Trinity Tidings

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Hearts Set on Pilgrimage

Blessed are those whose strength is in you, who have set their hearts on pilgrimage.

Psalm 84:6 (NIV)

At the end of this month 22 of us will be making a Reformation Pilgrimage. We will travel to the key sites of our Presbyterian heritage in Scotland and some of us will go on to The Republic of Ireland and then to Northern Ireland. It is a pilgrimage because it's a journey to broaden our knowledge and deepen our faith.

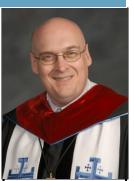
The psalmist says it is a blessing to have our hearts set on pilgrimage. Of course, Psalm 84 is a psalm about making pilgrimage to Jerusalem and there, entering "the courts of the Lord." 2023 will provide those who wish to make that pilgrimage—to Jerusalem—just such an opportunity. But whether going to see the burial place of John Knox in Edinburgh or the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, every believer is blessed by having a pilgrimage heart.

The Christian life is often likened to being on a journey with Jesus. It is a journey, that if truly made, must include growth in our knowledge and in our faith. Our life in Christ is about walking with the Lord so that our heart, mind and soul are being transformed. We don't stay in one place, we keep moving with God—that's what it is to have our hearts set on pilgrimage.

At Trinity we express our pilgrimage hearts through corporate worship, and small group studies and mission projects. In choirs and circles, we are learning to follow Christ together. As the church year ends and we take some time for refreshment and relaxation, plans will soon be underway for a new year of pilgrimage. I hope you will be part of the journey! We need you to be with us! If you will join in, then my pilgrimage heart—and yours!—will have great cause to be

Hoping Big!

Gregory



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News & Notes

In Memoriam:

Richard Dale Wolbach United with Trinity, March 24, 1991; Died, May 19, 2022

We express our sympathies to **Gloria Wolbach** and family on the death of her husband, **Richard Wolbach**.

Celebrations:

We celebrate the baptism of ...

Ruby Susannah Kain daughter of Becky and Brian Kain and Jack Arthur Kain son of Becky and Brian Kain

Journey Viola Sedeyn daughter of Jaclynn and Jonathan Sedeyn



Session Update

At its stated meeting on May 2, 2022 the Session:

- Approved membership count of 642
- Scheduled a Congregational Meeting on May 22 to approve the new bylaws
- Reviewed Baptism, Communion, and Attendance Report
- Received reports from Revs. Faulkner and Craven
- Reviewed Trinity's March Financial Reports
- Discussed masking policy in the pews reserved for social distanced worship
- Shared prayer concerns and closed in prayer



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Spiritual Renewal Weekend

October 29-31, 2022



Noted author, Stephanie Saldaña will lead our next spiritual renewal weekend this coming October. You will not want to miss this time of learning and prayer. Stephanie is a gifted writer and storyteller. She is also a profoundly wise woman who is able to throw new light on the old, old story of God's love. Listening to her gently approach a Biblical story is to find yourself drawn into the reality of the story so that you leave changed.

I am so glad to be able to have Stephanie travel from the Holy Land to be with our church family here in Cherry Hill. I am asking you to make plans now to join us for this event which will take place on Friday evening, Saturday morning/early afternoon and conclude on Sunday morning.



Care 'n Share

Care 'n Share is winding down for the year. Please no more donations! We will start our half price sale on Saturday, June 4 & continue on Tuesday, June 7 & Thursday, June 9. Also on June 9 is our \$5 bag sale.



Care 'n Share

Thanks for all your great stuff that allows us to make generous donations to local missions!

A big thank you to our volunteers who worked with less help than previous years. We are hoping to change that in September. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Eileen Rankin, eileenrank@comcast.net

Have a great summer. Check Work & Worship for a date in August when we will be accepting fall clothing & housewares.

Children's Ministries

SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL



Church School has been very busy in May. On May 1st, our school age children decorated placemats for the Cathedral Kitchen. On May 8th many of our families participated in the Family Worship Service led by Pastor Sarah.

SUNDAY FUN DAY WAS BACK! On May 15th we once again celebrated the SUNDAY FUN DAY. After the service we served hot dogs, salads and other side dishes. There were fun games for the children and of course the CUPCAKE CONTEST! We had 3 groups Youth, Teen and Adult.

