



TRINITY SPIRIT

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Upcoming Events

September 7

Sunday School Begins

September 11

Choir Begins

September 14

Holy Communion/

Perfect Attendance Awards

September 28

Meatloaf Dinner

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Dear Members and Friends of Trinity,

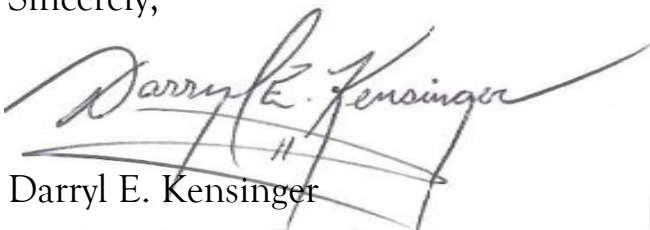
I have two aunts who live in St. Petersburg, FL. Recently, they made a trip to Bland, Virginia and visited my mother and brothers. While they were there I talked to them on the telephone and used the computer to see and talk to them. I had not seen them in several years and it reminds me how life constantly moves forward. I looked on the computer screen and see my cousins who drove to Virginia as adults; older than my parents were when we were children playing grandma's back yard.

When we reflect on a young child playing we often say "I don't remember ever having that much energy." Aging has a way of slowing us down. Vance Havner a southern pastor who lived from 1901-1986, said "We need youth to keep things from going too slow and age to keep things from going too fast. And between the two the "over-forties" have the supreme opportunity of balancing enthusiasm with experience."

I like that statement. As I continue to grow older it is my prayer that God will continue to guide me daily, and as the "serenity prayer" states: God grant me the serenity to accept things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

May God lead and guide, and bless us all as we continue to live for Him.

Sincerely,


Darryl E. Kensinger





Baptisms:

We congratulate McKayla Lynn Hosler on the occasion of her Baptism which was held July 20, 2014 here at Trinity. McKayla was born on March 24, 2014 and is the daughter of Elizabeth Hosler.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy
to the family and friends of ~

- *Jayne Myers, who died on June 24, 2014.*
- *Ruth Wychulis, who died on August 5, 2014.*

We ask God to comfort their families at this time of loss.



If you would like to receive an email letting you know when a new Trinity Spirit is on the website, please contact the church office with your email address at officetamaquatrinity@verizon.net or return this form to the church office. You will also receive reminders of upcoming events and important church happenings. Please use this form if your email address has changed and you are no longer receiving updates. Thank you!

Name: _____

Email address: _____



Mark your Calendars! On Sunday, September 28, 2014 the Founders Hall group will serve a buffet style Meatloaf Dinner from 11:00 am till 1:00 pm in Founders hall. The cost of the dinner is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12. We look forward to seeing you there!

Hospitalizations

If you or someone you know is hospitalized, please call the church office at 668-4139. Due to the HIPAA Law names are no longer published in the newspaper and we are not contacted by the hospital unless the patient requests it, when admitted, let them know you are a member of Trinity United Church of Christ. Also if you've added a name to the prayer list please keep the church office informed if the individual needs to be removed. Thank you!

Sunday Church School begins on Sunday, September 7th at 8:45. We provide classes for all ages and encourage you to bring your children (grandchildren) and become a part of our adult class yourself. Perfect Attendance Awards for last year will be presented during the service on September 14th.



CAUTION: Due to the improvements to the downstairs that will be taking place over the next few weeks please use caution when entering and exiting the building. We are all looking forward to seeing the improvements when they are done!

DEADLINE:

All information for **October issue** of the "*Trinity Spirit*" is due at the church office no later than Monday, September 22, 2014. You may e-mail your information to officetamaquatrinity@verizon.net or drop it in the secretary's mailbox. Thank you for your co-operation!



Please continue to use your Boyer's key tag every time you shop in any Boyer's Markets. Thank you for your participation in this program.

There will be a coffee hour in Founders Hall on Sunday, **October 5th** following the worship service. YOU are not only invited but urged to join us.



1 Samuel 15:25

“²⁵Now therefore, I pray, pardon my sin, and return with me, so that I may worship the LORD.”

FALL - 2014

Prayer Shawl Ministry

As we enter the fall season, our “Prayer Shawl Ministry” here at Trinity Church is very busy as we continue to share our church’s mission to pray for and to reach out to those in need.

Currently, we have a request for (60) quilts for young people living at Bethany Children’s Home. Our goal is to complete all the machine sewn quilts by the middle of December in order to present our gifts to the young people for Christmas. We are bringing our portable sewing machines every week and sewing various quilt patterns.

Our meetings are held every Saturday of the month starting at 1:00 PM. It is a time of fun, fellowship and a time to relax after a busy or stressful week. If you are unable to join us, you may make these items at home, bring them to church or give your gift to anyone participating in our outreach program.

