



TRINDLE SPRING LUTHERAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER ~ FEBRUARY 2024

14 STATE ROAD, MECHANICSBURG, PA 17050

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

Friends in Christ,

As hard as it is to believe, Lent is almost upon us. Lent is a time for reflection, a time for simplification, and a time for us as Christians to focus on our faith. Our theme for this year is “Again and Again.” Again and again brokenness seems to find us, again and again we are in need of repentance and God’s forgiveness, again and again God has chosen us and calls us to be his people. Again and again the story of Jesus’ actions on the cross shape who we are and the story we tell of God’s love. On pages 2 and 3 you will read much more about our Lenten theme, opportunities for worship, and other times to connect with one another and with God.

There is another ministry that we have been working on and will begin to roll out during Lent. I want to take a moment to tell you about it. We know that grief is a normal part of life, and everyone experiences and deals with grief differently. Sometimes grief lasts a long time, and you need help to manage it. Grief can be caused by the death of a loved one, the loss of a job, the experience of a divorce, and many other circumstances. As a congregation, we want to be able to support each other in our grief. Our “Cup of Hope” ministry and medical binders are what began many of these conversations, and they will continue as they have in the past. However, there are some new aspects to our “Grief Ministry” you should know about. This ministry has several pieces to it, but in each opportunity personal conversations are to be kept confidential.

The first opportunity we are offering is “Lunch and Listen.” These will be groups of 4-5 people who simply go out to lunch together as often as they would like to. Individuals can sign up for this ministry during the month of February. The groups will then be assigned and can start going out for meals together. The intent is to simply be a support, as needed.

The second opportunity will begin in April. This will be a four session, more structured support group that will meet at the church for conversation and work on processing grief together. The goal is to offer this twice a year. The first times will be April and May, when the group will meet every other week. Look for more specifics about this ministry in the next newsletter.

Third, be sure to watch for “Monday Morning Messages” to begin this spring as well. They will be simple quotes or short readings posted to Facebook that relate to grief.

Lastly, we are working on compiling a list of resources that can help people in times of grief. The goal is to curate a list of counselors, websites, books, and other valuable information and contacts that people can utilize as needed. If you have found a resource to be helpful to you, please let us know and we can add it to our resources, because it may be helpful for someone else too.

We pray that these ministry offerings will be a help to you and we will continue to offer prayers for you in your journey.

Peace,

Pastor Aaron

The February 2024 Newsletter is dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Marlin E. Wood, by his family.



Lent 2024 - "Again & Again"

In Lent, we're reminded that, again and again, suffering and brokenness find us. We doubt again, we lament again, we mess up again. Again and again, the story of Jesus on the cross repeats—every time lives are taken unjustly, every time the powerful choose corruption and violence, every time individuals forget how to love. With exacerbation we exclaim, "Again?! How long, O God?" And yet, in the midst of the motion blur chaos of our lives, God offers a sacred refrain: "I choose you, I love you, I will lead you to repair." Again and again, God breaks the cycle and offers us a new way forward.

This theme provides a clear invitation in a time when much is unclear. We come to God again and again with our prayers, our dreams, our hopes, and our doubts. We will continue to be community to one another—especially when it's hard—by choosing each other over and over again. We will continue to love God with the same persistence God chooses and claims us. Our sub-theme, A Lenten Refrain, speaks to the ways God can make music of our lives. "Refrain" also reminds us that Lent is a season of abstaining from certain or harmful practices in order to take on new rhythms and habits. This year during Lent, we will use materials from *Sanctified Art* to help us on our Lenten journey. Please read over the many ways you are invited to see what God is teaching us. Join us this Lent as again and again, we bring all of who we are to God and trust that God will meet us, time and again, along the way.

Ash Wednesday Worship:

On Ash Wednesday, February 14, we will be offering two services, one at 12pm and one at 7pm. Both services will include Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes. All are encouraged to attend so that we can enter into our Lenten season together as a church family.

Midweek Worship

Each Wednesday during Lent, beginning February 21st and ending March 27th, there will be an opportunity for a meal & time for fellowship and reflection. At 5:30pm, all are welcome to gather in the Fellowship Hall for a meal and conversation inspired by artwork that corresponds to that week's scripture reading. Then, at 7pm, we will gather in the Sanctuary for Holden Evening Prayer. Join us!

