

## November & December 2022 Edition

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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](mailto:trinitylickdale@gmail.com).



### Poinsettia Orders

Order forms & money are due to Kitty Werner or Deb Shuey by Sunday, December 4. Great way to remember or honor someone.

**\$7 Each**

**Colors:**

Red—Pink—White

Flower(s) may be taken home after the Christmas Eve Services.

From Pastor Deanna's Pen ~

Dear Friends in Christ,

***This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

Psalm 118:24 (NRSV)

***Give thanks to the LORD, for he is  
good. His love endures forever.***

Psalm 136:1 (NIV)

***Rejoice always, pray continually, give  
thanks in all circumstances; for this  
is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.***

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV)

'Tis the Season, dear friends! We are in the midst of fall. The weather is cooler; the leaves on the trees have changed colors and are falling. The beauty of creation surrounds us revealing the glory of God. For many of us, our days seem to be full as our schedules have increased. This is a season when we seem to be hustling and bustling going from one task to another. Still, through our busyness, we need to pause and to give God thanks. For our God is a good, good God; our God is Almighty and Merciful. The love of God remains forever and ever.

For what are you grateful? Pause and reflect on that question. Take time to journal about something for which you are grateful. We need to take time to give God thanks. We should always think about things that are good and right and pure. We need to set our minds and thoughts towards gratitude and thanksgiving. It's about being intentional to focus on the things you appreciate; it's about being open to new possibilities that are good and worthwhile. This isn't a call to ignore the difficulties and challenges that we often face. There are things and there is "stuff" in each of our lives and in our world that distract us and that are hurtful. We live in a broken world; but, there is still goodness, for the grace of the Lord abounds, surrounds us, and covers us. Being intentional on focusing on the good and the grace; being intentional to focus on gratitude and to have a thankful heart gives us hope and assurance. This gives us the strength to overcome the challenges. When there is strife and brokenness, there is still something for which to be grateful.

Sometimes, being grateful is the simple fact of opening up your eyes at the beginning of the day and giving God thanks that you are able to open your eyes and that your house is warm or you have a blanket that can keep you warm. Seek gratitude in every situation. If you go to the grocery store and are able to park in a space right near the door, give thanks. Likewise, if the only parking space is at the other end of the parking lot, give thanks that you are able to walk through the parking lot and into the grocery store. Give thanks when you see someone; take time to call someone. You know what it is like when you receive a phone call or text from someone you may not have spoken to in a while. Give thanks, always!

Be intentional on practicing gratitude. It is helpful to our attitude and to our outlook on life. According to many studies, practicing gratitude is a benefit to our own well-being and our health. It helps to reduce pain; it helps to relieve stress and anxiety and so much more. Plus, it makes life more pleasant to live. Take time to pause to practice gratitude and to give thanks. As you do so, focus on your breathing and how you are feeling. When it feels as though life is crushing you down, pause and reflect on some of the good things you have experienced throughout your life, then look for at least one thing that is good in your life at the moment...for there is always at least one thing. Be positive; be optimistic. As we focus on practicing gratitude, we will be able to handle any challenges that come our way. Plus, God is always with us. Our God will never leave us nor forsake us. Our God is always making a way for us. So, receive His grace; be affirmed of His love for you. Have faith, trust, and believe.

***But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

1 Corinthians 15:57 (NIV)

Give God thanks for He is good and His love endures forever!

Peace and Grace,  
Pastor Deanna Geiter

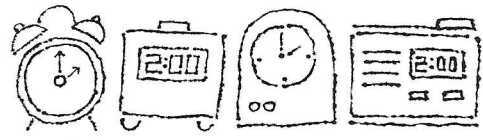


## November Birthdays

Charles Dresch	1
John Walton	1
Bryce Brown	1
Brian Boltz	4
Gary Keller	6
Jerry Zechman	7
Brenda Crawford	9
Troy Miller	10
April Miller	12
Kelli Bell	16
Lloyd Brandt	19
Pastor Deanna Geiter	28
Justin Bell	28

