

Trinity Parish

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church · Camp Hill, Pennsylvania · October 2012 Edition
A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Healing Weekend Set for October 20-21

A Service of Healing will be offered at our regularly scheduled worship services on the weekend nearest the date commemorating St. Luke. St. Luke is described in scripture as “the beloved physician” and thus is identified with the church’s ministry of healing.

On October 20 and 21 our worship services will emphasize healing of heart, mind, and body. All those attending will be invited to come forward for a laying on of hands and anointing with oil by our pastoral staff. As well, the regular monthly Healing Service will be held in the Chapel at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 21.

In addition, we’ll remember in our prayers both those near and dear to us who seek healing in their lives, but also our neighbors around the world for whom healing is desperately needed. As part of our year-long emphasis of support for the ELCA Malaria Campaign, we’ll lift up in prayer our sisters and brothers in nations hit hardest by malaria. We’ll also pray for workers in health care and education that their efforts might succeed in the treatment and prevention of this deadly disease.

Join us on October 20 or 21 to give thanks for the healing God offers us through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Malaria

A recurring high fever is the telltale sign of this blood-borne parasitic disease. Malaria has plagued humanity for countless years. Three thousand years before Christ, Chinese medical writers described it, ancient Egyptians suffered from it, medieval English described it as “marsh fever” and Shakespeare knew it well enough to mention it in eight of his plays.

Antibiotics aren’t effective because the disease is caused by a one-celled parasite that infects both mosquitos and human beings. When an infected mosquito bites a human being, the parasite enters the bloodstream. It lodges in the liver and then invades red blood cells, where it multiplies further.

It takes years for a malaria infection to clear up completely. Malaria is a killer, especially of children. In sub-Saharan Africa, where the disease is a leading cause of death, children under the age of five are by far the hardest hit.

Even a mild case of malaria leaves a person weak and exhausted for weeks or months. A student with malaria is too sick to study; a student recovering from malaria is too tired to study well. A farmer with malaria is too sick to plant or harvest; a farmer recovering from malaria is too tired to plant or harvest his crop.

In the 1940s, the United States government pushed hard to eradicate malaria along the eastern seacoast and in the rural south. Education, medicine, and public health professionals worked to finally turn the tide. Malaria has been stopped in a vast area of the world. In eleven nations of Africa, the ELCA Malaria Campaign is working to stop the spread of malaria. It can be done, and members of Trinity’s Missions and Social Ministry Committees are committed to making malaria history.

Excerpts from Gather, April 2012

OUR VISION

“Disciples in the making, making disciples”

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Called by the Holy Spirit to be Christ’s Disciples, we seek to equip ourselves and others to live like Christ, and to be sent into the world proclaiming and living the Good News as daily witnesses of God’s transforming love.”

Staff Notes

“A Parable and a Question”

The Reverend Glenn E. Ludwig

A parable and a question to ponder. Stop me if you heard the parable. The church is like the man who pulled into a gas station on the outskirts of town. As he filled his tank, he remarked to the attendant (this is obviously an old story), “I’ve just accepted a job in town and I’ve never been to this part of the country. What are people like here?”

“What are people like where you came from?” the attendant asked.

“Not so nice,” the man replied. “In fact, they can be downright rude!”

The attendant shook his head. “Well, I’m afraid you’ll find the people in this town to be the same way.”

Just then another car pulled into the station. “Excuse me,” the driver called out. “I’m just moving to this area. Is it nice here?”

“Was it nice where you came from?” the attendant inquired.

“Oh yes! I came from a great place. The people were friendly, and I hated to leave.”

“Well, you’ll find the same to be true of this town.”

“Thanks!” yelled the driver as she pulled away.

The first man, now irritated with the attendant’s conflicting reports, asked the man to explain, “Well, which is it? What is this town really like?”

What do you think the answer was/is? Remember this is a parable about the church.

I would like us to ponder whether there might be two answers to the question: 1) We all too often get what we expect, and 2) We often get what we create.

So, what kind of town (read “church”) is Trinity? It depends, does it not, on what we expect to find and what we are willing to help create? It’s that old “U R” thing in the spelling of CHURCH.

