



Dear Friends

We are excited to have fall right around the corner and to be able to restart some of the programs that COVID has disrupted.

Our Adult Sunday School class which begins at 8:45 am will be meeting on Sundays to study [Chasing David](#). This class will be team taught and will be using videos for lecture and then have class discussion.

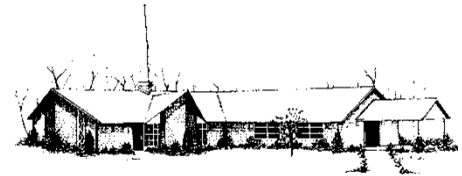
Our kids Sunday school will also be back and will be using Sparkhouse all kids' curriculum. This will help our kids hear some of the essential stories of scripture and build strong friendships with each other. Sunday School will start on September 12.

We will have a Blessing of Backpacks on August 22 with make your own backpack tag and prayers for our students and teachers.

We are hopeful to have our choir back singing but need to have a good grasp of how many singers we have. If you would like to sing with us this fall and winter, please let Pam or Meryl know.

Looking forward to being back together

Pastor Jen



# GOOD NEWS OF TRINITY

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**AUGUST 2021**



## The Women of Trinity Notes August 2021

Women of Trinity - July 29, 2021 meeting highlights

Our meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Jen Baer

Treasurer's report was given by Carol Hobbs

Fellowship of the Least Coin offering - \$28 donated to date. An additional offering was taken at this meeting, adding another \$33 to our total = \$61. We usually try to raise and send \$100 by the end of the year.

Prayer Shawl Ministry report by Carol Hobbs. The knitters will donate scarves again this year at Christmas time to the members of the Dallas Senior Center. We thank them for their generosity to our area seniors.

Greeting card ministry report by Betsy Fairchild. We thank Betsy for her continued efforts to reach out to our church members and others with cards and notes. Several cards have been sent so far in 2021 with many positive comments from their recipients.

We hosted the reception on the lawn after the church service on Father's Day, June 20 – thank you to everyone who helped.

Thank you also to those who made donations and helped with the rummage sale.

Thank you to everyone who brought in food and monetary donations for the Back Mountain Food Pantry No Hungry Tummies Program. Cash donations totaled \$250, and we also received 4 large containers of nonperishable food (about 200 pounds) for this children's summer nutrition program.

We will place the flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.

Suggestions were solicited for future meeting dates and places to meet. Wednesdays and Thursdays seemed to be the best days of the week for the group members, and they mentioned Irem, Agolinos and the Skillet as good choices of a place to meet. Several restaurants in the Back Mountain are not open for lunch at this time.

Suggestions for a fundraiser – in our last meeting, we all decided that the Bakeless Bake Sale would once again be our annual fundraiser to enable us to make a nice donation to the church operating account. This event will take place in the fall.

Suggestions for donations which were approved by the group: (1) NE Sight Services - \$100 (2) Meals on Wheels - \$100 (3) Camp Lackawanna – for 10 staff members – provide food for their Sunday lunch on August 1<sup>st</sup> - \$50-\$75.

A request was made for donations to the Women of Trinity annual budget – special offering envelopes were made available for this purpose.

Suggestions for a Christmas project: we will provide gift bags for the members of the Dallas Senior Center – to be given out at the Dallas Rotary annual Christmas party for the seniors at the Appletree Terrace in Dallas.

August meeting: Thursday, August 19 at noon at Agolinos in West Pittston.

September meeting: Thursday, September 16 at noon at the Irem Clubhouse.

Thoughts and prayers for our members and their families: in closing our meeting, special prayer requests were put forth by several members to pray for those who are ill or for those who are going through life changing experiences. They need our love and support.

**No Hungry Tummmies donation results** - Thank you to everyone who donated food and funds to this vital Back Mountain Food Pantry summer food program for children. Four large tubs of food were donated along with \$250 in monetary donations. Your caring and sharing with children in our community is needed and appreciated. *Sandy Peoples*

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Thank  
YOU



Upcoming Summer Receptions – Fun, Food, & Fellowship!

August 8, 2021	Allyson Lord
September 5, 2021	Kathy Stevens & Mary Jane Leo

## August Birthdays

08/10	Russ Newell
08/10	Maria Pavlick
08/13	Brian Johnson
08/26	Aime McGrady



## September Birthdays

09/12	Neil Morrison Jr.
09/15	Thelma Smith
09/22	Annie McCaffrey
09/23	Windsor Davis
09/23	Sherri Newell
09/24	Carol Vanstory
09/25	Tanya Christ
09/26	Lauren Cunius
09/27	Robert Stevens
09/30	Carol Hobbs

## August Anniversaries

08/05	Fred & Janet Hunt
08/21	Chuck & Kim Borland

## September Anniversaries

09/12	John & Nicole Fleschut
09/17	Lewis & Linda Baines

## Back to School with TLC



Our own TLC has been hard at work getting ready to go back to school this fall and with summer camp this summer. The classrooms have all been cleaned out and cupboards have been emptied and refilled. We have discovered so many wonderful treasures and have a better grasp of what we have and what we need. Many thanks to: our board, our staff and our new director who have put in countless hours to help get everything ready for the kids to come back this fall.



