GO OUT & SERVE



DLM Food & Resources has been a blessing to so many families!!

To make this ministry happen, volunteers are needed each month.

Just a few hours of your time can have a tremendous impact not only on the families but also YOU!

Teams and groups within the church are encouraged to volunteer together.

See Deacon Marla with questions.

Saturday, July 14, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18, 7-8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 28, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

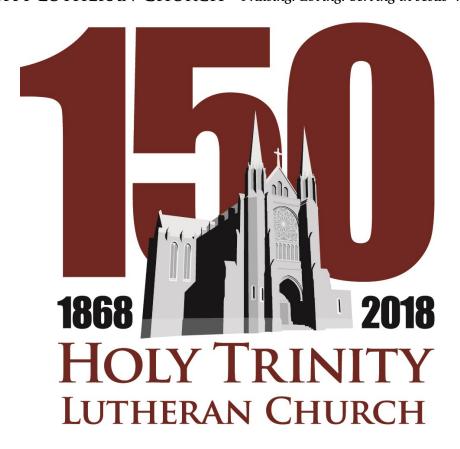
Also, plastic bags are needed. Place them in the bin in the Room 202 hallway. †



Holy Trinity will host Family Promise July 22-29.

Please consider helping families in need by being a grocery shopper, evening host, cook, launderer, or van driver ...

Wouldn't it be great to get all volunteer jobs filled?! Teams and groups within the church could volunteer ... Please sign up on the bulletin board in the office hallway. Please see Gregg Loesch with any questions. +



It's finally here ... the 150th Anniversary of Holy Trinity's congregation!!

The celebration year kicked-off Sunday, June 17 with the 150th Anniversary worship service that included guest preacher Bishop Abraham Allende and was followed by a fellowship brunch and a beautiful musical interlude by Les Dolices. Afterwards, a group went across the street to Grace Park to spread mulch, pick-up trash and lug the trees ... the first of 150 service projects. Thank you to everyone who attended! *See pages 9-15 for information about the Anniversary*. †

The next 150th Anniversary event is ...

Saturday, August 25, 7-8 p.m.

Glow in the Park Featuring Kelly Glow Grace Park, Akron

*Admission is a non-perishable canned food item to benefit DLM Food & Resource Ministry. Enjoy this special concert featuring nationally recognized Christian rap recording artist, Kelly Glow, the 2015



Gospel Choice Award Winner for Best Holy Hip Hop Artist. †

NOTE: In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held in the Sanctuary.

"Oh Lord, how shall I meet you ..."



Writing this column comes amidst preparations for this year's National Youth Gathering in Houston. By the time you read this, the Gathering will be wrapping up, and our contingent will be headed home to Akron. If this event goes the way these events usually go, our youth (and their adult leaders) will be exhausted. But they will also be bubbling over with that precious combination of joy and laughter and purpose which those events produce. How great it will be to hear their stories and see their pictures. And thanks be to God, not only for this marvelous opportunity and a lot of fun, but mostly for the seed of

transformational faith that will have been sown in each one of them.

But, of course, we will be back home, and things will probably be different. We don't normally worship 35,000 each Sunday...in a huge dome...with music from Tenth Avenue North. The usual preacher in this place is not tattooed; he's not (let's just be honest) very hip at all. The folks around them will not know Ryan Brown from the color brown, and probably won't hold up their phones or other mobile devices while singing "This Little Light of Mine." It just wouldn't occur to them.

So the home to which our young people return can't and won't replicate the experience. That's just the truth. But, if we are smart and faithful, we will figure out a way to receive the experience from them...to value what they have learned and done during their days in Houston, to engage their stories and insights, and to allow them to have an effect on the joy and laughter and exhaustion that is ministry right here in downtown Akron.

"O Lord, how shall I meet you; how welcome you aright?" For some reason, that Advent hymn (not a part of the Gathering's songbook, by the way) comes to mind. And why not? In our young people, do we not see Christ at work? And, having been shaped by the sharing of their memories and stories, how does Christ come to us in them? What word of Good News does He have to share via their enthusiasm and their experience? And how will we let that Good News speak to us? How might it re-shape and re-form the local ministries of which these kids and this congregation are such a vital part?

The beginning of the Good News is this: Christ comes to us...sometimes wearing cargo shorts, t-shirts and flip-flops. It is for the good of the whole church that we listen carefully and engage honestly our young peoples' experience of the faith. We need their questions, their energy, and their hopes. Pray that we receive them...that we receive Him in them...faithfully and well.†



P.S. Our students will be leading us in worship at the Worship+Plus event on Sunday, July 22. Plan to be here.

