

**OCTOBER 2024**



# Trinity Topics



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**Our mission is to Worship, Grow, Witness and Share**



On Sunday, September 8th, Holy Trinity continued the tradition of assembling school kits. **210** School Kits as the Church gathered in service to celebrate who we are as a church...one church, freed in Christ to love and serve our neighbor.

Our quilters were busy and productive this year as well making a total of # **100** quilts!

The opportunity served as a wonderful way of living out a life filled of service while fellowshiping with one another to serve others in need. A huge thank you to everyone who donated both time, money & resources to make the assembly of the backpacks possible.



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**OCT. 27th**



**Reformation**  
*Sunday*

**PLEASE WEAR RED ON THIS SUNDAY**



# From the Pastor's Desk

## *An Autumn Blessing*

By Joyce Rupp & Macrina Wiederkehr

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
chalice of transformation,  
you lift a cup of death to our lips  
and we taste new life.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
season of the heart's yearning,  
you usher us into places of mystery and, like the  
leaves, we fall trustingly into eternal, unseen hands.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
with your flair for drama  
you call to the poet in our hearts,  
"return to the earth, become good soil;  
wait for new seeds."*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
you turn our faces toward the west.  
Prayerfully reflecting on life's transitory nature  
we sense all things moving toward life-giving death.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
you draw us away from summer's hot breath.  
As your air becomes frosty and cool  
you lead us to inner reflection.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
season of so much bounty.  
You invite us to imitate your generosity  
in giving freely from the goodness of our lives,  
holding nothing back.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
your harvesting time has come.  
as we gather your riches into our barns,  
reveal to us our own inner riches  
waiting to be harvested.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
season of surrender,  
you teach us the wisdom of letting go  
as you draw us into new ways of living.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
You inspire us to be flexible  
to learn from our shifting moods.*

*Blessed are you, autumn,  
feast of thanksgiving.  
You change our hearts into fountains of gratitude  
as we receive your gracious gifts.*

Each year as the daylight grows shorter and darkness arrives earlier I am a bit sad to see summer end. I like summer time when my yard is filled with plants yielding goodies for us to enjoy and my flowers are blooming in a landscape of colors.

The poem "An Autumn Blessing" by Joyce Rupp and Macrina Wiederkehr reminds me that blessing does come with the change of seasons. As fall arrives, the colors in my yard change to yellow, orange and even some red tones during this time of transformation. The vibrant colors of fall remind me of God's abiding presence throughout the different seasons of our lives.

During September we celebrated the work of our quilting group as they created 100 quilts to donate. This year was especially bittersweet since some of the women who faithfully contributed their time and talents to our quilt ministry for many years joined the Saints of God's triumphant church. We remembered and gave thanks for the lives of Mary Huebner, Anita Lodes and Audrey Mann as we prayed for blessing on the quilts that will go to people throughout the world in times of suffering and need.

We also gave thanks for your generous donations of supplies and funds to help us assemble 200 School Kits on God's Work, Our Hands on September 8<sup>th</sup> that will be shared with children around the world so that they can thrive and receive needed education to enrich their lives,

As October dawns, we will gather for worship celebrating the last weeks of our Pentecost Season. On October 27, we will gather for Reformation Sunday as we are reminded that the church continues to be reformed so that we can share the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

I hope you are all settling into the fall season where the changing colors of the leaves and flowers can remind us that change is a part of life. Changes are happening in the church as well. Hopefully, we can listen to God's will for us individually and as a church family and find the courage to follow the path to healthy change as we give thanks to God for the life giving message of the gospel that we are entrusted to share and celebrate.

Praying your fall is filled with blessings!  
Pastor Cindy Brommer



# Congregation Council News

## Highlights---CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINUTES August 20, 2024

### Attendance:

**Council Members:** Pastor Brommer, Deb Brooks, Rodney Gross, Jim Huebner, Charis Mincavage, JoEllen Myers, Kendra Ruhl, Mark Mariano, Will Mariano, Beth Dunham, Ethan Ellenberger, Jen Keeler

**Treasurer:** Stephanie Gross **Secretary:** Chip Haak **Financial Secretary:**

The Council meeting was held via Zoom. Reports and other documents were emailed to Council members prior to the meeting.

