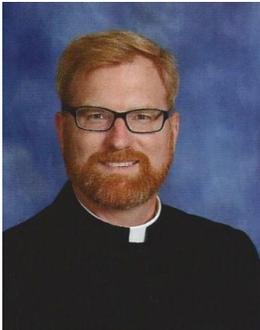




disciples in the making, making disciples

## Important news for Trinity's future

# Gearing up for capital campaign; input needed



**Pastor Horner gives background; introduces campaign partner:** A question I must always ask myself is this, "How does one prepare a church for an ever-changing future?" Those in leadership positions in the church find we must answer this question if we are going to be faithful stewards of the resources entrusted to us.

What I have tried to do through my 25 years of ministry is this: Pay attention to what's coming, prepare for it through prayer and conversation, and work smart and focused so we are positioned to meet the future with confidence and competence.

A couple of years ago Trinity began a strategic planning process for just that. Our goals represent where God might be leading us in ministry and what investment we will need to make for our future. To that end, our Congregation Council has engaged the firm Kairos and Associates to be our capital campaign consultants.

Pastor Bob Driver-Bishop has extensive experience working with larger Lutheran congregations in a variety of capacities, and we look forward to his help through this process of discernment. He expects to meet many of you and, in the meantime, introduces himself here.



### **Bob Driver-Bishop explains the critical importance of listening to Trinity members as partners in ministry:**

I join you with some 35 years of experience primarily as lead pastor of larger churches which experienced real growth and renewal. I have a specialized doctorate in church consulting with emphasis on congregational transformation. I have a real heart for helping churches and their leaders.

I work with Kairos and Associates that has helped more than 2,000 Lutheran ministries in all 50 states during the past 28 years. We are ELCA leaders dedicated to helping congregations fulfil their mission and vision.

The past decade has been a time of great challenge for mainline churches throughout the country. There are fewer pastors. Many smaller churches close for economic reasons. Regionally, church attendance has dropped 25 percent in the past few years.

Yet, those churches that have sought an effective sense of mission and vision continue to grow and thrive. Recently Trinity has begun a process to consider ongoing needs and future possibilities. Now is the time to listen to one another and further discern what God is calling the members and congregation to accomplish together.

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**Capital campaign**, from page 1

This month we will begin the listening process with a survey that enables members to share their hopes and dreams for Trinity Camp Hill. The survey will be available online. You can take it at your convenience. It takes about 15-20 minutes. There will also be print copies available for those who do not have web access.



Everyone's opinion counts! Multiple members in the same household can take the same survey, called the **Mission Assessment Profile (MAP)**. Responses help us to listen to each other and to understand where God's Spirit is leading us.

After sharing results of the MAP survey, I will meet with many members and groups within the congregation. Interviews are kept confidential. This is an opportunity to clarify cares and concerns.

The word "Kairos" means "those things fulfilled in God's time." Listening to one another, we hope to move forward together in a direction that God is truly leading Trinity. Please keep our work together in your prayers.

*If God has entrusted much to us, then much is expected.*  
Luke 12:48

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**Read & discuss these books**

- ✓ **Sun., Aug. 21, 9:30-10:30 am, Library**  
*Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family*, by Amy Ellis Nutt. True story of the Maines family, where one of the identical twins, born a boy, knows he's a girl. A *New York Times* reviewer says if you aren't moved by the book, "there's a lump of dark matter where your heart should be."
- ✓ **Sun., Sept. 18, 9:30-10:30 am., Rm 237**  
*James Madison: A Life Reconsidered*, by Lynne Cheney. What our founding fathers had in mind in formulating the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

**World Hunger/Bread Sunday is Aug. 7: Donate generously**

Sponsored annually by the Missions Ministry Team to benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. We need wrapped and labeled breads, quick breads, or other baked goods on that Sunday. Also, please give generously when taking bread or baked goods. Learn more at [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org).

*World Hunger Appeal envelopes are included with mailed regular giving envelopes and will also be inserted in the Aug. 6 and 7 bulletins. Any envelopes left over from the bulletins will be placed in Nave pew pockets during August.*

## More talented graduates...

...**Samantha Brinley**, daughter of Kimberly Lamarca, granddaughter of Lois Lamarca. Bachelor of Science degree, Fine Arts, with emphasis in Graphic Arts, West Virginia University. Graduation date, May 13. Samantha is busy interviewing and job hunting.