Congratulations to all the winners. Of course there was an ICE CREAM TRUCK. We would like to thank all those who supplied wonderful side dishes and some cupcakes that were not to be judged. Thank you for our

young people that set up the tables and helped on Saturday morning. Thank you to Tommy Digneo, Dylan Cardea and Doug Nork for judging the cupcake contest. A special thank you for Bill Carboni who was our wonderful hot dog cook.

On May 22 during the Worship Service, we thanked our teachers and helpers who were with our children during this program year. We would like to thank Pastor Sarah, Gary Naumick, Liz Nieradka, Pat Turner, Linda Craven, Katie Odille, Julie Roncinske, Blessy Vinitta, Ben Rieth, Roberta Ritchie, Deepa Albert, Meghan Craven, Janelle Curl, Rusty and Karan Sieh, Chris Slusser, Victoria Ebiri, Hannah Strobel, and Camrynn Curl.

Starting March 22nd through September 4th, we are looking for coverage for our children from infants through Kindergarten. They will be meeting in downstairs in Room 6. If you would like to help on a Sunday or two, please sign up during coffee hour or email Nancy Roberts at nancyroberts2202@yahoo.com.

Thank You. Have a healthy and safe summer!















Youth Ministries

Camp Johnsonburg



It is funny how you can continue to come across a meaningful place at different times in your life. Camp Johnsonburg has been one of those places for me.

My mother always loved to be outside and growing up, one of her favorite places to be was in the Adirondacks. One of the ways she let me experience this love of nature was to send me to camp. As a child I attended Camp Johnsonburg in the 60's.

I can remember swimming in the lake. We had a buddy system, which they still have today, with a board and tags. At night we sang around the campfire, and I still remember singing "Six Little Ducks" in a round. I still have the songbook in a box to this day! As campers we exchanged addresses and wrote to each other after camp.

As an adult I was talking to a camp director in Florida and mentioned I had attended Camp Johnsonburg. He told me about how they had helped the children after 9/11. It was amazing to me that even in Florida, Camp Johnsonburg was known for helping kids and responding to current events.

When we moved back to North Jersey, it was a joy to get to revisit Camp Johnsonburg and share memories of camp with Sarah when we made a trip for Sarah to be accepted as a Candidate for Ordination at the Newton Presbytery meeting that was held there.

As a member of Trinity, I went back to Johnsonburg on several mission trips to help redo a cabin and paint some cabins. This was another great way to get to know other members better while giving back. I believe I passed this appreciation of nature on to my two daughters.

Going to camp is a great way to be a part of God's creation and be in a community of faith and disconnect from the business of everyday life. They have so many more fun activates that the youth can participate in and be a part of now at Johnsonburg. I'm so glad Johnsonburg continues to seek ways to connect people to nature and each other in a welcoming environment.

If you'd like to learn or give to Camp Johnsonburg's "Marked for the Future" Campaign, you can go to https://www.campjburg.org/marked-for-the-future/ or donate through Easy Tithe under the special giving for Camp Johnsonburg.

- Linda Craven

Children's Music Ministry

5th Grade Bios

Ryan Bui

Ryan lives in Cherry Hill with his 13-year- old sister Alexis. Ryan started singing in choir when he was 4. He also plays soccer, runs track and plays in the band. Ryan loves mint cookie crumble ice cream, and his favorite food is lettuce. Ryan's favorite part of Trinity is the plays and bells. Ryan's favorite time to sing in church is "every day because singing is fun and gives me a break from work." Ryan's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> "was his mouse lines" and he learned "that Noah had 3 sons."

Grace Burgess

Grace lives in Haddon Township with her sister, Sofia, who is 14. Grace was 5 when she started singing in choir. Grace also does art, contemporary dance and plays the clarinet. Grace's favorite ice cream is cotton candy and her favorite food is a croissant. Grace's favorite part of Trinity is the stained glass. Grace's favorite time to sing in church is "Christmas because everyone is in a happy spirit." Grace's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> was "being Mrs. Noah" and Grace learned "memorizing lines wasn't as hard as it seemed."

