

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

Easter is April 1: Invite others now!

Trinity has 6 services on Easter Sunday—3 contemporary and 3 traditional. Plus, there's so much going on during Holy Week and before. It's a perfect time to invite someone to experience Trinity's hospitality and friendliness.

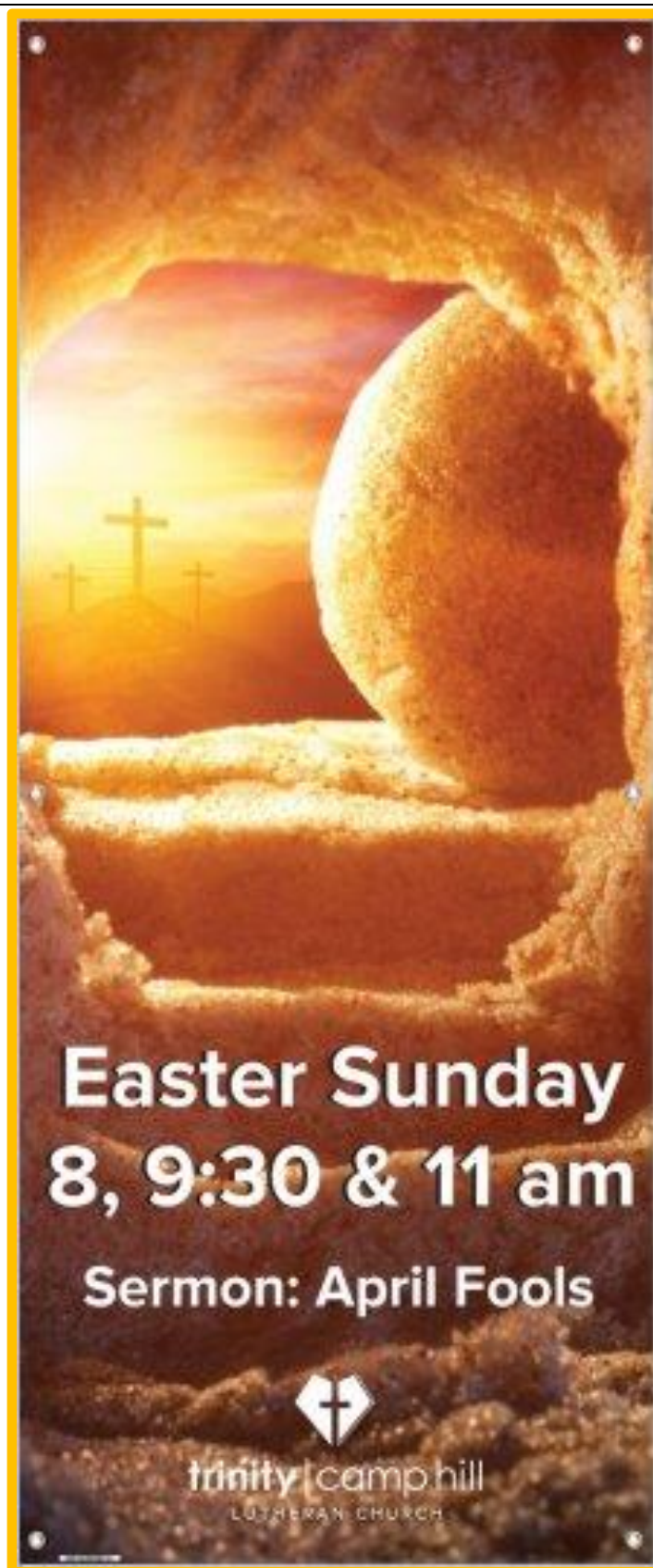
Pick up a postcard in the Gathering Space and give it to a friend. On the back are these service times:

- **March 24-25, Palm Sunday weekend**
Sat at 5:30 pm
Sun at 8:30, 9, 10:45, and 11 am
- **March 26, 27, and 28 (Mon, Tues, Wed)**
7 pm services in Chapel
Mon - *Vigil of Palms*
Tues - *The Great Litany*
Wed - *Corporate Confession & Forgiveness*
- **March 29, Maundy Thursday**
7 pm - *Move through your choice of worship stations, including candle lighting, foot washing, art, communion, more*
- **March 30, Good Friday**
Noon-3 pm - *Come and go as you wish*
7 pm - *Dramatic service (Tenebrae)*
- **March 31, Easter Vigil**
7 pm - *Light, readings, baptism affirmation*
- **April 1, Easter Sunday**
8, 9:30, 11 am - *Contemporary and traditional services at each time slot*

On March 23, you can follow the footsteps of Jesus

On Friday, March 23, come any time from 6-8 pm to follow the footsteps of Jesus on a Holy Week journey to Jerusalem. You'll experience the Last Supper, the crucifixion, the empty tomb, and more.

