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**Our mission is to Worship, Grow, Witness and Share through Christ's love in Service to God and Neighbor.**

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.—John 1:1-4, 14, 16*

In the church, we remember the visit of the Magi, or the Three Kings, to Jesus after he was born on the festival day of Epiphany. The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek word meaning "to reveal". The word "Epiphany" also means a movement in which you suddenly see or understand something in a new or very clear way. The date of Epiphany is January 6 but this year we will celebrate Epiphany on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> to begin our liturgical season of Epiphany that will continue through Sunday, February 23.

John writes about the Word (God) becoming one with us through the birth of Jesus. Through the birth of the Christ child, the light of God comes into our lives to guide us. A star filled the sky with light to guide the Wiseman to meet Jesus. Light is a central theme for our season of Epiphany that will take us through the days of January and the beginning of February. During this time the Northern Hemisphere experiences a gradual lightening of the darkest time of the year. This is an appropriate time for the church to reflect on Christ as our light and the light of God that can guide us in our daily lives.

There is an eastern European tradition where people are encouraged to take some time to pray for blessing on their homes on the day of Epiphany. A visual blessing may be inscribed with white chalk above the main door or written on a piece of paper to hang there: 20 + C M B + 25. The three letters stand for either the ancient Latin blessing "Christe mansionem benedicat" which means: "Christ, bless this house" or the legendary names of the magi (Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar).

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# Congregation Council News

## HIGHLIGHTS--CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINUTES November 19, 2024

### Attendance:

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

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

### Reports:

**Treasurer's Report:** Report for October was reviewed by Stephanie Gross. Giving for the month was above average and resulted in Net Income of \$3,277. This may have been in response to the letter sent to members regarding our deficit situation. In the operating account, year to date we have a Net Loss: (\$-33,670).

**Financial Secretary's Report:** The October report was included in the packet. Denny noted that giving for November is at \$28,660 plus online giving of \$4,500 which in total is one of the better giving amounts this year. Also, we still have one more Sunday in November.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 29<sup>th</sup> meetings were in the Council packet.

**Pastor's Report:** Report for period October 16<sup>th</sup> – November 19<sup>th</sup> was emailed to members prior to meeting.

**Correspondence: Thank you letters for financial support**

Lutheran World Relief

Hershey Food Bank

A note of appreciation from Alan Hair for his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.

### Ministry Teams:

**Worship:** Altar Guild Minutes-11/10 included in packet

**Witness:** Faith In Action

Food bank activity for the Advent season

Feeding individuals suffering from food insecurity on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Share:

**Finance:** We have a Mission Investment Fund CD coming due on 12/4/2024. Chip Haak reviewed the current rate of offerings, and the terms of the CDs we currently hold.

**A motion was made by Jim Huebner, second by Mark Mariano to reinvest the CD for a 2-year period at 4.0%.** Motion passed.

**Property Committee:** Minutes from 11/13 meeting included in packet.

Jim Huebner stated that the 216 Cocoa renovations and upgrades are complete. The property is being advertised for rent. One suggestion from realtor was that we reconsider our "no (more) pets" condition. After discussion, the Council decided that we would allow pets under 35lbs and evaluate the pet prior to agreeing to rental contract.

**Extended Ministries:** At December Council meeting, review remaining amount of Endowment allocation for further distribution of funds.

### Nominations for Council for 2025

Andrew Herster-3yr term

Joan Rizzo-1yr term

Beth Dunham, Mark Mariano, Charis Mincavage -reelect for second 3yr term.

**A motion** to approve nominations and recommend to Congregation was made by Charis Mincavage, second by Mark Mariano. Motion approved

**Pastor Brommer retirement:** The Pastor informed the Council that after much deliberation she will be retiring at the end of February 2025. While a difficult decision because of her love for the members and staff of the congregation, she feels it is time for her to transition into a new chapter in her life.

Pastor Cindy briefly explained the next steps in the process as to working with the Synod to first find an interim Pastor and then to go through the call process.

