share our faith is crucial to our growth as disciples.

Parents are the first ones to teach their children about following Jesus, and we strive to help them do that. Almost all of the things mentioned in this article can be incorporated into your family life. To help you do that, each Wednesday we will be posting on Facebook activities for families that correlate to one of these marks of discipleship. We hope you take advantage of these as you strengthen the faith relationship you have in your homes. Feel free to share on Facebook your experiences!

## Giving in the Spirit of Generosity

With summer travels comes being gone from your home congregation. Please remember to continue your regular offering through the summer months, so that TSLC can continue to do its important ministry. We ask you to consider a way in which your family can give of their time, talents, and treasures in a new way this summer. Look for ideas in August social media posts!

## Christian Service—TSLC SERVICE BLITZ AUGUST 13!

Have you marked your calendar yet? **Sunday, August 13**, following worship we will join together as a congregation to serve our community. We have five options for serving others in our community that day, and we hope that all TSLC members will take advantage of one of them! The options are:

1. **Baking Cookies for Families United:** Families United is a Pennsylvania state-wide non-profit that serves over 500 children. They assist in placing children in quality foster homes and supporting them and their foster families, helping families adopt children both domestically and internationally who would otherwise be in foster care, and runs residential homes to those transitioning out of foster care. A Families United representative shared their work with this year's VBS participants and they encouraged us to continue to support this organization. Families United has a large fundraiser coming up and needs desserts donated for the event, so a group will gather in the TSLC kitchen to bake cookies for their use.
2. **Making Blankets for Operation Warm Hearts:** Operation Warm Hearts, a non-profit began and run by TSLC member Emily Gochenaur, works with many local non-profits to make sure those in need are kept warm and know they are cared about, often through the donation of knitted items. Operation Warm Hearts has their annual blanket drive coming up in September, and are still quite a ways from their goal. Join others in the TSLC Fellowship Hall to tie or knit blankets to help them make sure all in our community are kept warm this winter.
3. **TSLC Cemetery Clean-Up:** If you've been in the TSLC cemetery lately, you know it could use some extra care. Gravestones are turned over, many need to be cleaned, there is weeding and other landscaping things that need to be done so that those coming to visit loved ones grave have a place of respite and calm in which to do so. Join others in helping to make the TSLC cemetery a little more welcoming.
4. **Church Road Clean-Up:** Church Road leads right to our church building, and is often littered with garbage, construction waste, etc. It is important to take care of the world God created. Join others in helping to clean up Church Street for our community.
5. **Work at LaunchPad's transitional home:** LaunchPad is a non-profit organization that offers a safe place to live, education assistance, and vocational training to young men aging out of the foster care system. They are in need of people to help power wash and pain their deck, do some window washing, install some trim, do a little decorating, and other various jobs depending on the volunteer's skill set. Join with others to help offer these young people a safe and welcoming place to live.  
\*\*\* This site is located in Newville, PA, so this group will have the longest time commitment due to travel time. LaunchPad will be providing us lunch while we are there.

Sign-up sheets are now on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please plan to make this a part of your summer—sign-up for the project you would like to work on today!



## Music Notes

### **Summer Music at TSLC—MEN'S CHOIR COMING UP!**

Come Join Us! Summer is a great time to try out being a part of TSLC Music Ministry programs. If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Erdley, Director of Music.

*Men's Chorus*—open to all male voices ages high school-102+! We will rehearse on Sunday, August 20, and Sunday, August 27, immediately following worship. This choir will provide the anthem for worship on Sunday, September 3.

### **MUSIC AT THE SPRING—Thanks for a great first season!**

On Sunday, June 11, we wrapped up our inaugural season of our new Music at the Spring concert series with an amazing performance by the King's Brass. Thank you to EVERYONE who has helped to make this first season a success—whether you helped publicize, gave ideas for music group, ushered, parked cars, supported us financially, or were a faithful audience member. This concert series promises to be a wonderful outreach into our community, and we are excited about what is ahead.

Much of this year was figuring out what works, what doesn't, and deciding how to best make this concert series a success. We were blessed with many generous memorial donations that made this initial season possibly financially and gave us the room to learn without worrying about how the bills would get paid. The concert series would not have been possible without these memorial gifts from the family and friends of Robert Kimmel, Tom Kerstetter, Joe Ricci, Marlin Yohn, Sr., Carmen Wagner and Ron Albert. We are so grateful.