Nicole Charles

Nikki lives in Marlton with her 17-year-old brother, Praise. Nikki started singing in choir when she was 4-5ish. Nikki also plays lacrosse. Mint chocolate is Nikki's favorite ice cream and macaroni and cheese is Nikki's favorite food. Nikki loves to watch movies with her family. Nikki's favorite part of Trinity is the stained glass because "it is cool." Nikki's favorite time to sing in church is "around spring for musical and during Christmas time." Nikki's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> "is when the animals were protesting", and I learned "that God promised it will not flood."

Tyler Hobbs

Tyler lives in Cherry Hill with his 8-year-old sister, Keira. Tyler started singing in choir when he was 4. He also does karate. Tyler's favorite ice cream is cookie dough, and his favorite food is dumplings. Tyler likes to spend time with his family. The wall is Tyler's favorite part of Trinity and his favorite time to sing is 5:30pm. Tyler's favorite part of Don't Rock the Ark was "being in front of a large audience and he also loved the show because it was unique and the jokes were funny."

Henry Kain

Henry lives in Wenonah with his brother, Milo, who is 8, his sister, Ruby, who is 2 and his 8-month-old brother, Jack. Henry started singing in choir when he was 4. He also plays basketball and baseball. Henry's favorite ice cream is mint chip, and his favorite food is shrimp with pasta. Henry likes to play basketball, Fortnite or cards with his family. Henry's favorite part of Trinity is "singing with my aunt, and my brother. Henry's favorite time to sing in church is "the play because I can be a big part of something." Henry's favorite part of Don't Rock the Ark was "being Noah because I saw the little kids learning to sing just like I did when I started choir."

Braydon Mast

Braydon lives in Cherry Hill with his brother, Landon, who is 9 and his sister, Hannah, who is 13. Braydon started singing in choir when he was 8. He also plays baseball and basketball. Braydon loves mint ice cream and mac and cheese. Braydon loves to watch movies and play board games with his family. Braydon's favorite part of Trinity is the stained-glass windows. Braydon's favorite time to sing in church is on Sunday during the play like <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u>. Braydon's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> was "the rainbow song and also when Madison danced."

Children's Music Ministry

Justin Odille

Justin lives in Evesham and began singing in choir when he was 4. Justin also plays bells. Chocolate is Justin's favorite ice cream and sushi is his favorite food. Justin loves to go on walks with his family. The playground is Justin's favorite part of Trinity. Christmas is Justin's favorite time to sing in church because "it is fun." Justin's favorite part of <u>Dont' Rock the Ark</u> was being a lion because "I am a good lion."

Madison Oster

Madison lives in Cherry Hill with her 8-year-old brother, Steven. Madison was 7 when she started singing in choir. She also dances. Madison loves cookie dough ice cream and pasta is her favorite food. Madison likes to go on vacation and celebrate the holidays with her family. Madison's favorite part of Trinity is "seeing everyone and the playground because she had preschool there." Madison's favorite time to sing in church is "the plays because she loves doing the church musicals." Madison's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> was "getting to be in it, being with everyone and singing the songs" and she learned "you always got to have faith."

Logan Watson

Logan lives in Cherry Hill with his sister, Gabriella, who is 14. Logan started singing in choir when he was 4. He also swims, plays basketball and soccer. Logan's favorite ice cream is orange sherbet with vanilla ice cream and while Logan doesn't have a favorite food, he likes root beer floats. Logan likes to play board games and video games with his family. Logan's favorite part of Trinity is the "free ice cream day and the cupcake contest." Logan's favorite time to sing in church is when he sings during the service with the rest of the age groups because "I like to sing with my sister." Logan's favorite part of <u>Don't Rock the Ark</u> was "the part with the monkeys protesting." He also learned "that a dove came back with an olive twig and then they knew dry land was nearby."