Congregational Prayer Wall Project

This Lent, we invite you to come to God in prayer again and again, weaving your prayers in with the prayers of your community to create a beautiful prayer wall. Woven together, your prayers will form the shape of an ampersand, representing God's holy "and." When we become weary from the motion blur chaos of our lives, God promises that there is always more to the story—death does not have the last word. When we feel helpless and hopeless, God's holy "and" encourages us to lift our weary eyes to search for more. This Lent, let us practice the power of 'and' as we sink into the repetition and ritual of prayer.

The Prayer Wall will be introduced on Ash Wednesday in the narthex, and will include directions. We will also be talking more about it in worship, Sunday School, and will post an introductory video to our social media pages. We hope you will join us in this project!

Lenten Devotional Offerings

This year, we will be offering two different options for Lenten devotionals. We invite you to pick which one best suits your needs, or you can even try both! The first is a weekly devotional booklet. This booklet follows the Revised Common Lectionary to choose the readings for each week, and each week offers 3-4 entries that may include written reflections, commentary, visual art, poetry, and/or coloring pages. The second is daily devotional cards. This set of 48 cards cover every day from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. Each card displays a word and scripture verse on the front, with reflection prompts and prayer on the back side. Both of these devotional offerings will be available **beginning on February 11**, and we hope you will make use of them.

Adult Sunday School Offering - Faith and Preparing for End of Life

It is when we are grieving the loss of a loved one that we often turn to God, and plead for answers to why we must face grief and loss, again and again. And again and again, God meets us there, comforts us, and helps us to move forward. We trust and rely on this truth. But what about our family and friends when we are gone? One of the most loving things we can do for our loved ones is to make decisions about end of life matters before we are gone, instead of leaving them to deal with it in their grief.

Pastor Aaron and Pastor Martha will be facilitating a 4-week series during the Sunday School hour on preparing for end of life. This series will run from March 3—March 24, 2024. It will include discussion about how we as Christians view and talk about death and dying, a workshop led by a local attorney on estate planning, living wills, power of attorney and other legal matters, a workshop by a local funeral director on preplanning and prepaying for your funeral, as well as Pastor Aaron and Pastor Martha leading a discussion on how you can preplan your funeral service and the importance of doing so. Look for more information in the March newsletter.

Lenten Appeal—Meals on Wheels

This year the Outreach Committee has chosen Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels as the recipient of our Lenten Appeal Offering. We have members who serve our community through this organization, and we also have members who are the recipients of the meals provided. With rising grocery costs and the fact that more meals are being served in this community, monetary help is greatly appreciated!

Your donations will be accepted throughout the Lenten season, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and lasting through Easter Sunday. **Checks should be made out to Trindle Spring Lutheran Church - please note "Meals on Wheels" in the memo line on your check.** (Please do NOT make your checks out directly to Meals on Wheels). If you normally make your church donations online, a donation to the Lenten Appeal can be done in this way as well.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of donating to this worthy cause!

- **PLEASE NOTE: There will be only one worship service on the 2nd Sunday of Lent, February 25, at 9:15am, due to the congregational retreat that weekend at Camp Nawakwa.**

WHEN SHOULD I CALL THE PASTOR?

As Pastors we are called to be with people in all times. Joy, sorrow, pain, grief, celebration, birth, death, and everything in between. Understanding that we can't be with everyone all the time, when exactly does the Pastor need to know what's going on with me, and when might I need a visit, whether it is by telephone or in-person?

You may need Pastoral Care if:

- You have a serious health event that takes you to the hospital, rehab center, or changes where you will live, either temporarily or permanently.
- You are experiencing a major life event, like job loss, death, birth, or a relationship change.
- You are having questions about faith or the church.
- You are sensing a call to serve the church in a particular way.
- You or a family member want to be a member of the church, be baptized, or receive holy communion.

Why should I call the Pastor?

We want to support, encourage, pray, and care for you in this journey of life and faith, and so does the congregation. Living in Christian community means sharing in both the joys and sorrows of life. We are bound together as a community in Christ, and with your permission, we would like to share with the congregation how we can best pray for and support you in times of need.