What we have discovered over this past year is that in order to keep the concert series going and financially independent (not relying on TSLC budgetary funds or continued memorial gifts), we will need to have other income sources other than just the free will offerings taken at concerts. We will be beginning a sponsorship program where individuals and/or businesses are able to make a yearly donation towards the concert series. These sponsors will be recognized in each concert's program and will have other perks as well—that are yet to be determined. While we will begin looking outside the congregation soon for sponsors, if you are a TSLC member and would like to be a sponsor either personally or through your business, please contact Danielle Erdley for more information. Sponsorships start at \$50. Thank you for your support of this new ministry!

Danielle Erdley is also looking for a few more people to serve on the Music at the Spring Steering Team. This group helps to choose performers, works on a publicity plan for each season, assists with necessary tasks on and leading up to concert days, and serves as ambassadors for the ministry. If you would be willing and able to serve on this team, please contact Danielle Erdley.





## Music Notes

### Association of Lutheran Church Musician National Conference Re-Cap

The Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, otherwise known as ALCM, is a national service and professional organization whose primary goal is to nurture and equip musicians to serve and lead the church's song. They aim to do this by strengthening our Lutheran liturgical heritage, defining and supporting the role of the church musician (full-time and part-time), espousing professional standards, encouraging spiritual growth, fostering professional exchange, providing guidelines for employment, advocating college and seminary training in liturgy and music, and strengthening professional relationships between clergy and musicians.

I was privileged to attend the Biennial International Conference of ALCM in early July. It was a whirlwind of learning, networking, worship, and sharing the joys and struggles of being a church musician with friends old and new. I wanted to share just a few highlights with you:

\* **Worship:** Each day began and ended with worship. We worshipped in some of Philadelphia's most historic churches. One of my favorites was Church of the Holy Trinity, located in Rittenhouse Square. This church is also known as the "O Little Town of Bethlehem" church, as it was the pastor and organist of this church, Phillip Brooks and Louis Redner respectively, that wrote this beloved carol in 1868. A beautiful mural depicting the carol is located in the Sanctuary.

We also were treated to a wide variety of worship styles and settings that spanned not just ELCA worship life, but Missouri Synod and Wisconsin Synod as well. We collectively found a lot of power in morning prayer led by Omaldo Perez and his worship team. Omaldo is known across the church music community for his amazing ability to take well known and loved hymns and set them in a different style or with different instrumentation to help hear them in a new way. Omaldo serves Grace Lutheran Church in LaGrange, IL, and publishes hymn arrangements and liturgical settings regularly.

\* **Workshops:** Each day of the conference we had the opportunity to attend two different workshops on various topics. Luckily, we have the opportunity to watch the recordings of the ones we didn't get to attend after the fact as it was almost impossible to choose! Some of the workshops I did attend in person included one presented by Tom Shelton of Westminster Choir College and dealt with expanding the ways we minister to and include children in our worship music, and I was able to have some one-on-one discussion with him following the workshop on applying that to all ages. Another was given by the company Sweetwater on improving your livestream and ways to use that to expand your congregation's reach. Linda Borecki presented a great workshop on ways to incorporate new styles of music into your congregation without losing the beloved hymnody of our tradition. Lastly, Dr. Mark Oldenburg, who I know from our days from Gettysburg Seminary, presented on ways to faithfully recognize and celebrate civic celebrations within our church community. I am looking forward to sharing more with you about these and other workshops in the months ahead!

I am so thankful to the Personnel Committee and the Church Council for making attending this amazing conference a possibility. I look forward to using my newly gained insight to help deepen and strengthen the worship life here at TSLC!

# **SCHOOL KITS FOR LWR INGATHERING.** **START BRINGING ITEMS IN NOW AND** **PLACE IN THE BINS IN THE NARTHEX.**

## **DEADLINE TO BRING IN ITEMS: SEPTEMBER 24TH**

The School Kit Project for Lutheran World Relief is being sponsored again this year by the Christian Education committee. When you start your back-to-school shopping this month, please consider purchasing one or more of the items below to donate. Bins will be available in the Outreach corner to receive donations. Any questions, please contact Evelyn Vogelsong.

