

MAY 2024

TRINDLE SPRING LUTHERAN CHURCH | 14 STATE ROAD, MECHANCISBURG PA 17050

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The May 2024 Newsletter is dedicated to the Glory of God for Betty Warren, and in loving memory of Bob Warren, by Myra Badorf.



Message from Pastor Aaron

YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL HARD AT WORK

Friends in Christ,

You may not typically see all the time that they spend and the work that they do, but the TSLC Church Council meets each month to make decisions and have conversations that are essential for our life together as a faith community. They work alongside the committees of the church to ensure that our ministry is faithful and fills the needs of our community. In addition to their regular duties, the Church Council has been talking about goals for the year. They are still in process, and the congregation will have an

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opportunity for input in the next month. However, one goal that has been identified and we are making strides on is to continue to provide better communication and transparency to the work they do and for our life together in community. You've already seen a couple of the ways in which we are seeking to communicate more affectively. The updated newsletter and Sunday morning bulletin announcements have been streamlined for clarity and concise communication.

It is important for any leadership group to set expectations for themselves. The Church Council began creating a "Council Covenant" at our retreat in February. In March it was signed by each member of the Church Council. This document is available to

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view on the council bulletin board, and it describes how we will work together in healthy ways as leaders of the church. It covers things like how we will manage conflict, make decisions together, and much more.

The next thing that Church Council is going to do is host a "Council Corner" each month. This will happen during the Sunday School hour in order to engage people in conversation about the ministry of TSLC. It is a time for the congregation to ask questions or express concerns. The first one will be **Sunday, April 28th.** Stop by and talk with a council member about what's happening at TSLC right now. I want to encourage you to make the most of these opportunities TSLC. Look at the communications going out and find a place to plug in. If you need help with that, come talk to a staff member or a council member.

Communion Instruction-June 2nd at 10:30am

If you are baptized, you may begin to commune on a regular basis after meeting with the Pastor(s). Adults and children are invited to attend communion instruction on June 2 at 10:30am in the sanctuary (worship space). If you're a parent/guardian/sponsor of a child who is ready to learn about and receive communion, plan on attending with your child. So that we may plan well, please contact Pastor Aaron, Pastor Martha, or the church office to let us know you will be coming. There will be an acknowledgement of each communicant's first communion at an agreed upon church service.

May Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM THE PASTORS AND STAFF!

Stephen Vogelsong	Pastor Aaron Erdley	Deb Bender	Gary Gochenaur
Evonne (Vonnie) Neibert	Roger Fugere	Karen Liebel	Riley Henry
Elisabeth Miller	Mark Eppley	Dorothy Miller	Ken Farner
David Ray	Barb Bressler	Jamie May	Dennis Stoner
Jonathan Wolfe	Megan Talton	John Rupp	Patti Peterson
Alaina Leitzel	Lee Thompson	Kayla Henry	Jameson Nace
Laney Newton	Butch Garman	Joyce Stine	Connor Greiss
Betty Warren	Rosemary Spahr	Rachel Durnin	Deb Sterling
Linda Yohn	Noah Greiss	Jerry Frankenfield	Brittany Palmer
Kenneth Rider	Dorris Gerber	Jim Spangler	Andy Glantz

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND A CARD AND WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE BIRTH *DAY*, CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Council Meeting Highlights

APRIL 9, 2024

Highlights from April's meeting include:

- 1. Announcing 5/18/2024 as TSLC CLEANUP DAY.
- 2. Sanctuary lighting to be done soon.
- 3. Ken Decker to chair Task Force on Governance policies.

New Hope Ministries

2024 April – 87 lbs. collected from our carts & blessed. 833,060 lbs. of food and items! Thank you church family!

From Outreach Committee

A huge **THANK YOU** for your kindness & generosity in this year's Lenten appeal! A check in the amount of \$4,584.69 has been sent to the Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels (& I'm told a few more checks are still coming in). Along with that, you also donated lots of packs of peanut butter crackers and individual fruit & pudding cups. What an awesome congregation! Much appreciated!

Mission Central invites you to join us for a plant and vendor fair on **Saturday**, **May 4**, **2024**, here at Mission Central! If you are interested in supporting this event as a vendor or sponsor, please contact Maggie Kissinger, Director of Development and Communications, at mkissinger@missioncentral.org. The event will take place rain or shine. Free parking is available at

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OUTREACH CLOTHING DRIVE!! - Thank you to everyone who

brought in clothing!