## **DEACONS NEWS**



<b>Board of Deacons: Cindy Williams, President</b>	
<b>Linda Baines</b>	<b>Al Brown</b>
<b>Tracey Chappell</b>	<b>Fred Hunt</b>
<b>Sandy Peoples</b>	<b>Barb Rinker</b>
<b>Michelle Rittenhouse</b>	<b>Karen Sassaman</b>
<b>Nancy Thomas</b>	<b>Nancy Williams</b>

### Pictorial Directory

Nicole and the Deacons continue to work on a printed pictorial directory of the members of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Rather than engage a professional photographer and go through all the issues that brings, we are simply going to publish small casual photographs of each family. For that purpose, we need a family picture from each family unit as they want to appear in the directory. This can certainly be a "selfie", and we hope many of you can just forward a photo from your smartphone to Nicole in the church office. Nicole also has the tools and skill necessary to work with a paper photograph, if you would prefer to supply that. She can scan and crop it as appropriate for our directory, and then return the photo to you. If you need a photograph taken and would like to do that following worship on a Sunday morning, look for Fred Hunt, Barbara Rinker or Sandy Peoples; one or more of these folks will be available every Sunday in August. If neither of these options work for your family call your Parish Deacon, or Fred Hunt and we'll come up with a plan.

As of this writing we have 22 photos, which, means that a little more than one third of our families have provided a picture. Please help us make this project a success.

Last year we made a sincere effort to update all the contact information for each Trinity Family and each member. All of that data has now been entered into our new software so our directory will pull from the latest information that we have. If you know that there are mistakes in the last printed directory that you received or if your information has changed, please contact the church office with the updates. Through this new software, we intend for all mailings and lists to come from a single, regularly updated source, eliminating past problems that occurred when different people were keeping different lists for different purposes.

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## Men's Club

### Trinity Men's Club

We met for breakfast on July the 10th and enjoyed a good meal, good fellowship and had a record number of members in attendance, since our "reopening" post COVID.

We began with a few minutes in the creation story (Genesis) and were reminded that God

was a worker and as beings created in his image, we are expected to be workers too. We agreed that as stated in Ecclesiastes (3:13) it is truly a gift from God that we "may eat and drink and find satisfaction in our toil".

Ken Jones has agreed to serve as our Chaplin, so the Club officers are:

President - Fred Hunt

Vice President and Treasurer – Wayne Williams

Chaplin – Ken Jones

Anyone with questions about the men's club should reach out to any of us.

We discussed the recent Chicken and & Biscuit Dinner and made some tentative plans for the next one:

- September 25th is now our tentative date. Please let Fred, Wayne or Ken know of any known conflicts or issues.
- Although we all recognize the value of opening our building to the community for dinner and fellowship, we agreed that our fall 2021 dinner will remain Take-out Only. Everyone was pleased with the Rummage Sale and our role in it. We agreed to add some signage to our grilling station for 2022, so people will know what is available and at what price.

Our thanks to Doug Stevens, Ken Jones and Rich Burkhart for getting up early and working hard to feed the participants at this ham operators meeting on July 4th, making this a successful fund raiser for the club. After discussing the pros and cons of our continuing involvement, we agreed to put off that decision until we know the 2022 date. We also agreed to make sure we revisited the issue early in 2022 so we can give the group plenty of notice if we decide to pass. Wayne Williams agreed to get the cash receipts into our account and match expenses to revenue for a final review of financial side of the event, which has now been done. Thank You Wayne!

We discussed a couple potential activities for the fall.

Finally, we learned about and talked about the Little Free Food Pantry program. The Men's Club has agreed to construct Trinity's Little Free Food Pantry should the church decide to move forward with the idea.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, August 7.



**Meals on Wheels**~ If you would like to volunteer for Meals on Wheels on any open dates, please call Meryl Davis @ (570) 310-1556.

August 12, 2021	Rich & Drena Gorgone	
August 26, 2021	Volunteers	Needed
September 9, 2021	Volunteers	Needed
September 23, 2021	Volunteers	Needed

LITURGISTS - The Session wishes to thank everyone who has volunteered to serve as Liturgists.

If you are interested in serving as a Liturgist, please check the poster on the bulletin board in the hallway and select a date. Rev. Baer is available to talk to anyone who has never been a liturgist but wants to give it a try.

Nicole Fleschut, Administrative Assistant, will send you your material prior to the date you are scheduled to be the Liturgist.

It will be in a large print format.

Thank you, Art Peoples, Clerk of Session

August 1, 2021	Janet Hunt
August 8, 2021	Fred Hunt
August 15, 2021	Jim Snyder and Meryl Davis
August 22, 2021	Meryl Davis
August 29, 2021	Barbara Rinker
September 5, 2021	
September 12, 2021	Wayne Williams
September 19, 2021	
September 26, 2021	Barbara Rinker
October 3, 2021	Meryl Davis
October 10, 2021	

## Outreach and Deacons are Hosting a School Supplies Drive in August

Be on the lookout for good school supplies prices and scoop up those deals to help out locally and nationally for children and families who need school supplies. We will be collecting the first few weeks in August.

Here is what we need:

backpacks,  
binders,  
notebooks,  
tablets,  
pens,  
pencils,  
washable markers,  
erasers,  
permanent markers,  
crayons,  
tape,  
scissors,  
staples,  
binder clips,  
rulers,  
pencil sharpeners,  
white paper,  
construction paper,  
glue sticks,  
post it notes,  
paper clips,  
highlighters,  
pencil cases,  
rubber bands.