PW June Circles

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2022

MIRIAM Circle

Circle Moderator: Carolyn Kramer

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022

DEBORAH Circle

Circle Moderator: Doris Sapp

Ante Room

Witherspoon Bldg

MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022

PRISCILLA Circle 1pm

Circle Moderator: Jenny Stark Carboni

RUTH Circle: 6pm Picnic

Circle Moderators: Nancy Roberts & Susan Bastnagel

Zoom meeting

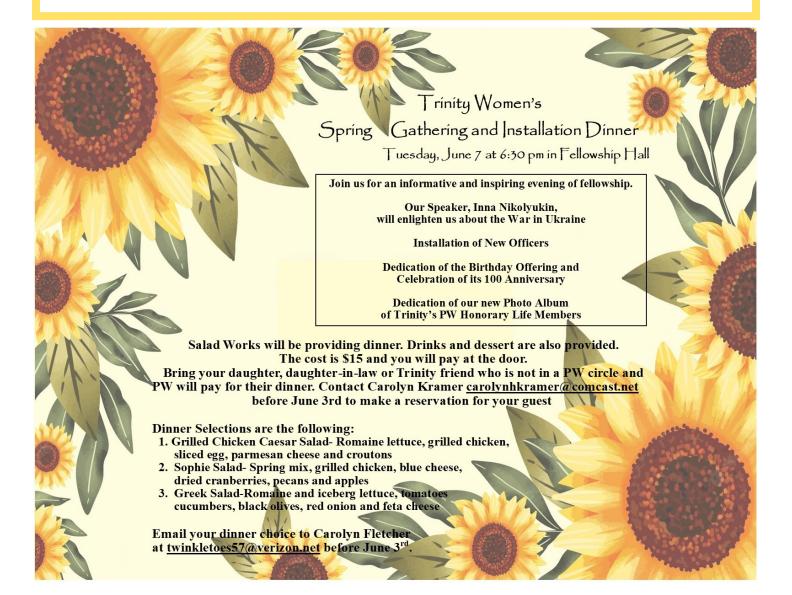
Nancy Roberts's house

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022

REBEKAH Circle Meeting will be in person Time & Location: TBD

SHIPHRAH Circle Meeting will be in person Location: TBD 7pm

Note: Esther Circle isn't meeting in June. Our last meeting will be May 22, 2022.



Hayley Lang Cohen Jesmont, the daughter of Janet and Steve Cohen, is also a child of our congregation. Baptized here as an infant and commissioned as a eight grader, she was taught and spiritually formed by Trinity Sunday school teachers and music directors. She was ordained as an Elder, back when one senior high student was asked to serve on the Session for a year-long term. She began the discernment process that led to her ordination in our Presbytery with the support and guidance of our elders.

It was Hayley who encouraged me to come to the Holy Land for a sabbatical and when I arrived in Jerusalem, hers was the first face I saw. During that month of watching Hayley work at the Tantur Ecumenical Institute, I saw her caring for people with compassion. I saw her teaching pastors and religious leaders with insight and poise. I saw her building relationships with people that impacted their lives because she loved not only in word, but in deed. I hope you will read the following article about Hayley, which the The Church of Scotland has just published. I encourage you to rejoice for her call and her commitment and to pray for her and her husband, Ross Jesmont, as they prepare to welcome their first child in just a few weeks.

-Dr. Faulkner

An East Lothian minster who has a dual Christian and Jewish identity has spoken of her passion for her calling.

Rev Hayley Cohen said she loves her role at Northesk Parish Church in Musselburgh because she engages with people from all walks of life and every day is different.



Rev Hayley Cohen

Originally from New Jersey in the USA, she shares the story of her journey in the latest Talking Ministry monthly interview.

Ms Cohen was ordained and inducted into Northesk Parish Church in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic in December 2020.

The daughter of a faithful Christian mother and a secular Jewish father, she said she is very proud to be from an interfaith family which she says has had a positive impact on her.

Celebrate difference

The minister explained: "When I felt a call to ministry I devoted a lot of time and energy digging into the relationship between Judaism and Christianity, particularly, learning how to construct a theology without supersessionism and avoiding anti-Judaism in my preaching and teaching. "This learning became essential, not just to my self-understanding but to my ministry. "I am very proud to come from an interfaith family as it taught me to understand and celebrate difference of belief."

Forest Church

Ms. Cohen said one particular favorite aspect of her ministry in Musselburgh is helping to run a local Forest Church group.

"I've always had a very nature-based spiritual practice so engaging people in nature with scripture and inviting them to worship God outside has been very rewarding," she added.