Income & Expenses

OPERATING FUND YTD 2024

110 2024					
INCOME					
Offering	\$111,929				
Misc. Income*	\$535				
Total Income	\$112,464				
EXPENSE					
Ministry to Others					
Outreach	\$11,742				
Evangelism	\$57				
Parish Life	(\$552)				
Ministry within Congregation					
Christian Ed	\$540				
Fellowship	\$2,218				
Keeping Our					
Church Safe					
Stewardship					
Worship & Music	\$1,020				
Youth & Family	\$238				
Administration					
Archives					
Property Maint.	\$29,898				
Office Mgt.	\$7,181				
Salary/Support	\$62,611				
Vision of Ministry	\$300				
Total Expense	\$115,253				
Net Income	(\$2,789)				

^{*} Includes Thrivent Choice, Community Aid, Building Use, Donations, etc.

You're Needed to Fill Our Summer Worship with Music!

All musicians at TSLC are welcomed and encouraged to share their musical gifts with us this summer. The choirs are on summer break beginning May 26, and so soloists, duets, and small groups are needed to provide special music. Whether you are a seasoned musician, an elementary student just starting out, or anywhere in between - if you are willing to share your musical talent with our congregation, please contact Danielle Erdley. She will be happy to help you choose music if you need assistance!

Memorial Day Color Guard on May 26th after the 9:15am service

May 26, 2024, will be Trindle Spring Color Guard's 40th Annual performance after the 9:15 am service. We have a color guard formed with several new members. We invite all veterans to join us, whether in or out of uniform. It is not too late to join us. If you are interested please call Darrell Westby at 717-802-0022 or the church office at 717-766-7091.

A practice date will be announced soon. All veterans are encouraged to participate in civilian attire or uniform. You will form an element behind the color guard and follow us into the cemetery.

2024 Easter Egg Project

This year was our 32nd year of making Easter eggs and it was one of our better years. Everything seemed to run smoothly thanks to our dedicated and hardworking staff. We averaged 45 workers each Tuesday with the exception of the snow day on February 13th. Surprisingly, 36 braved the storm that day. It was our second most productive year ever, with 11,061 eggs made, of which 175 were donated to Meals on Wheels. In addition, 721 bags of chocolate covered pretzels were made. It was also our second highest year in sales, with a profit of \$13,072. The proceeds have been deposited into our church's Capital Improvements Fund. Twenty church members sold over \$100 worth. Our top five salespersons were Donna Rager (\$3,000+), Karen Miller (\$1,000+), Lee & Linda Yohn (\$700+), Dawn Scott & family (\$600+), and Howard Hertzler (\$500+). Several businesses sold our products including Smartmed Pharmacy, CC's Kitchen, Bethany Village Gift Shop, Maple Lane Farm, Windswept Valley Farm, and Waltz's Barber Shop.













Vacation Bible School (VBS)

JULY 8-12—WHAT EVERY LIVING THING NEEDS—VBS COMPASSION CAMP



Have you made plans yet to attend this year's Vacation Bible School? This year's curriculum comes from Illustrated Ministry and is entitled "Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs!" It will run from **Monday, July 8, through Friday, July 12, 2024**. Each evening will begin with a kid-approved dinner at 5pm, and then a night filled with stories, crafts, games, music and service projects will begin in the Sanctuary at 5:45pm with opening. There will be classes for kids ages 3 through those who have just finished 5th Grade, as well as a class for adults.

Online registration will go live on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**, on our congregation's website, with links also available on our social media pages. All (including adults!) are encouraged to register early to save your space! Friends, neighbors - everyone is welcome, so please share the invitation with anyone you know who might like to join us! You won't want to miss this exciting week of fun as we grow in faith together! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the planning team: Pastor Martha, Danielle Erdley, Deb Smith, or Tammy Snyder.

VBS Decorating Help Needed!

We have lots of great ideas for transforming our Sanctuary and Christian Ed. wing into Compassion Camp Headquarters, but we still need some help to make it happen! If you have artistic or crafty skills and are willing to help out, please contact Danielle Erdley.

Youth Needed to make VBS a Success!

Serving as a youth leader at Vacation Bible School is a great way to share your faith, build relationships with others, and even get in some needed volunteer hours for school or other organizations! All youth who have finished 8th Grade and are interested in helping with VBS should contact Deb Smith NO **LATER THAN SUNDAY, MAY 19.** We plan to assign all volunteers, youth and adults, to their roles the following week, so we must have commitments by then so we can plan accordingly. Youth volunteers will need to plan to attend a training session on June 2 at 10:30am. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Smith.





Youth Group News

SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUTH GROUP THIS MONTH

ALL FAMILIES/ALL AGES/ALL CONGREGATIONAL MEMBERS - The youth group would like to invite you to stay after church on Sunday, May 26th for a cookout run by the youth! We will be serving burgers (and veggie burgers) and hot dogs. If you are interested/willing to contribute a side dish, please let us know! The youth want to do something special for the whole congregation as a thank you for your support this calendar year!