### **Items needed for each school kit include:**

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons · One 2½" eraser



### **SCHOOL BACK PACK KITS TO SEW**

We need sewers to sew the backpack school kits that have been cut out. Please pick up from the Outreach Center. Any questions, call Evelyn Vogelsong (Number in the Directory). Thank you!

### **OUR TRINDLE QUILTERS MEET THURSDAYS @ 9AM**

Join us in the education wing every Thursday. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun. If you can pin, cut, piece, or sew there is something for you to do. Contact Lynda Farner if you have any questions. **We continue to need flat cotton sheets. In addition please bring in any yarn you no longer use or need. Please bring in your sheets and yarn and leave in the church office. Thanks!**



**Class of  
2023**



**Andrew Robert Kimmel**, grandson of Shirley Kimmel, **graduated June 5th** from **Glastonbury High School** in Connecticut. Parents are Ron and Carol Kimmel.

### **2023 VBS NUMBERS:**

**Monday-32 kids, 21 adult class, 34 helpers, 9 kitchen, 100 fed, \$88 offering**  
**Tuesday-24 kids, 16 adult class, 41 helpers, 10 kitchen, 90 fed, \$112 offering**  
**Wednesday-30 kids, 22 adult class, 38 helpers, 7 kitchen, 80 fed, \$270 offering**  
**Thursday-33 kids, 14 adult class, 21 helpers, 9 kitchen, 80 fed, \$219 offering**  
**Friday-24 kids, 14 adult class, 32 helpers, 10 kitchen, 108 fed, \$273.12**  
**Total offering \$962.12**



# Notes from the Office

**Trindle Spring Lutheran Church  
Income & Expense Report (Operating Fund)  
January– June 2023**

<u>Income</u>	
Offering	220,842
Misc. Income	1,287
(ie:Thrivent Choice, Community Aid, Building Use, Donations, etc.)	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>222, 129</b>
<u>Expense</u>	
<u>Ministry to Others</u>	
Outreach Ministry	18,896
Evangelism	302
Parish Life	(2,576)
<u>Ministry within Our Congregation</u>	
Christian Education	4,175
Fellowship	1,707
Keeping Our Church Safe	-
Stewardship	-
Worship & Music	4,106
Youth & Family Ministry	585
<u>Administration</u>	
Archives	-
Property (building maintenance)	42,022
Office Management (administration)	9,549
Salary/Support	100,612
Vision of Ministry	-
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>179,378</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u>42,751</u></b>

## *Giving your tithes and offerings*

### *Follow these steps in Vanco:*

*This is a convenient and helpful way to keep your regular offering coming in to help the approved budget.*

1. Visit the church website at:  
**www.trindlespringlutheran.org**
2. Click on the **Donate Now** button;
3. Click on the **Login/Create Profile** button;
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to **login** or **create** (for your first time) an online profile and to schedule your recurring or one-time contributions to the listed funds.
5. **For any questions, or for a demonstration of how to set your account up online, call Cheryl at the church office - 717-766-7091 Opt. 1.**

## VANCO SIGN UP & ENVELOPES

If you currently use printed giving envelopes, and have signed up for Vanco (online giving) and are no longer using or want envelopes, **please contact the church office so I can take you off the list for receiving envelopes going forward.**

Thank you,  
Cheryl, Parish Admin.

## *How to become an Approved Adult for Sunday School/Youth Ministries:*

Simply:

1. Fill out the TLSC Application (Contact Deb Sterling for one.) dsterling56@msn.com
2. Obtain your State Police and PA Child Abuse History Clearances.  
(<https://epatch.state.pa.us/>) AND  
([www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/))
3. Turn in Clearances and Application to Deb Sterling, Chairperson or Pastor Aaron



**Please consider becoming an approved adult to help assist in the programs here at TSLC. We are always looking for volunteers!**

## **SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS**

**THROUGH SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 3RD, 9:15 AM**

**SEPT. 10TH**

**SERVICES START @ 8:00AM AND 10:30AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF 9:15 AM**

## **BLESSING OF THE BACK PACKS & BRIEFCASES!**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH,  
9:15 A.M.**



# Notes from the Office

## An Invitation to Explore ELCA Social Position Pronouncements

Come join us **September 17** as we begin a ten-week journey during our Sunday School hour to explore the teaching policies and official social positions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

This is an introduction to ELCA's Social Statements, Social Messages, and Social Policy Resolutions. We will review how official positions are formulated, adopted, and disseminated within the ELCA. As a group we will study and discuss several of these teaching documents.

