

## **Report of the Lead Pastor for January 2024**

Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

Eve of the Feast of St. Valentine, February 13, 2024

Baptisms: none

Funerals: Evelyn Bentz 1/20

Weddings: none

### **Ponder anew what the Almighty can do!**

January 2024 was a month of **new**. It was a **new** year (of course). Trinity has a **new** communications team in Jessica Shaeffer and Susanna Erdley. We have a **new** Council ready to guide us into a **new** strategic planning process. Our volunteer fair was a great success that opened up **new** ways to serve our Lord for a lot of people. Ponder **anew** what the Almighty can do!

### **Ministry Opportunity**

Bishop Dunlop met with me last week and presented a potential ministry opportunity for Trinity. I look forward to sharing with you the conversation.

### **Leadership Summit**

Thank you to Jen Schwalm and Bob Frymoyer for leading our latest Leadership Summit on the Strategic Planning Process. Please follow up with the ministries that you relate to on this important work.

### **Confirmation Retreat and Family Emergencies**

Moses and I made the decision to cancel the confirmation retreat on 1/26-1/27 after he came down with the flu and I needed to spend time in Lancaster with my father, who was diagnosed with a brain tumor, discovered thankfully during an X-ray after a car accident. I am happy to report he is now home after having successful surgery which removed the "vast majority" of the tumor. Thank you for all of the prayers.

### **Continuing Education**

Linda and I are attending ELCA Senior Pastor Conference, May 6-9<sup>th</sup> in San Juan, PR. with the theme *Grace in Motion: Growing Vibrant Ministry in Christ*. David Zahl of Mockingbird Ministries will be the main presenter.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Jack Horner