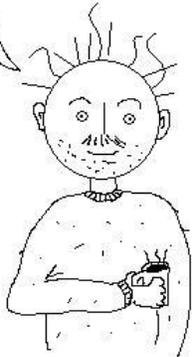


# Trinity Parish

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A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Thanks for the hot coffee.  
And a safe place to sleep!



## Help Needed!

As we all experience the cold winter weather, Trinity members are encouraged to also consider the homeless within our own community. Once again this year, Trinity members are needed to staff the

Winter Homeless Shelter at Susquehanna Harbor Safe Haven, located at 1805 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street (near the State Farm Show Complex). Two volunteers are needed each night for the week of Sunday, February 17 through Saturday, February 23.

Christian Churches United provides a paid staff person to be on duty within the facility 24 hours daily. In addition, there is a part time staff person who does the 'intake' of shelter guests each evening. Volunteers from Trinity carpool over, arriving about 8:00 p.m. and spend the night, leaving about 7:00 a.m. the following morning. Please consider being a part of this ministry! Perhaps you'd like to invite a friend to be your partner for just one night at the shelter. Information and a sign-up sheet is posted in the Gathering Space. For additional information contact Becky Enney at 737-4115 or Joe Hunter at 737-9933.

## Sup 'n Study Wednesdays

February 20 - March 20  
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.

- \* **The Bible as Literature: How to read and understand the Bible as literature**
- \* **Practice Makes Perfect? Taking on Spiritual Disciplines to Nurture Your Faith**
- \* **Making Sense of the Cross: How do we make sense of the cross as the central symbol of our Christian faith.**

Class descriptions and sign-up at the Gathering Space receptionist's desk.  
Class size is limited.  
Registration is **strongly** recommended.

**Special Adult Sunday Church School Class**  
**Sundays in Lent**  
February 17-March 17 - 9:30-10:30 a.m.  
Room 227-229

## Meditations on Prayers from Lutheran Worship

Discovering Meaning, Discerning Direction and Deepening Faith through Exploration of Lutheran Prayers and Liturgy facilitated by Nancy Dering Mock

## 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**

**“It’s An Art Form”**

*The Reverend Glenn E. Ludwig*

The article’s title intrigued me: “The Fine Art of Piddling;” subtitled: “the act of passing time, without waste or regret, is a cause well worthy of lifelong study.” I discovered the article while leafing through one of Stella’s favorite magazines, *Southern Living*. One doesn’t expect to find such an article in a magazine featuring recipes, pictures of gorgeous homes and gardens. But there it was.

Written by Rick Bragg, a Pulitzer Prize winning author, it begins with an obit that caught his attention, leading to his ruminations. The obituary made me smile: “Ellis Ray of Moundville passed away Saturday . . . He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, who loved to fish and piddle. He will be greatly missed.”

Bragg writes, in answer to the question you are asking yourself right now, “What is a piddler?” He admits it’s a hard question to answer. It’s hard, he says, because it is neither one thing nor another: “it is not rest. . . but neither is it work. The whole idea of piddling is to kill time, but without any great effort, or much effort at all, or even really meaning to. One does not march off to piddle. One meanders.”

I liked the article so much I cut it out for my own ruminations. As Bragg went about talking about piddling, I had the sneaky suspicion that I was being judged. You see, I don’t think I’m a piddler. I’m too driven to be a good one, even if I wanted to be one. Piddling seems like wasted time, and we Lutherans are big on using time wisely – it’s one of the mantras of any stewardship program. Time is a gift, to be used wisely, in service to our God.

So, if I’m not a piddler, maybe there is another word I could use that makes me more comfortable in its implications for my life. How about stewart?

That’s it. I’m a stewart (no relation to Pastor Hardy is inferred here). I stew about things. From sermons to Bible studies, from matters of churchly life to relationships, I stew about them. And I would contend that it is as much an art form as piddling, at least for me, for stewing does not cause me any guilt whatsoever. It is not wasted time; it is not laziness; it is not frivolous by definition -- it is time well-spent,

where things on my heart, in my mind, heavy on my soul can simmer and blend together. It is time where God can finally get a word in edge-wise and I don’t try to interrupt. It is a blessed space of opportunity where thoughts mingle with feelings and ideas are born from the parts thereof.