With that parable hanging out there in our conscious minds and hearts, let me ask a related and not so evident question: What do the Harrisburg Youth Symphony, Fre Wine used during communion and Trinity all have in common?

Let’s start with the symphony. We received a phone call two weeks ago from the director of the well-known and well-established Harrisburg Youth Symphony looking for a place to hold their rehearsals on Monday evenings. They had just been informed that the high school where they had been meeting would not have them back and they had a short, two-weeks to find another rehearsal spot. We checked our calendar, talked in staff, and ultimately in the Council about offering them space this year as a sign of welcome, support and just being good community neighbors. In other words, it was a sign of hospitality, something we talk a lot about around here.

Yes, it means tight parking on Monday nights. Council members had to schlep a good ways to get to our meeting. Yes, it means added noise to our already busy building (but what sweet noise it was). Yes, it means we may have messy bathrooms to clean up, and a higher utility bill, and more commotion in the Gathering Space. But there was not a person on the Council who thought we shouldn’t allow them the use of our space. It is a sign and symbol of what we proclaim we are – a welcoming church who seeks to serve in the community and world.

I actually answered two of the three issues in those two paragraphs – the symphony and the church. But what about the Fre Wine we are using for communion these days. How does that fit in?

Well, the decision to use it was based on the whole issue of being hospitable. There are many folks for whom wine is an issue. Since the staff literally could not figure out the logistics of adding grape juice as an alternative in communion, we discovered this de-alcoholized wine, used by other churches as a way of making the sacrament available to all.

So, we tried it. The first time around the Fre Wine chosen had a bitter taste. We had some proper storage issues that contributed to that, but it did have a less than pleasant taste. So, we’ve switched to the rose. It is noticeably sweeter and lighter in color. Now I hear people complaining about the color.

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TURN in UR EOG 4 a USB!

We're excited to bring the 3G theme into the forefront of your minds again as we ask all of you to prayerfully consider the gifts God has given you and respond with generous gratitude. To kick-off the month of October, we have a wonderful guest preacher lined up for the weekend of October 6 & 7. The Rev. Dr. Marty Stevens, CFO and Associate Professor of Biblical Studies and Stewardship for Gettysburg Seminary will bless us with her thought-provoking message.

Thanks to a generous anonymous donor, we have a special item for the first 100 members who turn in their Estimate of Giving (EOG) form. Whether you give via the eGiving program or by traditional means, your estimate of giving is critical to Trinity's ability to plan for the coming year. We've compiled a great package of resources to help inspire your spiritual journey, and we've loaded it on to a handy new Trinity Lutheran usb drive! You'll find cool music from FaithX and the traditional services, a special article selected by Pastor Ludwig, and a message from YG (youth group) on this portable device. There is something for everyone in this digital spiritual toolbox! Be one of the first 100 folks to turn in your EOG form, whether a traditional giver or in the eGiving program, and receive your Trinity usb drive (One per giving unit.).

You can turn your EOG form in using any of the orange boxes around the church, at the 3G table in the Gathering Space, or in the office. (Extra forms are available in the Gathering Space and in the office.)

Celebrate our 3G Network: God. Gifts. Gratitude.

Fulfillment

*The sun, the moon, the ocean' roar;
All of these I'm thankful for.*

*The wind, the rain, the flowers too;
The earth below the sky so blue.*

*I give my thanks to the one above
Who fills my heart, to the brim, with love.*

*All that I have, and all that I be;
Have come, unfaltering from Thee*

Kathryn Lambert Wolf
1928 – 2012

Letter to Trinity

Dear Friends in Christ:

On behalf of my family, I want to thank the church and staff for the many acts of kindness and condolences for the passing of my sister "K" Wolf. I especially appreciated Pastor Ludwig's poignant Homily. Special thanks to the lunch caregivers.

Sincerely,

Patty Marshall

Artist of the Month

Patty Toth is our Artist for October. A native of Pennsylvania she enjoys nature, the woods and the change of seasons. Many of her paintings represent Central Pennsylvania, east coast seascapes and the tropics.