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Senior Pastor, David Nevergall
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Mission Statement:

The mission of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is to bring Jesus to people through love and the word of God.

Vision Statement:

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a faith community grounded in God's word, called to worship and committed to serve as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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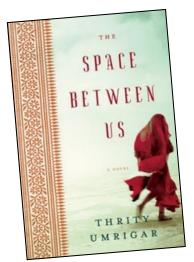
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Men on a Mission

Saturday, July 14 & 28, 8:30 a.m. | Chapel Lounge

If you're a guy, you are welcome to join us. We're reading First Kings, eating donuts, drinking coffee and praying together \dots generally figuring out what it means to be a man of faith. We meet the second and fourth Saturday of each month. This is good stuff \dots come and be a part of it! \dagger



Holy Trinity Book Club

Thursday, July 19, 7 p.m. | Main Library, downtown Akron

The group will meet at the Main Library Auditorium to hear Thrity Umrigar talk about her new novel, The Secrets Between Us, which is a sequel to her

previous novel, The Space Between Us. The author is a former columnist for the Beacon Journal and is now Associate Professor of English at Case Western Reserve University. In anticipation of hearing her speak, the group will be reading The Space Between Us. Please contact Diane Chambers or Amy Indorf with any questions. †





Men's Lutheran Loafers will resume in September 2017. Look for more information in the Highlights.



Trinity Stampers will resume in September 2017. Look for more information in the Highlights.



Women's Bible Study will resume in September 2017. Look for more information in the Highlights.

Trinitarians

Trinitarians will resume in September 2017. Look for more information in the Highlights.



SAVE THIS DATE!!!

On Sunday, September 16th at 12:15 p.m., you are invited to a salad luncheon hosted by Altar Guild. Come and enjoy food, fellowship and a brief overview of the ministries that are available for you to choose from. The luncheon is for all members and friends of Holy Trinity...hope to see you then.†

Environmental Tip:

Reworks will hold document shredding on the following Saturdays from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in 2018:

- July 7—Longwood Park,
 1566 E. Aurora Road, Macedonia
- August 4—Green Service
 Department,
 5383 Massillon Road, Green
- September 8—BCF Sports Complex, 841 Wooster Road, West, Barberton
- October 6 Betty Jane CLC, 444 Darrow Road, Akron.

Summit County residents only; 10 file boxes or shopping bags per person; staples can be left in the documents. †



Prayer of the Month:

Please pray for those who do not know God and are unaware of His nearness.†



Blood Pressure will not be scheduled in the months of June, July and August. However, if you would like your Blood Pressure taken, please see one of the Parish

Nurses after the service and we will be happy to do it for you. †

The Youth Connect

YOUTH EVENTS _____

- Sunday, July 8, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.—YOUTH FUN IN THE YOUTH ROOM (all youth).
- Sunday, July 15, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT & Mission Akron final details, meet in the Youth Room (all ages)
- Sunday, July 22—YOUTH SUNDAY &
 STOCKHOLDER BRUNCH ... youth will lead the
 worship service and share stories from the National Youth
 Gathering at the Stockholder Brunch



Above: Kareena Merritt and Katie Archbold are helping wash cars.

The Parking Lot Party and Youth Car Wash

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event ... and for the long line of vehicles!!



Stockholders Brunch



Those who purchased stock in the youth are invited to a special Stockholders Brunch on Youth Sunday, July 22 following the worship service in the Chapel Lounge.

Those youth who attended the National Youth Gathering

in Houston will share their stories, photos and experiences. †



Mission Akron 2018

July 15-18, 2018
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

\$50 per person

Mission Akron is a great opportunity for youth (currently in 8th-12th grade) to share God's love and to serve right here in Akron. Youth and Adult Leaders will serve our community during a four-day camp. The Mission Akron team will serve at local food banks, complete basic work projects and partner with local organizations. Housing and meals will be provided at HTLC. A typical day for the team will consist of breakfast, morning devotions, service projects, showers, evening meal, evening activities and club time.

It's not too late! Please see Carole Bader. †



Mid-Week Bible Study begins July 11, 11 a.m. in Chapel Lounge

Led by Rachel Núñez, Director of Discipleship Ministries



For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2: 8

July 11 July 18 July 25 August 1 August 8 Our Hearts; Luke 24: 13-35 (The Walk to Emmaus)
Our Identity; Acts 9: 1-18 (The Conversion of Saul)
Our Purpose; Matthew 25: 31-46 (The Judgement of the Nations)
Our Community; Matthew 15: 21-28 (The Canaanite Woman)
Our Perspective; Luke 15: 11-32 (The Parable of the Prodigal and His Brother)

Welcome New Members!

