



To build a body of committed Christ-followers who demonstrate His love daily.

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POP ~ Power of Prayer

At this time the POP Warriors are not meeting at the church. We are continuing to update our prayer group thru our Prayer Chain emails. If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, contact the church office. To submit a praise or prayer request, contact the church at 717-865-4361 or send an email to trinitylickdale@gmail.com.



**Charge Conference
for Trinity UMC**
Monday, November 30 at
6 pm via Zoom.

*All Committee Chairpersons
should attend thru the Zoom
link or attend via Zoom at
the church.*

September & October 2020 Newsletter

Dear Friends in Christ,

Change...Just that word evokes many thoughts, feelings, and emotions. Change is all around us. From the change of seasons to the change in schedules to the many changes we have experienced in the year 2020. It seems as though everything is different today than we had known even a year ago. Work is different; school and classrooms are different; even going shopping and eating in a restaurant are different. Family life is different. Meeting with friends is either nonexistent or much different. Some words the Merriam-Webster Dictionary use to describe change are: different, transform, alter, and substitute.

Change is inevitable. If we are honest, we don't like change. We like things to be the same. We like stability and knowing what to expect. Change distracts and disrupts. Change often makes us feel insecure and unsteady. Change is uncomfortable and causes us to respond in ways we often never thought were possible – often for the best. It has been said that there is only one person who likes change – a baby with a wet diaper likes change.

So, since change is all around us and change is here and now, how should we respond? How should we react? What do we do with change of any kind? Two things...we need to know who we are and whose we are. In other words, we need to know who God is. Knowing who we are can probably be most challenging for us, especially in the midst of change and uncertainty. Therefore, we need to read Scripture in order to read about and to receive the words about who we are. By doing this, we will learn more about God and about His great love and mercy that overflows.

Our faith in Christ will ground us and will sustain us, particularly during difficult times of trials and change. For we are called to live by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7). However, as we walk by faith, we will truly see God at work in our own lives, in the lives of our loved ones, and throughout the entire world. Our faith in Christ Jesus is our anchor which not only sustains us, but gives us hope and assurance that we are right where God has called us to be. God is

faithful. He is the same today as He was yesterday as He will be tomorrow. His promises never falter or fade. Our God is right there with us

granting us peace and assurance when things seem shaky or unsettling. Throughout the Bible we are able to read about people who experienced difficult times and who were tested in their faith. It is these persons of faith – a great cloud of witnesses – who help us discern and proclaim that God is good. God has provided for the needs of His people since the beginning of time. God has always been about making a way to salvation. For God desires for us to be in full relationship with Him. Even those times when we are doubtful and when we feel as though we do not have faith, the Holy Spirit intercedes on our behalf. We serve a God who is faithful in all things. We serve a God who loves you and wants you to know His love and to have peace that passes our understanding. So, stay grounded in Scripture. Take time to pray to not only tell God your worries, concerns, and joys, but also to take time to listen to Him.

If God is faithful and ever so gracious; if God is powerful, almighty, omnipresent, omniscient, and omnipotent, then who are we? Who are we that God loves us so much? It's not about us. It is all about God. Through Christ, we are rooted and grounded in love (Ephesians 3:17). God loves us so much that He sent His son Jesus Christ to earth who bore our sins and died on the cross so that we are free from our sins. Christ paid our ransom. Through Christ, we are forgiven and free. Through Christ, we are more than conquerors (Romans 8:37). Through Christ, we can do all things for He will give us the strength to endure (Philippians 4:13). There is nothing – absolutely nothing – that will separate us from the love of God. So, we are called to walk in the light – to walk with God – always. We are called to be filled with joy and peace for God is with us. We are called to have hope for we have been redeemed through Christ.

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Daylight Saving Time Ends
Sunday, November 1
(Turn clocks back one hour)

September Birthdays

Mollie (McKnight) Eckert	1
Barb Manning	2
Bernie Rollman	5
Emma Gibson	5
Meredith Rinehart	9
Gene Shaffer	15
Tammy Reichert	16
Norm Harman	18
Tim Werner	24
Robert Cummins	27
Missy Swoyer	30

Don't see your birthday or anniversary listed, contact the church office.



October Birthdays

Lief Kreiser	5
Carter Swoyer	13
Jeffrey Blair	15
Luke Dresch	16
Deb Binkley	19
Terry Binkley	23
David Schindler	25
James Voight	28
Christine Blair	30
Chris Eisenhauer	30

September Anniversaries

Jeff & Christine Blair	1
Dean & Barb Zimmerman	12
Kevin & Shen Kreiser	19
Robert & Barb Manning	27

October Anniversaries

Michael & Mollie McKnight	3
James & Gasena Light	10
Jeffrey & Deborah Stuppy	10
Lloyd & Lori Brandt	18
Robert & Kathy Cummins	28

Pastor Letter cont'd.