"Part of my call to Northesk is working one day a week with our presbytery. "I've been fortunate enough to join a team of ministers, readers, and elders, who are running a course to train lay people to lead worship in their congregations.

"Helping them gain confidence in leading prayers, organizing and implementing worship and preaching has been such a joy and I've learned so much from our students."

Encouragement

Ms. Cohen said she also works alongside Church colleagues in Musselburgh to build up a team-ministry in the community as they look towards an eventual union as part of presbytery planning. "Parish ministry can be such an isolating call so the opportunity to work with my colleagues is very energizing and enriching to my ministry," she added.

"The friendship, support and encouragement that comes from working alongside one another is a real blessing." Ms. Cohen is married to Ross who is ordained in the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Food Truck for R&M

A very sincere thank you to all of PW our circles and to Mission and Outreach for contributing to bring the Whizzle Cheese steak Food Truck for a special lunch at R & M Guest Home. The residents and staff really enjoyed their steaks and water ice. It was a lovely day and it was great to see so many smiles.





Trinity Library Corner

The library is open to all! Please visit to find new books on the cart, seasonal books on the tables, and plenty of others for you to read. If you have a suggestion for a book that should be in the library, please contact Michele Strobel at kndlkail@comcast.net or any of the library committee members.



Mission Thursday Special June Collection



Thank you for your support of our Mission Thursday projects. In June, in addition to our Book Smiles on-going collections for Cathedral Kitchen and the Cherry Hill Food Panty, our team is and the Cherry Hill Food Panty, our team is coordinating a book drive for BookSmiles, a south Jersey 501(c)3 non-profit. BookSmiles'

believes in "irrigating book deserts" helping all children to build a personal library. Check out this local news feature highlighting their good works: https://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2021/02/17/south-jersey-manlarry-abrams-booksmilesbooks-for-classrooms/.

What type of books does BookSmiles need?

- New and gently used children's books ·
- Fiction and Non-fiction (please, no encyclopedia, reference books, or religiously themed books)
- For children ages infant to 6th grade

A Collection Box will be available every Sunday in June in Fellowship Hall. No contact drop-off in front of Witherspoon Building will be June 16^{th} and 30^{th} from 10:00am -12:00pm.

Trinity's Solar Energy



On June 26, 2022 Trinity will have been collecting solar energy for 4 years! Over that time we will have produced approximately 145,974,000 Watts of electricity. In addition, we have been able to sell 140 Solar Renewable Energy Credits (SREC's) at an average price of \$222 each, totaling \$31,027. That money went towards paying the cost of the solar panels. The electricity we generated also reduced our electric bills by roughly \$27,700. By mid-summer this year, we will have paid the full cost of the solar panels and all future savings will positively impact our bottom line. An added benefit for the

environment is that by using solar energy, roughly 221,413 pounds of CO2 did not need to be generated by the electric company.

Stay Connected!



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Ways of Connecting with Trinity

Virtual Worship - Check our website every Sunday for our Virtual Worship services.

Phone Calls & Email— We are here for you! Call or email the Church Office, Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm. Pastors will also be making calls and reaching out to you.

Website— Visit our website to stay up-to-date with all happenings at Trinity, the scrolling web banner at the top of the page will link you to our most important information.

Eblasts– Check your inbox (and spam folders) for up-to-date Trinity news.

Facebook— Our Facebook site will also keep you informed. This is where you can post comments and share photos!

YouTube Videos— Check out our Virtual Worship videos but also videos of past musical performances and congregants sharing what makes Trinity such a great place to worship!

Instagram – Trinity now has an Instagram page! Follow us in this new venture on Instagram at @trinpres.

Prayer Wall— Do you know you can post prayer requests to our website? Simply click the connect tab on the top of or webpage. Then click prayer request to type and submit a prayer.

Zoom Groups— Many groups at Trinity are connecting through zoom— it's like a giant FaceTime session for a whole group of people! It can be done through a computer or phone— check with your group leaders to see if they are offering this option of meeting.

Please check with your group leaders to see if any Trinity groups will be meeting online or in-person in June



Next Tidings deadline is June 15th for July/August Issue

