

Trinity Tempo

June 2025



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, God has played an enormous role in my life. I owe all that I am to our Lord. Too many times, I have stepped off the path laid before me only to get lost in my own selfishness and sin.

When I think about who God is, I get lost in the enormity of it. Augustine also tried to describe who God is and he had similar issues. I hope upon reading Augustine's attempt to describe

God that you are also challenged to think on who God is in your life.

What, therefore, is my God? What, I ask, but the Lord God? "For who is Lord but the Lord himself, or who is God besides our God?" Most high, most excellent, most potent, most omnipotent; most merciful, and most just; most secret and most truly present; most beautiful and most strong; stable, yet not supported; unchangeable, yet changing all things; never new, never old; making all things new, yet bringing old age upon the proud, and they know it not; always working, ever at rest; gathering, yet needing nothing; sustaining, pervading, and protecting; creating, nourishing, and developing; seeking, and yet possessing all things. You love, but without passion; are jealous, yet free from care; repent without remorse; are angry, yet remain serene. You change Your ways, leaving Your plans unchanged; You recover what has never really been lost. You are never in need but still rejoice at Your gains; never greedy, yet demand dividends. Men pay more than is required so that You become a debtor; yet who can possess anything at all which is not already Yours? You owe men nothing yet pay out to them as if in debt to Your creature, and when debts are canceled You lose nothing. Yet, O my God, my life, my holy Joy, what is this that I have said?" What can any man say when he speaks of You? But woe to them that keep silence—since even those who say most are dumb.

Augustine's Confession, Chapter 4 (edits by Justin Judy)

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

Trinity Happenings

Homeless Mats Training

Trinity will hold training to make homeless mats on Saturday, June 14 at 2 p.m. The training covers:

- preparing plastic bags and turning them into plastic yarn, or plarn,
- crocheting the mats, and
- using a loom to make mats.

A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Please consider learning a new skill and helping Trinity expand efforts to help the homeless by attending the training and taking part in the mat-making process.

Graduation Sunday & Baptism Sunday

BY JANE POGUE

June 8 is a very important milestone for our young church members. Carmella Booher and Elijah Judy will be baptized during our worship service.

Also, we will be honoring three graduates—Jonathan Judy (Penn-Trafford High School), Maryna Medunytsia (Penn-Trafford High School), and Ashley Kitchen (Assoc. degree from WCCC). As usual we will have a reception for them all in the library area following the church service. Please come and help celebrate our special members and their accomplishments!



Homeless mats are often made of plastic grocery bags that are cut into strips and turned into plarn.

The mats are lightweight, portable, and easy to clean. They provide comfort, insulation and protection from the ground, helping to keep a homeless person dry.

They are moisture resistant and durable. They can help prevent pressure wounds and other health issues.

Making mats is also a creative way to repurpose plastic grocery bags.

Special Sundays

Peace with Justice Sunday

Your gifts to this special offering support peace with justice ministries through the General Board of Church and Society and the annual conference. Prayerfully consider donating to this special offering on Sunday, June 15.

Strawberry Festival

Trinity will hold its Strawberry Festival this year on Friday, June 13 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. As always, get ready for delicious cake, fresh strawberries, and ice cream as well as a selection of sandwiches, sides, and beverages to complete your meal.

Tickets are on sale now and may also be purchased at the door. Take-out will be available. We will need people to help set up, serve, and clean up. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. We look forward to seeing you there!

Father's Day

Please come to church on June 15 to honor all the fathers of our congregation. A small gift will be given to each father to show our appreciation for all they do for us. The gifts are donated by Jane Pogue in memory of her father, Bob Pogue.

Judy Family

Farewell Luncheon

BY JANE POGUE

As you may know, Pastor Justin and his family will be leaving us soon. He has been appointed to Grace United Methodist Church in Somerset, effective July 1. His last official day of preaching will be Sunday, June 15, but he will still be our minister through June 30.

Knowing how much we will be missing them all, Trinity will host a farewell luncheon after church on Sunday, June 22. We truly hope you will come and wish them well on the next part of their journey. All members of the congregation will be

receiving a letter soon concerning our plans for the Judy family. A sign-up sheet for the luncheon is in the vestibule. Please sign up by June 15 if you plan to attend.



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)
Carol Jean Stude-Gartung
Pastor Justin Judy and family
Harry and Marge Little
Paolo (Olga's brother)
Donna Piper
Sandy and Jim (Joanne Ondulich's and Bob Lovre's cousins)
Florence Yobst (Danielle Mallik's grandmother)

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

Birthdays

2 Nick Mallik
3 Josh Ruccio, Nate Ruccio
4 Michael Cromer
9 Tim Johnson
16 Crystal Loutsenhizer
17 Jerry Breaky
20 Sandy Chiappetta
22 Dana Venturo
24 Stephanie Jones, Heather Conlogue
26 Ronda Powell
27 Ed Aubele
30 Judy Mason, Lily Venturo

Anniversaries

18 Steve and Lori Dorko
20 Justin and Stephanie Judy
27 George and Julie Silowash

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.

June

Altar Flowers

1 open
8 Matthew Knopf
Lou Booher
15 Marlene and Roger VanRyn
22 Susan Gibson and
Sandy Yamamoto
29 open



June

Lots of Things Happening in June!

1. **Saturday, June 7** – Jonathan Judy’s graduation party in the church social hall starting at 1 p.m.
2. **Sunday, June 8** – Graduation and Baptism Sunday. A small reception will be held in the library area following the service.
3. **Friday, June 13** – Strawberry Festival from 4:30 to 7 p.m.
4. **Saturday, June 14** – Homeless Mat training at 2 p.m.
5. **Sunday, June 15** – Father’s Day will be celebrated. All fathers will receive a small gift of appreciation. Also, it will be Pastor Justin’s last official day of preaching before transferring to Somerset.
6. **Sunday, June 22** – A Farwell Luncheon will be held for the Judy Family in the social hall following the church service. Come and visit with the family one more time.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
1 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion <i>Ascension Sunday</i>	2 1 p.m. Senior Friends	3	4	5	6	7 1 p.m. Jonathan Judy’s graduation party
8 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/ Baptism/Graduate Recognition <i>Pentecost</i>	9 1 p.m. Senior Friends	10 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council Meeting	11	12	13 4:30-7 p.m. Strawberry Festival	14 2 p.m. Mat Making
				Annual Conference		
15 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <i>Father’s Day</i> <i>Peace with Justice Sunday</i>	16 1 p.m. Senior Friends	17 Tempo Deadline	18	19 <i>Juneteenth</i>	20	21
22 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship 12:15 p.m. Judy Family Farewell Luncheon	23 1 p.m. Senior Friends	24	25	26	27	28
29 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	30 1 p.m. Senior Friends	1	2	3	4 <i>Independence Day</i> <i>(church office closed)</i>	5

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Tempo Deadline

Articles for the June issue of the newsletter are due in the church office by Tuesday, June 17, 2025.



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Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.

Prayer Space

The Western PA Conference has created a new online prayer space. Volunteers are invited to commune with God and to offer prayers of praise and adoration, of petition and intercession, of thanksgiving.

Go to the Western PA Conference website at wpaumc.org/prayer to learn more about this new opportunity and to participate.