**Next Council Meeting: December 19, 2024, via Zoom at 7:00pm NOTE CHANGE IN DATE**

**Adjournment:** A *motion* to adjourn by Beth Dunham and second by Mark Mariano, approved by Council. The meeting concluded at 7:53pm with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by *Chip Haak*, Secretary

**Congregation Council News Continued...  
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*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.*

# 20 C M B + 25

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## A New Year's Blessing for the Home

The magi of old, known as  
 C: Caspar,  
 M: Melchior, and  
 B: Balthasar  
 followed the star of God's Son who came to dwell among us  
 20: two thousand  
 25: and twenty five years ago.  
 +: Christ, bless this house,  
 +: and remain with us throughout the new year.

It is a good tradition to begin with your family to pray for blessing in your home as a new year begins. Even if you do not display the inscription, reading of scripture and prayer is always a good habit to share as a family. You could begin by reading the verses found above from the gospel of John as you gather at the entrance to your home. A blessing and prayer can be found below. As we gather for worship on the first Sunday in January we will pray for God to bless our worship space as we gather together in 2025. Please join us as we pray and worship together.

### Prayer:

O God, you revealed your Son to all people by the shining light of a star.

We pray that you bless this home and all who live here with your gracious presence.

May your love be our inspiration, your wisdom our guide, your truth our light and your peace our benediction; through Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

May your new year, 2025, be filled with great joy and peace. Our world is certainly in great need of God's message of light and hope during these dark days of pain and suffering around the globe. Please pray for our church family and the mission we share to reveal the light and love of God to those around us! May God bless you and your family always.

Yours in Christ,  
 Pastor Cindy Brommer

### ADVENTURES OF BONNIE THE OFFICE POOCH



I missed you SO MUCH when you were on vacation!

### Congregation Council News Continued from Pg. 2

### Highlights--Annual Business Meeting Minutes November 24, 2024

**Call to Order:** at 11:14am by Council President JoEllen Myers.

**Opening Prayer:** JoEllen Myers

**Establishment of a Quorum:** Established by Parliamentarian, Mark Mariano. Official attendance was 41

**Approval of Minutes:**

**February 24, 2024, and August 25, 2024:** JoEllen asked if there were any questions, comments, corrections. Hearing none she asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion** by Kendra Ruhl, second by Jordan Paul. **Motion approved.**

**Election of Council Members for 2025:** Nominees:

- Charis Mincavage (second 3-year term)
- Mark Mariano (second 3-year term)
- Beth Dunham (second 3-year term)
- Andrew Herster (first 3-year term)
- Joan Rizzo (1-year term) completing term for Council member who resigned
- Jordan Paul-youth (1-year term)

**A motion** was made by Steve Cameron, second by Elizabeth Stuart to approve the nominees. **Motion approved.**

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## Approval of Ministry Spending Plan - 2025

JoEllen asked for comments or questions.

Chip Haak provided the following highlights on the Plan:

Thanked the members for their response to our letter regarding the current operating account deficit. October giving was above average, and we ended with a Net Income which reduced the deficit by approximately \$3,000. Also, November is trending to be the highest month of giving this year.

On the 2025 Plan, row 21 "Unrestricted Endowment Fund Contribution" is new. This allows us to take \$10,000 from the Endowment Fund to supplement giving and assist with cash flow issues should we run into another deficit situation.

Rental Income (row 22) is projected to increase by approximately \$10,000 due to the renovations at the 216 Cocoa rental property.

Synod Faith Commitment (row 182) has been reduced to reflect the decrease in our member giving. Chip noted that this is a "pledge," and we can contribute more at yearend if our financial situation allows.

Ministry Spending Plan Shortfall Contingency (row 202). This is a new section which allows the Council to withdraw up to \$15,000 from the Unrestricted Endowment Fund should we encounter a "cash flow" problem.

Chip clarified questions on the procedure for withdrawing funds from the Endowment Fund.

