

BETWEEN THE TIMES March 24, 2012

The Family of God prepares to celebrate Holy Week and Easter. This is the most important week in the Christian Year. This is the time when we focus on what our faith is all about. And, because it is so important for us, we have to be careful to see everything that happens during the week. Rushing from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday is dangerous because doing that risks losing the meaning of the Resurrection of Jesus for us. Most important of all, we must pause for worship and reflection on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Maundy Thursday remembers the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. It also remembers the events of that night before and after the supper. We remember the disappointing behavior of the disciples as they squabbled amongst themselves over which of them was most important. We watch in shock as Jesus interrupts their fuss to show them what true importance means by washing their feet. We can scarcely believe our eyes and ears as the drama unfolds around the table. Judas has already made his agreement with the authorities to betray Jesus, and the Lord makes one last attempt to love the betrayer back into the fold. But, Judas will have none of it; and, having accepted Christ's gift of his body and blood, he goes off into the night to carry out his plan. We follow Jesus and the eleven out to Gethsemane to keep the vigil with them. Jesus prays in agony in the garden while the disciples sleep. Finally the authorities come to arrest Jesus, and another skirmish occurs. This time, Peter cuts off the ear of the High Priest's servant. Again, Jesus tries to show the disciples that violence is not his way. And, we watch as the scene shifts to the High Priest's house, where the mock trial takes place, and where Peter denies his Lord three times.

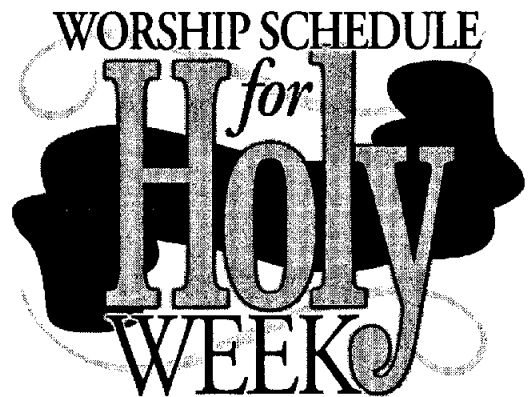
On Friday, we watch the scene where Jesus is questioned by the governor. Pilate is the man caught in the middle of many forces pulling against him. He understands Jesus is innocent, but is afraid of the Jews and the Emperor. He orders Jesus beaten half to death. The Roman soldiers mock him with the crown of thorns and the imitation purple robe of royalty. They have no idea that they are horribly mistreating Royalty beyond their every concept of the term. Then we see how the Jews gathered outside Pilate's palace and refused his offer to release Jesus. Then we hear the awful clamoring of the mob: *Give us Barabbas!* And, about Jesus: *We have no king but Caesar! Crucify him!*

Finally, the Lord of All is crucified at the hands of the people he loved. He loved even the Romans, because they were part of the humanity he came to save. As he breathed his last, one of the pagan soldiers got the point: *Surely this man was the Son of God.* And, the veil of the Temple was torn from top to bottom – an early sign that this drama was far from over and that a new beginning in the relationship between God and humanity was about to be revealed – but not yet.

First, there is the agony of Holy Saturday. Because it was the Sabbath, the body of the Lord had been hastily buried before sundown the night before. Those who were closest to Jesus could do nothing but sit around in shock and amazement all day long – wondering what in the world could have happened. It is a temptation for us to go about our usual business on Holy Saturday, but we must be careful. If we can't grasp the desperate feeling of those first disciples, we're in danger of missing the point.

The Sabbath ended at sundown on Saturday. But then, it was dark, and the disciples had to bed down for the night, though sleep was likely an impossibility. When it was just about daybreak, Mary Magdalene couldn't stand it any longer, and she made her way to the grave. Soon, we will see what she discovered.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



April 1 Palm Sunday

Luncheon following the service and Easter Egg hunt for the children.

Cantata will be performed by The Country Choir, beginning at 7:00 p.m. that evening.

April 5 Maundy Thursday service 7:00 p.m.

