

LOOKING FORWARD

Wednesday, August 22—7:00 p.m.—Choir rehearsals will resume. All interested persons are invited to join.

Sunday, August 26—8:00 a.m.—Bells of Praise rehearsals will resume.

Wednesday, September 12—11:00a.m.-2:00 p.m.—Dr. Hany Rizkalla from the Egyptian Presbyterian Church will present a program in the Fellowship Hall. Details can be found in the Upcoming Events section.

Sunday, September 16—Sunday School Kick Off and Promotion Sunday—Promotion Sunday will include a tailgate party after the worship service. See the Notable Notes column for details.

Sunday, October 7—Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off—Details are in the Mission News.

Sunday, October 14—CROP Walk—2:00—Kris Beebe will have more information and will be seeking participants. See the Notable Notes column for details.

Sunday, October 21—SOUPer Bowl—10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.—OUZ-Zane State Campus Center—Details can be found in the Mission News.

Sunday, October 28—Weiner Roast—This will follow the worship service. Details can be found in the Notable Notes column.

Trinity Triumph

September/October 2018

CHENOA'S CORNER

Trinity Partnership with Chenoa
Stock—PC(USA) Mission Co-Worker in
Bolivia



Chenoa and Jose' with Leandro

Dear Trinity United Presbyterian Church,

Greetings from a chilly, yet sunny, La Paz winter! I hope this finds you all well and enjoying these weeks of summer before the church season starts up again! We of UMAVIDA are also in a time of preparation for our renewed mission and vision. As we continue to analyze the situation of the sometimes volatile relationship between non-government organizations and the government, especially with presidential elections coming up in early 2020, our board and network partners have decided to re-evaluate what we want to be and do in this Bolivian context. While we still work with our partner community groups, carrying out workshops on climate change and spirituality, focusing on environmental justice, our board will also be carrying out a deeper reflection on UMAVIDA's direction for the future.

Please keep us in your prayers as we discern where it is we need to be to support and accompany our Bolivian brothers and sisters.

On a personal note, our family recently did our first trek with Leandro in the Valley of the Spirits, just south of La Paz. We had a beautiful day wandering the valley and seeing the city from outside its limits. Leandro most definitely enjoyed his hiking backpack, too!

Thank you for your support and prayers. You all are always in ours as well.

Peace and blessings,

Chenoa

From the Pastor's Desk

Sacred and Profane All Muddled Up Society and Church Separated and Bound Kingdoms and Keys

D. Allison, September/October 2018

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. – John 1:14 KJV

The binding spiritual strength of community is the Church. Taking their living impulse from the Church, families and neighbors and teachers and pastors and community social organizations present a fine life. In spite of all the vicissitudes of this world, because of the Church, still a fine life. Even with all Church imperfections past and present, a life of hope. It is part of what Jesus meant when he claimed in Matthew 18: I will build my church, and the gates of Hell/Death/Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven

A couple of years back a Hillsdale college professor, D.G. Hart, reviewed a book* in a national journal. The circumstances calling for their writing, both book author and reviewer, are relevant still, have been always.

The quotes below in italics are from the book. The other quotes are from the review by Professor Hart.

The review begins with the Roman Catholicism of the book's author. It's his home life of the 1950s, when he was a boy.

"Catholics inhabited a parallel culture that, by virtue of their numbers, ethnic diversity, wide geographical distribution, and complex of institutions mirrored the outside 'public' culture yet was manifestly different."

Catholics were "surrounded by a membrane," the reviewer writes, "mediating between society and church."

Today Americans "journey toward adulthood" and not with the strength of relationships formed by "families and neighbors and teachers and pastors and community social organizations," but through the strong focus on finding your "inwardly derived, original, and authentic self."

Discard institutions. Discard being "surrounded by a membrane mediating between society and church." Instead, discard all layers of protection and make yourself the sacred center of the universe.

This isn't just a Catholic issue. The reviewer writes, "Protestants in the mainline denominations in the 1960s experienced a clear embrace of the secular as sacred. Evangelicals rejected institutional religion in favor of agencies pushed by very sincere religious entrepreneurs such as Bill Bright of Campus Crusade for Christ. This circulated religion not through families and churches, but campus youth pastors helping individual students find themselves and faith as a part of, again, self-discovery."

The thing marched on. "The contrast between 1950s religious life and subsequent decades abides. The baby boomers were looking for a religion that 'had nothing to do with ancient texts, gender wars, or institutions'; they wanted instead 'the experience of their selves as sacred.'"