What happens in a Pastoral Visit?

When we visit you, whether it be in a hospital, rehab center, retirement community, or your home, we will listen to what is going on in your life and have conversation or offer quiet presence. We may offer prayer, scripture reading and communion. Depending on your situation, some visits may be longer than others, and more frequent. We hope our visits provide peace and comfort, amid any anxiousness, fear, or uncertainty that some life-changing events bring.

What is Homebound Visitation?

Homebound visitation is for those in our community who are no longer able to come to worship on a regular basis because of health or other limitations. It may be a temporary situation, like recovery or rehab. Or it may be permanent, like when you are no longer able to drive or perform usual daily activities by yourself. Whether it's temporary or permanent, Pastor Martha will visit you regularly—every 4 or 5 weeks. If your situation is short-term, or increases in severity, visits will be more frequent.

Who do I contact?

Contact the church office or Pastor Aaron for Pastoral Care, or Pastor Martha for Homebound Visitation. Please leave a message if we are unable to answer the phone.

It is helpful for us to know:

- Your name and contact information
- Your situation or your family members' situation
- If you're in the hospital or other facility, the facility name/location, and room number.
- If you would like a prayer request (including what details), to get placed on our prayer email.

TSLC COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 9, 2024

1. The Council retreat is scheduled for 2/3/24 from 9-3 pm at Silver Spring Presbyterian Retreat Center.
2. Council members were invited to join a educational event sponsored by ELCA on "Congregational Council 101," presented by Rev. Dr. Amsalu Geleta from the Delaware/Maryland Synod.
3. A Coordinator is needed for the Lenten Suppers which will be starting at 5:30 pm on 2/21, and continue on 2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27.

2024 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Jan Ingraham, Church Council President
Deb Sterling, Church Council Vice-President
Bonnie Distad Church Council Secretary
Joanna McIntyre
Kristin Cleaver
Cindy Duck
Ken Decker
Bill Foulds
David Boose
Carly Pownell
Karen Hale
Marty Baim



Sabbatical Team Update

The Sabbatical Team, along with Pastor Aaron, is currently working on what Pastor Aaron's sabbatical might look like. Clergy sabbaticals are intended to be a balance of rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation, as well as a time for some continuing education and discernment about how God is calling us to continue to grow in faith and serve our community. In addition, congregations often schedule corresponding opportunities within the congregation while the Pastor is away. The team is looking at all these possibilities, and gathering input from congregational members on what might best serve us going forward.

Pastor Aaron is applying for a Clergy Renewal Grant from the Lilly Foundation that would allow him and his family to include some travel (both educational and recreational) and educational opportunities during his sabbatical that would not be financially feasible otherwise. The deadline for this grant is March 13, 2024. Therefore, over next month the team will be hard at work to complete the application and all the corresponding documents before the deadline. The Lilly Foundation announces the recipients in mid-August, so once the application is submitted, there will be a pause in planning until we hear whether Pastor Aaron is granted the award or not.

Look for more information in the March newsletter!

PARISH NEWS

On February 4th, we have our next elementary youth group meeting from 12-1pm (lunch provided)! Come out to eat, play games, and learn about the parables in the Bible!



Later that evening on February 4th, we will have our next 6th-12th grade youth group meeting from 5-7:30pm (dinner included)! Friends are always welcome! We hope to see you then!

On February 17th, the youth group will be hosting our **annual spaghetti dinner** from 4:30-6:30pm. The youth will be helping to cook and serve our guests! There will also be a silent auction happening during the dinner. Takeout will be available that evening for pick up. For kids under 11 the cost is \$5, and for ages 12+ the cost is \$10. Tickets for the spaghetti dinner will be sold on Sunday mornings starting Sunday, January 21st. All proceeds will benefit our youth group by helping to pay for events like retreats, confirmation camp, and the national gathering. Come hungry and support our youth! In addition to the spaghetti dinner, we are asking for silent auction donations, donated desserts, and volunteers to help! Please contact Casey and Elaine if you are willing to help in any way!

15TH ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT

We are excited about our upcoming retreat weekend. The theme for the retreat this year is “Divinely Designed” and we will focus on exploring the gifts and talents we receive from God.

