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July & August Edition

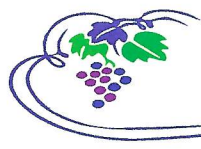


Trinity UMC is looking for a part-time Keyboardist/Pianist. Applicant should be proficient on playing keyboard instruments. Have the ability to read music and to work with other musicians/vocalists. Be comfortable with Contemporary and Traditional Music/Worship styles. Contact the church for a complete job description at 717-865-4361.

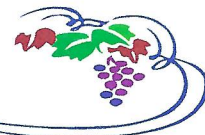


Welcome Pastor Brian and Family!

July 2nd will be Pastor Brian's first Sunday at Trinity UMC. We will have a Welcome Luncheon on Sunday, July 16th following the Worship Service for Pastor Brian, wife Jan, and children Caris, Josiah and Toby. Luncheon is for the entire church family to join and a time to get to know our new Pastor and family. Nurture Committee is asking for families to bring homemade desserts. A sign up sheet for desserts is on the table in the lobby.



The GrapeVine Newsletter



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

A bit of my story—

I was baptized as an infant into a Christian family, and I “asked Jesus into my heart” when I was five, though I don’t remember either moment. I do remember, a couple years later, waking up weeping in the middle of the night as I felt “how much Jesus did for me on the cross.” Later, as a fourteen-year-old standing among tens of thousands at Creation ’92 on a hillside in Mt. Agape, Pennsylvania, I sang along with a praise band proclaiming, “We place You in the highest place above all else in the land.” God used those silly lyrics to challenge my heart, and I intentionally decided that yes, indeed, Jesus would be Lord over all of my life.

I grew up in Newark, Delaware. We were part of a Presbyterian church until, after my parents faced the difficult pain of church politics, we began attending a Bible Fellowship church when I was nine. I went to Christian school up through eighth grade, and then the local public high school. Throughout middle school I’d had an unrequited crush on a classmate; we would be going to different high schools, so I started attending her United Methodist youth group. There I found a wonderful Christian community (although not a date). I grew in my faith, and began to lead Bible studies. The summer after graduating high school, the pastor hired me as an intern to do odd jobs that exposed me to ministry.

I had decided to go to the local University of Delaware as a missionary, to be “salt and light.” But whatever I wanted to do for God paled in comparison to what God wanted to do in me! I learned a lot and grew as I explored different churches and campus ministries (Lutheran, Episcopal, Baptist, the Vineyard). But especially through InterVarsity Christian Fellowship I found true Christian fellowship and opportunities to serve in ministry leading small groups, prayer groups, and mentoring younger students. More than anything else, though, after a long period of spiritual dryness, Christ encountered me in a deep and transformative way that felt like being born again.

I met Jan at InterVarsity the second week of freshman year. I was smitten instantly; she took a few years to come around. We spent our first year of marriage in North Plainfield, New Jersey, where Jan was working as a high school math teacher, and then moved to Wilmore, Kentucky, to attend Asbury Theological Seminary. Jan earned a degree in pastoral counseling; I entered the United Methodist ordination process, served a small country church for two years, and worked as a hospital chaplain. I intended to go on for doctoral work in Biblical studies, but wasn’t accepted; further school at Princeton was needed first. I hoped to pastor part-time during school, but a biased district superintendent filed my resume in the trashcan. So, five years after moving to Kentucky, with degrees and a daughter in hand, we returned to New Jersey to live with Jan’s parents, her sister, her grandfather, and three cats that didn’t get along.

Some months later, a more open-minded superintendent sent Jan and I to share an associate minister position in Haddonfield, New Jersey, where Josiah was born. Then Boston College admitted me to their doctoral program, so we sojourned in Massachusetts for three years with two kids, no money, and a lot of stress. Toby was a few years early, so in 2013 we moved back to New Jersey where I served a two-point charge in poverty-stricken Millville; I was ordained in 2016. After two “have I got a deal for you!” calls from the bishop, we served three years in suburban Williamstown and two years in rural Aldine; fortunately, our kids were able to stay at the same local Christian school, where Jan spent seven years teaching high school math. And now we’re excited to begin this new adventure serving Trinity!