April 6 Good Friday service will be held at Faith Methodist on Blue Ave. across from Zanesville High School.

April 8 Easter morning service in the sanctuary at 8:00 a.m. the Youth will be helping.

Breakfast served from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Free will offering, to go to the Youth.

10:30 regular service.

Deacon Beacon



April 2012

Deacons on duty for April are: Charlene Noland, Donna Myers, Jean Crawmer. The Deacon to lead the devotions is Carol Sours.

IN AND OUT OF THE HOSPITAL: Jim Ardrey.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES FOR 80+ AND 50 YEARS OR MORE OF MARRIAGE.

BIRTHDAYS

Bob Nicholas	April 26
1854 Norwood Blvd, Suite #351	Eileen Bagent
Betty Ward	April 27
66 W. High St, New Concord 43762	Andi Merry
April 1	April 29
April 6	Peggy Keys
Eloise Hayes	

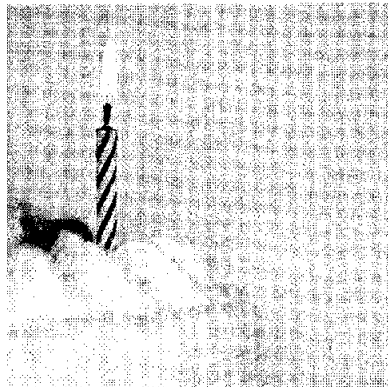
NEW ADDRESS: Dave & Martha Purkey have a new address it is 6135 Southview Dr. Nashport, Oh 43830.

Grace Beebe is at Autumn Health Care. 1420 Autumn Dr. Zanesville. She is recovering from a stroke.

Our sympathies to Judy Miller and family on the recent death of her husband, Judy has been attending Trinity and she is a neighbor of the church.

The Deacons will be hosting a small reception for the Piano Dedication and the final Sunday with Rev. Starr on April 15th. This will be held in the parlor following the worship service.

We hope that everyone can stay!

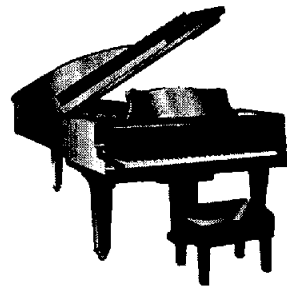


The Deacons are asking for clean large vases for the flowers. We have plenty of the plastic ones. You can drop them off at the church.

PIANO DEDICATION

We will dedicate our new grand piano on April 15. To help us celebrate this special occasion we welcome guest pianists, Alicia Good Estrada and Tricia Good Lenhof who will provide us with extra-special music during the service. Please plan to be here to help us celebrate this event. We will have refreshments following the service.

Remember, if you would like to make a donation to the "piano fund", there is still time.



CANTATA

A special cantata will be performed by the group "The Country Choir", here at the church on Palm Sunday, April 1st. Our own Betty Ward is the leader of this group. The concert will start at 7:00 p.m. The name of the cantata is "Shadow of the Cross". Everyone is welcome to attend!





Upcoming Events and News that you can use

April 2012

KYLE BALLANTINE is presenting his first Masters organ recital on Saturday, April 21st. Beginning at 3:00 p.m. at Plymouth Church of Shaker Heights, 2860 Coventry Rd, Shaker Heights, Oh 44120. The recital is free and open to the public. A reception will follow in the church parlor.

There is a flyer on the bulletin board by the elevator for more information.

Spring is just around the corner! Some brave souls have been walking the Labyrinth all winter. The bench has been ordered and will be delivered, probably late March or sometime in April. It is a dark green color and is 6 –feet long and the church name is engraved across the back seat. It is a garden seat, which means that it has arm rest. It will be bolted to the ground.

Thanks to Bill & Joan Miska for the Labyrinth and ordering the bench. The money for the bench was donated from the Simcox band concert last year.

Grief Share has a little table in the narthex that will have information about grieving and other information and topics. If you are interested, please feel free to pick up any of the information, or contract one of the Grief Share members.