Please contact the church office, or Bruce Seagrist ([BSeagrist@verizon.net](mailto:BSeagrist@verizon.net)), or sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested in participating in these sessions. We want to ensure we have sufficient material to accommodate the group.

## COLLEGE/TECHNICAL TRADE BOUND THIS FALL?

**Any students who are heading off to College, Technical Trades, or staying home to do college, or doing something else, please email your updated mailing address details and your email address to the church office @: [office@trindlespringlutheran.org](mailto:office@trindlespringlutheran.org)**

**New Member Conversation: Sunday, August 6th, 10:30 am**, with light refreshments, brief intro to the congregation, Q&A session and a building tour.

**New Members Received: Sunday, August 20th, 9:15 a.m.**



## SCHOOL KITS AVAILABLE TO BE SEWN IN THE OUTREACH CORNER.

See Evelyn Vogelsong for more information.

## MEALS & TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY AT TSLC

If you are interested in helping others by cooking a meal and delivering it, or giving someone a ride to church or to a doctor's appointment, please contact Diane Boone at: [proudmama823@comcast.net](mailto:proudmama823@comcast.net)

## SEE THE SIGN-UP LINKS ON OUR WEB PAGE

**FOR: Acolytes Altar Guild Communion Assistants  
Ushers Worship Readers**  
<https://www.trindlespringlutheran.org/sign-ups.html>

## ALSO FOR: Altar Flowers, Newsletter, & Bulletin

**Please continue to pay by check or cash for your Altar Flowers, Newsletter, & Bulletin sponsorships. Place all sponsorship forms and payment in the Parish Administrator's mailbox by the church office. Thank you.**

## TSLC COMMUNITY AID

Please drop off all clothing items in-person at the store (4833 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA) **Be sure to give them Trindle Spring's Partner # 10139**, for credit (.06 cents a pound). We receive a quarterly check which benefits Outreach ministries. **Pick up a tag in the Outreach Center with our Partner number on it. Place on your items when you take them to Community Aid!**

**PARTNER # 10139**

## ZUMBA

**Contact Lisa Lynch, our Zumba instructor, for more information. Lisa holds a weekly Zumba class on Mondays at 6pm and Zumba Gold Wednesdays at 10am.**

[lisaloveszumba2@gmail.com](mailto:lisaloveszumba2@gmail.com)



# PARISH NEWS

## MISSION CENTRAL PURSE COLLECTION CONTINUES

These are used to make Purse Kits for the homeless and for students in need. These Purse Kits contain some basic hygiene items, as well as socks, hats, scarves, etc. **Ladies** – I know most of us have purses we no longer use – please consider bringing them in to church and donating them to this worthy cause. **Look for the bin in the narthex marked MISSION CENTRAL/PURSES.** Thank you! (Note: This will be an ongoing collection until we're told that they have enough and are no longer collecting.)

– Cindy Duck, Outreach  
Committee Chair



## COMMUNION ELEMENTS & DVD'S/CD'S OF SERVICES AVAILABLE

Communion elements are available in the church office for those still communing at home. You can either pick up or we will drop off. Gluten-free is available.

DVD's and CD's are available of the 10:30 a.m. service. Contact the church office to have one delivered to you every week with a bulletin.



**TSLC SENIORS LUNCHEON  
AUGUST 21, 2023,  
@11:30 AM,  
SNAPPERS BAR & GRILL**

## TABLE/CHAIR SET UP FOR FUNERAL LUNCHEONS AND OTHER CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITIES

If you are available to have your name added to a list to be called when needed, please contact the church office. 717-766-7091, opt 1. Thank you.

## **GIANT GROCERY STORE CARDS**

***"\$CASH FOR CAUSES\$" BENEFITS OUR YOUTH!***

Giant Cards are available in \$25, \$50, and \$100 denominations; checks made out to Trindle Spring Lutheran Church and cash are accepted.

