

March & April Edition

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If you have a prayer request or praise that you would like sent out by email to our Prayer Warriors, contact the church office at 717-865-4361 or send an email to trinitylickdale@gmail.com. If you would like to join the Prayer Warriors, contact the church office or Pastor Brian.



Easter Flowers

Order your
Easter Flowers.
\$7 each.

Easter Lilies and Mums (yellow, pink or white colors available). Great way to honor or remember a loved one. Order forms are on the table in the lobby and are due Sunday, March 3rd. Give order form and money to Kitty Werner or Deb Shuey. Flowers can be taken home Easter Sunday.

Dear Friends in Christ,

On Saturday night, March 30, from 7 to 9 pm, Trinity-Lickdale will hold an Easter Vigil.

You might be wondering, "What's an Easter Vigil?" It's the first service celebrating Jesus' resurrection from the dead. It's an ancient Christian festival, the traditional time when new Christians were baptized and entered the church. It's a joyful proclamation of God's light shining into the darkness of our world. At our Easter Vigil we will:

- Light candles to mark Christ's life dispelling the shadow of death
- Hear the stories of God's saving power in the Scriptures, proclaimed in readings, film, and drama
- Praise God in song
- Declare the good news of Christ's victory over death
- Celebrate as several of our youth affirm their faith in Jesus Christ in baptism
- Remember our own baptism
- Feast at our Lord's Table together

The Easter Vigil began as Jewish followers of Jesus reimagined the Passover. On the night before his crucifixion, as faithful Jews had for generations, Jesus had gathered with his disciples to celebrate the Passover meal. Passover festivities often lasted late into the night. They remembered how God had delivered the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, how God's mighty hand and outstretched arm had parted the Sea and defeated Pharaoh's armies, and they looked forward to God doing it again, restoring his kingdom. That night, Jesus had taken the matzah and wine used as part of the celebration and said, "This is my body; this is my blood." He spoke of his coming kingdom (Luke 22:16-18, 29-30). He and his disciples sang the Hallel psalms (Psalms 113-118) as they prepared to depart (Mark 14:26). Soon Jesus was arrested, tried, crucified, dead, and buried. And sometime after sunset that Saturday night, in the darkness of the third day, God raised Jesus from the dead.

The early Christians, especially those of Jewish descent, knew that in Jesus' death and resurrection God had enacted a greater Passover. Jesus was the true Passover Lamb, whose blood marked his people as saved from destruction. God had delivered his people from bondage to sin. The waters of death itself had been torn in two. The devil and all his hordes had been defeated, drowned in Christ's victory over death. "Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us keep the feast" (1 Corinthians 5:7-8). So, early on, Christians began celebrating Jesus' resurrection as an evening Vigil in place of the Passover festival. During the Vigil, those becoming Christians through baptism marked their own passage from death to life. The Vigil, like the Passover, was a rehearsal of God's past saving acts, and a way of entering the story afresh. As we'll declare together on March 30, "This is the night!"

This is our Passover feast,
when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain.
This is the night when first you saved
our forebears,
You freed the people of Israel
from their slavery
And led them with dry feet
through the sea.

This is the night when the pillar
of fire destroyed the darkness of sin!
This is the night when Christians
everywhere,
Washed clean of sin and freed
from all defilement,
Are restored to grace and grow
together in holiness.

This is the night when Jesus Christ
broke the chains of death
And rose triumphant from the grave.
Night truly blessed, when heaven
is wedded to earth,
And we are reconciled to You!

I hope you'll join us!

*Blessings,
Pastor Brian Rhea*

March Birthdays

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|---------------|----|
| Angus Blair | 5 |
| Barb Rollman | 6 |
| Sherry Brown | 6 |
| Sam Simniskis | 14 |
| Steve George | 17 |
| Dani Newman | 19 |
| Kelly Shuey | 20 |
| Ethel Lambert | 21 |
| Chris Werner | 25 |
| Liam Blair | 31 |

Happy Birthday!



April Birthdays

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| Kenneth Kindt | 3 |
| Olli Kreiser | 3 |
| Josiah Rhea | 4 |
| Erin Shuey | 4 |
| Skylar Gibson | 4 |
| Ireland Gibson | 6 |
| Verling Hostetter | 9 |
| Asher Reynolds | 9 |
| Shirley Shaffer | 11 |
| Kitty Werner | 16 |
| Brodi Blair | 17 |
| Debra Boyer | 17 |
| Debra Hetrick | 18 |
| Carrie Shuey | 20 |
| Jacey Gibson | 20 |
| Gayeleen Eckert | 22 |
| Gay Kreiser | 22 |
| Jean Bower | 23 |
| Krystopher Hawkins | 23 |
| Brynnley Jo Kreiser | 23 |
| Gloria Speck | 24 |
| James Hetrick | 25 |

March Anniversaries

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| Gene & Shirley Shaffer | 29 |
| John & Pat Mengel | 31 |



April Anniversaries

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| Charles & Kelly Dresch | 20 |
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Summer Church Camp

Start picking your Summer Church Camp Adventure. Brochures for Gretna Glen Camp and Retreat Center are available in the lobby. This year, the church will pay half the fee for one camp for any child/youth from Trinity who attends. Need help selecting a camp for your child, see Pastor Brian or Sheila Seaman.