Hearing no further questions or comments, JoEllen Myers asked for a motion to approve the Plan as presented. **Motion** made by Jim Huebner, second by Mark Mariano, and **approved by Congregation.**

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business: Pastor Brommer:** It is with a mix of emotions, filled with both gratitude and a sense of peace, that I share the news that I plan to retire as your Pastor, effective March 1, 2025. After 22 years of serving alongside you, John and I believe it is time to transition into a new chapter of our lives. A letter to all congregation members will be sent shortly. Information about the hiring of an interim Pastor and the process of calling a new Pastor will be shared as it becomes available. I am deeply thankful for the privilege of serving as your Pastor, sharing in your joys, and sorrow. I am confident that Holy Trinity has a bright future as you continue to turn to God for guidance.

**Adjournment:** Council President JoEllen Myers requested a **motion** to adjourn which was provided by Dennis Schwenk, second by Mark Mariano. **Motion approved.**

**Closing Prayer:** Meeting concluded at 11:38am with JoEllen leading the Congregation in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

*Chip Haak*, Secretary

Do you consider yourself technically inclined? Computer-literate? You may be just what we need! Holy Trinity is seeking volunteers to help with livestreaming our worship services. Kirk and Bob have been doing yeoman's work, but there are times when neither is available, and we need more volunteers to "learn the ropes."



The process is easy to learn and would involve "on the job" training by shadowing/observing the operation for a few services. There are detailed instructions, and you can get more creative as you gain experience. Remember, when the pandemic lockdown occurred, we began with an iPhone and a tripod!

Give it some thought. Reach out to Kirk Sponaule if you have questions: (717) 418-6271 or [kirk.sponaule@verizon.net](mailto:kirk.sponaule@verizon.net).

**HELP WANTED**





# Worship



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

## Worship Schedule

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

## 2025 Bulletin & Flower Sponsorships

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers or bulletins in honor/memory of someone or a special event please sign up in 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).

## In Case of Weather Emergencies

Church services will be held if at all possible even when winter weather causes concern. Please know that we understand that our many volunteers may not be able to make it to church on those days. We will fill in for you if necessary but will miss your presence with us. Above all, be safe and use your good judgment to decide if you can get to church or not.

If driving is impassible or the sidewalks and streets around the church cannot be cleared, we will cancel services. In that case, watch for cancellations on the Church website or by calling the office for a recorded message.

## 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



## 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.

## January Special Offering Envelopes

There are three special offering envelopes with the January envelopes.

1) **Vwawa Congregation** is our companion congregation in the Konde Diocese in Tanzania. This offering allows us to help a vital and growing congregation in Tanzania. Vwawa is better off than most Konde congregations, but it is still very rustic. There is no running water and the bathrooms are just holes in the ground. They have many, many orphans due to the high mortality rate of AIDS. The money that we send is used for education, support of orphans, and support of their evangelists.



2) **The Capital Repair Fund** supports projects to renovate and maintain our property.

3) **Love in the Name of Christ** of Greater Hershey The mission of Love INC of Greater Hershey is to mobilize the church to transform lives and the community in the name of Christ. The primary ways Love INC does this are through the centralized call center or **Clearinghouse**, and their three large ministries: **The Bicycle Ministry**, which provides bicycles to children and adults; a **Personal Care Closet**, which provides personal, household, and baby basics not covered by food stamps; and **The Parsonage Ministries**, which is a free, home away from home for families of patients at the Hershey Medical Center.



**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 on the sheet in the narthex.

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

**Devotionals Available:** Devotionals can be found in the Narthex. The Word in Season is scattered around the Narthex. Christ in Our Home is a large print devotional located on the hospitality desk inside the front door. Spark Family for kids is on the Little Lutheran table. Please help yourselves.

## SING & REJOICE CHOIR DATES:



January 5 (Practice)  
January 12 (Sing)

**All Youth are Invited to Sing!**  
For more info contact **Izanne Leonard-Haak & Colleen Nielson**

# Grow



**Sunday School 2024-2025**  
All classes meet 9:00–9:45 AM



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS	
Date	Lesson/Scripture
1/5	<b>Epiphany</b>
1/12	<b>Holy Baptism</b>
1/19	<b>Parable of the Leaven</b>
1/26	<b>Parable of the Good Samaritan</b>

- Children's Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room
- Confirmation Sunday School for Grades 6-8 meets in the Youth Room.
- Sunday School for grades 9-12 meets downstairs next to Youth Room.
- Adult Discussion meets 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)