So, why write about “the art of stewing” in February? For me, the penitential seasons (Advent and Lent) lend themselves to practicing the art. In the quiet of Advent, as we await the coming of the Great Light into the world, sitting in the hues of hopeful blue, the Spirit can stir and blend and season our lives. And as we approach Lent, with the cross up ahead of us, the moments of confession, to which we are called, can be more practiced in this careful and important art.

Look up the classic Spiritual Disciplines and I doubt whether “Stewing” would be on any list. And yet, name it what you will, the practice of sitting or laying or kneeling in the quiet presence of our God opens up new and moving places for our minds and hearts.

To help you practice this art, we will offer additional worship opportunities during Lent for just such stewing. But you don’t have to even be here to practice. Just take the time to allow the Spirit of God to blow into your life and observe what happens.

Happy Stewing! Meaningful Lent!

**February Birthdays**

**Our Homebound**

- February 3 **Virginia Bush**  
2100 Bent Creek Blvd., Room 211  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- February 10 **Helen Reichel**  
5225 Wilson Lane  
Maplewood Building, Room 129  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- February 25 **Reuben Appleby**  
1725 Weatherburn Drive  
New Cumberland, PA 17070

**Our Staff**

- February 12 **Tom Notestine**

### Book Discussion Group

Books for February through June 2013 are:

- ⇒ February 17: *11/11/63*, by Stephen King
- ⇒ March 17: *Haiti: The Aftershocks of History*, by Laurent Dubois
- ⇒ April 21: *The Queen: A Patrick Bowers Thriller (The Bowers Files)*, by Steven James
- ⇒ May 19: *The Storytelling Animal: How Stories Made Us Human*, by Jonathan Gottschall
- ⇒ June 16: *The Round House: A Novel*, by Louise Erdrich

### Council Update

From the January 14, 2013 meeting:

- Held a discussion on recruiting methods for congregation member leadership positions.
- Listened to verbal reports from the Standing Committees on strategies to meet goals set for 2013.
- Bid farewell to four outgoing council members, Craig Erdman, Tom Hoffert, Bill Tauriello and Barb Musselman.

The next meeting of the Congregation Council will be held February 11, 2013.

### Blood Bank News

Many thanks to the fantastic Trinity members who donated at the January 27 blood drive. This got us off to a good start for 2013. Jeanie's goal for 2012 was at least 200 units and according to my contact at CPBB, **you almost did it again!** Trinity ended 2012 with 192 units.

In case you missed the blood drive on January 27, remember you can always donate at the blood donor centers, the hospitals, and any Community Blood Drive you see advertised. Just remember to tell them **#157** or Trinity Lutheran, Camp Hill! Winter is always a big drain on the blood bank because of the many traffic accidents. **Only "You" can prevent a blood shortage—donate today to the Central PA Blood Bank!**

### Letters to Trinity

Dear Friends at Trinity,

Thank you so much for everything you did for me while I was at Holy Spirit Hospital and Manor Care Rehab.

The altar flowers, visits from Pastors Easton and Edmiston, and prayer shawl all helped to make me smile and the time to pass more quickly. You don't realize how much those things mean until you are the one receiving them.

Sincerely,

*Carole Peiffer*

To Our Trinity Friends,

Thank you so much for the flowers, prayers, visits and everything that the staff and members of Trinity do for us. It is all greatly appreciated!

*Walter and Doris Pond*

Dear Trinity Friends,

I would like to thank all from Trinity for their prayers and thoughts for my recovery from back surgery. I'm seeing very small steps of improvement, which corresponds to the Doctor's prognosis of 9 months to a year for the nerve to regenerate. I do miss worshipping. Please continue to keep me in your prayers.

In Christian love,

*Frank Hughes*

### Lutheran Men in Mission Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Lutheran Men in Mission are inviting everyone to attend their annual spaghetti dinner on March 1. The dinner will begin at 5:00 p.m. with serving to end at 7:00 p.m.

This year we will be honoring Jack Bush at the dinner. If anyone has any unique memorabilia or other interesting items that pertain to Jack you would like to share, please contact George Enney or Bob Foster prior to the dinner.