The retreat will be held over the weekend starting Friday evening, February 23rd, and concluding on Sunday afternoon February 25th, at Camp Nawakwa. Registration for our retreat is available online at bit.ly/TSLCretreat. It is not necessary to have attended the retreat in a past year to fully experience and enjoy this upcoming weekend. If you cannot attend the entire weekend, day campers are welcome too!

There will be activities for all ages. A Children’s Ministry with programming for the younger campers is available as well. We will have devotions and worship during the weekend. There will be time for games, sessions of learning, and plenty of free time to relax. As always, there will be plenty of food with special dietary options available. Join us and spend some time getting to know other members of the congregation and growing closer to the Lord.

Final registrations must be received by **January 28, 2024**, or contact Charlie Bender ASAP.

IMPORTANT!!!! >>>Please be sure to fill out and submit one form for each camper.***<<<***

If you have any questions regarding the accommodations, cost, menu, transportation, or any other aspect of the retreat, please feel free to give Charlie Bender a call (see Church Directory or call the church office).

PARISH NEWS

2023 SHARE CHRISTMAS

Many thanks to all for your generous donations to *One80 Ministries* for our Share Christmas project in 2023!! With your help, we were able to raise **\$1,395.99**. Along with a check, we also delivered lots of personal care items, two Pack n Plays, as well as quilts from the Trindle Spring Quilters! We truly couldn't have done it without you - your generosity is much appreciated!

-From the Outreach Ministry Committee



Spring College Care Package Donations

Collections will begin **Feb 11, 2024**, and end **March 10, 2024**

There are currently **24 college students** on the list to receive care packages

Shipping costs for this past Fall were **\$11 - \$14/box**

Estimated cost of goodies to fill a box is **\$20**

Are you interested in sponsoring a box? Donating towards shipping costs? Donating towards snacks but can't get to the store? Contributing to send the students TSLC Easter Eggs?

YOU CAN! Reach out to Kristin Cleaver for details!

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

(See contact info in the directory)

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE UPCOMING EVENTS-2024

SAVE THE DATES

- Trivia Night at Wolf Brewing Company – February 8th
- Family Retreat – February 23rd thru 25th
- Trivia Night at Arcona Spring Gate – April 16th
- Sight & Sound (Daniel) – April 26th
- Trivia Night at Wolf Brewing Company – May 16th
- Senator's Baseball Game – June 21st



Church Family,

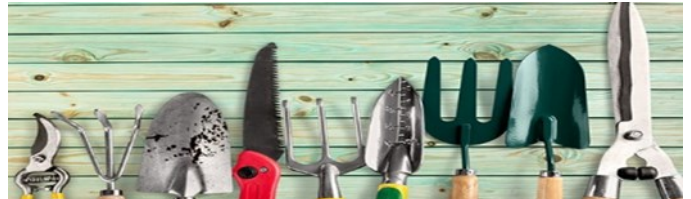
The Fellowship Committee is checking the interest of people for a golf outing in the May to June timeframe. If interested, please sign up on the bulletin board by the church office. Indicate your interest and preference for a week day, Saturday or Sunday.

Thanks,
Bill Foulds



The TSLC Cemetery has plots for sale. Contact Chuck Sterling for more information.

**Attention: Trindle Spring Cemetery
Clean-up Day
Saturday, May 4, 2024
8:30am-12:30pm**



Please join us for a morning of general yard work around our cemetery. All are asked to bring their own gloves and tools. A light lunch will be provided. For any questions, please contact Steve Vogelsong, Mark Eppley, Chuck Sterling, Denny Stoner, Dave Lefin or Forrest Cleaver.

Church Family,

See our online store where we can go to buy stuff all things Trindle! Check it out. Scan the QR code or go to the link below:

<https://shop.goaionline.com/tslc/shop/home>

See the link on our webpage at www.trindlespringlutheran.org



PARISH NEWS



THE SHAWL MINISTRY

We have begun a new year. This year, The Shawl Ministry will continue to work with congregation members, community members and local organizations and institutions to spread God's love through handmade prayer gifts.

With your help, last year we delivered or mailed gifts to members and family of TSLC, friends of the congregation, adult living centers, pregnancy centers, local organizations addressing the needs of the homeless, families of fallen soldiers and World Vision. We thank you for your support of this ministry.