Adult Sunday School Classes ~ 9 am

Adult Class (Fellowship Hall) - led by Sue Werner
Studying 52 Weeks with Jesus by James Merritt

Adult Class (next to the Sanctuary) - led by Jeff Werner
Studying The Chosen (season 2)



Visioning Breakfast Potluck

Saturday, March 2, 9 am
(snow date March 9)

How can we better serve God as a congregation? What is God's mission for us in northern Lebanon? How can we better know God and make God known? Come and share your ideas as we prayerfully seek God's vision for our church! Bring a breakfast item to share.
Questions see Pastor Brian.

Bible Study Groups

Meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. 7 to 8:15 pm

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men meet in the SS classroom next to the Sanctuary. Questions see Terry Binkley.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women meet in Fellowship Hall and will be studying The Epic of Eden ~ Psalms. Questions or to get a copy of the book, see Judy Warner or Deb Shuey.

Bring your Bible and come out for an evening of fellowship, prayer and studying God's Word.



Spring Ahead

Daylight Saving Time
Begins—Sunday, March 10
(Turn clocks ahead 1 hour)

NL UMC Food Distribution

Saturday, March 9 & April 13.
1 pm (while supplies last) at
Jonestown UMC parking lot
If you are in need of food, stop by.



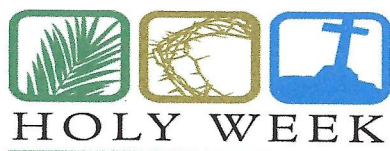
A donation bin is located in the Sunday School Hallway. Please mark bags with clothing size.
Questions, see Sue Werner.



Northern Lebanon United Methodist Cluster Lenten Series "God's Love Story" 7 pm on a Wednesday

| Date | Host Church | Pastor |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| February 14 | Jonestown UMC | Pastor Brian Rhea |
| February 21 | Ono UMC | Pastor Tom Robinson |
| February 28 | Bellegrove UMC | Pastor Robb Faller |
| March 6 | Emmanuel UMC | Pastor Al Smith |
| March 13 | Trinity UMC | Pastor Tim Smith |
| March 20 | Fredericksburg UMC | Pastor Matt Whayland |

Our local United Methodist Churches will be gathering together each Wednesday evening during Lent.
Refreshments following each service.



Maundy Thursday, March 28 at 7 pm
at Trinity UMC w/ Communion
Combined with Fredericksburg UMC

Good Friday, March 29 at 7 pm
at Jonestown UMC

Easter Vigil, March 30 7 to 9 pm
at Trinity UMC
Candlelight, Scripture, Songs of Praise & Baptisms

Easter Sunday Services, March 31
8 am Early Morning Service (w/ Communion)
8:45 am Easter Breakfast
10 am Easter Worship Service

Celebrate Easter with Us!



Prayer and Holy Communion Service

Thursdays at 11 am in the Sanctuary. A simple service of Scripture, sharing, extended time for prayer, and gathering at the Lord's Table.

All are welcome.

Easter Egg Stuffing Party—March 17

Join the fun as we fill eggs with sweets and treats for the Easter Egg Hunt. Sunday, March 17 following the Worship Service in Fellowship Hall. Everyone (young and old) is welcome to help stuff eggs. Questions see Sue Werner or Sheila Seaman.



Easter Breakfast ~ Join Us!

Sunday, March 31
at 8:45 am (multipurpose room)



Bring your favorite "hot" breakfast food (breakfast casserole, breakfast potatoes, bacon, ham etc.) or fruit. Everyone is encouraged to attend this blessed gathering and stay for our Easter Worship Service at 10 am.



Home-made Chicken Pot Pie Supper

Saturday, April 27th
4 to 7 pm
Benefits Trinity UMC Mission Trip

Tickets (See Dan Seaman or contact the church)
(includes: pot pie, cole slaw, applesauce, roll, drink & dessert)

Adults \$9 donation
Children (6–12) \$5 donation
Children (5 & under) no donation

Take outs available (bring your own containers)



Easter Egg Hunt & more

Saturday, March 30
11 am

All kids up to 6th Grade are invited to our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Questions see Sue Werner or Sheila Seaman.

Bring your Easter basket and Join Us!

A sign up sheet for candy and monetary donations is on the table in the lobby. Place candy in the kitchen and monetary donations can be given to Sue or Sheila. All donations are due March 10.