## December Birthdays

Tim Shuey	3
Kevin Kreiser	8
Kyle Kreiser	8
Dawn Stuart	9
Alex Werner	10
Kelli Dreibelbis	13
Jeff Stuppy	13
Shannon Brown	13
Gail Barnhart	14
Lori Hoffman	16
George Speck	18
Sue Moriarty	20
Tyler McFeaters	27
Judy Warner	28



## DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 6  
Turn clocks back one hour.

## November Anniversaries

Bruce & Sue Boltz	11
Terry & Deb Binkley	12
Mark & Colette Schindler	25



## December Anniversaries

Jeff & Sue Werner	1
John & Wendy Walton	5
Chris & Katie Werner	8
Tim & Deb Shuey	12
Del & Lori Voight	19



Saturday  
November 12<sup>th</sup> from  
9 am to? Come out and  
help get the church  
ready for winter.  
*Everyone Welcome!*



Family Movie Night  
Saturday, November 19  
6:30 pm (Sanctuary)

"Strong Fathers, Strong Daughters"

## Food



## Fall Food Gathering

The Mission & Faith Group is collecting non-perishable food items (check expiration date) to help fight hunger. All food collected will be donated to Joy Pantry.

The pantry's most needed items include the following: applesauce, fruit juices, squeezable jellies, ketchup, ranch dressing, brownie mix, chocolate cake mix, hamburger helper, pudding cups, peanut butter, broth (beef, chicken, vegetable), Spam, BBQ sauce, Manwich, Knorr pasta & rice dishes, Rice-a-Roni, granola bars, Ritz crackers, Saltine crackers, pretzels, and fruit cups. Also consider donating the following canned items: red beets, mandarin oranges, pears, pineapple, peas & carrots, canned meats, cream of soups (potato, mushroom, & chicken).

Donated items can be left at the Food Gathering station from November 6th thru 20th. As always, if you prefer not to shop for items, a monetary donation can be placed in the plate at the gathering station and team members will shop for items.



Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>  
(multi. Purpose room)

Soup & Salad Dinner 6 pm

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service 7 pm  
w/ Holy Communion

Come and share in a night of giving thanks to  
our Creator. A sign-up sheet for  
dinner donations is posted on the table  
in the lobby. Questions see Sue Werner  
or Deb Shuey.

## Youth Group News!

November 6	Bible Escape Room (featuring David & Joseph) 6 to 7:30pm
November 20	Christmas Card Workshop 6 to 7:30 pm
December 11	Wesley Christmas Pageant 3 to 8 pm
December 18	Youth Group Christmas Caroling 5 to 7:30 pm.
	Join us as we share some Christmas joy with our church families.
January 8	Regular Youth Meeting 6 to 7:30 pm
January 22	Valentine Card Workshop 6 to 7:30 pm

**Games ~ Fellowship ~ Fun ~ Food**

**Youth Group is for 3rd thru 12th Grades**

Youth Group Team Leaders: Kathy Cummins, Meredith Rinehart, and Pastor Deanna Geiter





# Come and Celebrate Christmas With Trinity!

November 23	Thanksgiving Eve Worship w/ Holy Communion 7 pm
November 27	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent "Hope" Worship Service 10 am
December 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent "Love" Worship 10 am
December 11	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent "Joy" Worship 10 am
December 18	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent "Peace" Worship 10 am
December 24	Christmas Eve Worship Services 4 pm & 7 pm
December 25	Christmas Day 10 am (no Sunday School)
January 1	New Year's Day 10 am (no Sunday School)

**GOD**  
With Us



## Christmas "Potluck" Breakfast Sunday, December 11 at 9 am

Join us for our Christmas Potluck Breakfast held in the multi. purpose room. Bring your favorite breakfast casserole, breakfast potatoes, breakfast meats or fruit. Church will provide sausage and pancakes. Join us for a delicious breakfast and fellowship before Worship.