## 2024 CONTRIBUTIONS

If you would like a reminder of your current year-to-date giving for 2024, please contact Peg Huebner, 717-838-0686 (leave a message) or [peghuebner@comcast.net](mailto:peghuebner@comcast.net). End of Year Statements for 2024 will be available for pick up before and after the church service on January 12, 2025. All statements not picked up will be mailed after that date. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



## Financial Information November 2024\*

\*All figures are subject to audit pending necessary adjustments



GIVING	2024	
	November	YTD
General Offering	42,181	302,624
Rental Income	1,350	21,850
Total General Offering *	43,531	324,474
Special Offerings	545	8,391
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Actual*	29,334	343,947
Budgeted	31,356	344,913

## 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.

## 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!*



**Many thanks to all who have contributed & faithfully commit their tithes each & every week.** Your gifts to the Church throughout the year & this Christmas season are very much appreciated. These contributions help benefit the ongoing ministries & operating needs of the Church & Community. .

If you would like information on VANCO electronic or automatic giving, please contact the Church office or Peg Huebner.

## 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.







# Outreach Ministries

## Faith in Action Food Drive

Faith in Action will continue to collect food from Advent through January. Items will be donated to Hershey Food Bank

The Hershey Food Bank is in need of non-perishable food and paper supplies. There is a drop box next to the entrance of the Food Bank for all donations. The Food Bank is located at 120 East Derry Road in Hershey. The following items are examples of things that are needed:



Food Pantry Needs

- Canned vegetables: beets, mixed vegetables, corn, beans
- Progresso Chunky soups
- Applesauce (jars, not single-serve)
- Canned Pears
- Hamburger Helper meals
- Instant potatoes (Betty Crocker, Idahoan, etc...)
- Cake mixes

Thank you to everyone who has supported this very important & well needed ministry in the Community.

## Bible Art Journaling

No experience necessary!  
Next gathering will be  
**January 12, 2025**  
6:00--7:30 PM.

*Colleen Nielsen*



LOVE INC  
Love In The Name of Christ

## PERSONAL CARE CLOSET NEEDS — LOVE INC

The following items are in need at Love INC.

- Body Wash
- Mouthwash
- Ladies Razors
- Ladies Deodorant
- Adult toothbrushes
- Dishwashing liquid

Donate Hygiene Items



Items can be brought into the Church and placed in the box provided or given to Lynn Budgeon for transport to Love INC.

## Blood Pressure Screenings

First Sunday of every month (In the front of the sanctuary following the worship service).

**Next Scheduled Screening**  
**January 5, 2025**



## 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!



**January gatherings: January 8 & January 22**

**Mark Your Calendars: The NEXT HTY Community Night Fundraiser is at Primanti Bros. Restaurant & Bar** (on Chocolate Ave.)!! **Be there on Monday, January 27th anytime from 11am - 11pm and support our youth.** Here's how it works: On this date, if you and your family (and friends) go out to eat during the hours listed, please show the flyer or a digital copy of it to the wait staff, and the restaurant will donate 20% of your total food & drink bill (alcohol excluded) to the HTY. It's that simple. So spread the word to everyone you know (they don't need to belong to Holy Trinity, they just need to show the flyer in hand or a digital copy, and we get 20%). I will be in attendance, so chances are you will see someone you know :) Hopefully we can get a lot of Holy Trinity families and friends out there to support our youth.—Peter Fox



A quick & easy way to help support our Youth with a little extra this month is to purchase a Giant Gift Card! 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 will make 5% on that sale from Giant. You can then use that gift card anytime you shop at Giant stores or give to someone in need (including gas purchases). If interested, see Nathan in the Narthex after service on Sunday. **Giant cards make GREAT gifts too!**



# YOUTH & FAMILY CORNER



Greetings to everyone out there. Welcome to 2025. It finally feels like winter. Even though it's cold outside that has not stopped all of the inside fun. Things have been awesome so far this season. Since we last talked a month ago, we have had another HTY night, a HTY Winter Retreat, and a Family Fellowship Christmas Party. At the HTY Night we had 10 youth and our 3 advisors. This was our third HTY Night and our theme of RULES AND TRADITIONS, is really starting to resonate with the HTY youth. Since we've been working so hard, we decided to take some time off of the schedule and just have a total fun night. We played wacky youth group games all night long, had a pizza dinner, and closed the night down with candle prayer. This was the first night that we used our new candle prayer tradition that the HTY created at the last HTY night using tea lights. This night of fun of fellowship was just what the doctor ordered.