Patty has studied at Moyer's Art Studio in Camp Hill and has taken classes at the Art Center, School and Galleries of Mechanicsburg and with the Harrisburg Art Association. She has studied with Dorris Risser, Barbara Buer, Pat Koscienski, John David Wissler and Ralph Hocker. Patty is a member of the Harrisburg Art Association, the Perry County Council of the Arts, Hanover Art Guild and Mechanicsburg Art Association. Currently her paintings are displayed at Second Floor Gallery in Mechanicsburg, Perry County Council of the Arts Gallery, Hanover Art Guild and The Art Center and Galleries of Mechanicsburg, as well as many off site locations and in private collections.

Council Update

From the September 2012 meeting:

- Opened the meeting with devotions by Bill Foos.
- Approved Council Goals for 2012 -2013.
- Welcomed the Call Committee and together reviewed and updated the Ministry Site Profile for the Senior Pastor position.
- Voted to approve the purchase of new children's chairs for the Sunday school.
- Voted to waive the building usage fee for rehearsals through December.

The next meeting of the Congregation Council will be held on Monday, October 8, 2012.

Report from the ELCA Church wide Assembly
Freed in Christ to Serve

The difference from two years ago was obvious in many ways. The 12th Biennial ELCA Church wide Assembly in Orlando, FL, August 15-19, 2011 brimmed with many more younger faces and the general tension of 2009 gave way to an overall good feeling of a church looking forward to the future. Nearly 13 percent of the 1025 voting members were age 30 and younger and it was clear these young leaders were enthusiastic about their church as they addressed issues under consideration. There was a noticeable lack of rancor and a general civility to things this time, unlike the contentious debates in 2009 over the approval of the human sexuality social statement and the related changes in rules opening rostered positions to gays and lesbians in committed relationships.

Daily worship in a variety of styles and with rousing music from around the world set the stage for a spirit-filled and inspiring week. ELCA Bishop Mark Hanson struck repeatedly at the assembly theme "Freed in Christ to Serve." He said, "We are Lutherans and that means we are evangelical. At the heart of who we are is the good news that in Christ we are free. But in Christ, you are not only bound to be free, you are also freed to be bound – bound to God through faith, bound to God's creation as stewards and bound to the world as peacemaker and justice seeker." It was a very clear and very direct assignment for all in the ELCA.

Trinity member Doug Bonsall was among those from the Lower Susquehanna Synod elected as voting members to the assembly, the highest legislative body of the 4.2 million member ELCA. Among significant actions were:

- ⇒ **ELCA Malaria Campaign officially launched.** Along with our full communion partners and under the auspices of ELCA World Hunger, ELCA members will join with Lutheran churches in Africa to work toward a malaria-free future. A goal of the campaign is to raise \$15 million over a four-year period. The assembly acknowledged that gifts to the ELCA Malaria Campaign are not intended to replace gifts to ELCA World Hunger.
- ⇒ **"Genetics, Faith and Responsibility" social statement adopted.** The statement develops a comprehensive ethical framework for addressing advancements in medical and agricultural research.
- ⇒ **Review process for social statements adopted.** The assembly called for a review process of current procedures for the development and adoption of social statements.
- ⇒ **Living into the Future Together implementing resolutions adopted.** Resolutions were designed to set a course for the ELCA's future and to bring about changes to this church's structure and relationships. Of primary importance was the decision that Church wide Assemblies will transition from a biennial to a triennial cycle, starting after the 2013 ELCA Church wide Assembly in Pittsburgh, PA.
- ⇒ **ELCA budget proposals adopted** - 2012 total expected expenditures of \$80.2 million and \$80.4 million for 2013. Income at the church wide level has stabilized after significant declines and related spending cuts over the past two years.
- ⇒ **Memorials adopted.** Ninety-seven resolutions from synod assemblies calling for actions by the Church wide Assembly were considered. Among those adopted would: expand multicultural ministries; acknowledge the International Year for People of African Descent; work to prevent bullying, harassment and related violence; support immigration reform and the DREAM (Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors) Act, which would provide a path for citizenship for undocumented high school graduates; encourage members, congregations, synods and agencies of this church to achieve a deeper understanding of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; recognized and celebrated Lutheran Campus Ministry and the central role of farmers and ranchers in providing an abundant supply of food and fiber for our nation and the world.
- ⇒ **Other resolutions from the floor or committees considered and approved...** on a variety of topics ranging from suicide prevention to confronting injustices in immigration, from youth-related matters to mission support.