The Congregation Council Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President JoEllen Myers

### I. Reports:

- a. **Treasurer's Report:** Report for July was reviewed by Stephanie Gross. For the month, the Net Income was \$1,243. Year to date we have a Net Loss: \$(-17,875). In August, the rental property taxes are due so that will be a large expense, and so far the giving has been below average.
- b. **Financial Secretary's Report:** The July report was included in the packet.
- c. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from July 8, 2024, Council meeting were presented.
- d. **Pastor's Report:** Report for July 9-August 20 was emailed to members prior to meeting.
- e. **Correspondence: Thank you letters for financial support**
  - i. Hershey Food Bank: \$300
  - ii. Lutheran Camping Corporation: \$310
- f. **Ministry Teams:**
  - i. **Property Committee** minutes-July 9 and August 13 included in packet.
    1. Chip Haak provided update on HVAC: Heim finishing some minor work, then, along with mechanical engineer will address reducing the noise level of the outside unit.

### II. Unfinished Business:

- a. **Vacation Bible School:** Successful event with 12 children participating.

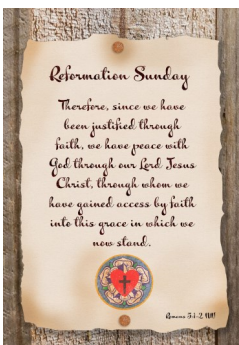
### III. New Business:

- a. **Mission Investment Fund:** We have a CD coming due on 09/12/2024. Handout of the current MIF rates was provided and reviewed.  
*A motion* by Mark Mariano, second by Jim Huebner to renew the MIF CD for a 7-month period at a rate of 4.96% was approved by Council.
- b. **Congregation meeting on August 25:** Approval of repairs to 216 rental property. Chip Haak reviewed the list of estimates, the largest being the HVAC replacement and refinishing of the wood floors. Much of the painting will be done by HTL members. After discussion of the estimated total cost the following motion was made by Charis Mincavage, second by Mark Mariano
  - i. Motion: To withdraw money from the Unrestricted Endowment Fund to pay for the necessary upgrades to equipment, electrical and plumbing repairs, replacement of fixtures, painting and general repairs for 216 Cocoa Avenue rental property not to exceed a cost of \$65,000. Motion approved by Council.
- c. **God's Work, Our Hands-**September 8: goal is to assemble 200 school kits.
- d. **New Office Hours:** After trial period, permanently changing hours going forward to 9am-3pm Monday-Thursday.
- e. **Ministry Spending Plan/Budget 2025:** Process is underway.

### IV. Next Council Meeting: September 10, 2024, via Zoom at 7:00pm [DATE CHANGE]

- V. **Adjournment:** *A motion* to adjourn by Mark Mariano and second by Beth Dunham, approved by Council. The meeting concluded at 8:10pm with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by *Chip Haak*, Secretary



## Remembering Luther

Reformation Sunday will be October 27 and it should serve as an impetus for us to remember the great reformer, Martin Luther. This quotation from Luther reminds us of a principal focus of his life:

"We should learn well how to please Christ. We do please him by dedicating our entire life with all possible diligence solely to the service of our neighbor. 'Down, down,' says Christ 'you will find me in the poor, you are rising too high if you do not look for me down there.'"



# Congregation Council (Continued)

Highlights of Council actions. Refer to the copies of complete Council and Committee minutes posted on the bulletin board in the narthex under "Share" ministries or in the binder in the church library for further information or contact a council member.