Our February meeting on the 11th will be held in the church lounge at 3:00 PM. Plan to join us for friendship and fellowship. Bring a project, help to complete delivery bags, learn to knit or crochet, or pick up yarn to work at home. We would love to have you join us.

Thank You Notes

To the ladies from the Prayer Shawl Ministry, Thank you for the beautiful prayer shawl -I have worn it twice and have had compliments from more than one person- of course, I explained where it came from – and all agreed it is a wonderful ministry. I will cherish it always, With a grateful heart, Linda Foulds

Thank you so very much for the handmade wooden ornament, as beautiful as all the other ones you sent over the years. It means so very much to us. As time goes by, some have forgotten the high price of freedom. Your thoughtfulness gives us comfort, knowing our son, Jason, has not been forgotten. When God called our Jason to heaven to start his eternal life, we had two fears. The fear of living without him and will people forget him. Thank you for not forgetting our Jason and the high price he paid. As people gather for holidays, weddings and to celebrate births, our hearts ache, eyes fill with tears and our mines are filled with how different our lives would be if he was alive. Our loved one is missing during those times. Once again, thank you and God Bless you. Sincerely Connie and Gary Frye, the Proud Parents of US Marine, Jason Frye KIA Iraq

The true gifts of Christmas are for the hearts to enjoy! May His love always bless you, his joy always fill you, His presence always keep you close to all that is good! Wising You God's best at Christmas and in the New Year! Thank you for the beautiful ornament! Sandy Terwiske, Gold Star Mom of LCpl Alec R. Terwiske KIA Afghanistan 9/3/2012

Thank you so much for remembering Kelly (William) each year. Your ornaments are beautiful and we have saved them each year. Our gift back to you is one of Kelly's Memorial coins given with Love and thanks! John and Karla Lacey, parents of SGT 1st Class William (Kelly) Lacey (see picture below)

Dear Ones... Once again, I look forward to your beautiful ornaments in memory of our son! Your thoughtfulness really touches my heart. God Bless You, Donna Faull, Mother of Staff SGT Robert Cowdrey

Committee chairpersons: Lynne Neibert, SaunOdra Breech, & Maggie Strawser



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The Shawl Ministry
Request Form

I am requesting a
 Shawl Blanket

For: _____

Contact Information:
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____

My name and phone number: _____

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PARISH NEWS

SECOND SATURDAY COMMUNITY MEAL

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024
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:

**Chicken and Beef Pot Pie
Pepper Slaw
Peas
Sliced Pears
Assorted Breads/Rolls/ Muffins
Assorted Desserts
Hot & Cold Beverages**

Any questions, or to volunteer, contact Deb Bender
(See contact info in directory)

MEALS ON WHEELS CAKES REMINDER

The bakers of our congregation have been faithfully supporting Meals on Wheels by donating 9 x 13 desserts on the Sunday right before the first Monday of each month. **Please drop off all cakes in the church kitchen by the second service.** We have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the church office 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

TSLC ALL MEN'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024 - 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.



*Any questions,
contact Steve Vogelsong
(See his phone number in the directory)*

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 New Hope Ministries website for the lists for our Mechanicsburg Center. www.nhm-pa.org

Food & Misc. items collection total:

JANUARY 2024 135lbs.

Additional toys from December 12 lbs.

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!

TSLC SENIORS MONTHLY LUNCHEON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024



**@11:30 AM,
HOSS'S STEAK & SEA HOUSE,
MECHANICSBURG**

Any questions, contact Carlotta Strohl or Irene Dillahey

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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!

MEALS & TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY AT TSLC

We are in need of expanding our volunteer group for this ministry, so 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.

(See contact info in the directory)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH FAMILY PROMISE

You can still serve with us, even though Trindle is no longer a hosting site. FPCHR would email opportunities to serve every so often.

If you would be interested in doing this, contact Susan Ryder susan@familypromisehcr.org, 717-574-1960

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
(See number in the Directory).

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!