Grief Share meets the second Monday evening of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor. They also meet the last Monday of the month for dinner.

If you need any further information. Please contact Mary Flanagan or Nancy Killian.

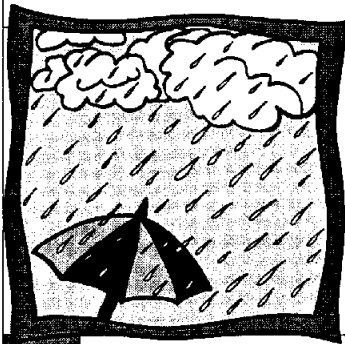
THANK YOU to the congregation for their donations to the Eastside Food Drive.

We have several grocery sack full of items.

Eastside has given 577 individuals from 231 households 5193 meals from their food pantry during the first two months of the year! Compare this to January & February 2011 326 individuals from 140 households, for 2934 meals.

The need is growing.

We can bring in your donations anytime, we have a shelves in the narthex.



From the CE desk

A note from Amanda

A note of thanks

I wanted to thank everyone who brought food for the Eastside Community Ministries food drive and everyone who helped provide food for the CASS-MIND tutorees. Over 30 bags of food were collected for Eastside and 4 terrific dinners

were prepared for the kids getting tutored.

It is so easy to get lost in our busy lives. We sometimes forget our calling to abide in Jesus and by abiding, bear the fruits of His teaching: feeding the hungry, healing the sick, blessing children, befriending outcasts,

repenting and forgiving. As we look forward to the promise of Easter I thank you all for all the support you have shown! I am comforted to see the many people helping, sharing and praying for the success of our mission team and ministries. Thank you again!

Acolyte and Children's Church schedule

April 1

Katherine Allison and
Jonathan Patterson

April 29

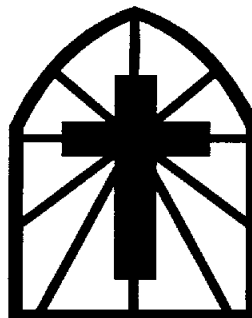
Janie McLoughlin and
Miranda Geis

April 8

Amanda Allison
Happy Easter!

April 8

Carolyn Geis and
David Johnson



April 15

Amanda Allison
Marci Shumway

April 15

Connor Allison and
Jack Tysinger

April 22

Amanda Allison and
Kris Geis

April 22

Cameron Hill and
Mark Patterson

April 1

Amanda Allison and
Kris Geis

April 29

Amanda Allison and

After Church Sunday School Class

The next after church Sunday school class meets in the parlor following the service on April 22nd. Join Dr. Schumacher as we read through Genesis 21 and look at the ways this ancient text is at work in our lives today. It will be a thought provoking lesson with real world application. As always, lunch will be provided and we look forward to seeing you.

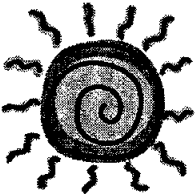
Sunday School Classes on Easter Sunday

We will have our regular Sunday school classes for kids 4th grade and under. 5th grade and up will be

helping or participating in the breakfast being provided by the Youth Group. All youth and adults are invited

to have a special Easter breakfast in the Fellowship Hall from 8:30 until 10:00.

Sunrise Service



The youth will be leading a sunrise service on Easter Sunday from 8:00 to 8:30 in the Sanctuary. A breakfast will be available after the service in the Fellowship Hall from 8:30 until 10:00. Please join the youth for this meaningful worship service!

Roots and Shoots update

The Trinity Roots and Shoots group has had a fantastic year so far! With the help of our congregation, their goal of raising \$1000 for sea turtle conservation was reached on March 12th. To celebrate this achievement, on March 17th the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium sent a traveling program complete with animal ambassadors to educate the kids on where the money would be sent, how it would be used, and why conservation was important.

85 kids and parents participated in the program. They got to be sea turtle research assistants before meeting a penguin, a flamingo, an Indian Star tortoise and a screech owl! The penguin especially enjoyed his time on our stage in the Fellowship Hall! A huge round of "thank you!" goes out to everyone who helped us achieve our goal!