Welcome to the following new members who were received on June 24.



Daniel Probert
and Richard
Robert
Hoskins
Daniel and Bob
(as he prefers to
be called) come
to us by way of
transfer from
Bethany

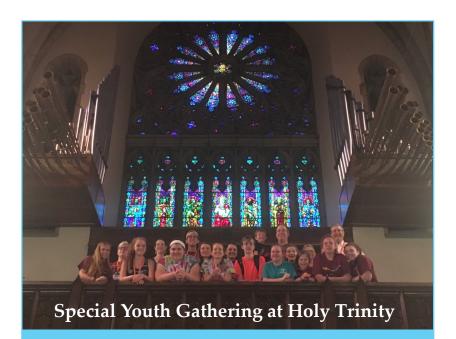
Lutheran Church. Bob was an active member there for 74 year, being baptized and confirmed there. Daniel was a member there for the 48 years that the two of them have been together. Bob has been retired from Consolidated Freightways for 20 years. Daniel has been retired from Wolff Brothers for seven years. They are honored to become members and look forward to continuing their faith as members of this congregation.



David Hart

David has been worshipping with us for more than a year. He is a faithful seeker of God's will for his life, and has enjoyed becoming part of the congregation's work and study.

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On Thursday, June 7, 10 members of the Northeast Ohio Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO) Board gathered at Holy Trinity to finalize their preparations for their summer gathering, which happened alongside the annual ELCA Synod Assembly at the John S. Knight Center. On Friday, June 8, additional youth and their adult leaders joined in for a day of fellowship, service at the Haven of Rest, and a lock-in at Holy Trinity. Bishop Allende hosted a Q&A session with the youth in the youth room Friday evening, and stayed for devotions, which was interactive prayer stations in the Fellowship Hall. On Saturday, after sharing breakfast and cleaning up, they headed back to the John S. Knight Center, where they led the closing Synod Assembly worship.

This is the second year they have returned, and they love staying at the church and are very thankful for Holy Trinity's hospitality. They also made a generous donation toward custodial costs. †



Eric Olson, President of Stewards of Historical Preservation and anthropologist working at the University of Akron, will be leading an archeological dig at Grace Park on August 1, 2, and 3, and is inviting the community to join in. Holy Trinity, in partnership with Girl Scout Troop 11, will be sponsoring the dig and hosting an information session for interested people on Wednesday, July 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Lounge Gallery. All church and community members who are interested in learning more about the history of Grace Park and how they may help with digging, screening, and documenting the areas selected are welcome to attend. Each day of the dig will have a morning (9 a.m.-1 p.m.) and afternoon (1 p.m.-5 p.m.) team, with each shift beginning with an orientation and training. The maximum total number of volunteers is 30. To reserve a spot on the dig, email Deacon Marla Wood Kay at mwkay@holytrinityakron.org. For those who would like to stay a whole day or multiple days, please indicate your preference. All interested volunteers will be assigned to one shift before second or more shifts are assigned. Anyone is welcome to stop by on any of the three days to observe and learn more about what's being discovered. A follow-up presentation will be scheduled at a later date. +

Worship

Join us every Sunday throughout the summer for Worship+Plus! There will be one Sunday liturgy at 9:30 a.m. now through Sunday, September 2 (Labor Day weekend). Worship+Plus offers a variety of opportunities to learn, serve, eat, and just generally have fun together. NOTE: The Ancestory Bible Study Worship+Plus event scheduled Sunday, July 29 has been changed to a welcome reception for Vicar Debbie and Brian Pinnegar. †



Debbie Pinnegar

Date	Event	Host/Facilitator	
July 1st	Fellowship & Refreshments	Care & Fellowship	
July 8th	Ancestors Study: Ruth	Pastor David	
July 15 th	Guest Speaker: Denny Wilson (FI Community Housing)	Marla Wood Kay	
July 22 nd	Fourth Sunday Focus: Youth Ministry National Youth Gathering Overview & Brunch	Pastor David Carole Bader	
July 29th	Welcome Event for Vicar	Intern Committee	
August 5 th	Guest Speaker: Brent Hite (Summit County Children Services)	Pastor David	
August 12 th	Robinson CLC Backpacks & School Supplies	Sandy DeLuca	
August 19th	Songfest (Worship & Music Ministry Team)	Ruth Anderson JD Sanders	
August 26 th	Fourth Sunday Focus: Caring Ministry - Health Fair	Pastor David Sally Richenbacher	
September 2 nd	Ancestors Study: Syrophoenician Woman	Pastor David	
September 2 nd	Blessing of Vocation/Backpacks & Brunch		