## Special Congregational Meeting - August 25, 2024 11:00 AM - Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Establishment of a quorum: A quorum was established by Parliamentarian, Mark Mariano, and the meeting was called to order at 11:02am by Council President JoEllen Myers. Official attendance was 42.
- II. Opening Prayer: Pastor Brommer
- III. New Business: Repairs to 216 Cocoa Ave rental property.
  - a. The Council recommended motion was read by President JoEllen Myers. It was also part of the agenda handout.
  - b. On behalf of the Property Committee, Chip Haak provided some background information about the rental properties, benefits of doing the repairs, and estimates of those repairs.
    - i. The market values since we purchased them in 2009 have risen about \$150,000-\$200,000 for **each** property.
    - ii. The Net Income from the properties contributes about \$13,000 annually to our operating budget.
    - iii. Current rent of \$1,200/month for 216 Cocoa is way below the market rate. With these repairs and upgrades we can expect the rent to be between \$1,850-\$2,000/month.
    - iv. The list of individual repairs and upgrades were listed with the largest being the installation of a heat pump system at a cost of \$27,960. Also, the refinishing of the wood floors at \$8,500. The total estimated cost is \$65,000.
  - c. Recommended source for cost of repairs is Unrestricted Endowment Fund
    - i. Value of Endowment has grown in 10 years from \$600,055 to \$835,323
      1. During that time, we have withdrawn \$172,000 as part of our Extended Ministries program to support various charities like Lutheran Disaster Relief, Food Banks, Love INC, Lutheran Camping Corporation, World Hunger, etc.
    - ii. Chip made the following point: **By withdrawing funds from the Endowment, we are essentially moving money from one investment to another which will significantly increase the rental income from the property as well as the market value.**
  - d. Questions:
    - i. Are we confident that the \$65,000 will cover the Total Estimated Cost?
      1. Chip explained that the larger cost items like the HVAC and floor refinishing are estimates from the contractor. The bath and kitchen repairs are our best approximations. We did include a "misc./contingency amount of \$5,900. We are confident in the \$65,000 amount.
    - ii. Are we going to pay back the Endowment Fund for this withdrawal?
      1. Chip stated that it is not part of the motion. However, at the end of each year if we have a positive Net Income in the operating budget, the Council decides what will happen to that. This could be given to charities, Capital Repair Fund, or retained. Giving some to the Endowment could be considered.
  - e. Vote: Dennis Schwenk to moved to accept the motion, second by Jordan Paul.
    - i. To withdraw money from the Unrestricted Endowment Fund to pay for the necessary upgrades to equipment, electrical and plumbing repairs, replacement of fixtures, painting, and general repairs for 216 Cocoa Avenue rental property not to exceed a cost of \$65,000.  
Unanimously approved by Congregation
- IV. Adjournment: Motion by Kirk Sponaule, second by Adam Gardner to adjourn. Congregation approved.
- V. Closing Prayer: Pastor Brommer thanked the Property Committee and Council members for their work and leadership with this initiative. Pastor Brommer led the Congregation in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28am

Respectively submitted,  
*Chip Haak*, Council Secretary

# Worship

## Worship Schedule

Please join us for worship on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM. Services will be in-person and livestreamed.

## 2024 Bulletin & Flower Sponsorships

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers or bulletins in honor/memory of someone or a special event there are several Sundays open. Cost for flowers is \$45 for the arrangement. Please contact the church office to schedule a date(s).

For bulletins, please write the information in the book or contact the church office. The cost is \$12.50 for 1/2 of the bulletin and \$25.00 for the whole bulletin. If you would like to sponsor the bulletin, please call the office at 717-533-2467 and leave a message or email the office at [htluth@comcast.net](mailto:htluth@comcast.net).



"Fa la la la la, la la la la!".... Christmas is coming, but Holy Trinity Choir Season comes first! The Choir will rehearse prior to the service at 9AM so it's convenient and a pretty

minimal time commitment. Come out each Sunday thru May/June. All voice parts are needed; there's no audition process, and all are welcome! Give it a try and get a front row seat in church! See or contact Alan if you have any questions or need more information.

For more info, please contact Alan Hair, Director of Music Ministries at (717) 497-3219.



Calling HTL Youth who play Musical Instruments! Youth in 5th grade and above, interested in performing during church services, are invited to bring your instruments to church on **Sunday, October 6**. Immediately after the service on October 6, Alan Hair (Director of Music Ministries/Organist) will meet with you to get a sense of what sort of instrumental support might be feasible during church services. If you have any questions, please contact Lzanne Leonard-Haak at [chocbird2@comcast.net](mailto:chocbird2@comcast.net).