Girl Scout update

Scouts from Troops 1862 and 100 had a wonderful time participating in Girl Scout Sunday on March 4th. The spaghetti dinner following the service raised over \$150 to help the girls with their pledge to give \$200 to sea turtle conservation. They thank you for your

support! As the cookie season finally comes to a close, the girls would also like to thank everyone for their generosity and help in making this year a fantastic success for the girls. The girls had a fabulous time making decorations for their booths, coming up with cookie jin-

gles to sing and learning about teamwork, money management, marketing, and goal setting. One of their favorite parts was listening to the stories of women who used to be scouts and the differences and similarities to girl scouting today. Thank you!

Earth Day Fair at Armco Park April 21st from 10-4

It's that time again! Time to celebrate and enjoy the wonderful things God has given us while learning about stewardship of this beautiful earth. On April 21st there will be musicians, entertainers, vendors, charitable organizations and artists from across the county sharing their talents, skills and services. Whether you want to learn about vermiculture, solar panels for your house, organic gardening, natural cleaners and more, or just enjoy the music and spring time weather,

there is something for everyone at the Earth Day Fair. While you're there you will see familiar faces from our Girl Scout troops 1862 and 100 as well as our Roots and Shoots group. ZAAP artists will be showcasing some of their works and there will be demonstration on crochet with recycled materials and other crafts. A full kids' area will be running from 10 until 4 with activities for kids of all ages. For more information contact Kris Geis.

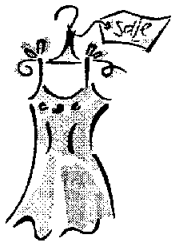


“Do not make the land where you live “unclean.” I live there too. I live among the people of Israel. I am the Lord.”

Numbers 35:34

Save the Date—May 5th—Women's Retreat from 11:00 to 3:00

Together with the Retreat Ministries Mission group of the Muskingum Valley Presbytery we will be hosting a women's retreat in support of “Little Dresses for Africa,” a non-profit Christian organization that provides relief to children in Africa.



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We will meet in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy fellowship, devotional time, and lunch. We will also make simple skirts and dresses to send to needy children in Africa. There will be stations set up for sewing, ironing, hemming and finishing the clothes. You do not need to know how to sew to participate! Women of all talents and skill levels

will be needed to make this gathering a success.

For more information contact Maggie Nussbaum or Amanda Allison. There will also be more information soon in the weekly bulletins.

This event is open to all who would like to come, so bring your friends and families! The more the merrier!

Save the Date—Youth Sunday and Graduation Sunday MAY 20th

The youth are already hard at work producing this year's Youth Sunday service. During the service we will also recognize our high school graduates.

NOTE FROM NANCY

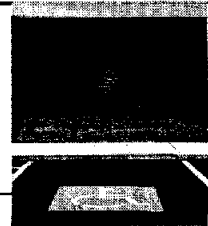
The staff of Trinity Presbyterian would like to "thank" Rev. Starr. for guiding us this past year and half. We wish him the best on his retirement.



A notice from Nancy and her family. Our son, Matt and daughter-in-law Tiffany had a beautiful baby girl on March 19th. She weighed 6lbs. 14 oz. Her name is Molly Lynn. I have plenty of picture if anyone who like to stop by the office to see them. I may be redecorating the office with poster size pictures!



We have covered the Pastor and Christian Ed sign in the front parking lot on Sunday's. It has come to our attention, that we needed more handicap parking. Please see an usher if you can't find a spot.



Kids Stuff Sale the annual Spring sale will be held here on April 23rd to the Sat. April 28th. This is sale is open to the public on Thursday. This year if you would like to shop early, you can pay \$2.00 to shop on Wednesday evening, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The money that they collect from this "early fee" will be donated back to the church. The church is not asking for donations this year.

YOUNG AT HEART we are back on track. We had a good time at Tee-Jays in March. We will be going to the Barn on April 10th. Anyone can join us, this is open to all. We have lunch and visit with friends.