The second weekend of December we had our very first HTY Winter Retreat. This retreat was just for the youth group. 11 HTY and 3 advisors, and two parent helpers were in attendance for this awesome weekend at Nawakwa. The weather was cold, but perfect. The theme for this weekend was TIME. We looked at several aspects of that word: Making time for friends and family, Making time for ourselves, and making time for God. The weekend was solid in every way! The faith, fun and fellowship were top notch, and everyone in attendance loved it. It was the best start possible for a first retreat and it will set the bar pretty high for the years to come.

We closed down the year with our Family Fellowship Christmas Party and it was a blast! About 25-30 came out to this day of pure fun and fellowship. We dined on baked ziti, snacks, and lots of home-baked goodies. We were joined at this luncheon by the Altar Guild. We enjoyed lunch together and had good table conversation, then we helped the Altar Guild with the Christmas Decorations all around Holy Trinity. It was a good event, and one that I will look to do with the Christmases to come.

With all this said, I am looking forward to 2025. There is a lot on the calendar for HTY and Family Fellowship this Winter/ Spring. I very much look forward to the future. 2025 will rock!!

Yours in Christ,  
Peter Fox



**Our 3rd Family Fellowship Luncheon is our first event in 2025. It's scheduled for Sun, January 19th right after church from 11:15am to 1pm-ish.** Come out to this special Christmas luncheon. Yes, it is still Christmas season! This event is open to ALL families and members of Holy Trinity!! At this "special" January luncheon, we will enjoy conversation, share a meal, and play Christmas Pictionary (a budding Tradition). If you want to provide the main course, or step up and help with sides, PLEASE contact Danielle Mariano ASAP and let her know. These luncheons can only happen with your support. Hope to see you and your family after church for this awesome event!!

**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. A form is needed to be on file for everyone.

## **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 at [youthgy@yahoo.com](mailto:youthgy@yahoo.com).

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### January

- 3-5 Winterfest
- 19 Family Fellowship Luncheon
- 27 Youth Fundraiser



### February

- 2 HTY Night
- 16 Family Fellowship Luncheon

### March 7-9, 2025

- Family Retreat
- Camp Kirchenwald (Near Mt. Gretna)

# Share

- 1 Madeleine Griess
- 2 Kenneth Day  
Kimberly Day  
Kristofer Day  
Dennis Lubold
- 3 Derek Lutes  
Kathleen Rudisill
- 7 Jonathan Keeler  
Matthew Lechleitner  
Sharon Murray
- 11 Georgiann Jones
- 12 Drew Bankes
- 13 Riley Curtin
- 14 Arthur Finch  
Lynn Warner
- 15 Donna Artley  
Renee Hoffman  
Anne McQuaid  
Dennis Phillippy  
David Sassaman

- 16 Peter Fox  
Michael Misceovich  
Jared Stern
- 17 Edward Zaenglein
- 18 Janet Evans  
Teri Hurst
- 19 William Royle
- 20 Carole Bowman
- 21 Gabrielle Gniady  
Julia Hair  
Robert Homisak  
Else Nielsen
- 22 Molly Luderitz
- 24 Mildred Fair\*
- 25 Virgie King\*  
Paislee Young
- 26 Derek Dunham  
Laurena Fox

- 27 Lauren Fox  
Charis Rossetti
- 28 John Myers  
Steve Shuey
- 31 Bobbie Brehm  
Alice Link

\* celebrating 90+ birthday!



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Mark Your Calendars for**  
**Holy Trinity's Intergenerational**  
**Family Retreat**

**When:** March 7-9, 2025  
**Where:** Schreiber Haus Lodge at Camp Kirchenwald near Mt. Gretna  
**Who:** Anyone with a desire to retreat and get away.