Check out the ELCA website www.elca.org for more details.

Dinner Theatre Fellowship Event Scheduled

Trinity's Fellowship Committee is organizing a twilight group outing on Sunday, October 28, to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre in Lancaster to see the musical comedy "A Second Helping; Church Basement Ladies Sequel." All are invited to enjoy the dinner, show and company of others from Trinity. The buffet begins at 5:30 p.m. and the performance at 7:00 p.m. The deadline for reservations and payments at the church office is noon on Thursday, October 4. Reservation forms are available at the desk in the Gathering Space and on weekdays in the church office.

For individuals who already have paid reservations, arrangements are now being made for those who need rides and a table is being assigned to each participant. Drivers who plan to carpool are asked to assemble at the church parking lot no later than 4:30 p.m. and those driving directly to the theatre should proceed to the lobby to be escorted by staff to their assigned tables.

Providing information and assistance prior to and at the event are Fellowship Team members Steve Kauffman (994-0982), Joe and Judy Hunter (737-9933), and Dallas and Connie Dollase (761-3699).

The action of this sequel to the hilarious original "Church Basement Ladies" takes place in 1969 in the basement of a rural Minnesota Lutheran church and will "take us from the ladies serving high school students at the Luther League Banquet, to a church sponsored Missionary Night, to the rise and fall of the Viking's Super Bowl Sunday." The theatre's publicity also promises that "You'll laugh until your side dish hurts.... This is most certainly true."

Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group invites you the third Sunday of every month in Room 126 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The books for October through December are:

- October 21: *Wolf Hall: A Novel* by Hilary Mantel
- November 18: *Cleopatra: A Life* by Stacy Schiff
- December 9: *The Dive from Clausen's Pier: A Novel* by Ann Packer

October Birthdays

Our Homebound

October 1 **Alverta Hubbard**
100 Mount Allen Drive
Skilled Nursing Unit
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

October 22 **Bill Ressler**
1106 Musket Lane
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Our Staff

October 31 **Joann Fetrow**

Every Member Prayer List

September 30-October 6: Dottie Hartlieb; Suzanne Harro; Carol Harris; David Harrington; Bob and Maryellen Harner, and Franz, Carloyn, and Kate Kindler; Will and Carole Harmon; Will Harmon III; Harold Harlan. **October 7-13:** Timothy Harker; Mark, Emma, and Oliver Hardy; Julie Harclerode; Timothy, Rochelle, Hannah, and Madeline Harbick; Roy, Kathy, and Emma Hanson; John, Sharon, and Deborah Hanson; Ryan, Kim, Matthew, and Sarah Hannigan; Jesse Hannigan. **October 14-20:** Steve and Molly Handwerk; Marty and Rachel Hammond; Matthew Hammaker; Kevin, Jennifer, and Megan Hammaker; Mark Hamilton; Kathy Hamilton; Bob Hamilton; Robie Hall. **October 21-27:** Jack and Jan Halada; Jim Jen, Max, and Alicia Hahn; Beth and Wesley Hahn; Blain and Nancy Hackett; Allen Haas; Bob and Lynne Haar; Mary Haar; Anne, Luke, and Levi Gutshall. **October 28-November 3:** Roger and Joyce Gustavson; Corrie Gustafson; Anne Gurka; Dick Gulden; Audrey Guistwhite; Thomas Guise; Greta Guilday; Dan, Pam, Michael, Kasey, Cory, and Marc Grundon.



Cumberland Crossings Bake Sale November 2

Have you wondered about our area's Lutheran retirement communities? Cumberland Crossings is a beautiful facility with a campus of cottages and an assisted living facility located just 20 miles from our church outside of Carlisle. You could take the opportunity to visit on Friday, November 2 to purchase lunch and support their auxiliary's fundraiser.