Blessings,

Pastor Brian Rhea



July Birthdays

Emeri Kreiser	1
Amy Miller	5
Roan Kreiser	7
Austin Rinehart	8
Matt Rinehart	8
Ida Lutz	9
Haley Weaver	10
Lori Brandt	11
David Hawkins (son)	12
Lori Voight	12
Freeman Miller IV	12
Eleanor Weirich (turns 105)	14
Aaden Reynolds	15
Patrick Moriarty	16
Megan Brandt	16
Susan Miller	22
Riley Werner	24
Jennie Boltz	25
John Barna	28
Elizabeth Voight	29
Paul Kern	30

August Birthdays

Shen Kreiser	1
Aaron Rinehart	2
Amy Kreiser	2
Jackie Kohr	3
Charles Werner	5
Abby Rinehart	6
Dylan Miller	7
Barb Zimmerman	11
Nicole Brown	12
Calvin Miller	15
Gasena Light	22
Tessa Gibson	25
Cayson Gibson	27
Josh Simniskis	27
Jody Hawkins	27
Larry Kreiser, Sr.	30
Adam Reynolds	31



Sunday, September 10

Looking to volunteer at the church—



How about signing up to read Scripture, lead in a Children's message or Teach Jr. Church. Sign up sheets are on the table. Questions see or Deb Shuey. *Sign up for a week or two!*

July Anniversaries

Jake & Dani Newman	3
April & Freeman Miller	12
George & Gloria Speck	16
Paul & Lara Kern	17
Larry & Carol Kreiser	30
Brian & Nicole Horne	31



NL UMC FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Saturday, July 1st
at 1 pm (while supplies last) in the parking lot at Jonestown UMC.



August Anniversaries

Troy & Amy Miller	10
Justin & Kelli Bell	10
Calvin & Susan Miller	14

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



Church Directory Updates:

Please make the following updates in your 2023 church directory:

Add Pastor Brian, Jan, Caris, Josiah & Toby Rhea
Remove Bob Manning (death)
Remove Shirley Michael (death)



Did you know that many families in our school district struggle to outfit their children at the beginning of a new school year?

The Northern Lebanon Social Worker has identified 257 students who need help with clothing, shoes, and school supplies, and the newly formed Northern Lebanon Ministerium is committed to helping equip these students for the fall.

In August, a Back to School Blessings Event will be held at Zion's Lutheran Church in Jonestown; invited students will receive, at no charge, new shoes, new jeans, a new outfit, new socks, underwear, and school supplies so they can begin the school year with everything they need, right alongside their peers.

We need your financial and volunteer support to make this happen! It costs about \$100 to provide all of these items for an elementary student, and about \$125 to prepare a middle or high school student. However, **financial gifts of any amount are greatly appreciated.**

Contributions can be made online at www.zionsjonestown.org/btsb/ or by using this QR code. Checks can also be marked "Back to School", made payable to Zion's Lutheran Church and mailed to Zion's Lutheran Church, PO Box 658, Jonestown, PA 17038.

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer for the event, please contact Deb Reiner at adreiner74@gmail.com or 717.304.8826. **Thank you for your generosity.**


In Christ's service, The Northern Lebanon Ministerium (ministerium is made up of area community churches, community leaders, and Northern Lebanon School District staff.)

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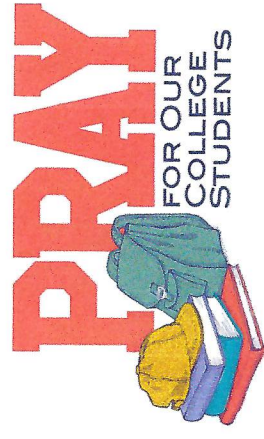
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 1 pm NL Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC
2 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	3	4  Independence Day U.S.A.	5 6:30 pm Worship Team	6 6 pm Leadership Team Meeting	7	8
9 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service w/ Communion	10	11 6:30 pm SPR Meeting	12 6:30 pm Worship Team	13	14	15
16 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	17	18 9 am Koffee Klatch (Quilting Group)	19 6:30 pm Worship Team	20	21	22
23 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	24	25 7 pm UMW Meeting 7 pm Trustee Meeting	26 6:30 pm Worship Team	27	28	29
Lebanon Area Fair July 22 to 29						
30 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	31					



August 2023



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		1 9 am Koffee Klatch (Quilting Group)	2 6:30 pm Worship Team	3	4	5
6 Joyful Noise for NL Fire & Emergency Services & Communion 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	7 7 pm Mission & Faith Meeting 7 pm Women's Bible Study	8	9 6:30 pm Worship Team	10	11	12 1 pm NL Food Distribu- tion at Jonestown UMC
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