...**Darius Brown**, grandson of Bonnie Clapp. Diploma, Carlisle High School. Graduation date, June 2. Darius will attend Harrisburg Area Community College and then continue his studies at another college or university as a physics major.



⇒ **A family legacy.** With a generous bequest from the estate of Dr. George and Sumiko Tokuhata, we are able to fund various projects within Trinity that otherwise may not have been possible, and also to donate to several ELCA benevolences.

⇒ **Stock donation.** With a generous stock donation to Trinity, another member has contributed to debt reduction, regular giving, and music.

*Yes, we are truly grateful. If you've been thinking about these types of giving options, be sure to talk with your lawyer and/or tax advisor.*

## Thank you for your "Christmas in July" gifts to those in need

To all who took ornaments from the Giving Tree on behalf of our benevolence ministries, we say thank you. Those who received your gifts are grateful for your sharing of God's grace and goodness. We ask God to infuse the gifts with love, and to help us reach out to others in need.

Social and Parish Ministry Teams

## Needed: Donations for 325 school kits for Harrisburg kids

With your help, the Women of Trinity will put together **325 much-needed school kits for Trinity Tutors to distribute at Foose and Scott elementary schools in Harrisburg.** Each kit will include a plastic school supply box with No. 2 pencils, pencil top erasers, a tissue pack, a small box of crayons, and a marble composition book. Please consider providing a complete kit, any of the items in bulk, or a monetary contribution. Donations go in the big cardboard schoolhouse in the Gathering Space.



## August birthdays

**Homebound**

None known

**Staff**

**8/2** Paul Hensel

**8/22** Glenn Plott

Family Night Out is Monday, August 8

## What is the Trinity-supported DELTA Community?

The DELTA Community was founded to meet the need identified in the Harrisburg area of a growing number of homeless families unable to find coordination of area resources.

As a result, the consolidation of initiatives aimed at **Developing Effective Living Through Alternatives** became DELTA. Today, it is a Harrisburg-based transitional program for single-parent homeless families who are working toward self-sufficiency.

DELTA provides up to 24 months of support through rent subsidies and life skills coaching, focused on teaching better parenting and home management skills, supporting GED or other educational goals as well as sustained employment. Less than 2 percent of families completing the program since 1989 have returned to homelessness.

The July Giving Tree project gave Trinity members the opportunity to make small but very meaningful contributions for supplies that the DELTA families need, and we thank those of you who donated.

Trinity volunteers also support DELTA by sponsoring a Family Night Out, preparing just one evening meal, or providing an hour of childcare.

One Family Night Out was held on Monday, July 11. **An upcoming Family Night is on Monday, August 8, so please consider participating.** Just contact Lorraine Graybill at 717-763-4183 for more information.

Remember: Families in our community grow stronger with simple hospitality, fellowship, and prayer from Trinity members.

## Trinity's support of local organization helps victims of domestic violence

According to a study by the U.S. Conference of Mayors, domestic violence is the third leading cause of family homelessness. Most victims are women and their children.

Through the ages, women have struggled for respect and equality, and yet they and their children are still being demoralized by domestic violence aggressors.

Most people understand that domestic abuse is a pattern of behaviors used to establish power and control over another person through fear and intimidation, along with threats and use of violence. But while awareness and understanding have indeed increased, more than that is needed.

To that end, Trinity members have expressed their Christian love through contributions to Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties, or DVSCP.

DVSCP provides critical services for those in need. Included are a toll-free 24-hotline (1-800-852-2102), emergency shelter, individual and group supportive counseling, legal advocacy, victim support groups, information and referral, professional training, and public/community education.

Thank you, Trinity, for supporting DVSCP through our Social Services Ministry. Trinity's Linda Drye is our link to DVSCP, so email her at [tom.drye@icoud.com](mailto:tom.drye@icoud.com) with any questions.

## Help Women of Trinity update e-mails, phone numbers

All women of Trinity are part of Trinity's women's ministry called Women of Trinity. Any woman who is currently active in WOT in any capacity, or who would like to be active,

is asked to provide a current telephone number and email address to Leora Kirkpatrick at [leorakirkpatrick@comcast.net](mailto:leorakirkpatrick@comcast.net) by August 8. Or call Leora at 717-763-8187.

