



**New Sunday worship times  
from May 28 - September 3**  
8:30 & 10:45 am, Traditional  
9:30 & 11:00 am, Contemporary

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve

## Godspeed, Pastor Easton!



**Pastor Nancy Easton** embarks on a new journey after nearly 17 years at Trinity. She plans to travel, read, write, and volunteer following her resignation effective April 30.

**Mixed emotions.** Hundreds of well-wishers attended the farewell event in her honor on Sunday, April 23, following services. It was a time of mixed emotions—sadness to say goodbye to a much-loved and admired friend, and joy to see that same friend ready to take on new adventures.

As guests entered to mingle and enjoy a generous array of fine finger foods and desserts, a memory-filled photo/slide presentation by Barb Henderson played on the screens.

Council President Rob Bertram welcomed the crowd and thanked Pastor Easton for her service. Lead Pastor Jack Horner offered a fun limerick and turned serious as he described Pastor Easton as serving “with distinction.” Bishop James Dunlop sent his best wishes via video, and Director of Contemporary Music Debbie Wilson gave a poignant historical perspective.

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## Hello, Pastor Jennifer!

**Jennifer A. Crist** joins the Trinity staff part time on May 1 as interim associate pastor. A graduate of Gettysburg Seminary, Pastor Jennifer also holds two degrees from Penn State University (M.S., neuroscience and anatomy; B.S., pre-med).

**Super energetic, with creative ideas for ministry.** Pastor Jennifer's main focus is new mission and creative ideas for ministry. To that end, she is the pastor developer of Communities of Hope, or COH, a synodically authorized worship community.

According to its website at [www.communitiesofhopepa.org](http://www.communitiesofhopepa.org), COH is a gathering of churched, un-churched, and de-churched people. It began in response to folks who wished to find a safe space—outside of a church building—in which they could explore faith in new ways.

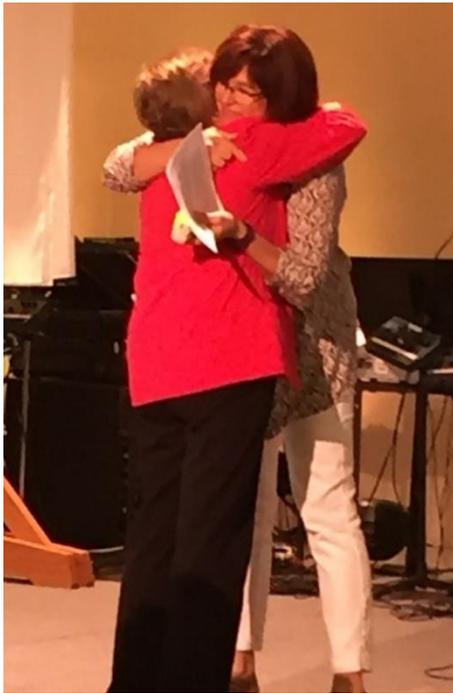
For persons who may have had negative experiences with a traditional church, COH feels called to be a healing vessel. Conversations are honest and non-judgmental, and there is a focus on God's restoration of a broken humanity through Jesus Christ.

**Ministry in a diverse community.** Through COH, Pastor Jennifer seeks out youth, young adults, people of color, poor and working-class people with high school diplomas or less, and people with little or no church background. Those with little or no religious identity experience their faith through service,

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*Pastor Easton and Debbie Wilson hug.*

Becky Enney followed with a clever story in the manner of Dr. Seuss; Council President Bertram gave a check representing gifts from congregants; and Barb Henderson, John Artevich, and Rick Wilson (members of Pastor Easton's Mutual Ministry Team, with Jane Killian in absentia) presented gifts.

**Pastor Easton's words.** Pastor Easton spoke with emotion about her time at Trinity. She called her 17 years a blessing, expressed appreciation for allowing her to grow into new responsibilities, and explained how "some new things were scary but became cherished activities—like worship at Dauphin County Prison."

Regarding her nurturing of Trinity's contemporary service, she noted its growth beyond predictions, called it "a labor of love," and added that "I like to think we all grew together."

"You honored me by inviting me into your lives," she said. She talked about her gratitude to "you and to God that you called me to preach." While preaching was her "scariest venture" on Sunday evenings as she looked ahead, it was her "deepest joy" the following weekend at worship.

"I thank you. I love you. And I will hold all of you in my heart," she said as she ended her remarks to a standing ovation.

Thanks to the many folks who put together the event and volunteered, and to Kathy Holmes and Barbara Kriebel for serving as primary coordinators. "There were dozens of people involved in planning and helping. Everyone wanted to make the event as special as possible for Pastor Nancy, and they did," said Kathy. *See additional photos, page 3.*

## Hello, Pastor Jennifer, *continued from front page*

and COH participants serve persons in downtown Harrisburg who are homeless, as well as children and families locally and globally.

