

## **Trinity Times**

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May 2022



## Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Northwestern Ohio Synod - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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#### Alleluia, Christ has risen – Christ has risen indeed, Alleluia!

Yes, we are still in the Easter Season and will be until the end of May. Despite all that has gone on in the past couple of years, I have been so impressed by the

continuation of ministry at Trinity. Thank you to all of those who have helped to make Jesus known in our congregation and in the community. What a joy it was to come together for the Easter celebration and gather as community (as we did before the Pandemic) and remember the promise we have in Jesus' resurrection!

As we experienced a couple of days in the eighties, I am reminded of all the outdoor activities that begin to spring up such as: summer baseball, vacations, water activities, graduations, prom, ending of the school year for students and teachers, eating ice cream, and simply being outside among people. Please remember to keep all these activities in your prayers for a safe and fun filled time in the sun.

This warm weather activity is often reflected in our church attendance and giving. Please find ways to stay engaged with the congregation, especially during this time as we continue to look for a new pastor. Your financial gifts are also important to remember during this time as we head into summer. There is often a lull in giving during the summer, so plan ahead with your gift to the church.

And then, be sure to watch for upcoming events during the summer months. We are hoping to have a couple of opportunities to gather as a community. Let us continue to live out the Easter joy as we share the Good News of Jesus.

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Pastor Cathy



### YOUR SERVANTS AT TRINITY

**INTERIM PASTORS -**The Rev. Ralph Schibler The Rev. Catherine Schibler OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: Carol Dahs MUSICIAN: Adele Hoffman YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Sally Warner - 419 684-7850 **CUSTODIANS:** Jim Bertsch - 419 625-4377 Pat Wiedenheft - 419 625-8652 **PRESIDENT:** Carrie Wiedenheft **TREASURER:** Jim Bertsch DATA ENTRY: Shannon Limberios OFFICE PHONE: 419 626-0204 OFFICE HOURS: 9 am to 1 pm, M-F

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### **MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION**

All are invited to attend our Annual Memorial Day Celebration on Sunday, May 29 starting at 9:15 am. Our hope is to have it outside, around the flag pole. This of course will happen as soon as the 8:00 am worship service is over. Please make plans to join us as we remember those who have, and are still serving our nation.



## Good New Memory Verses

The Worship and Music Committee has come up with a monthly memory verse/s for everyone to memorize and pray about. May's verses are as follows:

John 6:38

for I have come down from heaven, not to do my will, but to do the will of him who sent me.

Psalm 34:1

*I* will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.



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This banner has been lovingly created by the hands of former choir members in loving memory of Phyllis M. Nuber a faithful and loved member of Trinity Lutheran Church Choir.

You can see this hanging in the church sanctuary currently. Thank you to all these generous souls.





The Call Committee had a second interview with a candidate but the candidate withdrew before they could present them to council. Pastor Henry Seibert hoped to have another candidate for us soon.

Please continue to pray for our new pastor to find their way here.

Tuesday, April	26, 2022	Page 1 of 1
Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance
Assets		
1.100.102	Checking Account	44,027.35
1.100.104	Petty Cash Fund	20.00
1.100.106	Thrivent Bond Fund Checking	60,054.80
1.200.114	Thrivent Money Market Account	377.00
1.220.116	Endowment Savings Thrivent	95,154.27
1.220.118	Mission Plus Investments (3 CD's)	3,872.66
1.400.110	Thirvent Moderate Fund (Reserve)	55,512.95
1.400.112	Thrivent Moderate Fund - Pavement	2,503.22
	Total Assets	\$261,522.25
Liabilities		
2.100.216	Ohio Treasurer of St	132.00
2.100.218	R.I.T.A.	148.14
2.100.219	Ohio Department of Taxation	22.59
	Total Liabilities	\$302.73
Fund Balances		
3.100.300	Current Fund Balance	25,823.36
3.210.300	Community Mission Fund Balance	11,523.95
3.220.300	Designated Giving Fund Balance	
3.221.300	Memoral Fund Balance	34,991.57
3.222.300	Endowment Fund Balance	99,026.93
3.223.300	Building Improvement Fund Balance	31,837.54
3.225.300	Pavement Fund Balance	2,503.22
	Total Designated Giving Fund Balance	\$168,359.26
3.400.300	Reserve Fund Balance	55,512.95
	Total Fund Balances	\$261,219.52
	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	\$261,522.25

#### Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Sandusky, Ohio - Sandusky OH Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2022



## COUNCIL UPDATE

#### TRINITY CONGREGATION COUNCIL Meeting Highlights - April 21, 2022 - 7:00 pm

#### (These are unapproved meeting minutes)

Attending: Carrie Wiedenheft, Jim Bertsch, Candy Beatty, Pastor Ralph, Nancy Vollmer, Betsy Stierhoff, Pat Wiedenheft, and secretary, Carol Dahs. Not in Attendance: Millie McCready

Meeting called to order by President, Carrie Wiedenheft. Opening devotions were given by Betsy Stierhoff

Minutes of previous meeting (March 2022) were reviewed. Nancy made a motion to accept the March meeting minutes. With the correction of the spelling of acolytes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Candy. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report for March 2022 was reviewed. Nancy made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat. Motion passed.

President's Report: Carrie reported that the Call Committee did a second interview with a candidate. However, they withdrew themselves from Trinity's consideration before it could be taken to council. Pastor Seibert hopes to have another candidate soon. Barry Gill submitted a letter to council stating that he has a personal conflict with being able to be here each Wednesday evening for the N/A group. Council discussed and decided to let the groups meet without a church member being present to supervise the building. A check list will be created to help the two N/A leaders remember what needs to be done before leaving the building. If issues arise this will be revisited.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ralph asked if we had anyone to attend the Synod Assembly this year. Currently we do not. Dave & Cathy Wobser have done it the last few years for us. We will try listing it in the bulletin and having Pastor Cathy announce it at Sunday's worship service.

Congregational Life - Candy's group will be putting together some sweet treats for Mother's Day.

Faith Builders - Sally has information on a program for Vacation Bible School. Dates for this have yet to be determined.

Mission Service – Betsy will get together with Jim and Bonnie on the logistics of a spring BBQ meal. Betsy received some information on a program from Funds2.org on collecting shoes for the needy. She will gather more information on this.

Property – Protegis Fire & Safety was in and certified the fire extinguishers for 2022. The one in the boiler room will need to be replaced in 2023. Mike Markley will contact Clearview Tinting on having the bullet proof tint added to the new outside educational doors. Trinity received a quote from The Glass Guys on replacing the seals on the upper educational wing windows for \$1,504. Pat made a motion to except this bid. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy. Motion passed. Carol will contact them to let them know they can start this when it fits in their schedule. Gundlach was in and certified our backflow device for 2022. Heart Start Defibrillator has had a new battery and pads installed. It was tested and is ready to go.

Stewardship and Finance – Jim Bertsch reported that Trinity received the donation from Charles Wiedenheft's estate of \$207,745.69. From this donation Jim made a motion to send \$10,000 to LWR for the Tornado victims, \$10,000 to LWR for Ukraine, and \$7,000 to our local Habitat for Humanity. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Betsy. Motion passed. Jim will line up a meeting with Edward Jones on proposals for how to handle the rest of the money. A thank you will be sent to Mary Ann Wiedenheft in acknowledgement of Charles generosity to Trinity. We received a \$1000 check from Thrivent Charitable Impact & Investing. Carol will return Affidavit of Charitable Organization to them.

Witness and Welcome – Carrie will contact Millie and see if this position is going to work for her or if she would like to be removed.

Worship and Music – Nancy Vollmer reported that they are looking at a Homecoming activity in the fall to help people return to church (similar to a Rally Day). It was asked if we would go back to communion at the rail. This will be discussed at the next meeting on May 3.

Old Business – Carol has delivered a flash drive with our inventory information on it to Firelands Insurance. There is also a copy in the fire cabinet in Jim's office. Carol is still working on typing up the Financial Audit Guidelines. COVID protocol will be discussed at the Worship and Music Meeting. Carol will call The Glass Guys and see if they have done the estimate for the storm windows for the sanctuary yet. Nancy Vollmer, Sally Warner and possibly Bonnie Lieb volunteered to be on the board for the Patterson Scholarship. Need to have Mike Markley follow up on the approved concrete for the front entrance to the sanctuary.