## Holy Communion "at home"



Consecrated communion elements are available for those of you who are not able to attend in-person worship. By having these elements at home, you can share communion with us as we celebrate in the church. You can pick them up or we will bring them to your home. If you would like to receive consecrated communion elements, please contact Pastor Cindy or the church office at [htluth@comcast.net](mailto:htluth@comcast.net), 717- 533-2467.

## READERS, GREETERS & FLOWER DELIVERERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to greet people as they come into church and deliver flowers after the service on Sunday. Readers are needed to read the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and the Psalm. The lists are available on the bulletin board. Please sign up today or contact the church office if you would like to volunteer.



Website: [www.htluth.org](http://www.htluth.org) & click on Facebook link.

**ALTAR GUILD** is looking for volunteers to deliver flowers. Flowers can be delivered on Sunday or Monday at your convenience. Check with the altar guild person after church if you'd be willing to deliver or sign up in the sheet in the narthex.



Delivering the altar flowers is a great way to brighten someone's day! Thanks for your help!

## REMINDER—PLEASE BE ALERT!

It happens more than we'd like, but it's common in today's world of internet & digital traffic for someone to attempt to impersonate Church leaders. If you should receive a text or email from Pastor Cindy, please know she will NEVER ask for assistance in this manner. Please do not click on any links, respond to any texts or email. When in doubt, if something has come from her or anyone else from the Church in leadership, feel free to call the Church office for verification.



*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church welcomes and affirms everyone seeking God's love and grace, regardless of faith background, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, ability, size, class, immigration, or relationship status. We explicitly stand against hate and discrimination, as our Church community strives to continually grow and learn within the Body of Christ according to Christ's teachings. We are committed to creating and maintaining a welcoming and safe environment for all people.*

# Grow

## Sunday School 2024-2025

All classes meet 9:00–9:45 AM



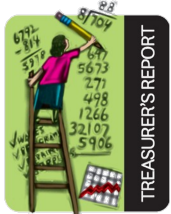
# GODLY PLAY



- Children's Sunday School will meet in the Sunday School Room
- Confirmation Sunday School for Grades 6-8 meet in the Youth Room.
- Sunday School for grades 9-12 downstairs, next to Youth Room.
- Adult Discussion will meet in Room #16

**Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade** We will be using the Godly Play method to help your child learn about God in a welcoming, engaging, and creative environment. They will learn the stories of the Bible, the language of the Church, and how to love themselves and others through story and play. Register online (link in email/Facebook group) or by paper form (in Church Narthex)

	Time after Pentecost
Date	Lesson/Scripture
10/6	<b>The Holy Family</b>
10/13	<b>Creation</b>
10/20	<b>The Ark and the Flood</b>
10/27	<b>The Great Family</b> (Reformation Sunday)



## Financial Information August 2024\*

\*All figures are subject to audit pending

GIVING	2024	
	August	YTD
General Offering	23,822	208,445
Rental Income	1,350	17,800
Total General Offering *	25,172	226,245
Special Offerings	380	4,956
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Actual*	34,975	253,900
Budgeted	31,356	250,846

## CAPITAL REPAIR FUND

The Capital Repair Fund is used when we have major repairs to the church building. As you tithe, we encourage you to designate funding toward the Fund so that we don't need to make urgent appeals for things such as roofs or heating systems.

## Help Support Our Youth

A quick & easy way to help support our Youth is to purchase Giant Gift Cards! You get to match dollar for dollar of your gift card purchase toward the cost of your already expended expenses for groceries & gas too! All proceeds go to support the Youth programs.

**How it works:** You buy a card at face value (\$25, \$50, or \$100). The Youth then will make 5% on that sale from Giant. You can then use that gift card anytime you shop at Giant stores (including gas purchases). If interested, see Nathan in the Narthex after service on Sunday.



## Online Giving

To give your offering through Holy Trinity's website, snap a picture of this code with your phone and it will take you to our giving page.



## OCTOBER SPECIAL OFFERING

The special offering envelope for October included in all envelope packets are for **Lutheran World Relief-In Gathering & for the Capital Repair Fund.**

The collection for **Lutheran World Relief-Ingathering** covers the cost of shipping for all the kits, quilts, soap, etc. delivered to Lutheran World Relief after Ingathering Sunday and shipped all over the world. As you all know, shipping costs have skyrocketed! Every little bit helps.