Here are some examples of Pastor Jennifer's COH ministries:

- **Coffeehouse Church.** Meets monthly on first and third Sundays at Little Amps, Harrisburg, for worship, fellowship, dinner, and service. The environment is casual, with optional communion.
- **Parking Lot Church.** Meets monthly on third Sundays in the afternoon in the parking lot behind St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Harrisburg. There are 20-30 minutes of worship, including a brief message and optional communion. Afterward, Helping Hands Ministries serves a meal inside St. Michaels for the homeless community.
- **Salon Church.** Meets in Mountville monthly on third Saturdays.

**More background.** Pastor Jennifer co-founded a nonprofit that serves families in Guatemala, and she has coordinated trips there. She was also a court-appointed child advocate for Cumberland County.

Pastor Jennifer lives in Hershey and has seven children: twin girls, 12; three boys, 14, 22, 24; and two girls, 17 and 19. The family is multi-racial, multi-ethnic, and multi-lingual. Oh, and she teaches Kung Fu, too.

We did say "super energetic," right?

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### Pastoral Staff

- Rev. Dr. Jack Horner, Lead Pastor
- Rev. John Brock, Ministry Director for Parish Life
- Rev. Dr. Guy Edmiston, Director of Congregational Care
- Rev. Jennifer Crist, Interim Associate Pastor

## More photos...Pastor Easton's farewell event



**Go in peace,  
serve the Lord.  
She will!**

## Lead pastor's column: Transition

*The Rev. Dr. Jack Horner*

A caterpillar crawls around and eats until it can't move anymore, forms a cocoon, and literally dies, dissolving into a soupy mess until a butterfly forms. The transition isn't always easy, but ultimately it's a beautiful thing. It's different, new, vibrant life. It's no surprise the early church used the butterfly as a metaphor for the resurrection.

Transition, like new life, is ongoing. We are always becoming, growing from one state to another. We're born, grow, move, learn, change, adapt, live. God has put "a new and right spirit" (Ps. 51.10) within us that frees us from sin and death and gives us resurrection life.

The church must seek to live and grow. It's how God made us to be. God sees us through from one transition to another to another. It's the way of life. We go and grow and change, knowing that God's Spirit is with us.

In that spirit, we're trying out a new Sunday worship schedule starting May 28.

We hope to accomplish four things:

1. Have a schedule that easily enables one preacher to preach at all services.
2. Have most of the services near or within the 9-11 am worship time "sweet spot."
3. Have a service in the 9-10 am slot that members requested during Kairos' listening phase.
4. Have the later services end closer together for better congregational fellowship.

We know there is no perfect schedule that meets the needs of everyone, but let's see if this schedule works to accomplish our goals. It will be reevaluated in July with congregational forums for feedback and worship team and staff reviews.

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## Meet two more Council members

### Dave Maser



- ✓ **Church background.** Joined Trinity in 2001. Typically attends traditional service. Member of Stewardship team for 8 years; is serving third year as chair/facilitator.
- ✓ **Childhood.** Youngest of five children. Grew up in Enola. Went to Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.
- ✓ **Education.** Graduated from East Pennsboro High School in 1982. Studied carpentry at Cumberland-Perry Vo-Tech.
- ✓ **Work.** Self-employed: The Indefatigable Carpenter, LLC. Has worked for the past 35 years in construction.
- ✓ **Family.** Married to Leanne. Six children, six biological grandkids, plus one due in fall; also four step-grandkids. Two dogs.
- ✓ **Activities outside Trinity.** Work. And cooking dinner!
- ✓ **Something few people know.** Dave made the large wooden cross that we display in the Gathering Space during Easter.

### Steve Kauffman



- ✓ **Church background.** Joined Trinity in 2010. Typically attends traditional service. Led Fellowship Team for 6 years; continued volunteering with Fellowship and other committees. Usher, greeter, lector, communion assistant, and assisting minister.
- ✓ **Childhood.** Grew up in Lewistown. Brought up and baptized in Church of the Brethren Christian tradition. Has fond memories of youth group and church camp, including years of making homemade ham pot pie for church fair at camp.
- ✓ **Education.** Bachelor's degree, Albright College.
- ✓ **Work.** Lighting designer/drafter, Brinjac Engineering, since 2002.
- ✓ **Family.** Married 3 years to Chad Ruegsegger. Two fur-babies, Lord Chesterfield and Lady Violet. Sister Jennifer at age 4 was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis.
- ✓ **Activities outside Trinity.** Walking dogs, biking, gardening, traveling with Chad; tinkering around barn with grandfather; camping in northern Michigan with in-laws.
- ✓ **Fun fact.** Born 6 weeks early at 4 pounds. "I've managed to keep my petite figure...lol."