This activity is wonderful for all ages, and especially for kids preK-grade 7 with parents. Don't miss it! And tell others!



Laser focus: Let your light shine!

Okay, trivia buffs, this is for you. Who knows what a laser is?

It's actually an acronym for **light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation** (L.A.S.E.R.). Don't you feel better now that you know that?

The basic premise is this: A laser is created when the electrons in the atoms of special glasses or gases absorb energy from an electrical current or another laser and become "excited." The result is more focused energy and light.

Lasers have changed our world in many ways, from taking measurements, to manufacturing, to medicine.

I think lasers can be a metaphor for our church today.

What excites you about the ministry we share? Is it our social ministry capacity? Our worship and music? Our children and youth programs? Our opportunity to improve our church facilities for the next generation?

There's a lot to be excited about! Trinity is a great place to call a spiritual home. Our excitement and energy can laser-focus us to accomplish our goals and fulfill our mission.

And isn't this our purpose as a congregation and as individual Christians? To amplify the light we receive from "the Light of the World." To focus and direct that saving light for God's purposes.

"Let your light shine before others," Jesus said, "so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Imagine the strength our all our lights, joined together in singular focus for the sake of mission and ministry.

That prospect gets me excited, and I hope it gets you excited, too.

Let your light shine!

Rev. Dr. Jack Horner



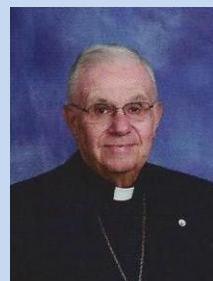
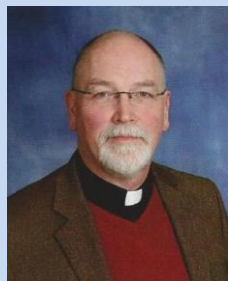
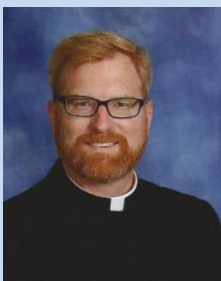
Is it true? Is Nancy Martin retiring?

Yes, it's true. Nancy Martin, who has provided Trinity with nearly 40 years of exceptional service in various capacities, will retire in June.

Her present title is office manager, but it's clear that "office manager" is inadequate to describe all that she does and the institutional knowledge she holds. Nancy also puts in many volunteer hours, from serving as assisting

minister, singing in the choir or playing bells, performing solos, taking minutes at Council meetings, and more, more, more.

We'll have lots to say later about this beloved colleague, so stay tuned. For now, we're working on a "Nancy Martin job description," and we'll publicize it soon. Start thinking about whether you might want to apply.



Pastors (l-r):

Rev. Dr. Jack Horner, Lead Pastor

Rev. John Brock, Ministry Director for Parish Life

Rev. Dr. Guy Edmiston, Director for Mission Advancement

Rev. Jennifer Crist, Ministry Director for Outreach (part time)

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Three dinner theatres will build awareness of Trinity's capital appeal that starts April 15



THE LUTHER ROSE DINNER THEATRE

A short-term but zany and clever creation of our Capital Appeal Events Team

COMING SOON!

A trilogy of fancy dinners,
capital appeal stories, and fun shows

Sunday, April 15, 5:30 pm
“Star Trek, The Lutheran Generation”

Sunday, April 29, 5:30 pm
“Little Lutheran Rascals”

Sunday, May 6, 5:30 pm
“Batman Forever Lutheran”

FREE – COME TO ONE OR ALL THREE - WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS

Read our strategic plan update

Trinity's strategic plan is on a three-year cycle, and the first three-year period ended in December 2017. Summary and detailed reports of our accomplishments these past three years are available on the website and in the church office.

Work on the plan for the next three-year cycle is under way.

Security task force makes recommendations

Trinity's Security Task Force has submitted a report to Congregation Council with recommendations to help increase building security and the safety of members and guests.

