

Dear Friends

Happy February! What a wonderful month to think about love and to celebrate how we care for each other in community. Church is a wonderful way to show our love of God and for each other.

I am thankful for the loving ways we serve God by sharing of our time, talents, and treasure in support of the church. I see the small and large gestures of love from setting up and cleaning up for events, generous giving in support of the church from our bounty, and showing up to worship both online and in person. All of these gestures of love transform our church and transform us in gratitude and love for God.

We also show up for each other in love: we call, text, send notes, send gifts, we pray for each other and we pay attention to what is going on in the life of those we care about. We love each other when life is good and we love each other when life is hard. The love that we show for each other each time we show up, is a gift of grace reminding us of God's love for us.

So let's focus on love this month;

Caring for each other and serving God.

Blessings

GOOD NEWS OF TRINITY

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February 2022

Pastor Jen



Women of Trinity – February 2022 Notes

Thank you to Allyson Lord for hosting the women's Christmas party, providing lunch for the group, and helping us get into the spirit of the season at her beautifully decorated Christmas house.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry, led by Carol Hobbs and Alice Kocher, provided scarves for the members of the Dallas Active Adult Center.

Our Greeting Card Ministry, chaired by Betsy Fairchild, sent more than a dozen Christmas cards to church members and friends who are on our special care list.

Our third annual Bakeless Bake Sale fundraiser was a big success. All proceeds will be donated to the general fund/operating account of the church.

Thank you to the women who generously donated \$1,000 which will be presented to our church treasurer Karen Perzia in January.

Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women – the women donated \$230.00 which will be sent to the Presbyterian Women's Association in early January.

The women hosted the second Sunday reception on December 12. We called it "Come Home for Christmas." The delicious homemade baked good and punch were enjoyed by all. But most importantly, it offered all of us an opportunity for much needed fellowship with our church friends. Thank you to the committee for helping make it happen.

There will be no women's meetings in January and February due to the cold weather and anticipated snow. We will resume our meetings in March 2022. Think Spring! Watch the newsletter and bulletins for upcoming meeting dates and locations.

As always, our thoughts and prayers are with our members, their families, our country and our world. We also pray for the safety of our men and women in our armed forces who were near and far from home during the holiday season.



February Birthdays

02/08	Kathy Stevens
02/11	Arthur Peoples
02/17	Clarence Givens
02/25	Allan Hobbs
02/25	Al Brown
02/25	Carl Sgarlat, Sr.
02/27	Doug Stevens



February Anniversary02/28Phil & Leona Walter

March Anniversaries

03/28	Mike & Karen Perzia
03/29	Doug & Kathy Stevens

March Birthdays

03/03	Emma Sgarlat
03/04	Stephanie Baines
03/05	Jane Miller
03/05	Kevin Burkhardt
03/05	Bradley Johnson
03/05	Grayson McKinley
03/05	Shirley Wolfkeil
03/06	Brandon Fleschut
03/13	Barbara Koehl
03/14	Mary Morrison
03/15	Sandy Peoples
03/16	Leona Walter
03/17	Steven Newell
03/22	Megan Johnson
03/23	Dylan Pilger
03/24	Emily Jenkins
03/27	Elizabeth Stevens
03/30	Ken Jones

<u>Flower Chart</u> There is a flower chart sign-up sheet in hallway for anyone wishing to honor a loved one. The cost is \$35 per week so please plan accordingly.



February 6, 2022	Joshua & Kristina Coy	March 6, 2022	Fleschut
February 13, 2022	Cindy Williams	March 13, 2022	Nancy Thomas
February 20, 2022	Wayne & Marianne Williams	March 20, 2022	
February 27, 2022	Beth Davis	March 27, 2022	Newell Family



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

February 10, 2022	Walt & Susan Yeager
February 24, 2022	Volunteers Needed
March 10, 2022	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.

Thank you, Art Peoples, Clerk of Session

Men's Club

February 6, 2022	Wayne Williams
February 13, 2022	Michael Williams
February 20,2022	Barbara Rinker
February 27, 2022	Abbie Coy
March 6, 2022	Sherri Newell
March 13, 2022	Barbara Rinker
March 20, 2022	Meryl Davis
March 27, 2022	Sherri Newell

Men's Club meeting will be February 5th @ 8:30 am Lum's.

Chili Cook Off – On February 13th our 11th annual Chili cook-off will be held (COVID conditions dependent). There will be prizes for: Meatiest, Beaniest, Spiciest, and best all around. Even if you do not like chili this will be great chance for fellowship and there will be lots of delicious food to share.