### Sing in our Summer Choir!

**May 28 – Sept 3 at 10:45 am service**

Sing throughout the summer when you can.

No summer rehearsals, but you must contact

Tim Koch by May 24 to reserve a spot.

Email [timothy.koch@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:timothy.koch@trinitycamphill.org)

*Sunday, June 4, at 12:15 pm*

### Pentecost Pot Luck Dinner

Celebrate the church's birthday

Sign up to bring your favorite dish:

Italian, Chinese, Indian, French, whatever you choose

Look for signups in the Gathering Space & online

Questions? Talk to Kathy Holmes or Ellen Ney

**Book Group:** Sun, May 21, 9:30 am, Rm 237. Discuss *My Own Words*, by Ruth Bader Ginsburg

**Learn how to make a legacy gift to Trinity: Sun, May 7, 9:30 am, Rm 122**

Discussion led by Pastor Liz Polanzke from the ELCA Foundation; sponsored by Stewardship Team

# We have final numbers: You gave more than \$25k for seminary Scholarships. Wow!

**\$25,565.40!** That's what we raised to give to Gettysburg Seminary to fund full-tuition scholarships for full-time seminarians. What a wonderful way to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in gratitude, and to help ensure the continuation of the Lutheran church!

**Thank you** to all who attended the March 26 soirée, and to all donors and the 80 volunteers who served in multiple capacities to provide publicity, decorations, ticket sales, dinner (including prep, serving, and clean-up), and the silent auction. More photos, as promised:



**Clockwise from top left:** Jay Killian sold baseball caps at the ticket table; Karen and Dave Rupnik volunteered as servers; Dearest Home and Cormorant's Fancy provided Celtic and Appalachian music for the 300+ attendees; Pastor Horner did a fine job carving the roast beef.

## **MAY 21: Teen Tech Squad will help YOU with your smartphone!**

Are your smartphones and tablets driving you crazy? Wish you had a tech-savvy teen to answer some basic questions and give you some tips and tricks? Then bring your devices to the Gathering Space on Sunday morning, May 21, between 9:30 and 10:30. **Help is on the way!**

**Congratulations, Kelly!****Kelly Falck to take on additional duties**

Kelly Falck, Director of Children and Family Ministries since May 2013, will expand her ministry (and work hours!) to include adult education and faith formation. Her new title is Director of Faith Formation.

Kelly has spent the past four years leading us in new and creative ways as she builds our outreach to children and families. She is known for her energy to get things done and for building an outstanding team of volunteers.

She has a background in museum education and program design for all ages. Her experience will inform her new role in directing Sup 'n Study, new member orientation, and more! She is a graduate of Elizabethtown College.

Kelly and her husband, Brian, have three girls: Olivia, 15, Ella, 12, and Avary, 9.

**500th anniversary of the Reformation!****Here's a quick chronology of Martin Luther events**

Supplied to us by Trinity member Dr. William Stotler

Year	Day	Event	Place
1483	Nov 10	Born to Hans and Margarethe Luder [Luder⇒Ludher⇒Luther]	Eisleben
1517	Oct 31	Nailed the 95 Theses to door of Castle Church; he objected to Roman Catholic practice of selling indulgences	Wittenberg
1520	Oct 10	Received Papal Bull [edict] threatening excommunication	Wittenberg
	Dec 10	Burned the Bull before Elster Gate	
1521	Jan 3	Excommunicated by Pope Leo X	Rome
	Mar 6	Summoned to Diet of Worms [Assembly of Roman Empire]	Worms
	Apr 17-18	Questioned at Worms by Aleander; refused to recant	
	May 4	Taken into protective custody near Eisenach	
1521	May 4 -	Lived at Wartburg Castle under name of Junker Jorg;	Eisenach
1522	Mar 1	translated New Testament from Greek to German	
1524	Oct 9	Abandoned his religious habit	Wittenberg
1525	Jun 13	Married Katharine von Bora (Did not invite his colleague Melanchthon to wedding)	
1527	Summer	Was ill with severe depression, constipation, more	
1528	Aug 3	Death of daughter Elizabeth	
1530	May	Death of father	Mansfield
1534	Sept ca	First complete edition of his translation of German Bible	Wittenberg
1536	Dec	Wrote the Schmalkald Articles [summary of Lutheran doctrine]	Schmalkald
1537	--	Was seriously ill	
1542	Jan 6	Wrote his "Will and Testament"	Wittenberg
	Sep 20	Death of daughter Magdalena	
1546	Feb 14	Gave last sermon in Eisleben: "Against the Jews"	Eisleben
	Feb 18	Died in the presence of Justus Jonas	Wittenberg
	Feb 22	Funeral held at Castle Church; sermon by Philipp (Schwarzert) Melanchthon [He and Luther are both buried there]	
1552	Dec 20	Wife, Katharine von Bora, died; buried in St. Mary's Church	Torgau