The first recommendations are to keep three doors locked at all times: Market Street entrance, outside kitchen door, and the door at the end of the kitchen hallway.

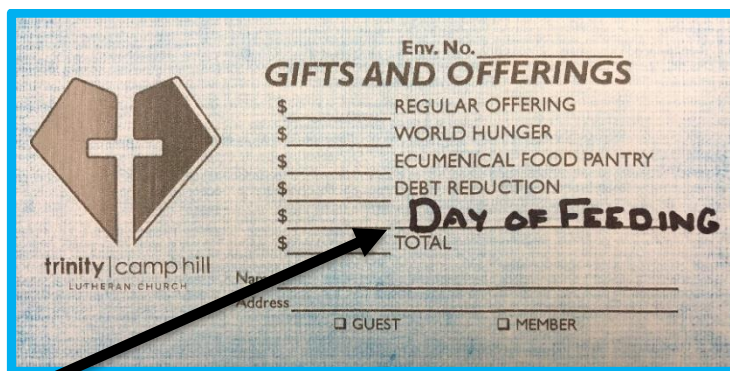
Support our Synod's initiative to end hunger

The Lower Susquehanna Synod will hold a "Day of Feeding" food-packing event on Saturday, June 2, at Messiah College at the 2018 Synod Assembly. Food will be boxed and sent to the Caribbean, where hurricanes have caused great destruction.

Watch for information about how to volunteer.

For now, the Synod is seeking your contributions toward the \$75,000 cost of this event:

- ✓ Make checks payable to Trinity
- ✓ Label your donation as "Day of Feeding"
- ✓ Use the blue envelopes located in the pews or on the tables at the back of Fellowship Hall
- ✓ Put in offering plate or send/give to office
- ✓ Donations are requested before April 2



More than 400,000 packages of food were packed at 2016 Synod event

Two years ago, the Synod held a food-packing event with outstanding results. A YouTube video was produced by Synod youth who served as pages at that year's Assembly (see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ReHaL8r-B1Y>.) In total, 1,200 volunteers packed 415,876 packages of food—enough to feed 2.5 million people!



Discover Trinity Sunday, March 4

Repeat of February 11 session

10-10:45, Library

Want to learn more about

Trinity? Come to this single-session gathering to discover answers to basic questions about our key beliefs or other matters. All welcome; no reservations are required.

If you attended on February 11 and now want to become a member, skip this session and come to "Becoming a Trinity Member" on March 11.



Becoming a Trinity Member

Sunday, March 11

12 noon to 2 pm, Fellowship Hall

Think you want to join Trinity? This is the session to attend to finalize your thinking. Have lunch, hear from the pastors, learn ways to connect, hear what we expect, and meet others.

If you choose to proceed after this session, we'll welcome you as a member the next weekend during worship.

Motivational

Grow your faith in our new adult education series

Whoever you are, and whether you're new to Trinity or have been here forever, this series of five classes is for you. Yes, YOU.

Here's why.

Although Trinity welcomes you and everyone who enters our doors, we expect that you will exit those doors changed. That's because—since we are all imperfect—a relationship with God should be transformative.

In other words, your relationship with God will cause you (1) to examine yourself and your actions every minute of every day, (2) recognize where change is needed, and (3) make that transformation. The result is growth.

So let's grow.

Our new classes use stories from three perspectives to guide your transformation:



God's Story (Parts 1 and 2). What a rich, expansive, and amazing story! Hear about it anew. Understand the story of God's love and concern for all people.

- March 18 (Part 1) | **Word of God, Word of Life.** How should you read the Bible? Where to begin?
- March 25 (Part 2) | **Story Matters.** We all love great stories, and the Bible is full of them. But why do they matter? And what can they tell us about living our lives TODAY?

Our Story (Parts 1 and 2). Standing on a rich reformation heritage, we at Trinity work together to share our story in words and actions. As we look beyond our own community, we see we are part of a far greater story. God's story and ours intersect in the missions that God calls us to do.

- April 8 (Part 1) | **Being Lutheran.** What does it mean to be Lutheran? A bridge between other Protestant traditions and the Catholic Church? What is the foundation for Lutheran theology? How does Trinity fit into the ELCA?
- April 15 (Part 2) | **Together We Do More.** The work of the Gospel is carried out through many hands. What missions and programs do we support? What makes members so passionate about projects on which they work? Hear folks talk about how sharing their time and talent strengthens Trinity's story.