**The Capital Repair Fund** is the fund used when we have major repairs needing to be made.



# Outreach Ministries



## Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Day - Sat., October 26 8:30 AM (Rain date: Nov. 9)

Faith in Action will have our Fall highway cleanup on Saturday, October 26th. We will meet at the church @ 8:30 AM before cleanup. Please contact Rodney Gross at [rodgross@comcast.net](mailto:rodgross@comcast.net) or 717 649-6224 if you are willing to help for a few hours. The more hands we have, the faster the work. Thanks for your help!

## HELP NEEDED



On Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, the congregation voted to spend up to \$65,00 on improvements to our rental property at 216 Cocoa. This money is allocated to install a new heating/cooling system, refinish the wood floors and update fixtures in the bathrooms and a kitchen.

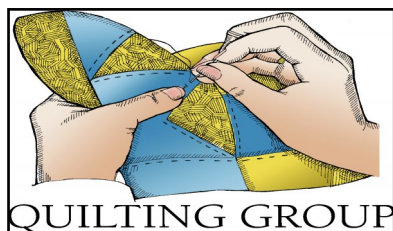
In addition, we are rehabbing and painting all the walls – a formidable task. It is this particular task that we are looking for volunteers to help with, in an effort to keep within our budget. We have begun work on this, but are woefully understaffed. We could use volunteers to help prep walls (sanding and washing) and also people to paint. If you are interested in helping please contact Jim Huebner (717-919-2311) or Karen Kline (717-443-1130). Thank you!

*Save the Date!*

### FEED THE NEED

Sunday, November 10  
4:00-7:00  
Hershey Country Club

An evening of fun and friendship to benefit the Hershey Food Bank and Community Outreach. Stay tuned for more information.



QUILTING GROUP

## NEWS FROM OUR MINISTRY PARTNER—LOVE INC

### September PCC Needs

- Shampoo
- Mouthwash
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Shaving Cream



**Personal Care Closet**

Small List. Huge Need.  
**Current Wish List**

Help fill our shelves with a few of these most needed items. Please drop off at the Love INC office at your convenience.

### August PCC Donations

*Many Thanks*

- Grace UMC
- Derry Presbyterian
- Holy Trinity Lutheran
- Grace Pointe
- Hershey Free
- Period Project
- Hershey Public Library
- Individual Donors



Hershey Community Church of the Nazarene

*“Prices have tripled over the last 5 years. We have been struggling to make ends meet and you are literally saving our lives. The kids have their sneakers and are ready to go for the first day of school. And these paper towels, laundry detergent, feminine hygiene products...these things make such a big difference.”*

-PCC Client

### 2024 Year-to-Date Impact

COMPARISONS TO JANUARY-JULY 2023



The Connection Center has met 1,727 needs so far in 2024. This is up 11% from the same time last year.

The Car Repair Ministry (April 2024 launch) has served 7 individuals through cost-sharing for repairs specifically related to a vehicle's safety and reliability.



The Personal Care Closet has delivered 12,679 personal hygiene, household care, and baby items to participants certified with one of 3 local food banks. This is up over 40% from 2023!

The two Homes of Hope families have both improved their job situation and are actively participating in financial literacy training.



In August, Lace Up with Love INC provided 278 new, brand-name sneakers to local students in need. An additional 200 sneakers were donated to 3 local clothing banks.

122 volunteers have given 3,812 hours of their time to serve our neighbors in need through the Love INC ministries!



Love INC partner churches have teamed up to provide rent and utility assistance for 13 families this year.

The Parsonage Ministry has provided 681 nights of lodging, to loved ones of adult inpatients at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. (16% increase)



### Prayerfully Setting Goals **Annual Planning**

Please be in prayer for the Love INC board and staff members as we prepare for the upcoming year. May we seek God's guidance in aligning with His purpose and being wise stewards of the resources He will provide to effectively support our community.

**QUILTING NEWS** The Quilters meet on the **2nd & 4th Wednesdays** each month @ **9 AM** in rooms **15 and 16**. If you don't know how to quilt, we will teach you! If you cannot make the workshops, but have a sewing machine at home & are willing to sew quilt tops together, we will gladly supply patches for you to sew! Many thanks to all who have helped with this amazing ministry!