The pastors of the Northern Lebanon UMC Cluster invite you to gather for a special time of Worship followed by a free luncheon. We'll be celebrating Christmas, with you in mind! *Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>* from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. A sign up sheet for those attending is in the lobby.



## Christmas Eve Worship Services w/ Candlelight (Sanctuary) Saturday, December 24 4 pm & 7 pm



Join us for a candlelight service honoring the birth of our Savior with the singing of your favorite Christmas carols, Scripture and a Christmas message from Pastor Deanna.  
*Bring your family and friends and Join Us!*

## CHRISTMAS ★ DAY WORSHIP



Sunday, December 25 at 10 am  
(no Sunday School)

Join us for a casual fun Worship. We invite the kids to come in their Christmas pajamas. Join us for singing of Christmas carols and a Christmas story.

*Christ is Born! Let Us Rejoice!*



## United Methodist Women Family Christmas Party Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 6 pm

(in the multi-purpose room of the Church)

Dinner catered by Heisey's Diner.

Dinner is for the entire church family to come and join. Great food, fun and fellowship for the entire family!

See Gloria Speck for tickets & information.



## Christmas Choir

**Wednesdays at 7 pm**

We are looking for individuals interested in singing this year in the Christmas Choir. The choir will sing throughout the Advent Season. Interested see Pastor Deanna.

## Join Our Family of Faith



Explore membership at Trinity UMC-Lickdale. Are you interested in learning more about Trinity Church? Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of Trinity and being more involved with the ministry of Trinity? If you have been pondering about what it would mean to become a member of this church or if you would like to become more involved in the church, please contact Pastor Deanna.

## The GrapeVine Newsletter - November & December 2022

### Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (all ages) 9 am

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 Women in Faith meet 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Youth Group (3rd thru 12th Grades)

### **Trinity United Methodist Church—Lickdale**

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 Trinity United Methodist Church—Lickdale





**Purpose Statement** "To build a body of committed Christ-followers who demonstrate His love daily."

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# November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 10-11 am Release Time 6 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Christmas Choir	3	4	5
6 Daylight Saving Time Ends Communion & Joyful Noise for Joy Pantry 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service w/ All Saints Day 6-7:30 pm Youth Group	7 2 pm Nurture Meeting 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	8 9 am Koffee Klatch 6:30 pm SPR Meeting	9 10-11 am Release Time 6 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Christmas Choir	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 9 am Church Workday 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC 
13 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	14	15	16 10-11 am Release Time 6 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Christmas Choir	17	18	19 6:30 pm Movie Night "Strong Fathers, Strong Daughters"
20 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 6-7:30 pm Youth Group "Christmas Card Work- shop"	21 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	22 9 am Koffee Klatch 7 pm United Women in Faith Meeting	23 6 pm Soup & Salad Dinner 7 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	24 	25	26
27 1st Sunday Advent 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	28	29	30 10-11 am Release Time 6 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Christmas Choir	P.O.P.—Power of Prayer Group (send prayer/praise requests to trinitylickdale@gmail.com or call the church at 717-865-4361) Koffee Klatch—Quilting Group Youth Group—3rd through 12th Grades		



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>4 2nd Sunday Advent</b> Communion & Joyful Noise for Power Packs Families 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	<b>5</b> 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	<b>6</b> 9 am Koffee Klatch 7 pm Trustee Meeting	<b>7</b> 10–11 am Release Time 11:30 am Remembering Christmas 6 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Christmas Choir	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC
<b>11 3rd Sunday Advent</b> 9 am Christmas Break- fast 10 am Worship Service 3 pm Youth Group @ Wesley Pageant	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7 pm Ad Council Meeting	<b>14</b> 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18 4th Sunday Advent</b> 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service Youth Group Caroling time tba	<b>19</b> 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 10–11 am Release Time	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24 Christmas Eve</b> 4 & 7 pm Christmas Eve Family Services w/ Candlelight 
<b>25 Christmas Day</b> No Sunday School 10 am Christmas Day Service 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>