# YG wants YOU in May (and every month!)

YG year is winding down for the season, but there's still always something YG-related. We'd love to see you at a summer event, so let's stay connected. In the meantime, join us in May:

- ✓ **Sun, May 7, final YG for the season, 6-8:30 pm.** This is our annual "Outside" YG to close down the year. Bring friends. Bring home-baked goodies. ALL snacks and dinner are provided. Come dressed to play HARD. This YG rocks, and it's a tradition like no other.
- ✓ **Sun, May 21, 2018 ELCA National Youth Gathering informational meeting, 6 pm.** If you are active in Sr. High YG and interested/thinking about going to the summer 2018 National Youth Gathering, you MUST attend this meeting with a parent. We'll go over trip details and plans.



Camp Nawakwa retreat, March 31-April 2. Were you there? If not, you were missed!



## High school or college grad in the family?

Give us the brief info at right by May 10 so we can publish it in the summer. Send/bring to the office, or email to [parish@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:parish@trinitycamphill.org).

Include your contact information so we can follow up if we have questions.

- Student name
- Graduation date
- Degree earned if college
- Future plans
- Your name and relationship to student



## Every member prayer list for May

**May 5-11:** Bill, Zandra, Liam, and Xander Bishop; Jeanette Bish; Matt, Janelle, Chase, and Parker Bingaman; Steve, Sierra, and Izzy Bilous; Ruth Bielicki; Chris, Terri, Ella, and Addie Biebuyck; Melinda and Lily Bialousz; Jane and Charles Best

**May 12-18:** Pharon, Christine, Alex, and Jonathan Bertsch; Rob, Lynn, Reed, and Devon Bertram; Elizabeth Bertram and Kenneth Ferrari; Frank and Ruth Bertovich; Luke, Meg, Benjamin, and William Bernstein; Mike and Beth Berney; Christopher and Ainsley Berney; Neil and Jeanie Bentzel; Evelyn Bentz

**May 19-25:** Ruth Bennett; Terence, Janet, and Austin Benham; Ethan, Jaren, and Delaney Beigh; Michael, Rachel, Payton, and Jordyn Beck; James and Idana Beck; Ken and Leslie Beamer; Carol Bayne

**May 26-June 1:** Joanne Baum; Harold and Joann Bastian; Rick and Ardelle Barry; Scott and Madelyn Barrows; Amy Barrick; Jenn and Lily Barrette; Jane Barnes; Eric Barnes; Chris, Sara, Sam, and Stella Banner

## Say happy birthday to these homebound members

**May 6.** Jane Davis, 822 Oak Oval, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

**May 11.** Helen Greene, 5225 Wilson Ln, Apt 1105, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

**May 13.** Lee Kunkle, 5225 Wilson Ln, Maplewood, Rm 122, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

**May 14.** Jeanne Henderson, 852 Wynnewood Rd, Camp Hill, PA 17011

**May 23.** Clara Sienkiewicz, 824 Lisburn Rd, Rm 112, Camp Hill, PA 17011

**Thank you, Trinity!** I just wanted to send a word of thanks to the church family for all the acts of kindness during my dad's final days. It was wonderful reassurance of the love of a Family of God. -- Ron Livingston

## Women of Trinity: Turn in Blessing Boxes at May 3 meeting

Blessing Boxes will be collected on May 3 at Women of Trinity's spring general meeting and pot luck dinner. The donations will go to Pink Hands of Hope, Mechanicsburg. Brian Gaughan, Pink Hands' co-founder with his wife, Laurie, is our speaker. Dinner begins promptly at 6 pm; there is no charge for the meal. Bring a covered dish to share. Place your name on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space at the desk. All Trinity women and family members are invited. Hope to see you then. In the meantime, count your blessings and think PINK!

**MAY 21: Auditions and info meeting for Trinity's October 1 production of *My Fair Lutheran*, Rick Sten's hilarious spoof on the classic *My Fair Lady*.**

## Vacation Bible School June 26-30 Choose 9 am-noon or 5:30-8 pm

Register or volunteer online NOW at

[www.trinitycamphillfamilies.weebly.com](http://www.trinitycamphillfamilies.weebly.com).

Many volunteers ages 12+ are needed. Watch for other ways to help, including donating snacks and decor supplies.



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**Deadline for the Summer 2017 (June-July) Trinity Parish is Wednesday, May 10, at 4 pm.** Email articles to [parish@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:parish@trinitycamphill.org) or leave hard copies in the Trinity Parish mailbox at the church office.  
**Keep submissions under 200 words.** We edit for clarity, consistency of style, and space.