**October Gatherings: October 9 & 23**



# Bible Art Journaling

Our next meeting of the Fall will be **Sunday October 13, 6:00pm – 7:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall (Alley entrance). Signups are in the Narthex. Feel free to bring your own art supplies, but not necessary. We have plenty to share.

See you there!


*Colleen Nielsen*



## Fall Foliage Day @ Kirchenwald and Nawakwa October 27, 1-6 PM

Bring your family & friends to camp for a fall afternoon! Enjoy some of your favorite camp activities. An evening meal will be provided. It's a wonderful time to meet up with old friends or introduce new folks to camp. **Register by October 18th—Cost: \$15/pp. & covers activities & an evening meal (4 & under free)**

**Blood Pressure Screenings**  
First Sunday of every month (In the front of the sanctuary following the worship service).



## **PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNICATIONS UP TO DATE**

Thank you for submitting your bulletin, newsletter & calendar updates to the Church office in a timely manner. When articles are submitted, please include Anita Housman so that your submission can be included in both the weekly updates/communications through social channels & newsletters ([aahousman2@gmail.com](mailto:aahousman2@gmail.com)). **Bulletin deadline is Tuesdays (by noon); Newsletter deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thank you in advance for your help!**



### **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

## **Lutheran World Relief Quilt & Kit Dedication**

Sunday, Sept. 22nd, we blessed our efforts to support the ministry

of Lutheran World Relief, a nonprofit organization that helps families in the world's poorest communities build the resilience they need to thrive. We celebrate our year long activities to create quilts and assemble kits and pray for blessing upon the people who may be impacted by our gifts. During the past year, our quilting group have made **100 quilts** and through your generosity we have been able to assemble **210 School Kits**.

Shipping the quilts and kits is expensive. If you would like to contribute to this cost, envelopes are provided on the bulletin table in the narthex or you can simply write LWR Shipping on any envelope.

## Annual Quilt Auction @ Nawakwa November 3, 2024

Join us for this year's live Quilt Auction & Silent Auction of hand-crafted items at 2:00 PM at Nawakwa.. All proceeds from the day benefit the Camping Corporation's Endowment Fund, making camping possible for generations to come! Please **register before November 1st. This is a FREE event!**



## Women's Craft Retreat @ Nawakwa—November 8-10, 2024

Projects for this relaxing weekend are provided and you can bring your own too! Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere of camp in the fall. Worship is led by Rev. Cindy Brommer. All meals, lodging & most supplies are provided. **Please register by November 1st. Registration fee: \$180** Arrive a day early for only \$42 (lodging only).





# YOUTH & FAMILY CORNER

Greetings,

Welcome to a new season of Youth and Family ministry here at Trinity. Things are looking awesome so far as we head fully into the fall. We had many successful events both in HTY and with Family Fellowship. That said, the time to get involved with all we have going on at Holy Trinity is definitely now. For starters, this youth year (season), it's all about building on the momentum from last year. Last year was pretty busy and things will be even busier for our youth group. Our theme for this season is RULES & TRADITIONS. Digging deeper, we will highlight some of our key youth group rules and figure just why they are important. We will also look at our youth group traditions and why we do what we do. A key part of this, will be to establish some new traditions that the youth group will hold up for years to come.

At our 1<sup>st</sup> HTY Night on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, we had 15 youth and 3 youth advisors in attendance. We played wacky youth group games, ate pizza, got to know one another better, learned more about HTY, and closed the night with a candle prayer. The youth had a blast from start to finish, and so did I. It was a great beginning to what promises to be an awesome youth year. Since we are still early in the season, here is a brief refresher of what HTY (youth group) is all about. HTY stands for "Holy Trinity Youth". HTY normally meet the first Sunday of each month from 5 – 7:30pm in the Youth group room. Some months, there might be more than one HTY event. We have a core group of around 10 youth, and normally see several friends each and every time that we circle up. HTY is all about fun, faith, and fellowship. Our group is one where everyone is safe and included. We are a group that relies on God and each other, lifts one another up, and grows in faith through fellowship with one together. If you are a youth in grades 6 -12 and this sounds good to you, please don't be a stranger. Come on out and take part. You will love it, I promise!