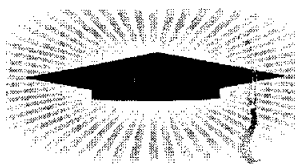
If you haven't been to lunch with us, you don't know what you are missing! If you need a ride, please let the office know. We can have someone pick you up.

Please RSVP to the church office if you would like to join us. 452-8482.

GRADUATION SUNDAY will be on May 20th. We are asking any one who is graduating this year to please let the church know. We would like to have your future plans and the school that you are graduating from.

Also any college graduates??? We would like to list your name in the bulletin on May 20th.

Please let the office know soon. Thank you



Youth group news



There will be NO MEETING IN April.

We are busy helping with the Easter Early Service. The service begins at 8:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. Following the service we will be helping with the Easter Breakfast. This will be held from 8:30 a.m. –10:00 a.m. We hope everyone will join us.

On May 6th the Youth committee and Group will be holding a combined meeting.

**Trinity United Presbyterian Church
Financial Recap**

Feb-12

INCOME

LOCAL MISSIONS:

General Fund	\$9,287
Memorial Fund	\$25
Youth Fund	\$0
 Total Local Mission Income	 \$9,312

WORLD MISSIONS:

Total World Mission Income	\$866
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TOTAL INCOME	\$10,178
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EXPENSES

LOCAL MISSIONS:

Personel	\$14,199
Office Costs	\$255
Music	\$214
Education	\$722
Property	\$3,835
Congregation	\$941
Youth Fund	\$74
 Total Local Missions	 \$20,240

WORLD MISSIONS	\$0
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World Mission commitment remaining	\$11,198
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$20,240
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NET GAIN/LOSS	-\$10,062
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APRIL EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Palm Sunday Luncheon, Easter Egg Hunt, Cantata 7:00 p.m.	2 Red Cross 1-7 p.m.	3 Staff 9:30 a.m.	4 Choir 7:00 p.m.	5 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.	6 Office close 7:00 p.m. service at Faith Methodist	7
8 EASTER Easter morning 8:30 a.m. worship breakfast 8:30-	9 Zemba 6:00 p.m.	10 YAH Deacons 6:00 p.m. Christian Ed 7:00	11 W & M 6:15 p.m. B & G 7:00 p.m. Choir 7 p.m.	12 Women 11:00 WW 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:00 Men's 7:00 p.m.	13	14 Piano practice
15 Rev. Starr last Sunday & Piano Dedication, Session, Cookie	16 Red Cross 1-7 p.m.	17 Staff 9:30 a.m.	18 Choir 7:00 p.m.	19 Women 11:00 WW 5:30 p.m. Men's 7:00 p.m.	20	21 9:00 a.m. Cindy Sheets
22 Kid Stuff Sale set- up	23 Grief Share 6:00 p.m. Kid Stuff Sale set-	24 Staff 9:30 a.m. Kid Stuff Sale	25 Administrative Day Choir 7:00 p.m. Kid Stuff Sale begins	26 Women 11:00 WW 5:30 Stitching Bee 6:00 Men's 7:00	27 Kid Stuff Sale	28 1/2 prices Kid Stuff Sale till 1:00 p.m.
29	30 Red Cross 1-7 p.m.					
Each Sunday 8:00 Bells 8:30 Children Choir 9:00 SS for all ages 10:00 Youth choir	(continue) 10:30 Worship				(Thursday continued) 5:30 WW	2012

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Equipment Accepted for Donation:

Manual wheelchairs (preferably with foot rests) Aluminum crutches, pediatric wheelchairs, wheelchair parts, aluminum walkers and aluminum canes.

If you are interested in donating equipment please contact Jonathan Brooks at 740-252-2868. Donations will be accepted at Zanesville Christian and Missionary

Alliance church at 545 Richey Rd until April 14th.

You can visit their web site www.joniandfriends.org

There is more information on the flyer in the hallway by the elevator.

***Donate your used
wheelchair to
help others***

