# Trinity Tempo

April 2025



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We have inherited so many blessings through our Christian and Wesleyan heritage. The quadrilateral establishes four guidelines to test theological understanding. Scripture, tradition, reason, and experience are believed to be gifts from God that can be used to help us ascertain truth.

Tradition includes all the statements and values the early church has given us for the past several hundred years.

Our 1989 *United Methodist Hymnal* holds some of these traditions for us. The hymns, prayers, and services represent a small but important part of our Christian tradition. If you were to turn to 880 in your hymnal you will find a collection of traditions that date back hundreds of years. This section has Christian affirmations of faith. Each of these affirmations (880-889) declares what it is we believe in and where we put our faith. For a world that says you can believe in anything, this is a line in the sand for Christians. This is where we stand. All the affirmations come from scripture, with many of them acting as summaries of our faith collected from different parts of the Bible.

The Apostles' Creed (881) is the most familiar to me:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;\* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\*\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Keeping our affirmations in mind, we then admit there are more than a few beliefs that separate us from the rest of the world. Arguably the most important of these will be honored on April 20. Easter is nearly upon us. It will be a wonderful celebration. On this day we gather with other Christians around the world and proclaim with one voice for the world to hear, "Jesus is alive!" (continued on page 2)

<sup>\*</sup>Traditional use of this creed includes these words: "He descended into hell."

<sup>\*\*</sup>universal

# Trinity Happenings

#### **Summer Camp**

Registration for summer camp is open! The Western PA conference has diverse camping and retreat opportunities for people of all ages.

**Jumonville** is in Hopwood, PA (mountains of Southwestern PA). <a href="https://www.jumonville.org/">https://www.jumonville.org/</a>

**Wesley Woods** is in Grand Valley, PA (Northwestern PA).

https://www.wesleywood.com/

**Camp Allegheny** is in the Laurel Highlands off Route 30 in Stoystown, PA. <a href="https://www.campallegheny.org">https://www.campallegheny.org</a>

**Olmsted Manor** is a retreat center located in Ludlow PA. <a href="https://www.olmstedmanor.org/events.html">https://www.olmstedmanor.org/events.html</a>

**Healthy Village Learning Institute** is in McKeesport, PA and serves its community daily, year-round. <a href="https://hvliweb.org/">https://hvliweb.org/</a>

At the Lake Ministries is in Erie, PA and provides boating and fishing charters for people of all ages with disabilities. <a href="https://www.atthelakeministries.org/">https://www.atthelakeministries.org/</a>

Financial assistance for summer camp programs is available through the church. Contact Beverly Piper for details.

#### Pastor's Letter

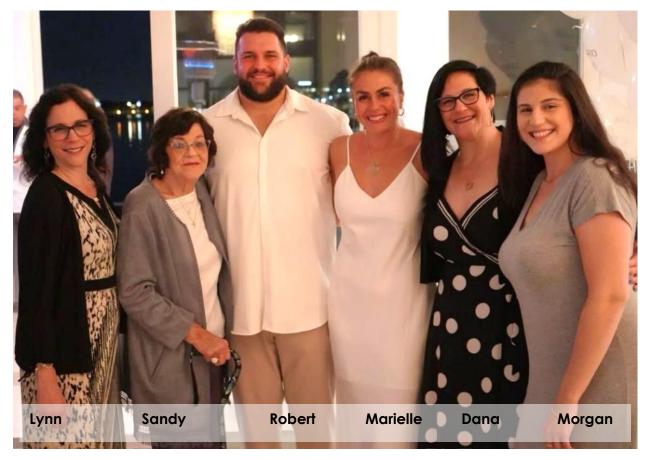
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Unlike Christmas (which we celebrate once a year), Easter is celebrated every Sunday. It is because Christ has risen from the dead that we gather to worship every Sunday in what are mini-Easter celebrations.

Each time we gather we thank God for who he created us to be. When we leave those gatherings, we still celebrate, but we do it through the way we live. I look forward to celebrating Easter with you.



PTL,
Pastor Justin
Judy



### Congratulations, Robert Hainsey!

BY JANE POGUE

Many of you will remember Robert
Hainsey, son of Dana Chiappetta Hainsey
and grandson of Bob (late) and Sandy
Chiappetta. Robert started his football
career at Gateway High School then
transitioned to IMG Academy in
Bradenton, FL. He continued at Notre
Dame and was drafted by the Tampa Bay
Buccaneers where he was a first-string
center. At the end of this past football
season, Robert was a free agent, and we are
happy to announce he is now a
Jacksonville Jaguar! We are so happy for
you, Robert, and we know you will shine
there, too.

More importantly, Robert has news on a personal level. He has just become engaged to Marielle Corbett! Marielle is a graduate of the University of Texas-Austin with a Master of Science in Finance. She completed her undergraduate work at Notre Dame and was a member of the rowing team at both schools.

Robert planned a surprise engagement party for Marielle, and it was great that his whole family was able to fly down to Tampa for it. You can tell from the picture that it was a happy time for all. Robert and Marielle are now residing in Arizona.

May God shower you with tons of blessings as you start your new life together!