Please watch your bulletins & weekly blasts for information that's coming soon!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We celebrate our members who have reached 90+ birthdays in January:

Cards of cheer can be sent to:

**Mildred Fair (24th—100!)**  
 103 North Larkspur Drive, Apt. 52  
 Palmyra, PA 17078

**Virgie King (25th)**  
 8 Valley Road  
 Hummelstown, PA 17036

## The Giving Tree Project Update

Many thanks to the Members of Holy Trinity who generously provided fifty-six gift cards for the Hershey Food Bank during their Giving Tree gift drive. Thank you for helping to make the holiday season happy for so many in our community.



Dear Holy Trinity Friends,  
 A sincere thank you for your faithful caring, support and prayers during Mike's illness. They were a comfort to both of us.

Blessings & Love,  
 Sherry Welty



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**Our mission is to Worship, Grow, Witness and Share through Christ's love  
in Service to God and Neighbor.**

**CHURCH  
OFFICE HOURS**  
Mondays thru Thursdays  
9 AM—3 PM



**2025**

**February  
Newsletter  
Deadline  
January 15**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Office Closed	<b>2</b> 5:30pm Troop 65 Lions	<b>3</b> Office Closed Winterfest High School Event	<b>4</b> Winterfest High School Event
<b>5</b> Winterfest High School Event 9:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream)	<b>6</b> Winterfest High School Event 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:00am Quilter's Workshop	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Office Closed	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream) 6:00pm Bible Art Journaling	<b>13</b> 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Office Closed	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream) 11:30am Family Fellowship	<b>20</b> Office Closed Faith In Action Service Project 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	<b>21</b> 7:00pm Congrega- tion Council Zoom meeting	<b>22</b> 9:00am Quilter's Workshop	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Office Closed	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 9:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (In person and Livestream)	<b>27</b> Primanti Bros. Fundraiser 6:30pm Scouts Troop 65 B 6:30pm Susquehanna Chorale Rehearsal	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Office Closed	

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**  
The Church office will be **CLOSED**  
the following holidays:  
  
New Years Day—Jan. 1  
Martin Luther King Day—Jan 20.

**WEATHER EMERGENCIES**

Church services will be held if at all possible even when winter weather causes concern. Please know that we understand that our many volunteers may not be able to make it to church on those days. We will fill in for you if necessary but will miss your presence with us. Above all, be safe and use your good judgment to decide if you can get to church or not.



If driving is impassible or the sidewalks and streets around the church cannot be cleared, we will cancel services. In that case, watch for cancellations on the Church website or by calling the office for a recorded message.





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**Church Office Hours**  
Monday through Thursday  
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### **Sunday Services:**

10:00 AM Holy Communion Service  
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Grow, Witness and Share  
through Christ's love in Service**

### **Worship**

All Saints—Linda Lubold  
Altar Guild - Betsy Phillippy  
and Mary Ann Kelly

### **Grow**

Faith Formation—Colleen Nielsen  
Youth & Faith Formation—  
Danielle Mariano

Mutual Ministry—

Camp—Rodney Gross

### **Staff:**

Senior Pastor - The Rev. Cindy A. Brommer  
Director of Music Ministries/Organist - Mr. Alan L. Hair  
Director of Youth & Family Ministry - Mr. Peter Fox  
Director of Faith Formation—Mrs. Colleen Nielsen  
Treasurer—Mrs. Stephanie Gross  
Giving Secretary - Mrs. Peg Huebner  
Membership Secretary—Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart  
Property Manager - Mrs. Karen Kline  
Administrative Assistant - Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart  
IT/Communication Specialist—Mrs. Anita Housman

### **Witness**

Faith in Action—Rodney Gross  
Hospitality—

### **Share**

Extended Ministries—JoEllen Myers  
Finance—Nathan Paul  
Property—



**FEBRUARY**  
**Newsletter deadline**  
**January 15**  
**Deadline for weekly**  
**publication of the**  
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**Tuesday by Noon.**