New Business – Carol contacted Brainiacs and had them help with the sound problem on the video laptop. It currently is fixed. We do need more volunteers to help do the videos if Cathy Wobser is unavailable. Carol needs to check

the carillon. It was supposed to ring before services on Sundays and it doesn't seem to be doing that.







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## MAY 8, 2022

Between Services, <u>9:30-10:00 am</u>, in the Sanctuary. Crossroads Homeless Shelter Meal for May 18, 2022

> Shredded Pork/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Corn/Green Beans Salad Bread/Butter Brownies

Jim is still cooking monthly meals for Crossroads. If you would like to support this ministry please send your donation to the church and mark it Homeless Meal.

#### Psalm 148

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! <sup>2</sup>Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host! <sup>3</sup>Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! <sup>4</sup>Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! <sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created. <sup>6</sup>He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, <sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! <sup>9</sup>Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! <sup>10</sup>Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! <sup>11</sup>Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! <sup>12</sup>Young men and women alike, old and young together!

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;

his glory is above earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup>He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful,

for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!





## FAITH Member Ministry

Friends and Family Abiding in Christ In Their Homes/Hospitals/Healthcare Centers

"You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life forever." – Zig Ziglar

#### FAITH Members (as of 12/8/2021)

At the Commons of Provi	dence Assisted Living Building	g, 5000 Providence Driv	ve, Sandusky
Ruth Sieb	Rm #107		Birthday - Sept. 19
At the Commons of Provi	dence Memory Care Unit, 490	1 Providence Drive, Sa	ndusky
Ruby Stierhoff	Rm #114		Birthday - July 26
At the Willows of Bellevu	e, 101 Auxiliary Drive, Bellevu	ie, Ohio 44811	
At Providence Care Cent	er, 2025 Hayes Avenue, Sandu	sky, Ohio 44870	
At Heritage Village, 700 I	Helen Street, Clyde, Ohio 4341	0	
At The Meadows of Osbo Shirley Miller	rn Park, 3916 Perkins Avenue	, Huron, Ohio 44839	Birthday - April 3
Danbury Senior Living, 3 Viola Liptok	<b>3770 Bagley Rd., North Ridge</b> Rm #230	ville, Ohio 44039 419-684-5840	Birthday - Dec. 9
Parkvue Community, 380 Ray Remy	0 Boardwalk Blvd, Sandusky Apt. 112	ОН 44870	Birthday - Feb 9
<b>In their homes:</b> Brian & Mary Ann Hickma	an 51 N. Harbors End, Port Clin	ton 419-732-7398	B: May 25 MA: July 10
Dan & Gwen Miller	5708 Bogart Road, Castalia	419-684-5274	D: May 24 G: Oct. 5
Bernie Neidler	1305 Ogontz St, Sandusky	419-625-4839	B: Nov. 16 MA: Dec. 30
Pat Nielsen	1502 Martins Point Road, San	ndusky 419-684	-5627 June 6
Judy Welser	5619 Debra Drive, Castalia	419-684	-7232 Feb. 11
Paul Wiedenheft	4216 Homegardner Rd., Sand	lusky OH 44870	Oct. 11

Should you like to join our team in making home visits, where we offer conversation, prayers and communion, please contact Patty Swartz at 419-626-4970.



## MAY MILESTONES

#### BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Phyllis Baum Daniel Baum Craig Stierhoff Nellie Schenk
- 3 Hank Kleinoeder
- 4 Brevan Moore
- 5 Erica Miller
- Mikayla Brown
- 6 Ann Strean
- 7 Patricia Wiedenheft Kyle Markley
- 9 Stephen Sharp
- 10 Donald Kuns
- Maryl Bango
  Raina Chapman Xander Bohn Natalee Gast
- 13 Greg Stallard Lauren Kautz
- 14 Barbara Wobser Chelsea Miller
- 15 Michael Ramsdell Brynlee Stierhoff
- 16 Carrie Killingsworth
- 19 Lori Opfer Donald Baum
- 20 Hollynn Hipp Terrie Hirt Kenneth Schenk



- 21 Linda Gantz
- 22 Kenasyn Powell
- 24 Daniel Miller
- Regina Werner-Strauss Bradley Barnes Zachary Thrash
- Tim Thompson 25 Jessica Opfer
- David Wobser Brian Hickman 26 Brandon Miller
- Dawn Harris Danielle Davie Christian Stephens
- 27 Robert Chapman
- 28 Lane Hirt Keith Miller Kent Miller Robert Wiedenheft
- 29 Ellene Kleinoeder
- 30 Hannah Stierhoff Amy Palmison
- 31 Madison Harris Sharon Pfann

#### ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Craig & Betsy Stierhoff 26th6 Donald & Phyllis Baum 61st
- Robert & Charlene Zeno 55th
- 9 William & Terrie Hirt 52nd
- 11 Dale & Mary Meyer 48th
- 12 Thomas & Jan Jenkins 49th
- 14 Michael & Jennifer Gast 17th Rev Dane & Kristi Meuschke - 45th
- 15 Daniel & Meredith Dietrich 12th
- 21 John & Rebecca Lynn 45th Joel & Suzanne Trout - 28th
- 23 Ronald & Marilee Werner 52nd
- 27 Lawrence & Linda Velliquette 44th
- 29 Kenneth & Marsha Schenk 46th

Larry & Pat Wiedenheft in honor of Betty Roeser's 90th birthday

Jeannie Leimeister and Patty Swartz in loving memory of their mother, Martha M. Selke on her birthday May 12 and Mother's Day



Thank you to Linda Gantz for the monetary donation to purchase candy for the Youth Easter Egg Hunt.  $\sim$  Sally Warner

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On behalf of the people of Trinity, our Congregation Council thanks:

- To Jim for picking up and returning the palm trees for Palm Sunday
- To all who helped read scripture during Holy Week.
- To all who helped Sally with the children services in her absence
- To all who have donated their Thrivent Choice Dollars to Trinity
- To Barry Gill for his weekly Wednesday evening service to Trinity and the N/A group
- To the estate of Charles Wiedenheft for his donation to Trinity
- Cathy Wobser for trying diligently each week to video our services





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Fifth Sunday of Easter15Fifth Sunday of EasterCommunion Service8:00 & 10:30 amSunday School9:00 am	am Pr Ralph in the office am	17	18 Pr Ralph in office Crossroads Meal 1 pm NA 7:00 pm	19 Council Mtg 7:00 pm	20	21 NA 11:00 am
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<b>29</b> Seventh Sunday of EasterWorship Service8:00 & 10:30 amSunday School9:00 am	am 30 Amonial Day Office Closed	31				

#### Prayers, Readings and Psalm for the month of May

May 1 - Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-6 [7-20] - Paul's conversion, baptism, and preaching Psalm 30 - You have turned my wailing into dancing. (Ps. 30:11) Revelation 5:11-14 - The song of the living creatures to the Lamb John 21:1-19 - Jesus appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias

**Prayer of the Day:** Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

May 8 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36-43 - Peter raises Tabitha/Dorcas from the dead Psalm 23 - The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1) Revelation 7:9-17 - A white-robed multitude sings before the Lamb John 10:22-30 - Jesus promises eternal life to his sheep

**Prayer of the Day:** O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

May 15 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

<u>Acts 11:1-18</u> - Peter's vision: God give the Gentiles repentance that leads to life <u>Psalm 148</u> - The splendor of the LORD is over earth and heaven. (Ps. 148:13) <u>Revelation 21:1-6</u> - New heaven, new earth: springs of living water in the new Jerusalem <u>John 13:31-35</u> - Jesus gives a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you

**Prayer of the Day:** O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

May 22 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15 - Lydia and her household are baptized by Paul Psalm 67 - Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. (Ps. 67:4) Revelation 21:10, 22--22:5 - The Lamb is the light of the city of God John 14:23-29 - The Father will send the Holy Spirit

**Prayer of the Day:** Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

May 29 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

<u>Acts 16:16-34</u> - While in prison, Paul speaks to the jailer, who is then baptized <u>Psalm 97</u> - Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous. (Ps. 97:12) <u>Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21</u> - Blessed are those who wash their robes <u>John 17:20-26</u> - Jesus prays that the disciples will be one and abide in his love

**Prayer of the Day:** O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## **Firelands Chorus, Inc.**

presents their annual spring concert

## BOLD STRIPES BRIGHT STARS BRAVE HEARTS

Directed by Jeffrey Kearney \* Accompanied by Morgan Noon

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#### HAMBURGER GRAVY OVER MASHED POTATOES,

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