

**Report of
Ministry Director for Parish Life
The Rev. John H. Brock
Summer, 2019**

Summer stuff:

We began June with Affirmation of Baptism for fifteen students this year. I had the privilege of giving the sermon this year. And, as an aside, I want to commend Peter Fox on how well that program continues to progress.

I attended the annual Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly at Messiah College, where, among other things, we re-elected Bishop Jim Dunlop (a Trinity member) to another six year term.

We continued our monthly worship at both Bethany Village and Messiah Village. These are wonderful opportunities for our folks who are living there to get together, not only for worship, but for a social time as well. At Messiah, we are having a growing number of non-Trinity people joining us as well. These time of worship have worked so well that I was able to do a small service at The Woods, with our five members who live there. I will be adding a worship there to our regular schedule, albeit probably every other month.

I was asked to preside at a short worship for our Divorce Care Group as they came to a close. This is a support group that was lead by one of our members. The Prayer Shawl Team volunteered shawls for those members, and the shawls were very much appreciated.

Pastor Liz & I were able to assist with a day of Staff Training at Camp Nawakwa. Throughout the summer, I helped with the Sunday opening worship, as well as the Friday evening closing worship. And, most fridays I helped out on the grill for the Friday picnic.

In June, I filled in for Pastor Horner at the Tuesday Alehouse. The topic was "Finding Faith at Disney." We had a nice turnout, and a good discussion.

Also this summer, I presided at four funerals, a baptism and a wedding.

Coming up, this fall I will be leading an adult discussion class. In October I have an out of state wedding. And of course, we will be gearing up for our Season of Gratitude.

God's peace,

Pastor John Brock