**TSLC earns 5% of every Giant store card purchased and you still earn your gas/reward points! You can use your purchased card yourself at the Giant!**

**>>>>>>For example, we get \$5 FREE MONEY on a \$100 purchased card by you!<<<<<<<**

So, before your next trip to Giant to fill up your grocery cart, gas tank, or for food baskets, get your Giant Card to use first.

**Contact Robin Cleaver!**

## **NEW HOPE MINISTRIES FOOD COLLECTION**

Pasta (not spaghetti), Laundry Detergent, Personal Care items (shampoo, conditioner, bath soap, toothpaste,) Feminine hygiene products, Paper Towels, Breakfast Cereal.

See the website for the lists for our Mechanicsburg Center. [www.nhm-pa.org](http://www.nhm-pa.org)

**Food & Gifts collection total:**

**JULY 2023 Mixed Groceries 86lbs.**

There are grocery carts and also shopping bags hanging on a coat rack with a grocery list in both entry ways of church to help you remember to bring in your donations.

**Thank you for your faithful giving!**

## **EGG CARTON COLLECTION CONTINUES**

A family in our church has 70 + chickens and is in need of your **Large or X - Large** clean egg cartons. Note, their chickens lay large eggs! Please see the tote in the narthex marked, "EGG CARTONS." Any questions, contact Tina Gordon. (Contact info in the directory.)

# PARISH NEWS

## SECOND SATURDAY COMMUNITY MEAL

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2023  
4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

JOIN US FOR A FREE, DELICIOUS  
HOME-COOKED MEAL &  
ENJOY COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP  
TAKE A MEAL TO YOUR NEIGHBOR!

### MENU:

BAKED BBQ CHICKEN  
BAKED MACARONI & CHEESE

TSLC BAKED BEANS

STEWED TOMATOES, SLICED PEACHES

ASSORTED MUFFINS, BREAD, ROLLS

ASSORTED DESSERTS

HOT AND COLD BEVERAGES

(Any questions, or to volunteer, contact  
Deb Bender-dabluvs2cook@gmail.com

## TSLC ALL MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2023  
7:30 A.M.

Join us for breakfast at the  
**Middlesex Diner**  
1803 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle,  
All men of the congregation (all ages) are  
invited to attend for food and fellowship.

There is a sign-up sheet outside of the church  
office on the board.

This has always been a well-attended  
group - plan now!!

Any questions, contact Steve Vogelsong



## AUGUST 2023 MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Michelle Zettlemoyer  
Shiela Coulston  
Ray Conley  
Lorna Weber  
Anna Cowden  
John Holbert  
Judy Meck  
Virginia Rider  
Julie Jones  
Lauren Cleaver  
Cheryl Guinther (Parish Admin.)

Cale Witmer  
Hazel Ruff  
Ruth Chubb  
Brian Keister  
Joshua Ringquist  
Heather Platzer  
Sybil Williams  
Keith Bailey  
Allison Ray  
Ann Holtzman

John Stover  
Chris Bender  
Katherine Zerby  
Melinda Gochenaur  
Carly Gordon  
Kaitlin Rupp  
Dean Reed  
Sara Miller  
Yoline Conley  
Cindy Sells

Betty Albert  
Nancy Martens  
Sue Bowers  
Barbara Orwan  
Ralph Clay  
**Mary Paulus\***  
Paula Duffie  
Connor Mostek  
Jan Ingraham

\*Any names in bold are on the Visitation/Homebound List.\*

**Pick one or two people on this list to call and wish them Happy Birthday! - Pastor Aaron**  
(See their number in the church directory. If you don't have one, contact the church office.)

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Note: We do not publish member birthday  
"days" for confidentiality reasons. However,  
if you would like to send a card and want to  
know a birthday "day" for a member, contact  
the church office. 717-766-7091 (Opt. 1)

## College Care Package Donations-2023

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!**

**Collection Starts Sunday, September 10th**

Collections **will continue until October 8th**. Shipping costs in the spring were \$11 - \$14/box, and the estimated cost of goodies to fill a box - \$17. Are you interested in sponsoring a box? Donating towards shipping costs? Donating snacks but can't get to the store?