JR./SR. YOUTH GROUP (6-12) Later that evening on May 26th, we will have our LAST 6th-12th grade youth group meeting from 5-7:30pm (dinner included)! Friends are always welcome! We hope to see you then!

CONFIRMATION CAMP – 18 members of our congregation are attending Confirmation Camp from June 16-22nd. We ask for prayers for a great week at camp! We appreciate the church's support in sending so many people to camp this year!

Celebrate Baby McMillan!

As many of you know, our youth directors, Casey & Elaine McMillan, will be welcoming their first child in July. As we eagerly await baby boy McMillan's arrival, we would like to invite everyone at TSLC to celebrate with Casey & Elaine. Join us on **Sunday, June 9, 2024**, in the Fellowship Hall immediately following our 9:15am worship service. We will have cake, refreshments, and some surprises for the McMillan family! If any members of the congregation would like to contribute to a congregational gift, monetary donations can be either turned into the main office or placed in an envelope in Danielle Erdley's mailbox. (Checks should be made payable to TSLC, with "Baby Shower" in the memo line. Please do not put donations in the offering plate.) If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Erdley. We hope you will join us!



The congregation extends condolences to the family of **Sally Edmonson**, who passed on March 10, 2024.



The congregation extends condolences to the family of **Bob DeStephano**, who passed on April 20, 2024.



The congregation offers their congratulations to Jim & Misty Spangler, on the birth of their first grandchild, **Elliot Rowan Rice**, born on Good Friday, March 29th. Parents are Sam & Hope Rice. Hope is Misty and Jim's daughter.



We welcomed through Holy Baptism
Oliver Crew Smith on April 21, 2024.
His parents are Clint Smith & Erika
Sterling. Proud grandparents are
Chuck and Debbie Sterling.

Fellowship Events

JOIN US FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING

Trindle Spring Golf Outing Update: Thursday, May 16, 2024

You can sign up for the congregational golf outing on the office bulletin board. We will be playing at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course. Four T-Times, starting at 1:06pm.

Supper Clubs: July-November, 2024

It's supper club sign-up time again! Supper clubs are groups of 6-8 adults whose only purpose as a group is to get together once a month for a meal and fellowship. If you are interested in participating in this activity for the next session (July - November 2024), please sign up on the sheet on bulletin board **by Sunday, June 1, 2024.** New groups will be selected soon thereafter. Note: ALL participants must sign up again even if enrolled in current session. Any questions, please touch base with Sandy Greiss

Play Ball! Friday, June 21, 2024, 7pm

out with the Harrisburg Senators on Friday,
June 21st. Game time vs. the Hartford Yard Goats
is 7:00 p.m. A block of tickets behind home plate
has been reserved at a cost of \$13 each, which
includes fireworks after the game. A sign-up
sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside of
the office. Please make payment to Lee Yohn on
or before Sunday, June 2nd. Cash or check. If
writing a check, make your check payable to Lee
Yohn, not to Trindle Spring. Thank you, Lee Yohn

The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring a night

Fellowship Save the Dates

SUMMARY OF 2024 EVENTS

May 5 Candle-making at Wick & Pour Studio
 May 16 Trivia Night at Wolf Brewing Company
 May 16 Golf Outing-Carlisle Barracks Course

June 21 Senator's Baseball Game

July or August Long Shot Winery Date: TBD

July or August Ice Cream and a Movie Date: TBD

September 8 Annual Church Picnic

October 6 Fall Hike and Hotdog Roast

October 26th Dutch Apple Theater (Hairspray)

"Bring a Chair and Meet Us There"

June 13 Christian Yeager – Sophia's at Walden 6pm

June 23 Pentagon Band-Middletown Home Time: TBD

Date: TBD Harrisburg Symphony at Dickinson

Candle-making at Wick & Pour Studios

- Sunday, May 5th (Cinco de Mayo), 1:00 PM -4:00 PM, Wick and Pour Studio, 57 West Pomfret Street, Carlisle
- \$30/per person (plus tax)

Deadline: Sunday, April 28 (20 guest maximum for this event) Snacks and beverages will be provided. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office with further detail.

Parish Life Ministries

SECOND SATURDAY SUPPER MAY 11, 2024, 4-6PM

MENU:

- Baked Ziti
- Tossed Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Cherry Cobbler
- · Assorted Breads, Rolls, Muffins
- Assorted Desserts
- Hot and Cold Beverages

The Parish Life Committee is always looking for help. Contact Deb Bender if you are interested in helping.

Communion Elements & DVDs/ CDs of Sunday Service Avl.

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.

Property Committee

See the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board by the church office for lawn-mowing. We will need your help again!