Just like HTY, Family Fellowship promises amazing things this season and the calendar is equally as busy. Family Fellowship is all about fellowship (sharing together with one another), fun, and faith. Family Fellowship usually meets one Sunday a month, normally the third Sunday. Most events immediately follow church or are later in the afternoon. We have some events at the church and handful of events off campus. We look to build and strengthen these events this season. I hope to grow these events in attendance this season, and I need your help to do that. Family Fellowship events are open to all families in

Holy Trinity. Please help me spread the word for this important ministry so it can continue to thrive.

All and all, this year promises to be good one. I plan to make it awesome! Please join me at HTY and Family Fellowship events. Nuff Said...

Yours in Christ,

Peter Fox

## **FAMILY FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY! JOIN THE FUN!**

**WHEN:** October 20th  
**TIME:** 11:30 AM—1:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** Fellowship Hall.  
**DETAILS:** Join us each month for a light lunch, an Elementary-age craft, followed by another FUN-FILLED activity!

If you are interested in assisting with these events, please email Danielle Mariano at [Willtess2@icloud.com](mailto:Willtess2@icloud.com),

## **Holy Trinity Youth (HTY) is for youth grades 6 – 12**

All are welcome. Bring some friends for part of our crazy fun time together!

For more information on youth & family events, please contact Peter Fox @ [youthyg@yahoo.com](mailto:youthyg@yahoo.com).

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **October**

6th—HTY Youth —5:00-7:30 PM  
**Dinner will be provided.**

20th—Family Fellowship Luncheon—11:30 AM—1:00 PM.  
(Fellowship Hall) Luncheon, table games & conversation. Home baked goods are always welcome!  
**This fellowship event is open to ALL families! Spread the word!**

### **November**

3rd—HTY Youth —5:00-7:30 PM  
**Dinner will be provided.**

17th—Family Fellowship Bowling  
3-5 PM—Palmyra Bowling.

**Here is a reminder to ALL HTY about friends.** If you have friends who return to HTY (which is hopefully the case), or you bring friends to HTY, please try to have them fill "Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Information and Medical Form". As they become fixtures in HTY, I will need a form from every-one.



# Share

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We celebrate our members who have reached 90+ birthdays in October!

October 23

**Eva Shoop (90)**

2209 James Buchanan Drive  
Elizabethtown, PA 17022-3173

October 24

**Herbert Huebner (92)**

1020 N. Union St., Apt. 302  
Middletown, PA 17057

October 28

**Dona Pastuck (95)**

301 East Second Street, Apt. 108  
Hummelstown, PA 17036

1	Rodney Gross David Grove	14	Charles Crandall
2	Madison Kipp Cheryl Zewe	16	Rusty Haak
4	Deborah Hoffer Danielle Young	18	Leah Myers
5	Jameson Burrows Marcy Sharpe	23	Benjamin Finch Ronan Haak <b>Eva Shoop*</b>
6	Andrea Hospodar Abigail Pierce	24	Christopher Durgey Lucy Durgey <b>Herbert Huebner*</b>
8	Fletcher Smith	25	Darlene Meyers
9	Lisa Glus John Mawk	28	<b>Dona Pastuck*</b> Douglas Weaver
10	Ella Foley	30	Donna Dixon Richard Evans
11	Glenn Zearfoss	31	Emily Foley Stephanie Rudasill Darlene Weaver
13	Kiva Fox		



\* celebrating 90+ birthday!

# Puzzle!

Use the words provided to complete the puzzle.  
Then write the numbered words in the correct blanks below to complete Psalm 104:24, NIV.

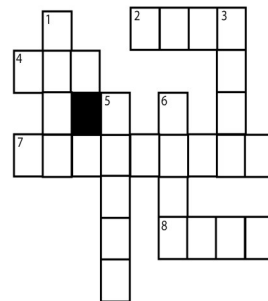
**WORDS**  
EARTH, CREATURES,  
MADE, THEM,  
FULL, HOW,  
LORD, YOUR

**ACROSS**

2. Rhymes with gem.  
4. Rhymes with cow.  
7. Rhymes with features.  
8. Rhymes with cord.

**DOWN**

1. Rhymes with pour.  
3. Rhymes with fade.  
5. Rhymes with worth.  
6. Rhymes with pull.



4 many are 1 works, 8 !  
In wisdom you 3 2 all;  
the 5 is 6 of your 7 .