There are many more passages throughout Scripture that tell us about who we are in Christ and about who God is. Truth be told, we are faced with challenges each and every day, even multiple times a day. But, through it all, we need to have faith and to trust in God. As it is written in Deuteronomy 31:6, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified...for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you." Rest in the promises of God. Have faith, trust, and believe. Be blessed this day and always. Friends, truly God is good! Thanks be to God!

Peace and Grace, Pastor Deanna Geiter



QUEEN ESTHER
LIVE-STREAMING MOVIE
 Friday, September 4th.
 Queen Esther will be a live streamed production from Sight & Sound. The live televised show will be shown on the screens in our multi. purpose room starting at 7 pm, doors will open at 6:15 pm with a 30 minute preshow. There will be a 20 minute intermission. Bring your own snacks/drinks/pillows/blankets for your family. Suggested donation of \$25 per family. Questions see Judy Warner.



Congratulations!
 To Kevin & Shen Kreiser on the birth of their son, Roan. Roan was born July 7th. Congratulations to Roan's siblings: Emeri, Lief, Freyja and Olli and great-grandparents Larry & Carol Kreiser.



Church Directory Updates:
 Please make the following updates in your yellow church directory:
 Add Roan Kreiser to Kevin & Shen Kreiser.
 Add Josh Marshall 973 Fir Street Palmyra, PA 17078



Going to College in Fall?
 If you are going to college this fall, the church office is asking for the college name and address. Your church family would like to keep in contact with you at this important time in your life. Please leave information on the desk in the church office or send an email to trinitylickdale@gmail.com.



All Saints' Sunday
November 1
 On Sunday, November 1, we will be remembering and celebrating the Saints who have gone before us. If you have a loved one who has joined the great cloud of witnesses this past year, please inform the church office by Monday, October 19 with their name, date of death, and relationship to you. It is our desire to remember and to name these persons during worship.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Churches pack shoeboxes with gifts to be distributed for Christmas to needy children in more than 100 countries around the world. Help us support this ministry by taking a plastic box and paperwork and filling the box. Last year Trinity filled 120 boxes. Let's see if we can share Christ's love with lots of children this year.

Have extra items, place them in the box in the multi. purpose room.

If you are able, please include \$9 for shipping cost (give money to Judy Warner).

(Remember no candy, drink mixes, liquids, toothpaste or glass items.)



HOSPITAL VISITS

If you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor, please contact Pastor Deanna or the church office. Hospitals no longer contact the church when patients are admitted,

even if they ask what church you attend. We want to provide pastoral care and support for you while you are in the hospital, but are not able to do so if we do not know. Please contact Pastor Deanna if you have any questions or concerns about this.

Thank you!



YOUTH GROUP OUTING

for 3rd thru 12th Grade Students

We will meet at the "Farm View" on Sunday, September 13 from 5 to 7 pm. Join us for a night of games and fun activities. Invite your friends and Join Us! RSVP to a leader if attending. Leaders: Meredith Rinehart, Deb Shuey and Pastor Deanna.

HELP WANTED: Do you have a passion to work with youth and want to pour your life into a young person's life? Then take some time and volunteer with our Youth Group at Trinity UMC! There are many opportunities for you to help: you can provide snacks and drinks, lead games, lead Bible studies, spend time with the students, etc. Take time and impact the lives of our youth! Come, make a difference and build the kingdom of God.

If interested, contact Pastor Deanna Geiter at pastordeanna@outlook.com or 717-989-0333.



Science Program at Trinity UMC Save-the-Date Saturday, May 8, 2021



Join us for the "The Amazing Chemistry Show" with Josh Denhart. The show is a 32 foot gospel-centered stage show with fire, explosions and foam—for all ages! Also, there is a self-directed "Traveling Science Center" that allows families to explore over 150 individual hands-on science experiences at their pace. Join us Saturday, May 8, 2021 for a free family friendly fun event.

R&K Sub/raiser to support KidMin Science DELIVERY is September 24



Sandwich Fund-port the Program! Thursday, Sep-

4:30-6:30 pm at Trinity.

Subs \$6.50

Pretzel Sandwiches \$5.50

Order forms available at Worship or through Meredith Rinehart (mbrinehart@gmail.com; 717-304-2735)

Orders and Money Due to Meredith by Monday, September 14 (cash or check payable to Trinity UMC).



Greater Lebanon Crop Hunger Walk

The walk will be held virtually and on your own (or with family or small group) the month of October. You may pick the day, time and location of your choosing to walk or bike. Register on-line at www.crophungerwalk.org to participate. To give a donation, see Deb Shuey.

The GrapeVine Newsletter - September & October

Sunday Schedule

Worship Service 10 am (Nursery and Jr. Church provided)
Handicap Accessible.

Bible Studies and Small Groups (see weekly church bulletin for a complete schedule or contact the church)

Koffee Klatch (quilting group)

United Methodist Women meet 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Youth Group (3rd thru 12th Grades)

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