Enter now the rise of the "nones." The nones are all the young people who indicate no religious identity, no affiliation, even beyond religion, none. These are the millennials who "do not readily identify with any institutions – political, civic, academic, or religious." The reviewer says that when these young Americans do check a religion box, "they inevitably affirm what the sociologist Christian Smith has called 'Moralist, therapeutic deism.' An ethic that says 'what is right for me may not be right for you but no one has the right to judge anyone else."

All this rings true from my experience as a minister. People come forward for help. But there's no membrane. The phrase is a good one: "surrounded by a membrane mediating between society and church."

The earliest witnesses found their strength in that. It is the meaning of Paul's Romans 12 key for unlocking power within the new life in Christ: **Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

The sacred over the profane, separated by that membrane -- how is it, then, that the mind can be so renewed that we might possibly, in everything we face, all our decisions, discern God's will, the good and the acceptable and the perfect?

That question is what one of the earliest and closest followers of Jesus addressed when he wrote: The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known. John 1: 17-18. Which means, Christ is Way and the Truth for the life of discerning the good and the acceptable and the perfect of God.

I think that God incarnate was wrapped in a membrane when, as Hebrews puts it, Jesus as the Christ became the very picture of God, **the stamp express image of God.** The text has Jesus, properly cared for, was **wrapped in swaddling cloths.** In the greater witness that is one more way to understand the fact that God in Christ, wrapped, separating Him from that manger, in a larger way points to the proper care we extend the Church in separating the Church from secularization, in separating the Divine from the demonic, in separating the Sacred from the profane.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us full of grace and truth. To be surrounded by the membrane of Incarnation? Or not? That has always been the question. If you happened to have the great fortune of being able to contrast the days of yore with desperate days now, count it a blessing that you know the difference. For some people don't have a great past to remember and again yearn for. But always for everyone is the hope of a great present.

To live in the light that shines in the darkness, a parallel culture mirroring the outside public culture and yet is manifestly different, because you're surrounded with the strength of relationships formed by families and neighbors and teachers and pastors and community social organizations or newfound friends in Christ – the Church! – that is a fine life, and for now. To live in the darkness *of wanting instead* yourself *as sacred* – that is not a fine life. Because the binding spiritual Divine strength of community doesn't exist.

I will build my Church, I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

* <u>Getting Religion: Faith, Culture, and Politics from the Age of Eisenhower to the Ascent of Trump;</u> Kenneth L. Woodward; Convergent Books; September, 2016; 447 pgs.

Staying Connected at Trinity

Sermons and Special Music: The sermons and special music from each Sunday's worship service can be found on the church website – www.trinityup.org.

Newsletter Information: If you have information for the newsletter, please e-mail Maggie Nussbaum at <u>nussmargan27@gmail.com</u>, phone her at 740-455-2004, or place a note in her mail slot in the office.

Bulletin Information, Concerns, Comments, or Questions: If you have information for the church bulletin, or if you wish to contact Pastor Allison, please call the church office at 740-452-8482, e-mail him at d.allison.trinityupc.pastor@gmail.com, or call him at 567-274-5133 (Cell) or 740-487-4561 (Home).

Trinity Website

The Trinity website contains information about our church, sermons and special music from each Sunday's worship service, newsletters, photos, and other items of interest. You will also find a short profile of Chenoa Stock, the mission co-worker in Bolivia whom we support, as well as pictures and additional newsletters she sends us on a regular basis. Check out the website at www.trinityup.org.

Upcoming Events

Special Program and Speaker---Dr. Hany Rizkalla from the Egyptian Presbyterian Church will be visiting Trinity on Wednesday, September 12th from 11:00 a.m.-2:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. He will talk about his planting of some 250 churches along the Nile River. The presentation will include "the beauty of small churches, starting small churches, and the difficulties of small churches." This program is sponsored by the Muskingum Valley Presbytery and the Cincinnati Presbytery. A delegation from both presbyteries will be present, and members of the Trinity family are also invited to attend. If you have any questions, please see Frank Walburg, and let him know if you would like to attend so that plans for lunches can be made.

News and Notes

Greeting Cards --- The deacons would like to remind you that greeting cards are available in the narthex on the side table. Anyone may take as many as he or she can use.

Social Media and TUPC --- Trinity has a social media presence with an official Facebook page. If you are a Facebook user you may wish to like and follow us.

Jen Ardrey, Anna Johnson, and Kasey MacLaine are the three administrators for this page, and you may direct questions to any of them. There are certain guidelines that must be followed when posting anything on the website. This also applies to any comments that are posted.

Photo release forms are required to be completed before postings including your pictures may be used. These forms can be found in the narthex in the paper holder on the wall by the credenza.