Shawl materials (yarn and needles) and quilting materials are available and will be provided to those willing to join in our ministry. We also have many types of looms for those seeking a new challenge, rather than learning to knit or crochet.

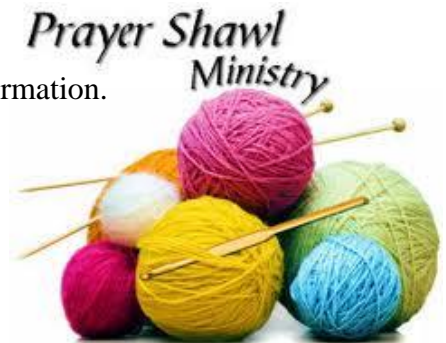
Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and share in our ministry. God has blessed each of us with special talents. You can thank Him by using those talents to share your love with our brothers and sisters in need.

A very special thank you to all those providing yarn, material and monetary donations to further our church’s mission.

Please contact Maria Zeigler or Ruthy Kerr for further information.

Blessings to you all,

Ruthy Kerr
Prayer Shawl Committee Chairperson



FISHER/McCONNELL SCHOLARSHIP

ATTENDANCE/SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The following criteria will apply to all Junior and Senior high school students who are members of Trinity United Church of Christ and are planning to apply for the Fisher/McConnell/Johnson Scholarship.

1. Current Juniors will attend the Sunday morning worship service at least once a month during their Junior and Senior years beginning with the month of June following the completion of the Sophomore year of high school.

*** There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex to record attendance.

2. Students must complete (10) hours of service to the Church each year. Suggested activities include: Lector, Usher, Greeter, Acolyte, Crucifer, VBS Assistant, Chimer, outside spring clean-up, special music, Sunday School teacher or assistant, and Nursery attendant. Projects are not limited to those listed. Students must complete a total of (20) hours during the Junior and Senior years.

***Please note: Any Service on any given Sunday will complete a (1) hour requirement.

3. Recipients must be present at the church service following high school graduation to accept the scholarship. Failure to do so may result in forfeiting the scholarship for the current year. Application will have to be completed during the following year.

Please contact Ruthy Kerr, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee or the Pastor for further information.

Church World Service Blankets + Sunday

October 5, 2014

How does your support change lives?

Contributions to CWS Blankets and CWS Tools mean Church World Service will be ready to help families around the world recover from disasters and displacement. What's more, we'll be there to help people gain the resources and develop the skills necessary to build – or rebuild – sustainable lives and communities.

Some ways your support plays out in real life:

- Through homeless shelters and warming stations that offered warm CWS Blankets and relief for individuals during dangerously cold weather like the arctic blast that hit the Midwest in January 2014.

- Through CWS relief and recovery assistance to communities in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Ohio and Kentucky following a November 2013 outbreak of tornadoes, hail and high winds.

- Through tools, seeds and microcredit loans for members of CWS-supported agricultural co-ops in rural, poverty-prone communities in Haiti.

Food cooperatives in Haiti's Northwest and Artibonite regions face challenges every season. But they're also meeting the challenge of providing food for their members and their families. "It means life to us," said Elvius St. Fulis, a member of one of the co-ops.



Haiti, Chris Herlinger/CWS

- Through the 11,400 CWS Blankets sent to relief agencies and churches in New York, New Jersey, West Virginia and Pennsylvania for people impacted by Hurricane Sandy. And through CWS disaster-recovery workshops attended by more than 1,200 people in affected communities.



Indonesia, Paul Jeffrey/ACT Alliance

- Through fishing boats that are helping fishermen like Ahmad Syarif build sustainable livelihoods and provide for their families.

Using boats provided with the help of CWS, Ahmad Syarif and fellow members of the Tolong Menolong Fishers Group have strengthened both their earning potential and their resilience.

Here at Trinity, we continue to participate with the Blankets + Program. Our goal each year is to send \$1000.00. Our Joyful Noise offerings help us to meet our goal, but the majority of the money comes from you. A blanket costs \$5.00, how many can you afford to send?

This special offering will be collected on Sunday, October 5, 2014. Checks should be made out to Trinity UCC so we can send the money with one check, that way, our church gets the credit for the donation and you get credit for a donation to the church.

Evangelism and Outreach Committee

Providing blankets and so much more.



\$50 can provide five warm blankets for a family left homeless by a tomado or other disaster.



\$110 can provide an emergency food package for a family of five for one month.



\$200 can provide 20 mosquito nets to help keep families safe from the bite of mosquitos and the illnesses they bring.



\$1,000 can equip a village well with a pump and provide hygiene training.

Please give generously. Thank you!

To learn more, please visit
cwsglobal.org

FRIENDS IN NEED FOOD PANTRY

A big “THANK YOU” to all of you who continue to support this important outreach ministry. A box is located in the Narthex for your donations.