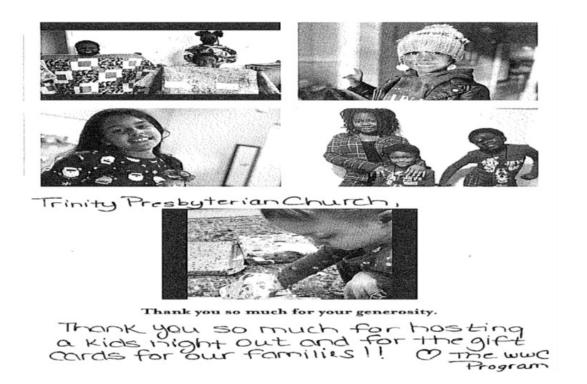
Please sign up on poster in hallway if you plan on attending. A final count for those attending are February 6th !



Help is wanted to set up for our Chili Cook-Off! If you can spare some time to give us a hand on February 11th or 12^{th,} please let me know.

The exact time is yet to be determined but will probably be in the early afternoon either day. We will also need a few people to help with the chili samples and the pot luck table.

Please contact Kathy (570-606-9926) if you can help. Thanks!



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Session Members: Arthur J. Peoples, Clerk of SessionMark ChappellSharon DavisMary Jane LeoSherri NewellKaren PerziaJennifer SgarlatKathy StevensWayne Williams

The regular meeting of the Session was held on January 17, 2022, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dallas, PA. The following items were discussed and acted upon by the Session.

- 1. Communion will be held by Intinction on February 6 and March 6, 2022.
- Elder Karen Perzia, Treasurer, presented the 2022 budget for Trinity. The total income is projected at \$125,664, total expenses are projected at 203,758 reflecting a deficit of \$ 78,094. The 2022 budget was approved. Pledges to date are \$86,464.
- 3. Elder Karen Perzia, Treasurer, presented the 2022 Terms of Call for the Rev. Jennifer Baer. The Total Pastor Terms of Call \$ 92,616. This proposal will be presented to the congregation on February 6, 2022.
- 4. The Session reviewed the recommendations of the Nominating Committee and will forward the following names for election on February 6, 2022. Deacons for the Class of 2024: Megan Davis, Chuck Borland, Beth Davis, and Bette Handley; for the Class of 2022: Allyson Lord, and Kathy Stevens for the Class of 2023. The committee also recommended the following for Elders, Class of 2024: Meryl Davis, Ken Jones, and Barbara Rinker.
- 5. The Women of Trinity donated \$1,000.00 to the Operating account of Trinity for 2022. The Session expressed their appreciation to the Women of Trinity for their support.
- 6. The Session approved scheduling the next two Session meetings: February 28, 2022 and March 21, 2022.
- The Session reviewed the COVID mask policy in light of the increased COVID numbers. After discussion, the Elders voted to maintain the present policy. The Session did decide to recommend that wearing masks is highly recommended.
- 8. The Session expressed their appreciation to Kathy Stevens and Jennifer Sgarlat, retiring Elders, for their service to Trinity as members of the Class of 2021.

Respectfully Submitted, Art Peoples, Clerk of Session

NOTICE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS & ANNUAL REPORTS

On January 16, 2022, the Annual Reports are due from all committee and organization chairs of Trinity. The reports should be sent by e-mail or delivered on a thumb drive to Nicole Fleschut, Administrative Assistant. The font type for the Annual Report is Arial.

On January 16, 2022, the Audit Committee has requested that all committees and organizations provide their financial books and records to the Audit Committee. The books and records should be given to Nicole Fleschut, Administrative Assistant, who will ensure that the records are properly secured and delivered to the Audit Team. The affected organizations are: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Trinity Learning Center, Board of Deacons, Endowment Fund, Women of Trinity, Trinity Men's Club and The Memorial Wall and Garden Committee.

On January 30, 2022, copies of the Annual Report will be made available for members of the Congregation to pick up at the church or they can be sent to you by email.

On February 6, 2022, the Annual Congregational Meeting will be held following the Sunday Church Service. In addition to the annual review we will elect new Elders and Deacon for the Class of 2024 and replacement Elders and Deacons for the Classes of 2022 and 2023.

Arthur J. Peoples, Clerk of Session



Newsletter articles need to be submitted to the church office by February 22. They need to be emailed to trinitypress@frontiernet.net along with any images.