(See contact info in directory)

PRAYER PARTNERS

God, our loving Heavenly Father, wants us to communicate with Him through prayer. He always listens to us when we pray. Daily prayer can bless you, your family, and those you pray for. It can also invite more peace into your life, help you learn more about God's plan for you, and more. The power of prayer is amazing and immense. Would you like to become active in a very important group in Trindle Spring? Become a Prayer Partner! You will be sent prayer requests or updates via email or a phone call. Then begin your talks and prayers with God. Praying is such a meaningful part of being a Christian. Share some of your time to help support others. Prayer divides sadness and sorrow - and multiplies joy and happiness.

Prayer requests and updates are welcome any time to Linda Yohn (See contact info in directory). This group is separate from the Prayers of the Church as mentioned in the Sunday church prayer and listed in the bulletin. Those names are given to the Pastors or Cheryl our Parish Admin. Those are certainly people in need of prayer and some names appear on the Prayer Partners' list, also. It only takes a few minutes to support our family and friends in prayer.

Notes from the Office

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

Income

Offering	442,082
Misc. Income	4,013
(ie: Thrivent Choice, Community Aid, Building Use, Donations, etc.)	-
Total Income	446,095

Expense

<u>Ministry to Others</u>	
Outreach Ministry	42,921
Evangelism	1,369
Parish Life	(3,254)
<u>Ministry within Our Congregation</u>	
Christian Education	6,298
Fellowship	2,805
Keeping Our Church Safe	23
Stewardship	-
Worship & Music	7,293
Youth & Family Ministry	585
<u>Administration</u>	
Archives	250
Property (building maintenance)	80,428
Office Management (administration)	25,987
Salary/Support	213,044
Vision of Ministry	-
Total Expense	377,749
Net Income	<u>68,347</u>

TITHES AND OFFERINGS AT TRINDLE SPRING

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. Go to 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.

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

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/)
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! - Deb Sterling



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

Notes from the Office

COMMUNION ELEMENTS & DVD'S/CD'S OF SUNDAY 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 for the 10:30 a.m. service. Contact the church office to have one delivered to you every week with a bulletin.

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.

See the TSLC calendar on our website for any changes to class dates/times. www.trindlespringlutheran.org

lisaloveszumba2@gmail.com

FROM THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE:

NOTE: As of January 2024, all general thank you notes received in the church office will be placed on the bulletin board by the church office. Be sure to stop by the bulletin board after church to see the notes!



The congregation extends condolences to the family of **Mary Lou Kerstetter**, who passed on Friday, December 29, 2023.

FEBRUARY 2024 BIRTHDAYS

Kenneth Boyer
Mark Genchur
Richard Harbold
Norma McCartney
Diane Boone
Sue Rupp
Nancy Seitz
Brenda Freed

Deb Cline Barosi
Bev Hertzler
Angie Hummel
Rebecca Fahnestock
Lanette Yohn
Susan Starr
Dianne Farence
Sharon Gregg

Alan Knisely
Dee Lebo
Ryan Kelly
Joyce Phillips
Sara Jane Basehore
Gary Stonemetz
Chuck Sterling
Lori Genchur

John Rupp, Jr.
Karen Eppley
Elias Stoner
Deb Smith
Rhys Finkenbinder
Barbara Glinski
Debbie King
Brian Mostek

Gerri Denison
Dean Hornberger
Liam Eichelberger
Paul Glantz, Jr.
Earl Fertenbaugh
Paige Schank
Mason Wolfe
Brian Westby



PARISH NEWS

EASTER EGG & PRETZELS INFORMATION – 2024

Everyone is invited to help, and experience is not required. We're always looking for new faces to enjoy the fellowship and potluck lunches. We will be making eggs **each Tuesday** (8:00 a.m. to about 2:00 p.m.), **beginning February 6th** and ending **March 19th**. In order to get a head start, we will need a limited crew to do **pretzels only on Tuesday, January 30th**. If you are able to help, even for a few hours, please sign up on the bulletin board outside of the office.

We will be making peanut butter, butter cream, and coconut cream eggs, along with pretzels covered with milk chocolate. We will also make dark chocolate covered eggs and pretzels on **February 27th**, so orders for dark chocolate items need to be submitted by **February 25th**. Orders combining milk and dark chocolate will be filled the same week dark chocolate products are made. Based on previous experience, we may need to add an extra workday that week to cover the milk chocolate orders.