Cumberland Crossings Auxiliary will hold their bake sale from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The sale can easily be found in the Davis Dining Room on the ground level of the main building. The Independent Living residents will have prepared many delicious varieties of foods available for sale.

Donations of baked goods are welcome and should be delivered by 9:00 a.m. that day.

Please plan to come out on the second of November to support the Cumberland Crossing Auxiliary.

Joy Snyder

*Retirement Community Liaison,
Women of Trinity*

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So, one more time, let me say a few things: 1. Communion is about the community of faith sharing in the body and blood of Christ. Our focus is not on the type of bread served, the taste of the wine, or how the elements are distributed. It is about Christ. I personally don't think Christ's body and blood are supposed to taste good. They were a sacrifice – for you and me. 2. We offer these elements as a way of living out our invitation for all to come to the meal. It is a matter of hospitality, just like our willingness to put up with parking issues on Monday so gifted youth have a place to rehearse. My inconvenience is not the issue. Being good, welcoming, friendly neighbors is.

Let's move on with our discourse, shall we? Let's talk about more important things than the color and the taste of our communion wine and our personal likes and dislikes. Let's talk, for instance, about how the Orioles might make the playoffs this year, or better yet, how Christ calls us to forget about ourselves in service to others. That will be much more fun.

Remember to Get Your Flu Shot

October and November are the best months to get a flu shot. The flu is a contagious respiratory disease, and its symptoms include fever, headache, extreme tiredness, sore throat and cough, runny or stuffy nose, and muscle aches.

Be sure to get a flu shot so that you can avoid the distress of this illness. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends everyone age six months and older be vaccinated. Those who most need immunization are: people who have a chronic condition such as diabetes or heart, liver, lung or kidney disease, have a weakened immune system, and are pregnant, health care professionals or a family member caring for high-risk persons.

Everyone needs a flu shot every year because health officials annually look at which flu viruses will be most prevalent and set the vaccine formula designed for those particular strains. So you could be unprotected if you skip this year's shot.

Another good reason to get a flu shot is to avoid passing the flu on to someone else.

*****And if you don't feel well, stay home!**

*Parish Ministry Committee
HEALTH TIP*

Stretch and Pray

Stretch and Pray is a Yoga-like exercise program for men and women created by Murray Finck. It includes 40 different stretches, including six prayer poses. Bring a mat or towel and *stretch and pray* with us for thirty minutes each Monday beginning October 8, in Room 121. The class will be offered at 8:45 a.m. and repeated at 9:30 a.m. with childcare provided in the Nursery, Room 225, for the second class. Registration is free with childcare \$2 per child. Please contact Judy Collins at judy.collins@trinitycamphill.org or the church office (737-8635) to indicate your interest in participating.





Social Ministry volunteers held a July picnic for CROSS Cumberland Vista residents. This ministry provides outreach to adults with developmental delays. Margaret Hoff, a Cumberland Vista resident and Chris Honeysett, a Trinity member watch Pastor Ludwig churn the ice cream.

Social Ministry Corner

Join a Merry Band of Workers

Set aside one Saturday morning a month and enjoy the fun and fellowship of working on the Saturday Work Crew. Most of our tasks require no special skills, just a desire and willingness to do the work of discipleship.

The Saturday Work Crew comes under the Social Ministry Committee and its purpose is to provide volunteer labor to help with maintenance and repairs to the properties of local nonprofits. Almost without exception, these nonprofit agencies are seeing increased demands for their services and, at the same time, reduced donations to meet those needs. This situation has obviously created real hardship in their budgets, leaving little if any for the upkeep of properties that house their ministries.

Trinity's answer to this plight is the Saturday Work Crew. Each month the Saturday Work Crew travels to a local non-profit to work on their property. Trinity members carpool from Trinity's parking lot to perform maintenance and repair tasks. The usual time is from 8:15 a. m. to 12 noon.

For information on how to join this merry band of workers and for our next work date, please contact Barb Musselman at 329-3710 or email at bdmusselman@verizon.net.