Psalm 104:24, NIV

Answers: How many are you works. Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your

## Kid's Corner



Make this craft as a helpful reminder of Jesus' free gift of grace.



**What you need:**

- Small cardboard box
- Small stones
- Tape
- Wrapping paper and bow
- Permanent marker

**What you do:**

1. Fill the box with small stones to weigh it down. Tape the box securely closed.
2. Wrap the box and add a bow on top.
3. With marker, write a capital letter on each side of the box and the bottom to spell GRACE.
4. Use this as a decoration or paperweight, or give as a gift.
5. Explain GRACE to someone.

For help, use Ephesians 2:8-9 and the acrostic God's Riches At Christ's Expense.



## ADVENTURES OF BONNIE THE OFFICE POOCH

September was a busy month for Bonnie. She was back and forth from the Church's rental property while Mom helps oversee the rehab; helped sort boxes of supplies when they came in for the God's Work, Our Hands School Kits; and managed the treat stash...All of this makes for one TIRED pup at the day's end.

## PAWSOME BONNIE TRIVIA...

**Who can guess what Bonnie's favorite office treat is?**

- A. Milkbone Maro Bone Snacks
- B. Spinach
- C. Blue Diamond Buddies Jerky Snacks

Email your answer to: [htluth@comcast.net](mailto:htluth@comcast.net)



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OFFICE HOURS**

**Mondays thru Thursdays  
9:00 AM—3:00 PM**



**OFFICE CLOSED**

**Monday, October 14  
Columbus &  
Indigenous  
People's Day**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 6:30pm Executive Committee	3 5:30pm Troop 65 Lions	4	5
6 9:00am Choir practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream) 5:00pm HTY Night	7 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	8	9 9:00am Quilter's Workshop	10	11	12
13 9:00am Choir practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream) 6:00pm Bible Art Journaling	14 Office Closed 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	15 7:00pm Congregation Council Zoom meeting	16	17	18	19
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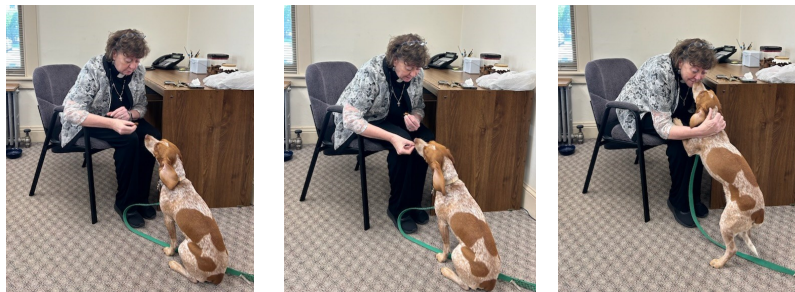
**November  
Newsletter  
Deadline  
October 15**

**OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!**

We give thanks to God for Pastor Brommer & her ministry as she serves God through the work of her hands and mind. We pray that God will continue to watch over and bless you each and every day and hope that you know how much you are appreciated!



**THE ADVENTURES  
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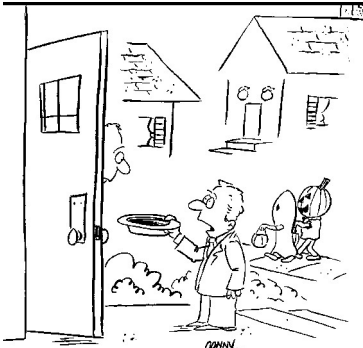


**Thank you Pastor  
Cindy for blessing us  
& our fur friends  
too!**





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"Trick or treat. I'm an usher."

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Danielle Mariano

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**NOVEMBER**  
*Newsletter deadline*  
**OCTOBER 15**  
*Deadline for weekly*  
*publication of the*  
*Bulletin*  
**Tuesday by Noon.**