Order forms are available in an envelope attached to the mailboxes outside of the church office. Completed order forms and payment may be placed in the separate envelope underneath. We ask that orders of \$20 or less be prepaid with the order.

TRINDLE SPRING LUTHERAN CHURCH

Easter Egg & Pretzels Order Form

DATE ORDERED _____

NAME _____ PHONE _____

	Milk Choc.	Dark Choc.	
PEANUT BUTTER \$1.50 each (\$7.50/6 or \$15/12) x	_____	_____	= \$ _____
BUTTER CREAM \$1.50 each (\$7.50/6 or \$15/12) x	_____	_____	= \$ _____
COCONUT CREAM \$1.50 each (\$7.50/6 or \$15/12) x	_____	_____	= \$ _____
PRETZELS (1/2 lb.) \$5.00 x	_____	_____	= \$ _____
	Amount Due		= \$ _____

We ask that orders of \$20 or less be prepaid. **Amount Paid** = \$ _____


Pick up your order next Sunday in the church kitchen. Payment may be placed in the church office.

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Questions – call Lee Yohn (See his contact info in directory.)



TSLC Church Calendar FEBRUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 TSLC Quilters 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm ConCamp meeting 6:30pm Chancel Choir 7:20pm	2	3 TSLC Church Council one day retreat 9am-3pm Silver Spring Presbyterian
4 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Sunday School 9:15am MOW Cakes due before second service Elementary Youth 12pm Confirmation Class 3:30pm w/ parents Middle/Sr. High 5pm	5 Parish Life Zembo Shrine Ushers Prep 8am-12pm Zumba 6pm 	6 Easter egg making 8am MONTHLY Pot-Luck Lunch at noon, combined with Egg makers potluck lunch ZEMBO Shrine Ushers 6pm (kitchen 1-9pm) Mutual Ministry meeting 6:30pm Fellowship Committee 7pm	7 Women's Bible study 9am & 5pm Grief Committee meeting 9:30am Zumba Gold 10am Evangelism 6:30pm	8 Trindle Quilters 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm Chancel Choir 7:20pm	9	10 Men's Breakfast 7:30am Middlesex Diner SECOND SATURDAY COMMUNITY MEAL 4:00-6:00pm In Fellowship Hall & Take Out Available
11 Transfiguration Sunday Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Baptism today Sunday School 9:15am College Care package collection starts today Stoner Luncheon The Shawl Ministry 3pm Lounge	12 Zumba 6pm March Newsletter Article Deadline	13 Easter egg making 8am Church Council meeting 7pm	14 ASH WEDNESDAY Women's Bible study 9am & 5pm Zumba GOLD 10am Worship 12pm & 7pm (No Lenten supper)	15 Trindle Quilters 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm Chancel Choir 7:20pm Ann K. Swim Team Dinner Fellowship Hall 7:30pm	16	17 YOUTH Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction 4:30-7pm
18 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Sunday School 9:15am College Care package collection continues	19 Seniors Luncheon 11:30am Hoss's Zumba 6pm	20 Easter egg making 8am Property meeting 7pm	21 Women's Bible study 9am & 5pm Zumba GOLD 10am Lenten Supper 5:30pm Holden 7pm	22 Trindle Quilters 9am Newsletter Assembly 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm Chancel Choir 7:20pm	23 TSLC CHURCH RETREAT CAMP NAWAKWA	24 TSLC CHURCH RETREAT CAMP NAWAKWA
25 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT Worship 9:15am New Hope Food blessing today TSLC CHURCH RETREAT CAMP NAWAKWA	26 Zumba 6pm Safety & Security meeting 7pm	27 Easter egg making 8am	28 Women's Bible Study 9am & 5pm Zumba GOLD 10am Lenten Supper 5:30pm Holden 7pm	29 Trindle Quilters 9am NO REHEARSALS THIS EVENING		



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OUR CHANNEL: TrindleSpringLutheranChurch
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRh9GlcYJg7BVb1UnERaTA>



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



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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.



To find out more about what the Women of the ELCA are doing and how you can join, go to: 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

- ⇒ 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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March 2024 Newsletter

article deadline is:

Monday, February 12, 2024

Assembly Date:

Thursday, February 22, 2024

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