**YOU CAN!** Reach out to Kristin Cleaver for details! [kristin.cleaver@gmail.com](mailto:kristin.cleaver@gmail.com)

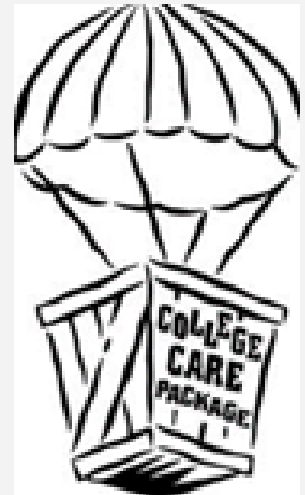
### **Grocery List Ideas**

Water flavor packets  
K-Cups, instant coffee, individually packaged tea bags  
Hot chocolate  
Single serving bags of chips, pretzels, goldfish, combos  
Snack-sized candy bars – or even full size!  
Granola bars  
Instant oatmeal packets  
Gum, tic-tacs, hard candies  
Sandwich crackers  
Pop tarts  
Pudding  
Microwave popcorn  
Fruit snacks  
Cookies  
Post-its, pens, mechanical pencils, highlighters, stickers  
Tissue packs  
Mini hand sanitizers

Please place donated items in the designated bin, located in the narthex.

Thank you!

Kristin Cleaver



# PARISH NEWS

## FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE UPCOMING EVENTS

**SAVE -THE- DATES!**

Mark your calendars/phone calendars now for fun fellowship events!



- Trivia – Wolf Brewing Company – Aug.3rd
- Long Shot Winery – August 19<sup>th</sup>
- Church Picnic – September 10<sup>th</sup>
- Fall Hike and Hot Dog Roast – October 15<sup>th</sup>
- Advent Event – November 26<sup>th</sup>
- Caroling to the Shut-ins – December 10<sup>th</sup>

### Trivia Night at Wolf Brewing Company.

Where: Wolf Brewing Company

When: **Thursday, August 3, 2023**

Time: Please arrive between 6:00 and 6:15.

Trivia begins at 6:30. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Greiss at [segreiss@comcast.net](mailto:segreiss@comcast.net) or Deb Sterling [dsterling56@msn.com](mailto:dsterling56@msn.com).



## UPCOMING EVENT SPONSORED BY THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Fellowship Event:

Where: The Winery at the Long Shot Farm

When: Saturday, August 19, 2023 Time: 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

We invite you to bring a chair and/or blanket to enjoy a summer evening with wine, food, live music, and fabulous fellowship. All ages welcome!! For further details, please see sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Greiss at [segreiss@comcast.net](mailto:segreiss@comcast.net)



From our Senators Night in June! Shirley Kimmel with the Senators mascot, 'Rascal'!



TSLC CAMPERS!

# FAMILY PROMISE

## **FAMILY PROMISE NEEDS YOU!**

For many people in our community, sudden homelessness is a reality. This is tragic, and even more so for those with families as most shelters split families up between multiple locations. Family Promise seeks to provide a safe place where families facing homelessness can remain together, receive the support they need, and work toward regaining independence. They do this by partnering with congregations to provide meals and lodging for the families each night.

**August 20-27 is our third hosting week for 2023.** We will need many volunteers to make this a success - from people to drive the Family Promise families to and from the Day Center on Erford Rd in Camp Hill, to those who will provide dinner for the families and those who will serve as overnight hosts. We ask you to prayerfully consider volunteering your time to this crucial ministry to families in our community. If you are available and want to help, consider signing up through the "Time to Sign Up" link on our church website.

If you would like more information, please contact any member of the Family Promise team - Diane Boone, Cindy Duck, Karen Eppley, or Danielle Erdley.

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## **FAMILY PROMISE \*\*IMPORTANT UPDATE\*\***

The Family Promise Leadership Team wants to extend our thanks to so many of you who have supported this program over the years. We began our partnership with Family Promise in **late 2016** and continued on throughout the pandemic with meal support only, and then resumed on-site hosting, with our third week for 2023 coming up in mid-August. It's taken many, many people to make this program work; our estimate is about 30 people per week – and we couldn't have done it without you!