Worship Service Volunteers



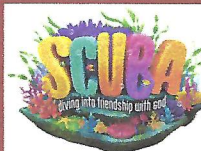
The Church is looking for volunteers to help with Jr. Church during the Worship Service.

Also, sign-up to read Scripture, be a Greeter, prepare Communion Elements and lead in a Children's Message during the Worship Service. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the lobby.

Spiritual Practices Bible Study

April 3 to May 1
Wednesday evenings 7—8 pm

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? What spiritual practices can help us walk with Christ? We'll examine—and put into practice!—classic Christian ways of meditating on Scripture, prayer, and fellowship.



Scuba VBS

Diving into friendship with God!

July 7 to 11 6:30—8:30 pm
3 years old thru completed 6th grade

At Scuba VBS, kids will dive into friendship with God. Kids will explore what it means to have a friendship with a real, loving, trustworthy God—a friendship that lasts forever! We will also hear stories from Scripture about how God provided for people in Bible times. Our young scuba crew will create awesome crafts, enjoy fun games and eat some tasty snacks. Bring your friends and Join Us!

If you can help volunteer, see Deb Shuey or Gay Kreiser.

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Sunday Schedule

Sunday School 9 am in the Sunday School Hallway (Classes for all ages - nursery through adult)
Worship Service 10 am in the Sanctuary
Handicap Accessible.

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

Men's and Women's Bible Studies meet 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 7 to 8:15 pm

United Women in Faith (UMW) meet 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Trinity Kidz Group meet 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 6 to 7:30 pm

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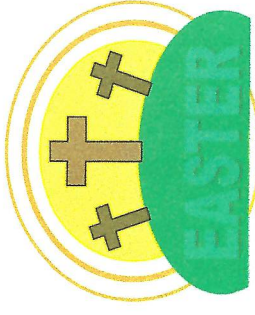
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| <p>3 Communion & Joyful Noise for Gretna Glen</p> <p>9 am Sunday School</p> <p>10 am Worship Service</p> <p>6-7:30 pm Trinity Kidz</p> | <p>4 7 pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>7 pm Women's Bible Study</p> | <p>5</p> | <p>6 6 pm Worship Team Practice</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Service at Emmanuel UMC</p> | <p>7 11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service</p> | <p>8</p> | <p>9 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC</p> |
| <p>10 9 am Sunday School</p> <p>10 am Worship Service</p> <p></p> | <p>11</p> | <p>12 9 am Koffee Klatch</p> <p>6:30 pm SPR Meeting</p> | <p>13 6 pm Worship Team Practice</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Service at Trinity UMC</p> | <p>14 11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service</p> <p>7 pm Mission & Faith Meeting</p> | <p>15</p> | <p>16</p> |
| <p>17 9 am Sunday School</p> <p>10 am Worship Service</p> <p>Egg Stuffing Party (after Worship Service)</p> <p>6-7:30 pm Trinity Kidz</p> | <p>18 7 pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>7 pm Women's Bible Study</p> | <p>19</p> | <p>20 <i>Spring Begins</i></p> <p>6 pm Worship Team Practice</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Service at Fredericksburg UMC</p> | <p>21 11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service</p> | <p>22</p> | <p>23</p> |
| <p>24 9 am Sunday School</p> <p>10 am Worship Service</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>26 9 am Koffee Klatch</p> <p>7 pm Trustee Meeting</p> <p>7 pm UMW Meeting</p> | <p>27 6 pm Worship Team Practice</p> | <p>28 <i>Maundy Thursday</i></p> <p>11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service</p> <p>7 pm Maundy Thursday Service at Trinity UMC</p> | <p>29 <i>Good Friday</i></p> <p>7 pm Good Friday Service at Jonestown UMC</p> | <p>30 11 am Easter Egg Hunt & More</p> <p>7 pm Easter Vigil at Trinity UMC</p> <p></p> |
| <p>31 <i>Easter Sunday</i></p> <p>8 am Early Morning Service</p> <p>8:45 am Breakfast</p> <p>10 am Easter Worship Service</p> | | | | | | |

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| | 1 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study | 2 | 3 6:15 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Spiritual Practices Study | 4 11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Communion & Joyful Noise for Lebanon Rescue Mission 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 6-7:30 pm Trinity Kidz | 8 | 9 9 am Koffee Klatch 7 pm Ad Council Meeting | 10 6:15 pm Worship Team Practice 7 pm Spiritual Practices Study | 11 11 am Prayer & Holy Communion Service 7 pm Mission & Faith Meeting | 12 | 13 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC |
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| 28 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service | 29 | 30 | <i>Koffee Klatch—Quilting Group</i> <i>Trinity Kidz Group—Kindergarten through 8th Grade</i> <i>Men's & Women's Bible Studies</i> <i>Contact the church if questions on any calendar event.</i> | | | |