This year the proceeds will benefit Bethesda Mission and New Hope Ministries. Pre-sold ticket prices will be \$5.00 for adults and children under 12 are free. At the door, adults will be \$6.00 and children under 12 are free. Tickets will be available after Sunday services in the Gathering Space and in the church office during regular business hours.

## *Parish Ministry*

Praise God for the many services rendered by the Parish Ministry Committee in caring for member's needs. Once again we are so grateful to be able to reach out through our Giving Tree to those members who need our support. Thank You!

### *High Blood Pressure is Out of Control for Too Many Americans*

High blood pressure, or hypertension, occurs when your heart pumps blood through arteries which have become narrow or stiff, increasing the force that the heart must pump against for your blood to circulate through your body. It is often called the "Silent Killer" because many people have no symptoms, though some complain of dull headaches, dizzy spells, and constantly feeling tired.

Please support our Blood Pressure Screenings held the first Sunday of the month outside the Chapel after all services. Our volunteers with their equipment are able to be more accurate with your reading than some of the machines often frequented in stores or shopping malls. We don't want to discontinue this valuable service and we need YOU to participate. It's worth participating just to find out you do not have the "Silent Killer" or get the news early that you should follow up with a doctor. This is worth coming to see us. You can be assured you are getting an accurate reading with our nurses.

### *CDs of Christmas 2012 at Trinity Available*

Enjoy Handel's Messiah, and other Christmas music from our choirs, orchestra and Faith X.

CD's are available for a contribution to the Concert Series Fund in any amount. A sign-up sheet is at the information desk in the Gathering Space.

## *Help Your Child Understand Holy Communion*

Is your child curious about Holy Communion? Does your child want to participate in Holy Communion just like you? These are signs your child is ready to share in the Lord's Supper. There is no command from Jesus Christ about how old a child should be in order to receive communion. Our Lord's invitation to receive God's grace and love in the meal is available to all who are part of God's family through Holy Baptism.

Children in grades K-5 have the opportunity to learn more about Holy Communion in a three-week program (February 17 and 24, and March 3). During the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School hour, they will study biblical stories including the Last Supper of Jesus, learn about the Christian tradition of the Sacrament of Holy Communion, and come to understand the gifts given to us every time we share in this meal.

Our pastoral staff will lead discussion with particular grade groups, and even take the children on a "field trip" to a Trinity altar to see communion ware and elements. The schedule is February 17 (Vicar Schreffler, grades K-1), February 24 (Pastor Easton, 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>), and March 3 (Pastor Brock, 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>).

Parents are welcome to attend these sessions with their children. These classes will be held on the first floor of the education wing. Additional resources about Holy Communion for families to use at home are always available from our pastoral staff.

### *Artist of the Month*

Isaac Pelepko is our featured artist for February. Isaac is a contemporary figurative artist. He was classically trained at the Art Students League and New York Academy of Art. He studied with such artists as Will Cotton, Steven Assael, Dan Thompson, Edward Schmidt, and Costa Vavagiakis. His work primarily deals with the figure and is mainly about light, the tactility of form, atmosphere of interior and surface build up in a finished work. Isaac currently lives and works in New York City

## SAFARI CAFÉ

Malaria is a killer - **but YOU can save a life!** Malaria is a problem in other parts of the world - **but YOU can still do something about it!** Have you ever felt helpless with no ability to provide meaningful response to the plight of people in dire circumstances in other parts of the world? Well, each one of us can be part of the worldwide effort to end malaria deaths - we can actually save lives. Through Trinity's "13 in 13" response to the ELCA Malaria Campaign, we each have that opportunity. Starting in February, look for ways that you can save a life. You will have the opportunity to provide, through **sponsorships**, clean water, pre-natal care, mosquito netting, medicine and medical training. In addition to being a lot of fun, the proceeds from Trinity's **SAFARI CAFÉ** (soup, appetizers, dessert, entertainment, silent auction) will directly support the ELCA's Malaria Campaign - and you will be able to participate in a variety of ways. You will be able to make and donate appetizers, soups or finger desserts for the café (recipes and instructions will be provided). You will be able to help in the kitchen with food preparation. You can help in the dining room (Fellowship Hall). You can be a greeter in the Gathering Space. Look for the sign-up table in the Gathering Space starting on February 10 and decide how you can save a life. And finally - come to the **SAFARI CAFÉ** on **March 10**. Bid on items in the silent auction (closes at 6:45 p.m.). Feast on the appetizers, soup and desserts (continuous serving - 4-7 p.m.). Enjoy the entertainment. Stay for the closing program at 7 p.m. Have fun and save a life!