However, our personal situations have changed during that time and we are planning to step down at the end of this year. Along with that, we've lost several of our faithful volunteers (through moving away, health challenges or death) and it's getting harder and harder to find enough people to make the program work.

***This upcoming August (20-27) week will be our last hosting dates for Trindle Spring.***

This has not been an easy decision for any of us. Our plan is to continue to offer meal support a few weeks a year, but not to serve as a host site (or provide van drivers, etc.) if Family Promise will allow us to continue in this way. This is NOT an easy job and takes many hours of work, prior to each host week. For those of you who have worked with us in the past, you know that flexibility is key, and that many changes occur – even after the host week has begun and the guests have arrived. If you are interested in more information or have questions about this, please feel free to contact any one of us (contact information is in the church directory).

**Thanks again for your help over the years! You are much appreciated!**

Diane Boone, Cindy Duck, Karen Eppley, Danielle Erdley (Family Promise Leadership Team)



Consider joining us at our next meeting on **August 13<sup>th</sup>**, in the church lounge at 3:00 PM. (Please knock on the window at the entrance opposite to the main office entrance so we can let you in.)

## FIFTY 4 FALL

The Shawl Ministry has set a goal of **50 hats** to be made or purchased for donation to **One80 Ministries**, located on Market Street in Mechanicsburg supporting those in need. If you would like to contribute to this drive, place the hats in the basket located at the Outreach Corner. <https://www.one80ministries.org/>

### **One80 Ministries Mission Statement:**

At One80 Ministries we understand the value of creating safe space to share life and foster meaningful relationships. Our fellowship gatherings provide this space and opportunity. With a focus on the overall well-being of our community we offer support by assisting with everyday necessities, hoping to relieve some of the financial stress carried by individuals and their families. We exemplify hope and acceptance through the love of Christ, as we love our neighbors as ourselves, creating a bridge between our community and the local church.

*Let the pleasure of the Lord our God be on us. O, Lord, give strength to the work of our hands." Psalm 90:17*

**Committee chairpersons: Lynne Neibert, Sandra Breech,  
& Maggie Strawser**

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## MEALS ON WHEELS ~ CAKES REMINDER

The bakers of our congregation have been faithfully supporting Meals on Wheels over the last several months by donating a 9 x 13 desserts on the Sunday right before the first Monday of each month. That effort is continuing going forward. Since many members take summer vacations, we have posted a sign up sheet on the office outside the bulletin board for those who are able to contribute in this way to Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels.

Please sign up as you are able. We need 12 each month, but extras can be frozen for days when they are short of donations.

Thanks for your support of this very necessary organization that helps to feed seniors in our community, including some of our members!"

~Deb Bender, Parish Life Chairperson



# Thank you Notes

Thank you so much to everyone for the prayers, calls, visits, cards, and offers of support that we have received. Your care and compassion has helped to make our surgeries and my ongoing treatment less troublesome. Whenever there is a "down" day for me, I reread a few of your cards and am reminded that the Lord is always with me and has surrounded me with such amazing friends.

Thank you,

Joanna & Andy McIntyre

A huge thank you to anyone who has helped with or contributed anything to our recent funeral luncheons. Norma (McCartney) and Linda (Glantz) really appreciate your cheerful willingness to bake, shop, help, move things and wash. It makes the task so much easier!

The other church members, friends and strangers we have served in this ministry have been very thankful also.

Sincerely,

Your Funeral Luncheon Committee

I am so grateful for all those who have prayed for me, sent me cards and shared conversations of encouragement during the past couple years. I will always have issues with my heart and back. My conditions have improved somewhat. Your prayers have brought me a long way as God directs my journey and I will always be reminded of the love and support that you have shown me. I think that I should remove my name from the prayer list now that I am doing so much better.

Of course, I will always be grateful for any prayers that are offered but, thank you for your constant love and strengthening prayers.

Praise God for His healing power and blessings to you.

Bill Brodisch

My family and I would like to thank the wonderful people of Trindle Spring Lutheran Church who assisted us in planning Ron's service of Celebration of Life on July 7th. Pastor Aaron for planning and message, Cheryl Guinther, for her excellent secretarial help, and Charlie Bender for running the streaming from the tech booth. Many of our family from long distance were unable to attend so they were very thankful to be able to watch it!