Your Story. Trinity cares about your story. We want to walk with you as your story unfolds. It will help you recognize how God works in your life. From babies in our nursery, to toddlers and children and teens, and to young adults and mid-lifers and seniors, we are a better church when YOUR story enriches ours.

- April 22 | **Designed to Serve.** Learn about yourself in ways you may never have imagined! God has designed you for a purpose, but defining that purpose is sometimes a challenge. Let's explore together how our varied gifts, abilities, personalities, and experiences can be used to do God's work.

The above classes all begin at 10 am. Room number will be announced. Questions? Contact Kelly Falck at kelly.falck@trinitycamphill.org.

YG will host pancake breakfast, egg hunt, and more

Youth Group has opportunities every weekend for Trinity youth. "YG is crazy busy," said YG Director Peter Fox. Here's what's happening in March:

Sat., Mar. 10, YG Annual Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-10:30 am. (YG helpers report from 7-11 am). This all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast is popular because the food is so yummy! And the fundraising is important to send the youth to Houston. Get tickets in advance or at the door.



Sun., Mar. 18, 6-8:30 pm, YG for youth in grades 6-12. Come out, bring friends, bring snacks, for this time of faith, fun, and fellowship. Be prepared for anything! Dinner/drinks are provided.



Sun., Mar. 25, 6-8:30 pm, Sr. High Movie Night for grades 9-12. Bring friends for a great 80's movie. Dinner and drinks are provided, but bring snacks.

Sat., Mar. 31, 9 am, Easter Egg Hunt for kids 5 and under (bring Easter baskets for the eggs).

YG helpers report from 8:30-10 am. Fun, fun, fun! There will be pictures with the Easter Bunny, prizes, snacks, much more.

Trinity members are asked to support all YG fundraisers in 2018. Proceeds will support sending 16 Senior High YG and 3 advisors to the 2018 ELCA National Youth Gathering this summer in Houston.

Don't miss this outstanding April 14 concert

AMERICAN COMPOSERS CHORAL FESTIVAL

- MARK HAYES, CONDUCTOR
- HARRISBURG SINGERS
- TRINITY CONCERT CHOIR & AREA CHURCH CHOIRS

Sat., Apr. 14, at 7:30 pm • Tickets \$10 (Buy in church office after March 5, or pay at door)

Mark Hayes is an award-winning concert pianist composer, arranger, and conductor with more than 1,000 published works (solo voice, solo piano, multiple pianos, orchestra). He has been a guest conductor at Carnegie Hall. He arranged, orchestrated, and won awards for *Civil War Voices*. He conducted the world premiere of his work, *The American Spirit*, at Lincoln Center in May 2011, and the world premiere of his *Requiem* there in May 2013. And there's much more. But whether he's concertizing on the other side of the globe or composing at his home in Kansas City, Missouri, Mark is blessed to live out his mission "to create beautiful music for the world." And Trinity is blessed to have him here.



You'll also enjoy Trinity's own concert choir, as well as various area church choirs. This night of talent will be one you will long remember.

Inspirational**Did you hear this grateful Trinity member's story?**

If you missed Serena Fedor's real-life story about "Trouble," visit the sermons page on our website at www.trinitycamphill.org/sermons/. You'll be inspired.

Serena entered the hospital last September 1 to give birth to her third son. After an uneventful pregnancy, she didn't see trouble coming. But after 14 hours of labor, things went very wrong.

"I remember the pain that was not like my other two pregnancies. Then my blood pressure dropped, the baby's heart rate dropped, and the rest is a blur," she said. Serena has no memory of the next 15 days, and she relies on her husband, Michael, to explain.

In short, it was unclear if Baby Luke and Serena would live. Serena lost half her body's blood in minutes. She received enough blood to survive her first surgery, but her heart and respiration stopped soon thereafter. It was four minutes until she could be revived.

Over the next week, she had three more surgeries and half a dozen procedures to stop the bleeding that was taking her life. She experienced liver and kidney failure, kidney dialysis, and hundreds of blood transfusions. At one point, Michael was told that he might have to say goodbye.

Two weeks after the trouble started, her family learned she would make a full recovery. All in all, she spent 3 weeks in the ICU and two weeks in rehab, then 12 weeks of home health care visits.

