

Report of Pastor for Engagement

Pastor Liz Frey

December 2023

Funerals

Shirley Rouzer – November 30, 2023

Carole Yon – December 7, 2023

Fred LeDonne – December 9, 2023

9th Grader Spiritual Gifts – November 1

I worked with Moses and Beth Bard to complete spiritual gifts assessments for Trinity's 9th graders. We hope giving the kids these tools will help them know and utilize their gifts here at Trinity and in the community.

Stewardship Video – November 7

The pastors worked with Danelle Andrews to record a video for this year's stewardship appeal.

Worship Team – November 8

The Worship Team met to discuss upcoming Christmas worship services as well as communion distribution.

Candidacy Committee – November 9

This meeting's month was brief, but also informative as we discussed better ways to support our synod's candidates for ministry.

Confirmation – November 12

We spent our time together discussing the seventh commandment.

New Members – Gifts and Talents Survey

Throughout November, I have worked on the results of the gifts and talents surveys for the new members, in addition to following up with them for further conversation. Several of our new members are already connected at Trinity!

Missions Team – November 15

The team met to discuss end of year gifts from Trinity to our mission partners, our 2024 budget request, and our 2024 Lent giving.

Thanks & Giving – November 19

Trinity provided meals for 30 families in Camp Hill in partnership with the Lions Foundation. Thank you to everyone who donated items for the meal kits and who volunteered to distribute the kits. Many thanks to Dona Norris for gathering and delivering the leftovers to New Hope Ministries.

125th Anniversary Concert – November 19

It was a beautiful concert, and it was powerful to see so many people coming together to celebrate Trinity's ministry here in Camp Hill and around the world.

Mutual Ministry – November 30

The team met in November to discuss my ministry and my life, and to support one another in our partnership at Trinity.

New Members

I've been spending time meeting and talking with potential new members this month. In addition, I am already planning the next cycle of new members which will take place in January and February 2024.

Volunteer Fair Prep

This month I did some prep work for the Volunteer Fair in January 2024. I am still looking for ministries who would like to participate in the fair.

English Language Learning

This month has been full of meetings and developments for this coming program. Laura Butcher and I have been working together on volunteer recruitment, program details and paperwork, a budget, childcare, publicity and communications, and a schedule for information sessions and training. We will have an information session on January 14 for potential volunteers and teacher training sessions in February. We will do a "soft launch" from March to May with a full program launch in September.

Personal

In early November, I took some vacation to spend some time with Kyle and Elijah and celebrate my birthday. As an update from last month, Elijah is doing very well at daycare.

Pastor Liz's 2023 Highlights:

Worship:

- I enjoyed preaching on Ash Wednesday, worshiping together on Impact Lives Sunday, and leading the Blue Christmas service in December.
- My son Elijah was a worship assistant for many Friday Prayer services. Thank you for your grace and welcome during these services online.
- Preaching was particularly rewarding this year. I enjoyed preaching several of our sermon series.

Connect:

- We held two new members classes and welcomed 42 new members in 2023! It is a joy to be a part of this ministry, welcoming folks into this community.
- I have enjoyed leading and teaching in confirmation classes, Thursday Bible studies, and Vacation Bible School.

Serve:

- In January, Trinity hosted a Volunteer Fair. Our ministries gained new volunteers through this event.
- Every new member completed a gifts and talents survey this year. These surveys have helped new members engage and volunteer.
- Trinity had two successful Giving Trees in July and November/ December. Trinity is so generous toward our ministry and mission partners!
- In July, Trinity sent eight members to Hope Academy and Hogar Miguel Magone, our mission partners in Guatemala.
- Beginning work around establishing an English as a Second Language program has been a highlight of 2023.