TSLC Cemetery Work Day - Saturday May 4th - 8:30am to 12:30pm. Bring your gloves and tools to give us a hand. Light Lunch will be provided to everyone. Questions- Talk with Steve Vogelsong, Forrest Cleaver, or Chuck Sterling

TSLC Property Work Day – Saturday, May 18th, 8am-12pm. Bring your gloves!

Men's Monthly Breakfast

SATURDAY, MAY 11,2024, 7:30AM

JOIN US AT MIDDLESEX DINER,

CARLISLE

Any questions, contact Steve Vogelsong

Seniors Monthly Luncheon

MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024, 11:30AM

JOIN US AT FIDDLER'S RESTAURANT,

CARLISLE

Any questions, contact Irene Dillahey or Carlotta Strohl

The Shawl Ministry

JOIN US ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 3PM IN THE LOUNGE.

Any questions, contact Lynne Neibert or Sandy Breech

Tithes & Offerings

- Go to our website:
 www.trindlespringlutheran.org
- Click on 'donate now'
- Login/create profile button
- Call the church office for any questions

Community Aid

- Trindle Spring Partner Number#10139
- Tags for bags available in the Outreach Corner

MAY CHURCH CALENDAR 2024

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Pastor Aaron's Birthday is May 1st! ————->>	Zumba Gold 10am Ladies Bible study 5-6pm Grief Support Group 6pm Lounge	Trindle Quilters 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm Chancel Choir 7:20pm	3	4 TSLC Cemetery Clean-Up Day 8:30am-12:30pm
5 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am New members received today Sunday School 9:15am Fellowship Event 1pm Wick & Pour Paulus reunion 1pm Fellowship Hall	6 Zumba 6pm VBS Coor. Meeting 6pm	7 MONTHLY Pot-Luck Luncheon at noon – Join your church family! Fellowship Committee 7pm	8 NO Zumba GOLD Ladies Bible Study 5-6pm Grief Support Group 6:00- 7:30pm Lounge	9 Trindle Quilters 9am Bell Choir 6:15pm Last Chancel Choir practice 7:20pm	10	11 Men's Breakfast 7:30am Middlesex Diner Second Saturday Community Supper 4:00- 6:00pm
12 MOTHER'S DAY Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Sunday School 9:15am Graduate Recognition Sunday Geranium Order deadline The Shawl Ministry 3pm Lounge	Zumba 6pm Music at the Spring Board meeting 7:30pm	14 Parish Life Shriners Prep at noon, meal at 6:30pm Church Council meeting 7pm	June Newsletter Article Deadline Zumba GOLD 10am Ladies Bible Study 5-6pm Grief Support Group 6pm Lounge	16 Trindle Quilters 9am Last Bell Choir practice 6:15pm Fellowship Event Trivia Night Wolf Brewing Co. 7pm	17	18 TSLC Property work day, with lunch 8am-12pm Bring your gloves
19 DAY OF PENTECOST Last day for 2 services Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Pick up your geraniums Last Sunday School	Seniors Luncheon 11:30am Fiddler's Restaurant, Carlisle Zumba 6pm Safety & Security meeting 7pm	21 Property meeting 7pm	Zumba GOLD 10am Ladies Bible Study 5-6pm Grief Support Group 6:00- 7:30pm Lounge	23 Trindle Quilters 9am	24	25
26 HOLY TRINITY Worship 9:15am New Hope Food Blessing Color Guard 10:30 Youth-Last events 12pm & 5pm	27 Memorial Day -Church Office closed	28 Christian Ed. Meeting 7pm	29 Zumba GOLD 10am	30 Trindle Quilters 9am June Newsletter emailed out	31	



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Grief Support Group Meeting

SPRING AND FALL

A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP is being offered to church members twice a year, beginning on Wednesday, May 1, 8, 15, & 22, from 6-7:30 pm in the lounge. There are many types of grief and loss: loss of a loved one, loss of a job, miscarriage, divorce, loss of a pet, or tragic accident. These are only a few that come to mind. The purpose of this type of group is to support each other through the grieving process. Anyone who is interested in attending these four sessions may contact: Beth Basehore or Bonnie Distad at griefsupport@trindlespringlutheran.org or call the church office 717-766-7091 (opt. 1).

Geraniums for Pentecost Sunday, May 19th

Order your geraniums now for Pentecost Sunday. They are \$16 a plant. See order blanks in the narthex by the *Our Daily Bread* booklets. **Deadline to order geraniums is Sunday, May 12th.**

CHURCH LINK FOR ALL THINGS TRINDLE! Check it out. Scan the QR code or go to the link: https://shop.goaionline.com/tslc/shop/home See the link on our webpage at www.trindlespringlutheran.org or scan the QR code.



June 2024 Newsletter article deadline is May 15.

The deadline for newsletter articles is the

15th of every month, unless otherwise noted.

The Newsletter will be emailed out on the last Thursday of every month, with copies available in the narthex.