### Ash Wednesday Services at Trinity Wednesday, February 13, 2013

7:00 a.m. - Spoken Service - Nave  
6:30 p.m. - Contemporary Service - Fellowship Hall  
7:30 p.m. - Traditional Service - Nave

### Social Ministry Corner

Since 1914, Bethesda Mission has been a missionary arm of the local churches, reaching out to men, women and children of all races, nationalities and creeds. Bethesda Mission provides the poor and homeless with shelter, food and clothing, while sharing the good news of Jesus Christ.

Thank you Trinity members for helping to make the holidays brighter with gift cards for the men, women and children who depend on the mission and you for support and guidance in their Christian life.

Trinity coordinator, Mary Ann Landis, is planning two separate luncheons for the men and women residents. Volunteers are welcome to help prepare and serve these meals for women on Saturday, March 16 and for men on Saturday, April 27. If you are interested in helping or need more information, contact Mary Ann at 737-2559.

### Prayer Concerns

*Devote yourselves to prayer,  
being watchful and thankful.*

Colossians 4:2

- ⇒ For a deepening of our personal relationship with God.
- ⇒ For our Congregation Council and especially the newly elected members.
- ⇒ For the youth of Trinity:
  - ✦ That the whole congregation may experience their energy and enthusiasm.
  - ✦ For the inclusion of our youth in all aspects of church life and service.
- ⇒ For our country, the United States of America.
- ⇒ That your priorities Dear God will become our priorities in all we think, say and do.

*May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.*

## The Phantom of the Opera

starring Lon Chaney



Shown on a 16 foot screen, this timeless film classic, full of unprecedented thrills and chills, will be brought to life by virtuoso organist Tom Trenney from

Lincoln, NE, who will be providing improvised organ accompaniment using the colorful sounds of Trinity's 2001 Schlueter/Walker organ. An unusually dramatic, theatrical feast for ear and eye! Bring your family and friends!

**Sunday, Feb. 17, 2013 \* 4PM \* Free admission!**

### Women of Trinity News

The Christmas Party for 39 of the neediest children in the Harrisburg School District, ages 5-14, was held on December 18 at the Crown Bowling Alley. They had a bowling party with pizza and a visit from Santa Claus. They also selected a knitted set from the piles of sets donated by our generous and talented Trinity community. Altogether 168 hats, 172 pairs of gloves and 59 scarves were donated. Another small group of children with special needs were invited to select a set also. One of the boys selected a very pretty set that was for a girl. He said he wanted to give his sister a gift for Christmas. Very touching. The rest of the items were donated to New Hope Ministries for their client's children. Altogether there was 35 pounds of knitted items. Four women's felt hats were in the items donated at Trinity. Those were given to a group that counsels women with cancer that have lost their hair. So they will also be appreciated.

The Special Concerns Committee of the Women of Trinity thank you so very much for your generous donations of these knitted items. Many of them were hand made with love.

### Blanket Sunday – November 4, 2012

November 4 was not only Church World Service's Blanket Sunday, but it was also the start of donations for Hurricane Sandy Relief. We are blessed with a very giving congregation. Thank you so much for your generous donations to Blanket Sunday. Trinity sent a little over \$2000 to them from you. We also received four used blankets. Church World Service does not accept used blankets so they were donated to another local charity.

### YG News

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. Here is what we did in the month of December (after the YG Winter Retreat). We had our COMMUNITY NIGHT AT ISAACS in the Lemoyne Plaza. This was a night where church members, YG members and their families joined for a dinner with 25% of their bill given to the YG for our youth attending the Sr. High Service Trip to Birmingham, AL this coming summer. We were able to raise just over \$300 to support this cause. Our next Community Night @ Isaacs is scheduled for April. Thanks to all who came out and supported us!