Baby Luke, after spending 2 weeks in the neonatal intensive care unit, beat his mommy home. Testing shows he may well have escaped permanent damage.

As you listen to Serena's story, you'll hear how she felt God's presence during her ordeal. You'll hear about the love and acts of kindness of oh so many people, including the Trinity family. It was love, kindness, and the power of prayer that pulled her to stay alive, and she is grateful.

"I will say thank you every single day for the rest of my life," she said. "Thank you for being a part of our family and reminding me that we are not alone."

**Help keep Trinity's grounds beautiful**

Can you help with our annual spring cleanup on Saturday, March 24, to get the grounds ready for Easter?

Start time is 9 am. Bring your rake. If

you have a pick-up truck, bring that, too.

For the rest of the season, we need ongoing help to mow grass, prune bushes, and tend to our gardens. You can even "adopt" a bed to care for during spring and summer. It's the perfect way to volunteer because hours are flexible to fit your schedule. You'll get great satisfaction caring for God's creation, and folks will ooh and ahh about your work

Contact Bruce Bigelow at 717-761-3289 or nbbigs@comcast.net.

Every member prayer list for March

Each week we pray specifically for several members. Every member is ultimately included. Volunteers call the listed members to tell them they are on the list for that week, and names are read aloud at services.

- Mar. 2-8:** Nanci & Nicole Searfoss; Thomas & Bonnie Seaman; Barbara Seaman; Meghan & Gregory Schwindaman; Patti, Lauren, & Lindsey Schwenger; Sandra Schwalm; Michael, Jennifer, Kathryn, & Lydia Schwalm; Bruce & Amy Schwalm, & Emily Frantz
- Mar. 9-15:** Michael, Erin, & Annabel Schutter; Jim, Tamara, Carson, Ethan, & Caroline Schulz; Carolyn Schubert; Samantha & Sadie Schoffstall; John Schneiderhan; Mark, Cindy, Ashley, & Matt Schmidt; Mike, Sara, & Meredith Schmehl; Karen & Grace Schlauder
- Mar. 16-22:** Brad Schenk; Elizabeth Schenk; Lou Schaffer; Leslie & Carly Schaefer; Bob, Robin, Mark, & Madison Scaer; Megan & Kane Scaer; Debra & Lauren Savidge; Ron & Doris Savage
- Mar. 23-29:** Michael, Melissa, Emma, & Bennett Sasso; Tony, Joy, & Dakota Santo; Sean & Jen Santarelli; Donna Sanders; Vonnie Sadler; Melissa & Timothy Saccoccia; Harold & Nancy Ryder; Mackenzie Ryan
- Mar. 30-Apr. 5:** Bard, Kelly, Sarah, & Hannah Rupp; Dave, Karen, Matthew, & Nicole Rupnik; Joyce & Courtney Roy; Jeremy Roy; Gerald, Johanna, & Sofie Rowe; Shirley Rouzer; Brian Rott & Brittany Livick, Brycen & Brayden Rott; Melvin Roth

April birthdays

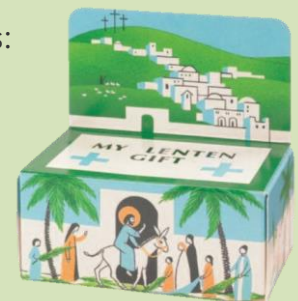
Homebound:

- Apr. 1** ▫ Nancy Restagno, 4905 E. Trindle Rd., Bldg. 4 - Rm. 210, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
- Apr. 3** ▫ Nicki Nailor, 153 Logan Rd., Elmcroft - Suite 109, Dillsburg, PA 17019
- Apr. 5** ▫ Peggy Hofer, 76 Greenspring Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
- Apr. 14** ▫ John Smither, 665 Willow Way, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- Apr. 16** ▫ Barbara McCulloh, 4833 E. Trindle Rd., Apt. 536, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
- Staff:** Apr. 18 La'Mont Randolph

Remember your Lenten box offerings

Offerings from these boxes will be divided between two worthy beneficiaries:

1. **Lutheran Disaster Response** brings God's hope, healing, and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the U.S. and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, Lutheran Disaster Response STAYS to provide ongoing assistance.
2. **Bethesda Mission** is Harrisburg's rescue mission. It provides shelter, food, and counseling for hurting and homeless men, women, and children.



Return your filled boxes on Easter weekend.

(You'll keep us from tearing our hair out if you include your name and envelope number!)



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