This link will take you directly to Trinity's Facebook page.

https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-United-Presbyterian-Church-117185184968159/?ref=br_rs

We hope the Facebook page will be of interest and useful for our Trinity family members. Scripture readings and sermon topics are currently posted two or three days before each Sunday's worship service. News of upcoming events and other timely news items are posted, as well.

Thank you—Have you noticed the floor of the Fellowship Hall? Thank you to the individuals who volunteered their time and energy to clean and polish the floor. What a difference this has made!

National Alliance on Mental Illness—Family to Family Course

Family to Family is an educational course for family, caregivers, and friends of individuals living with mental illness.

This free 11-session course will start on Friday, September 7 and meet every Friday evening through November 16, 2018. All materials are provided.

Location: Trinity Presbyterian Church at 830 Military Rd., Zanesville

Time: 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Please see Becky Allison or contact her at 419-709-5838 if you have any questions.

Trinity supports NAMI Six County through our May through August Tri-Giving, as well as with the use of our facility.

Notable News

Kris Beebe

Promotion Sunday – Sunday, September 16

We will recognize in church any youth moving to the next class on September 16th. They will move to the new class September 2nd; however, we decided to wait until the 16th to formally acknowledge them and follow up with the tailgate lunch.

Fall Tailgate Party – Sunday, September 16

Please join us in the shelter house, weather permitting, for our annual tailgate lunch. Meat, beverages, and table service will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share!

CROP Walk 2018 - Sunday, October 14

TUPC is again participating in the local Crop Walk. We will have sponsor sheets and a sign-up sheet beginning September 16th in the narthex. Please consider donating to a walker, and if you are able, join us to take a walk to fight local and global hunger. Last year we had 5 walkers. Can we double that this year? Please see Kris Beebe.

How About a Weiner Roast – Sunday, October 28?

Weather permitting we have one planned for Sunday, October 28th after church in the shelter house. We will have a fire to roast the dogs and make s'mores. We will sing some campfire songs, as well as some good old hymns. (If you have a suggestion for one please give it to Kris.) You just need to come with a side dish or dessert. Meat, beverages, and table service will be provided. If you wish to help (and we could use some) contact Julie MacLaine or Kris Beebe.

Mission and Church Life News

Maggie Nussbaum

Tri-Giving Offering ---Our Tri-Giving Offering recipient for September through December will once again be Bethel Community Center, an outreach program of Rolling Plains UMC. The center has offered after-school and mentoring programs, 4-H and Girl Scout groups, and classes to help families with cooking and other skills. This summer neighborhood residents near the center planted and tended gardens and harvested a variety of produce items. Relationships continue to be built among volunteers and all who participate in the projects and activities.

Summer Collections --- Thank you to all who donated items this summer for First Putnam Overnight Shelter, school supplies for Eastside Community Ministry's Tools for School annual project, food items for the Coburn UMC food pantry, and the gently used men's clothing for the city jail. Your generous support was very much appreciated by those who work with these programs as well as those they serve. Incidentally, volunteers packed over 1,000 backpacks for Tools for School this year.

SOUPer Bowl --- The 22nd Annual SOUPer Bowl Luncheon will be held Sunday, October 21st. Proceeds of the SOUPer Bowl benefit the 4 hot meal programs in Muskingum County, as well as Eastside Community Ministry. More information will be made available through the bulletin and announcements during September and October.

Below are several ways that you can assist in this county-wide project supported by churches and corporate sponsors.

Contribute two dozen homemade cookies. As a sponsoring church, we are asked to provide 22 dozen cookies.

Contribute a gift card of any denomination for any place which will be added to one or two decorated containers of gift cards. Raffle tickets for chances to win this container of gift cards will be sold.

Purchase Pay-It-Forward Tickets (to be given to patrons of the hot meal programs who would not be able to afford a ticket) or Presale Tickets. These will be sold October 7th and 14th before and after worship.

Attend the SOUPer Bowl for an opportunity to support others while enjoying a time of fellowship.

Volunteer to work a shift at the SOUPer Bowl. See Maggie if you would like to volunteer.

Operation Christmas Child---Operation Christmas Child will begin in early October, and Trinity's involvement will conclude on November 4th. This project sends shoeboxes packed with an assortment of items to children around the world. More information will be made available at a later date. You may participate in this project in three different ways.

Pack a shoebox, a sturdy plastic shoebox, or a supplied Operation Christmas Child box with appropriate items. Suggestions and guidelines will be available as we begin this project.

Donate appropriate items to be packed with other donated items.

Donate money to help with the cost of shipping or purchasing additional items.