We closed down the month on Sunday, December 16 with our ANNUAL YG CHRISTMAS CAROLING & PARTY. Around 60 YG and advisors were in attendance for this special night. We walked to Manor Care Nursing Home and sang Christmas Carols to all the people there. It is always a memorable experience and quite impactful for our YG to bring Christmas cheer to the good folks there. After caroling, we walked back to the church for dinner, lots of snacks and some great YG Christmas games. We closed down the evening and the year with prayer.

Sign-ups have begun for our week long service trip to Birmingham. We will be helping tornado victims rebuild and once again partnering with the organization LUTHERAN-HANDS. We should have around 15-20 Sr. High YG and several advisors (including myself) attending. Help us, help others; Please support our YG fundraising efforts!

Lastly, I wanted to put a reminder out there that SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3 is SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY at church. The YG will once again be collecting money and canned foods to go to THE BRIDGE food pantry in New Cumberland. On that morning we will be collecting financial contributions after each service and canned food items at our table in the Gathering Space. That's all for now...

Yours in Christ,

**Peter A. Fox**  
Youth Ministry Director

*Trinity welcomes  
Frank Bertovich as  
2013 Congregation Council  
President*



Frank serves as an usher, communion usher, communion assistant, lecturer, and is one of the leaders of the Sunday morning adult bible study class. He currently is the chair of the Finance Committee and serves on the Synod Finance Committee.

Frank's goals for the 2013 council year are to ensure the smooth transition of a new senior pastor and the continued strengthening of the Christian Education Ministry of Trinity.

Professionally Frank is CFO for a nationwide manufacturing company headquartered in the area. He and wife Ruth celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2012. They have three daughters and eight grandchildren. They moved to the area in 2001 and became Trinity members shortly thereafter.

*Weekly Prayer List*

**February 3-9:** Dale Fohl; Dale and Joyce Fohl; Michael, Janet, Sarah, and Julia Fogg; Bootsy Focht; Arlene Fisher; Valerie, Spencer, and Zachary Fish; Jacob and Jacqueline Fisher; Lucinda Figueiredo. **February 10-16:** Sean, Ann, Noah, Lucas, and Micah Fields; Suzanne, James, and Paige Fickes; Angie Fichtner; Robert, Kathleen, Elizabeth, and Jennifer Fever; Joseph, Elizabeth, and Kenneth Ferrari; Elizabeth Ferrari; Robin Fero; Lana Fellows. **February 17-23:** Sara Feichtel; John and Jen Feeman; Michael and Serena Fedor; Brett and Julie Feddersen, and Alec and Thomas Arentz; Julie Feaster; James and Krista Fawber; Brian, Kelly, Olivia, Ella, and Avary Falck; Leanne, Wyatt, and Isaac Fairchok. **February 24-March 2:** Jeff and Pam Fair; Hummel Fager; Charles and Mary Kay Fager; Alane, Patrick, and Jonathan Fagan; Margaret Fackler; Robert and Peggy Everhard; Julie Evanish; Mary Etzweiler.

*The Wellness Voice Invites Any Driver Over 55  
to attend an AARP Safe Driving Class*

Sign up for an AARP Safe Driving Class to be held at Trinity. This course is for any driver age 55 and older. There is no test. Pennsylvania requires your auto insurance company to give you a discount of 5% for three years if you hold a clean driving record.

**A four hour refresher class will be held Friday, March 22 from 8:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The eight hour class will be held Saturdays, February 23 and March 2 from 8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.** Register early to reserve your seat.

The cost is \$14 (\$12 for AARP members with membership #). Make your check payable to AARP and mail the following information to: Owen Moore, 411 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Lemoyne, PA 17043-1608 or sign-up online at: [www.aarp.org/findacourse](http://www.aarp.org/findacourse)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Friday, March 22 (4 hour refresher course) \_\_\_\_\_

AARP Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, February 23 and March 2 (8 hour course) \_\_\_\_\_



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### *Trinity Parish Deadline*

The deadline for the March 2013 edition of *Trinity Parish* is **Sunday, February 10, 2013 – no exceptions**. If e-mailing articles, please send to: [parish@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:parish@trinitycamphill.org) Please keep all articles to 300 words or less. Articles may also be dropped off in the *Trinity Parish* mailbox in the church office.