#### **Stay Connected**

Stay connected with the Greensburg District and events. Subscribe to the district e-newsletter at wpaumc.org/subscribe and on Facebook at facebook.com/groups/wpaumcgreensburg district.

#### **New Roof**

From Monday, March 10 through Friday, March 14 sidewalks and streets around the church buzzed with activity. The air was filled with clanging, hammering, sawing, humming, and voices as Trinity's roof was replaced. On some days Rain Remodeling and Restoration had as many as twenty crew members on the job. It was a monumental task that they completed in five days.

Here is a look at the work in different stages of completion. Thanks to everyone who donated toward the roof fund and the finished product.

Aerial drone photos courtesy of: Bryan Conn, Rain Remodeling Jose Paguay, Rain Remodeling Matt Ankeny, Rain Remodeling Other photos coutesy of Linda Yocum







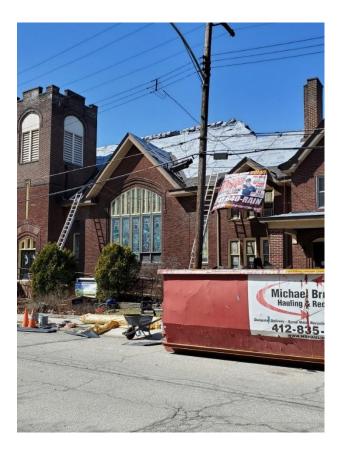






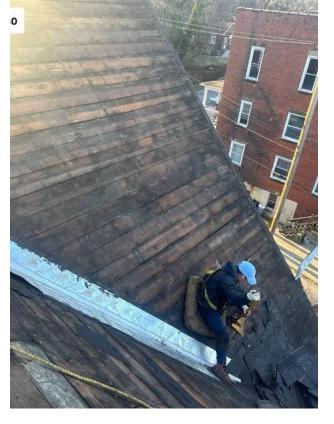




































# Joys & Concerns

Please keep Trinity family, friends and neighbors in your prayers.

#### **Pray for**

Patty Aubele

Lou Booher

Mary Ann Casper

Sandy Chiappetta

Mike Elias (Cindy Graw's cousin)

Pastor Justin Judy

Harry and Marge Little

Paolo (Olga's brother)

Donna Piper

Sandy and Jim (Joanne Ondulich's and

Bob Lovre's cousins)

Those affected by the California wildfires

War in Ukraine

Also take a moment and give thanks for friends and family who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this month.

#### **Birthdays**

- 2 Brandon Dulemba
- 3 Bob Lovre, Dakota Dovalis
- 7 Miranda Mallik
- 8 Haidynn Dulemba
- 9 Holly Conlogue
- 10 Bob Casper, Lori Dorko
- 12 Jonathan Aubele, Love Ruffner
- 14 Jonathan Judy
- 21 Nancy Valentine
- 25 Jeanne Ruccio
- 28 Drake Clausner
- 29 John Hughes
- 30 Genny Triponey

#### **Anniversaries**

- 10 Roger and Marlene VanRyn
- 12 John and Jeanne Ruccio

#### **Homeless**

**Mats:** Trinity continues to collect plastic bags to make mats for the homeless. Please bring in your plastic bags and place them in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

**Kits:** We continue to make kits available for the homeless. Pick up a kit to keep on hand for when you might meet someone who is homeless. Kits are in the overflow area.

#### **April**

#### **Altar Flowers**

- 6 Susan Gibson and Sandy Yamamoto
- 13 open
- 20 open
- 27 open



# April

Women's Bible Study, and Bible Journaling remain on hold for now. Listen for updates on both groups during Sunday morning worship services.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
30 4th Sunday in Lent 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship UMCOR Sunday (special offering)	31 1 p.m. Senior Friends	1	<b>2</b> 7 p.m. Lenten Bible Study	3 7:15 p.m. Choir	4	5
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion	7 1 p.m. Senior Friends	8 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council Meeting	9 7 p.m. Lenten Bible Study	10 7:15 p.m. Choir	11	12
Palm Sunday 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	1 p.m. Senior Friends	15	7 p.m. Lenten Bible Study	7:15 p.m. Choir Tempo Deadline	18 1-3 p.m. Silent Communion 7 p.m. Good Friday Service	19
		Holy \	Week			
Easter Sunday 7 a.m. Sunrise Service 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	1 p.m. Senior Friends	22	23	7:15 p.m. Choir	25	26
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#### Tempo Deadline

Articles for the May issue of the newsletter are due in the church office by Thursday, April 17, 2025.



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Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.

#### **Easter Candy Fundraiser**

Online ordering of Sarris Candies is available through April 13 at SarrisCandiesFundraising.com.

- Click on I am supporting a Fundraiser.
- Enter Trinity's Group ID #10-0582.
- Start shopping.

Trinity earns 25% profit from all online orders. Candy is shipped directly to your home (\$7 flat fee for ground shipping).

#### **Food Drive**

Thanks to everyone who supported our most recent food drive. We delivered 42 cans and multipacks of fruit to the Trafford/Level Green food bank.