Thank You from the Giving Tree Ministries

We have the opportunity to see Jesus daily through our service. When we feed, clothe and visit our brothers and sisters in Christ, so also we do the same for Jesus.

Matthew 25:31-40.

On behalf of eight different benevolence ministries we received \$2,305 in various gift cards along with over 60 items of canned fruit and many personal care items for two of our ministries. The ministries YOU supported are:

- CACCC for children's snack time at the Church Affiliated Child Care Centers.
- CROSS for a ministry for adults with special needs.
- Prison Ministry for those released from prison and attempting to re-enter society.
- DELTA Community supporting low-income parents to provide housing, food and clothing.
- New Hope Ministries for the community agency supporting at-risk or in crisis individuals and families.
- Bethesda Mission for the Christian rescue mission providing shelter for homeless.
- Parish Ministry for members of our parish in need.
- Missions for seminarians at Gettysburg College.

Donna Sprowls

Social, Parish Ministries and Missions

Prayer Concerns

We Pray:

- ◆ That for today there may be peace within.
- ◆ That we may trust that we are exactly where we are meant to be.
- ◆ That we not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith in ourselves and others.
- ◆ That we may use the gifts that we have received, and pass on the love that has been given to us.
- ◆ That we may be content with ourselves just the way we are.

On Eagle's Wings: Summer 2012 They Welcome Us with Open Arms

I have been sharing my stories over the past several years about teaching Bible School in the remote and isolated villages in Canada near the Arctic Circle. Most of the stories have focused on the children



we teach. This year I would like you to get to know more about the adults of the communities. AnnE Zimmerman, the Director of On Eagle's Wings, reminds us each year at our workshop that it is somewhat of a miracle to even be invited into these communities. You see, the history of the relation-

ship between the white and native peoples has not always been a good one. There is still much prejudice against the First Nations and Inuit and an ongoing "Reconciliation" is attempting to heal the wrongs done to these people by the government, industries and the church. And still they welcome us into their communities to teach their children year after year.

We had only been in Deline a few hours when suddenly the village was all a buzz. Canoes were spotted coming across the lake. The lake I refer to is Great Bear Lake and Deline is the only community located on its shores. Great Bear is a lake of 12,028 sq. miles, 1,463 feet at its deepest and has a shoreline of 1,690 miles so strangers' making the trek across the lake is not a usual occurrence. One of the fishermen in a strong boat was sent out to discover who was heading to Deline. It turned out to be a group of 14 teenagers and their three chap-



ones making a 53 day canoe trip to the Arctic Ocean. Now the village really started to hum with activity. People were seen everywhere knocking on doors. "Did you check your nets this morning? Do you have extra fish we can have? Will the ladies make bannock?" These are poor people who live off the land hunting and fishing to survive and they were planning a feast. It was a welcome feast



for the travelers and the whole community. By the time the canoes docked, huge cooking fires had been set up on the shore and food was being prepared for the 450 residents of Deline and their teenage guests. Whitefish and lake trout, hamburgers and hotdogs, corn and baked beans and of course the traditional native bread called bannock was served that day. Someone even arrived with bags of marshmallows for toasting over the fires. It was a true feast.

What makes this story truly amazing is who the people are. The canoers were a group of wealthy, white teenagers from Toronto, Ontario taking a summer holiday. The feast makers were poor Dene First Nations people who largely depend on nature for most of their food needs. We can all take a lesson from their generous giving and welcoming spirit. People often say to me that it is such a wonderful thing to go so far to teach the children in these remote villages. The feeling I have as I head home after 2½ weeks is always what a special privilege it is to spend time in these communities. I'm the one truly blessed to be able to live with these people for a short time. We are able to "walk with our northern neighbors" with the financial assistance of the Missions Committee. Thank you for your help and think about joining us next summer. Find out more about **On Eagle's Wings** at www.oneagleswings.org. Come and you can feel the welcome of these generous and beautiful people.