## Vacation Bible School: More than 200 kids learn about following Jesus during 2016 "Cave Quest"

Tons of energy plus tons of fun and learning made Trinity's VBS yet another success in spreading the Word of Jesus. Co-directors Amy Koch and Kelly Falck had nothing but thanks & appreciation for the 120+ awesome volunteers who made the sessions possible, including the



outstanding design team led by Amy Heinly and Steve Kauffman.

Photos L-R: 200+ kiddos filled the Gathering Space and (not shown) Chapel at the July 25 opening session. Kelly Falck, co-director, ready to join in. Amy Koch leads the group in song.

## Women of Trinity list upcoming events

- ✓ **Aug. 20.** Lower Susquehanna Synodical Women's Convention, Hanover. Registration is closed.
- ✓ **Sept. 7.** Fall covered dish dinner, Fellowship Hall, 6 pm. Kick off WOT's program year! Bring a guest, your children, and a dish to share. Keynote speaker is Pastor Rachel Langford, Dir. of Community Life & Associate Dir. of Admissions, Gettysburg Seminary. No prior registration.
- ✓ **Sept. 7.** Count your blessings! We distribute Blessing Boxes at our covered dish dinner. This year, donations will go to Pink Hands of Hope, the local nonprofit helping hundreds of women as they fight cancer. Visit <http://pinkhandsofhope.org>. Also look for article here next month.
- ✓ **Oct. 28-30.** Fall retreat at Camp Hebron. Get registration forms at the Gathering Space reception desk. Registration deadline is **Sept. 12.**

**Help needed for WOT Intercessory Prayer Ministry.** Meet in Library, first Thursday of each month. Group members pray at meetings and daily at home for the sick, homebound, congregation members, military, others. Looking for individuals willing to grow in spirit and share prayerful insights. For more information or to participate, call Ruth Bertovich at 717-728-3073.

## Pray for Missionary Chad Rimmer and wife Natalie, with return of her cancer

Chad and Natalie Rimmer, missionaries in Senegal, West Africa, are supported in part by Trinity. They have two young sons, Luke and Paul Michael. Chad (with Luke) spoke at Trinity on June 1 about life and culture in Senegal among a population that is 95 percent Muslim. We have since learned that Natalie is undergoing treatment for a return of cancer. The picture at right is from Chad's Facebook page of July 7, a date he termed "S-day," or Shave Day. He explained that, in Natalie's baldness, he wants us to see not a sad sign of cancer but instead "the beauty of someone who is doing what it takes to conquer it." Amen.



## Every member prayer list for August

**Aug 5-11:** Kim and Ivan Fowler; Bill and Linda Foulds; Scott Foster; Bob Foster; Jess and Jackie Fosselman; Mitzi Fortenbaugh

**Aug 12-18:** Jane and Kurtis Forney; Jay Forman; Carol Forman; Lisa, Brett, Alissa, Morgan, and Erin Ford; Joe, Jill, Kyrsten, and Kylee Ford; Neil and Mary Lou Force; Michelle Forbes; Bill, Colleen, Will, and Susannah Foes

**Aug 19-25:** Dale Fohl; Dale and Joyce Fohl; Sarah Fogg; Michael, Janet, and Julia Fogg; Mike and Amy Foerster-Finio; Bootsy Focht; Matt and Stacey Fisher; Ted and Carla Fishel

**Aug 26-Sept 1:** Valerie, Spencer, and Zachary Fish; Jacqueline Fischer; Lucinda Figueiredo; Sean, Ann, Noah, Lucas, and Micah Fields; Suzanne and Paige Fickes; James Fickes; Fritz Fichtner; Angie Fichtner



## Trinity's YG did mission work in Detroit

Trinity's senior high Youth Group returned on July 16 from a weeklong mission trip to Detroit. While there, the 13 youth and 3 advisors helped others by performing work on houses and yards. At night, the group attended worship and enjoyed fellowship. The picture at left shows the group on its only night off after dining in Greektown.

Awesome job, Youth Group!

## Men's Ministry: Golf outing, steak/corn roast Aug. 26

Trinity Men's Ministry is holding its 2016 Trinity Lutheran Open, "The Chase for the Chalice," on Friday, August 26, at 1 pm at Armitage Golf Club in Mechanicsburg.