Here is a list of items we are collecting for the upcoming months:

Trinity's Friends in Need Food of the Month:

September – Pancake Mix/ Syrup and Cereal

October– Soups and Baked Beans

November – Spaghetti Sauce/ Pasta

While we are grateful for all of the food items we receive, we also need to continually replenish our money reserve. These monies are used to purchase perishable food items for EVERY food order we fill. We are always very grateful for any monetary donations we receive.



Reminder: Trinity is on Facebook, go to our website: www.tamaquatrinity.com and click on the Facebook link at the bottom of the page. You can share photos and keep up-to-date with everyday happenings. Any questions contact Melody in the office.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

World Communion Sunday will be observed on Sunday, October 5, 2014 with The Celebration of the Eucharist during our 10:00 am morning worship service. Join Us as We Celebrate with Christians worldwide!



Thank You

Thanks to all who made our recent Vacation Bible School successful! Our total attendance each day was around 40. This was a great response made possible by our devoted staff.

2014-2015 CONFIRMATION CLASS FORMING

We are in the process of organizing the Confirmation Class which will begin studies on Sunday, September 7th with the beginning of Sunday Church School. Mrs. Dolinsky is the teacher on Sunday mornings. Students must be 12 years old or older to participate. Call or stop in the church office. (668-4139) The Rite of Confirmation will take place on Sunday, May 24, 2015.



Harvest Home ~ October 12th

Harvest Home will be celebrated this year on October 12th during the Morning Worship service. We are asking for donations of Mums to decorate the sanctuary. Items needed for our Friends in Need Food Pantry would also be appreciated.



These items are as follows: Canned goods (corn, peas, green beans, etc.) Soup, Sauerkraut, Cereal, Tuna, and Tuna Helper. Items can be dropped off on **Saturday, October 11th beginning at 9 a.m.** Thank you to everyone who helped or donated with last year's Harvest Home.

The Lord is my Shepherd --That's RELATIONSHIP!

I shall not want -- That's SUPPLY!

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures -- That's REST!

He leadeth me beside still waters -- That's REFRESHMENT!

He restoreth my soul -- That's HEALING!

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness -- That's GUIDANCE!

For His name sake -- That's PURPOSE!

Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil -- That's PROTECTION!

For thou art with me -- That's FAITHFULNESS!

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me -- That's COMFORT!

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies -- That's HOPE!

Thou anointest my head with oil -- That's CONSECRATION!

My cup runneth over -- That's ABUNDANCE!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life -- That's BLESSING!

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord -- That's SECURITY!

Forever -- That's ETERNITY!

~Author Unknown~



Rummage Sale

Trinity United Church of Christ
22 Lafayette Street
Tamaqua, PA 18252

- ❖ Monday, October 20 – 5:00 pm -8:00 pm
- ❖ Tuesday, October 21 – 11:00 am -7:00 pm
- ❖ Wednesday, October 22 - 9:00 am -1:00 pm

Baked Goods and Refreshments available!

Items for the sale may be brought to the church during
regular office hours.

Acolyte Schedule

September/ October 2014

September 7	Joshua Derrick ~ A	
September 14	Lottie Mateyak ~ A	Leah Mateyak ~ C
September 21	Ryan Folk ~ A	Justin Folk ~ C
September 28	Abby Fiorilla ~ A	Joshua Derrick ~ C
October 5	Brandi DeAngelo ~A	Bryce DeAngelo ~ C
October 12	Leah Mateyak ~ A	Sadie Morrison ~ C
October 19	Jaylen Smith~ A	Dylan Nelson ~C
October 26	Lottie Mateyak ~ A	Sadie Morrison ~ C

Notes: Welcome back from your summer. Please check the schedule and let me know ASAP if you are unable to serve. If your name is not listed or if anyone would like to be an acolyte and crucifer please let me know.

Thank you,
Diane Chicanavage, Director
668-1444



GREETER AND USHER SCHEDULE

September 2014

ATTENTION GREETERS AND USHERS: Please check to see when you are scheduled to serve.

Please contact Ali Morrison if you are unable to serve on the scheduled date and cannot find your own replacement – 570-668-7283. Thank you to all who serve as Greeters and Ushers.

September 7

G - Donald and Alice Tayler

U - Paul Miller and Jack Myers

September 21

G - Charlie and Sally Mateyak

U – Amy, Lottie, and Leah Mateyak

September 14

G - Earl and David Billig

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September 28

G – Phyllis Pruett and Delores Martin

U – Russell Teter and Richard Hadesty Sr.



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FALL
ACORNS
WIND
TREES
APPLES
PUMPKINS
MAPLESYRUP
SCARECROW
CORN
RAKE
SQUIRREL
HAY
TURKEY

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Especially for:

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
8:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM
Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 PM ~ 5:00 PM