Suzanne Miller

**"The Lutheran" Adult Forum
Sunday, October 28, 2012**

Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in Room 126 for a discussion on **"Faith Formation.....What's Changed?"** from pages 20-26 of the September 2012 issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. Faith formation for the 21st Century is different than the past... ..technology and rising demands on time require new strategies and change to old models. Christians of every age have faced the dual tasks of guiding adults deeper into discipleship and teaching young people the traditions and teachings of the past. That responsibility is becoming harder as social trends lead people away from organized religion. Although today's technologies put challenges on people's time, it also offers opportunities for education and wise congregations are finding ways to develop new models for faith formation. If you do not have access to the articles, paper copies will be available about two weeks in advance of the session and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, please contact class coordinators Craig Staller or Doug Bonsall (921-1957).



**Sup 'n Study Registration
Wednesday, October 10 - November 7
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

A time for fellowship at Trinity with a light supper followed by one-hour classes for five weeks. Cost for the meal is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children and capped at \$16 for families. Childcare is available.

Registration is strongly recommended!

Courses offered:

Confirmation 201: Religions of the World
with Pastor John Brock

This course is designed to compare and contrast our Christian faith with Taoism, Confucianism, Shintoism, Jainism, Sikhism and other non-Christian religions. Snacks are provided.

Martin Luther: The Man and His Theology
with Pastor Glenn Ludwig

This course will study the life of Martin Luther, discuss the period of the Reformation, and delve into Luther's theology and how it guided the protest against the church of that time. The highly acclaimed movie, "Luther," starring Joseph Fiennes, will be viewed in part and discussed. Finally, Luther's continuing contributions to the church today will be examined.

Problematic Parables
with Bishop Guy Edmiston

Parables are among the most well-known Biblical stories by and about Jesus. What were Jesus' intentions in telling them and how do the different Gospel writers present them? Do they still speak to our lives?

God and Family
with Dr. Ryan Argot

This course is designed for boys and girls, grades four and five. Participation in a scouting program is not required. The student book is \$3.50. An accompanying parent book, also \$3.50, provides additional opportunities to model Christian faith. Both books may be purchased by contacting Dr. Argot. Arrangements will be made for a presentation and award recognition. Please contact drargot@verizon.net or 732-5969 for more details.

YG News

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. Youth Group (YG) is finally here! This year is gonna rock! The YG Calendar is jam packed with tons of stuff. The season promises to be the best one yet! For those still new to YG or for those who need a refresher course, let me explain what YG is all about.

YG is short for youth group. What we are is “a strong faith-filled family centered on Christ in all that we do”. We are all different and unique individuals, or parts of a body, which meet and become one through Christ. He is the center of all that we do and all that we are. YG is all about friendship. We are a click-free environment that accepts each individual’s gifts and talents. After all, we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. It is awesome to think that you have 50 other brothers and sisters on every other Sunday night. We evangelize in all that we do. Now that you know who we are, let’s talk about what we do.

The YG is always a busy place. In short, our calendar is always full. YG is for anyone in grades 6-12. We have quite a large group, and this year will be no exception. We have large group YG meetings every other Sunday from 6-8:30 p.m. We have Jr. High and Sr. High YG events taking place on most off Sundays. We have other monthly events and get-togethers; fun nights, YG retreats, synod-wide retreats for all ages, service opportunities, and Confirmation Camp. We also have events outside of the church.

The time is always right to get on out and take part in YG. There is no time like the present, especially with the new season beginning. You will make friends for life, plus you’ll develop a better and more personal relationship with Christ. Get on board now because YG is going to have its best year yet! Bring a friend, always and anytime! WE LOVE FRIENDS! For the latest in everything YG and I do mean EVERYTHING, please check out our YG bulletin board (outside of the YG Room) or the web pages on the church website. In these places you will find: the YG Calendar, event details, downloadable forms, the YG verses, rules, prayers, and tons of YG pictures from all events.

Any YG related questions, contact me anytime at youthyg@yahoo.com.

Yours In Christ,

Peter A. Fox
Youth Ministry Director



Trinity's Celebration of Thanksgiving

1 COMMUNAL THANKSGIVING DINNER
Sunday, November 18th, 6:00 PM

Tickets may be purchased in the Gathering Space:
SUNDAYS, OCT. 28 - NOV. 11
 \$7.00 for adults
 \$4.00 for children

Any remaining food from the meal will be delivered to Bethesda Mission following the dinner.