It's a 4-man scramble format where players can sign up as a foursome, double, or single.

The \$45 fee per golfer includes greens fee, cart, goodie bag, team picture, and—YES!—the awesome dinner and outstanding fellowship at

the Men's Steak and Corn Roast at 6 pm at Adams-Ricci Park.

For guys who attend just the steak and corn roast, the cost is \$12. Invite guests, too!

Don't miss these events with all the fun, food, and great conversation. Look for sign-up tables in mid-August in the Gathering Space. More info? Sign up now? Contact Rick Sten at 717-823-2951 or [riconred@red1023.com](mailto:riconred@red1023.com).

## Celebrate two staff anniversaries on Sun., Aug. 21!

Bishop Guy Edmiston, Director of Congregational Care, and Criss Floray, Sunday morning receptionist, are reaching 15-year employment anniversaries with Trinity! Join us after late services on Sunday, August 21, to celebrate the occasion and to enjoy cake, punch, and coffee.

**Disregard this notice if you already responded to the first notice**

## **SECOND NOTICE: Trinity Parish will go mostly electronic in 2017!**

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Before you return this notice, remember the other ways you can read the Trinity Parish:

- You can get the newsletter on Trinity's website at [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org)
- You can click on the newsletter link when you get the weekly Trinity Minute e-Blast, plus you will receive a link monthly. If you haven't already signed up for the e-Blast, give us your email address by going to [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org) and clicking on this:

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- Yes, my name and address are on the back of this form on the mailing panel. Thanks for not making me fill out a form!**

*Mail or bring this notice to the church office. Notice will be re-published, but only one response is needed.*

## **Prayer Concerns** *If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. John 8:31 (NIV)*

Lord, you have called us to serve—to be an obedient follower. Thank you for calling us to be your servants, and keep us excited and enthusiastic. May we always be strengthened in our ministry as we reach out as your disciple, and may we understand that learning to be a good disciple does not depend on a clear or complete understanding of you and what you want. Help us become what you have made us to be, and to expand our ways of experiencing your grace, love, and guidance. Use the circumstances of my life to shape me, make me pleasing in your sight, and useful in your hands. Amen.

## **Letters to Trinity**

- **Dear Trinity:** Thank you to all who sent cards during my husband's recent hospital stay and during my recent illness. It is comforting to know that the congregation at Trinity is so caring. Jim and I are truly blessed. *Thank you again, Barb and Jim McGovern*
- **Dear Trinity family:** What a blessing it was to receive your many cards, phone calls, visits and other acts of caring and concern during my recent illness, hospitalizations and time at rehab. Also the altar flowers were gorgeous and brightened my room for days, and the visits from the pastors were timely and comforting. Thank you again for everything. *Always, Jane Hess*
- **Dear Trinity:** Thank you for the beautiful cards, uplifting words, and kind gestures that brought us comfort after Les' death in May. We appreciate that so many of you attended the visitation and service as well. Thanks also to the pastors and staff for putting together and leading the beautiful service, and to the volunteers who coordinated and served the lovely luncheon. Les so loved Trinity and his church family, and he is surely watching over us. *The Bishop Family*

**Visit [www.trinitycamphillfamilies.weebly.com](http://www.trinitycamphillfamilies.weebly.com) to see events for children/families!**



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### Garden of Eatin' on break

From Memorial Day to Labor Day, snacks and treats in the Gathering Space are taking a summer break. But you'll still be able to enjoy our coffee and tea.

**FREE!**  
**A community event**



## Goodbye Summer party

Great music . Fun picnic . Yummy sundaes

**Sunday, August 28, 5:30 - 7:30 pm**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church grounds**  
**2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill**

- **Come at 5:30 for good food**
- **Bring your lawn chair**
- **Eat yummy sundaes**
- **Listen to FaithX band**
- **Meet other folks**
- **Win prizes**
- **Invite family & friends**
- **Move indoors if rain**



**Deadline for the September 2016 Trinity Parish is Wednesday, August 10, at 4 pm.** Don't be late! Email articles to [parish@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:parish@trinitycamphill.org) or leave hard copies in the Trinity Parish mailbox at the church office. **Please keep submissions under 200 words.** We edit for clarity, consistency of style, and space.