Additional thanks to the Ladies of the church, who provided the wonderful luncheon under the leadership of Linda Glantz, which was enjoyed by our guests! The food was delicious and plentiful. This ministry is just one example of how wonderful it is to be a member of Trindle Spring Lutheran Church!

Sincere Thanks!

Pat Yerkes and Family





# TSLC Church Calendar AUGUST 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> Monthly Pot-Luck Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall 12pm  Fellowship Committee 7pm	<b>2</b> NO Zumba  Summer Book Study 11am & 8pm  Mutual Ministry 7pm	<b>3</b> Trindle Quilters 9am  Fellowship Activity Wolf Brewing Co. Trivia Night 6-9pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> <b>Worship 9:15 am</b> New Member Conversation 10:30am	<b>7</b> Zumba 6pm  Stewardship Committee 7pm	<b>8</b> Church Council 7pm	<b>9</b> Zumba Gold 10am  Summer Book Study 11am & 8pm	<b>10</b> Trindle Quilters 9am  Supply Closet clean-out day 2pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Men's Breakfast</b> 7:30am Middlesex Diner  <b>SECOND SATURDAY COMMUNITY MEAL</b> 4:00-6:00pm
<b>13</b> <b>Worship 9:15 am</b> <b>Blessing of Prayer Gifts</b>  <u>TSLC Members Service Day (after 9:15 service)</u>  The Shawl Ministry 3pm in the Lounge	<b>14</b> September Newsletter Article Deadline  Zumba 6pm	<b>15</b> Property Committee 7pm	<b>16</b> Zumba Gold 10am  Summer Book Study 11am & 8pm	<b>17</b> Trindle Quilters 9am  Finance Committee 7pm	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Fellowship Activity Long Shot Winery 5pm
<b>20</b> <b>Worship 9:15 am</b> <b>New Members received today.</b> Men's Chorus Rehearsal 10:15am  Congregational Meeting 10:30am	<b>21</b> Seniors Luncheon 11:30 a.m. Snappers Bar & Grill  NO Zumba	<b>22</b> Outreach 7pm  	<b>23</b> NO Zumba  Summer Book Study 11am & 8pm	<b>24</b> Trindle Quilters 9am  Newsletter Assembly 9am	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>LAST FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING WEEK August 20-27</b>						
<b>27</b> <b>Worship 9:15 am</b> <b>Blessing of the Backpacks &amp; Briefcases</b> New Hope Food Blessing today. Men's Chorus Rehearsal 10:30am	<b>28</b> Zumba 6pm  Safety & Security meeting 7pm	<b>29</b> Christian Ed. Meeting 7pm	<b>30</b> Zumba Gold 10am	<b>31</b> Trindle Quilters 9am		

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OUR CHANNEL: WILLIAMTRINDLE

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR9h9GlcYJg7BVb1UnERaTA>



<https://www.trindlespringlutheran.org/calendar--news.html>



**LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD**  
WHERE THE HUNGRY ARE FED  
AS WE HAVE BEEN FED BY CHRIST.

### LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD NEWS

See the on-line newsletter *W.E. News of the LSS* on the LSS website: <http://www.lss-elca.org/> and click on WE NEWS at the bottom of the page to sign up or to view past issues.



### WOMEN OF THE ELCA

To find out more about what they are doing and how you can join, go to: [www.lss-elca.org/congregations/women-of-the-elca/](http://www.lss-elca.org/congregations/women-of-the-elca/)



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### VARIOUS SIGNUPS AND SPONSORSHIPS:

Go to our website for: [www.trindlespringlutheran.org](http://www.trindlespringlutheran.org)

⇒ Sponsorships for:

Altar Flowers/ Bulletin/ Newsletter

⇒ Sign-ups for: Acolyte, Communion Assistants, & Worship Readers

⇒ Sign up for online Giving through Vanco

<https://www.trindlespringlutheran.org/online-giving.html>

Questions on Vanco? Contact the Church Office.

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**(August)**

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**AUGUST  
2023**



**September 2023 Newsletter  
article deadline is:**

**Monday, August 14, 2023**

**Assembly Date:**

**Thursday, August 24, 2023**

**9:00 a.m. in the Y.A.H. Room**