2 SHUT-IN MEAL DELIVERIES

Share your thanks by donating a meal for a shut-in within our community. These meals will be prepared in Trinity's kitchen and will be delivered from 4:00-5:00 p.m. on November 18th.

SUGGESTED MEAL DONATION IS \$5.00
 Donations will be accepted when you purchase your dinner ticket. **PLEASE:**

1) VOLUNTEER TO HELP
 2) DONATE YOUR FREE TURKEY VOUCHERS

3 FOOD OFFERING TO FEED THE HUNGRY

Bring non-perishable items when you come to the dinner. The food will be delivered to New Hope Ministries.

It's like Being a Pumpkin!

A woman was asked by a co-worker,
“What is it like to be a Christian?”

The co-worker replied,
“It is like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off you. Then He cuts off the top and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc., and then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.”

Trinity's First Full-Time Pastor Called 100 Years Ago

This year marks the 100th anniversary of Dr. Elias D. Weigle becoming our congregation's first full-time pastor. Although being instrumental in the formation of Trinity since 1897, Dr. Weigle served as part-time pastor from December 1899 to February 1912, at which time the congregation, with 114 communicant members, felt prepared to call a full-time pastor.

Born January 19, 1848, in Butler Township, Adams County, Pastor Weigle was a graduate of Gettysburg College (then named Pennsylvania College of Gettysburg) and, in 1878, the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. He was ordained that same year as pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Littlestown, Adams County, where he had previously assisted in the pulpit. He married Hannah Bream of the Gettysburg area October 16, 1879.

Prior to his part-time service, Dr. Weigle in 1897 was a member of the synodical committee of pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States that determined the need for a congregation in Camp Hill. Next he assisted local residents in organizing the "Camphill Lutheran Sunday School," which held services in an abandoned civil war orphans' school, with a number of area pastors taking turns in the pulpit. In early 1898, Dr. Weigle was selected by the Sunday School to chair the three-member committee charged with structuring the formation of a new congregation, which the next year would have thirty-six charter members. On April 30, the newly established "Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Camphill" – named in recognition of the considerable support previously provided by Trinity of Mechanicsburg -- approved the purchase of a pre-selected lot on the "Harrisburg and Carlisle Turnpike" [Market Street] and subsequently commenced to build a church.

Dr. Weigle was formally called as Trinity's part-time pastor on December 3, 1899.

Dr. Weigle also continued serving Trinity Lutheran Church of Mechanicsburg, at which he became pastor in 1896, and taught Greek at Mechanicsburg's Irving Female College, named for Washington Irving who was a trustee. Irving college (1859-1929), formerly located on East Main near Filbert Street, is recognized as the first women's college in Pennsylvania to grant degrees in arts and sciences. Also during that time, Dr. Weigle supported his wife; a son Luther Allan at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg Seminary and Yale University's graduate school; a daughter Harriet, at Irving College; and a younger son Daniel.

When Dr. Weigle became full-time pastor on February 4, 1912, he was 65 years old. The church built a parsonage for the pastor and his wife at 1959 Market Street. By 1915, the church was able to minimally compensated a janitor, organist, and choir director. In December 1918, Trinity made final payment on the parsonage. Pastor Weigle presided over a debt-free church until his death at age 76, on August 27, 1923.

It is noteworthy that Dr. Weigle's son Luther (1880-1976) chaired the committee of scholars which worked decades to bring into being the *Revised Standard Version* of the Bible, published with both Old and New Testaments in 1952 and the Apocrypha in 1957. This was the crowning achievement of his remarkable career, in this country and abroad, which began at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, where he was a professor and later dean. There he wrote his first book (followed by many more) entitled *The Pupil and the Teacher* in 1911, on the psychological aspects of teaching children and adolescents in Sunday School. This publication led to his appointment in 1916 as a professor at Yale Divinity School. In 1928 he was appointed dean of the school, in which capacity he served until his retirement from Yale in 1949. His long career ended when he relinquished chairmanship of the Standard Bible Committee in 1966 and the vice-chairmanship in 1970.





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