# **April 14, 2024**

Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of believers in Christ who grow in their faith and their relationships with God and each other by participating in common experiences of Worship, Christian Education, and Fellowship. Inspired by Christ's love, we are called through our faith to witness to the Good News and reach out to serve the needs of people within our congregation, the community, and the world.

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#### WE WELCOME VISITORS TO TRINITY.

Trinity is a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC)

If you are seeking a new church home, it would be a joy to welcome you into the Trinity family. Please speak to the pastor.

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# **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Heather Klien Office Manager and Pre-School Registrar
Heather Klien (570-881-3136) Director of Youth Ministries
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North American Lutheran Church Website: www.TheNALC.org

#### **SUNDAY 10:00 AM**

USHERS: JR Bolig and John Pacyna

HC ASSTS: Elyse Rehder LECTORS: Dee Smith

COUNTERS: Suzanne Bolig and Bob Klien

ALTAR GUILD: Pat Kiefer, Kitchie Strauch, and Helen Gregosh

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**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** have been placed to the Glory of God by Bob and Heather Klien in loving memory of Bob's brother, Gerald Klien.

**THE BULLETIN** is being presented to the Glory of God by the Bockelkamp family in loving memory of their husband/father, Frank Bockelkamp.

**PRAYERS FOR A PARTICULAR CONGREGATION** within the Atlantic Mission Region of the North American Lutheran Church are being offered each week during the liturgies of the forty-one congregations of the mission region. This week we are remembering in prayer the people, ministries, and congregation of Vinemont Community Lutheran Church in Reinholds. PA.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

	This Weekend	Next Weekend
First Reading: Second Reading: Holy Gospel:	Acts 3:12-19 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48	Acts 4:5-12 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

**MEALS-ON-WHEELS** will be delivered in Clarks Summit this Thursday by Kathy Mathews and Peg Himes. Trinity is responsible for the delivery of *Meals-On-Wheels* every Thursday. If you would like to assist with this program, please speak to Kathy Mathews.

**AS PART OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**, we affirm that our faith is *Mission Driven*. Being *Mission Driven* means that we believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples - in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world - must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

The website of the North American Lutheran Church is found at "www.theNALC.org."

Trinity is also a part of the Atlantic Mission Region of the NALC.

The mission region website is found at "www.atlantic-nalc.org"

**WORSHIP KITS** filled with lots of resources that match the liturgical day and season are available for small children who are attending the service. They are available on the rear pews of the church. This month the worship kits are being refurbished each week by Kathy Mathews.

**WE EXTEND CONGRATULATIONS** to the members of the Trinity family who will be celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries this week:

#### **Birthdays**:

Thursday: Randy Beck

#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Today: 10:00 AM Traditional Eucharist Next Sunday: 10:00 AM Traditional Eucharist

# MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK (April 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>)

Today: 9:00 AM Adult Forum

9:15 AM Sunday Church School pre-k through kindergarten.

11:30 AM Congregational Coffee Hour

Monday: 5:30 PM Family Worship Service and Youth Group

Wednesday: 10:00 AM Quilting Group

7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal

Thursday: 2:30 PM Keystone Mission Dinner \*\*\*(different day)

Friday: 6:00 PM Church Council and Call Committee Hales' Meeting

Next Saturday: 9:00 AM Congregation Meeting & Lunch with Pastor Hales

Sunday (04/21): 9:00 AM Adult Forum

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## ATTENDANCE and FINANCIAL SUMMARY \*

Total Attendance last Sunday: 39

General Fund Offerings Received Last Sunday: \$1605.41
General Fund Offerings Received Year to Date: \$36,701.57
General Fund Expenses Year to Date: \$44,248.20

**WOMEN OF TRINITY** will be meeting on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> for a bible study from noon until 2 PM in the conference room. Please bring a bagged lunch. A beverage and dessert will be provided. Please let Cheri Graboski or Kathy Mathews know if you plan to attend.

WELCOME PASTOR BRAD HALES TO TRINITY IN APRIL HE WILL BE THE VISITING PASTOR THAT WEEKEND. PASTOR HALE WILL ALSO BE LEADING US IN LEARNING HOW TO GROW OUR AGING CHURCH! "An aging church does not mean decline, but opportunity." Pastor Brad Hales, the Director of Aging for the North American Lutheran Church, will be leading a weekend workshop at Trinity Lutheran Church, Clarks Summit Pa. entitled, "Renewing the Aging Church." It will be held on April 19-21. While all congregations need continuous revival, an aging church is well positioned for growth through discipleship training, care, outreach to other mature/middle aged adults, and intergenerational ministry. Come and see how God can use the gift of aging to S

**SPRING YARD CLEAN-UP AND MULCH SPREADING** will take place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. Many hands make light work, se we are hoping for a great turn out to help with this annual event. Please contact John if you can participate (570)947-3900.

**NATIONAL LIBRARY MONTH IS THE MONTH OF APRIL.** This year our church librarian will be placing giving envelopes in the hymnals. If you would consider donating to our church library, it would be appreciated.

**THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets each Sunday from 9:00 to 9:45 AM in the conference room. Please take advantage of these study and discussion opportunities as often as possible.

**A "COFFEE HOUR"** will immediately follow the 10:30 AM service this morning. This fellowship opportunity is being sponsored by Heather Klien. We thank Heather for her special gift to Trinity by sponsoring this fellowship opportunity.

**"FUN FOR SENIORS"** will take place again on **Thursday, May 16**<sup>th</sup> from 11:45 until 2:30. Seniors will meet Heather downstairs in the fellowship hall kitchen for a baking session. This group will be making items to stock the freezer for future coffee hours. There is a sign-up sheet available in the gathering hall. Please join in for a fun time while helping the coffee hour ladies!

"WORD IN SEASON" with devotions beginning on April 1st is available this morning. Please pick up your copy.

THE WORSHIP BULLETIN WITH LITURGICAL RESOURCES is made available each week to assist us in our community worship celebrations. If you would like to sponsor (or provide as a memorial), the bulletin for any given Sunday, please sign your name on chart on the bulletin board provided for this purpose. The weekly cost is \$9.25.