Pastor Nominating Committee Update

Maggie Nussbaum

The Pastor Nominating Committee continues to work diligently in our search for a new pastor, despite our setbacks and disappointments. After reading and discussing many Pastor Information Forms (PIFs), we have reached out to a number of these candidates. Several responded that they had accepted calls to other churches, while some chose not to respond to our phone calls.

This summer we interviewed two candidates. As we were preparing for a second interview with the first candidate, this person let us know that a call had been accepted to another church. After interviewing the second candidate, the committee agreed that the candidate was not a good match for our congregation at this time.

We continue to receive and review PIFs which have been matched with Trinity's Ministry Information Form. We will also begin utilizing other methods to search for potential candidates.

We ask that our church members continue to pray for this committee, for the future of Trinity, and for God to help lead the right person to accept our call to be Trinity's next pastor.



September Birthdays and Anniversaries

1:	Maggie Nussbaum
	Aaron Thompson
	Molly Thompson
	Dave & Susan Foster

- 3: Duane & Diane Bunker**
- 4: Marsha Mortimer

 Dale & Kay Vandenbark**
- 8: Megan Garber
- 9: Kris Beebe
- 10: Graham Robb*

 Richard & Glee Patterson
- 11: Clyde Morland*
 Tara Poorman
 Darell Smith*
- 12: Marilyn Royer
 Kate Saunders*
 Steven & Julie Maneely
- 14: Steve Baldwin

 Tom & Tara Poorman
- 15: Karen Newsom
- 17: Devin & Lucinda Ardrey

- 18: Jenna Tysinger
- 19: Charlene Noland Larry Welch
- 23: Sally Schumacher
- 24: Jim Frederick*
- 25: Aidan Cavanaugh
 - * 80 years or older
 - ** Over 50 Years of Marriage
 - *** Golden Anniversary

If you notice a missing birthday or anniversary, please notify the church office.

Unable to Attend:

Helen Purcell: Ann Nicholas

Primrose: Kate Saunders

The Oaks at Northpointe: Gretchen Bennett

Home: Russ & Clara Mae Hansen

Home: John & Helen Dixon

Home: Dorbie Littick



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

2:	Ally MacLaine
	Melanie Poorman
	Frank Walburg
	Bill & Marsha Mortimer

- 3: Ken & Gretchen Sayre**
- 4: Todd & Lori McLoughlin
- 8: Barbara Hightower
- 9: Cody Meadows
- 11: Nancy Thompson
- 12: Lew & Terri Sidwell
- 19: Connor AllisonDavid FrickJeffrey Taylor
- 21: Clara Hansen*

25: Karen Cox Jim Wright

26: Keith Van Horn

27: Kaleigh Hill Dave Purkey

30: Jim & Elaine Williams

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September Worship Leaders

Head Usher: Richard Patterson

	Acolytes *	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
2	Volunteers	Larry & Linda Good	Hinda Ardrey, Dedi Spargrove, Frank	Marshall
			Walburg, Larry Welch	Hightower
9	Volunteers	Darell & Barb Smith	Larry Good, Richard Patterson, Lew & Terri	Jan Jenkins
			Sidwell	
16	Volunteers	Lou & Bev LeMaster	Nancy Killian, Ray Mennega, Bill Miska,	Bob Jenkins
			Marsha Mortimer	
23	Volunteers	Raymond & Danelle Murphy	Bob & Jan Jenkins, Julie Maneely, Charlene	Maggie
			Noland	Nussbaum
30	Volunteers	Dorothy Allison & Arlene	John & Donna Myers, Tim Patterson,	Richard Patterson
		Crooks	Marilyn Royer	

October Worship Leaders

Head Usher: Larry Welch

	Acolytes *	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
7	Volunteers	Devin & Lucinda Ardrey Family	Hinda Ardrey, Dedi Spargrove, Frank Walburg, Larry Welch	Tim Patterson
14	Volunteers	Mary Flanagan & Nancy Killian	Larry Good, Richard Patterson, Lew & Terri Sidwell	Karen Cox
21	Volunteers	The Johnson Family	Bob & Jan Jenkins, Julie Maneely, Charlene Noland	Lew Sidwell
28	Volunteers	Dick & Genevieve Krebs	John & Donna Myers, Tim Patterson, Marilyn Royer	Marshall Hightower

Note to All: If you are unable to serve on your designated Sunday, please team up with someone to trade and notify the church office of that change for the bulletin.

*Volunteer Acolytes: The <u>acolytes have the responsibility</u> to volunteer on any Sunday and to tell the head usher he/she will be the acolyte for the service.

Our Acolytes: Connor Allison, Katherine Allison, Aaron Johnson, Jonathan Patterson, Mark Patterson

September 2018 at Trinity						
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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m.



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