What's a Woman's Place? Join a National Discussion on Gender Equality

Are you interested in issues of gender equality? Would you like to help shape the ELCA's statementon Women and Justice? If so, men and women are invited to gather for a four week conversation at Acronym Brewery (58 E. Market St.) at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 2, 9, 16, and 23. To access the draft statement, visit www.elca.org/womenandjustice. At the conclusion of this study, we will send feedback to the ELCA task force to finalize the social statement, which will be presented for approval at the next churchwide assembly. †



Chatham Baroque visits Robinson CLC and LINKS Children

On Monday, May 21, Chatham Baroque members continued their music-making in the Akron area with visits to two classes at Robinson CLC and later in the day with LINKS students. The young people were engaged by the trio's beautiful sounds and were thrilled to collaborate with them in making music together.

Our Arts @ Holy Trinity series will include more outreach opportunities with students and other community members in our upcoming seasons. Watch for details on the parish website and in other print and social media. †



Students Learn about Different Cultures

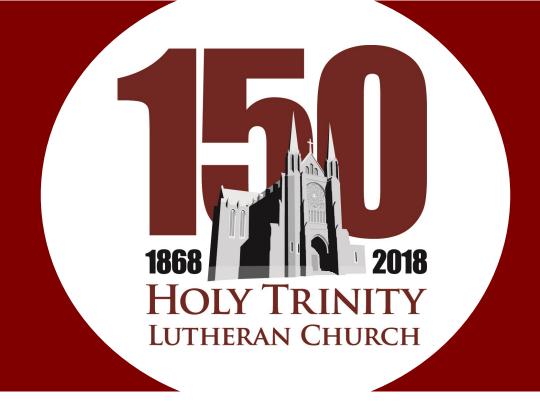
On Friday May 18, Anna Scheck visited Whipple Heights Elementary School with Perry High School's Students Learn International. This club focuses on international justice and education. Each year, the group travels to elementary schools in the district to host a cultural day, an opportunity to expose young students to the world's many cultures, and to emphasize the blessings that they have through their access to education. Money was raised by students for increasing education in third world countries. A few regions are chosen to be represented, and elements of culture to correspond with each region. This year, the Caribbean emphasized physical features, Europe showcased dance, Latin America displayed worry dolls, Asia shared spices and clothing, and Africa celebrated music.

Anna Scheck led Africa's station, and the instruments used were borrowed from Holy Trinity. The children's faces lit up when they were exposed to new instruments, and understood how they made the sounds that they do. One favorite was the large djembe drum, which is pictured at right (a gift to Holy Trinity from Jack & Vivian Harig). Almost every kid was excited to play the instruments, and to talk about how they were made. All of the high schoolers loved to connect with the children. The ability to use Holy Trinity's instruments at cultural day was extremely enriching to the day's events. They were also used on May 11 at Genoa Elementary School. †



Pictured below: Anna Scheck demonstrating one of the African instruments to a group of children.





Holy Trinity's Pastors 1868-2018

In his sermon on Sunday, May 31, 1896, Rev. C.E. Keller commented, "The church has had but four ex pastors...their memory enshrined in your hearts, and you honor yourselves when you keep their memory green ... the labor of these pastors...would have been without fruit-age had they not been loyally supported by the membership, and all of it watered by the dews of divine grace."

So, to keep their memory green, we list the 33 men and one woman who have served us these 150 years as pastors: senior, associate, assistant, visitation, interim and emeritus (photos are on the following pages). †

1868-1872 - Rev. W.P. Ruthrouff - senior

1872-1882 - Rev. J.F. Fahs - senior

1882-1886 – Rev. J.B. Helwig, D.D.

1886-1894 - Rev. M.J. Firey, D.D.

1894-1903 - Rev. Charles Edward Keller - senior

1903-1929 - Rev. Emor W. Simon - senior

1929-1949 – Rev. Emor W, Simon – emeritus

1929-1944 - Dr. Franklin Clark Fry - senior

1933-1936 - Rev. Charles M. Cooper, D.D. - assistant

1936-1945 - Rev. Thomas B. Kline - assistant

1945-1957 - Rev. Fred C. Wiegman - senior

1945-1950 - Rev. Dr. Albert H. Buhl - assistant

1951-1954 – Rev. Theodore A. Youngquist – assistant

1955-1959 – Rev. David R. Gerberding – assistant

1958-1972 - Rev. Robert W. Stackel - senior

1959-1965 – Rev. Carl T. Uehling – associate

1961-1963 - Rev. Robert B. Lantz - assistant

1964-1968 - Rev. Glen Bishop - visitation

1965-1970 – Rev. Fred E. Ringham, Jr. – associate

1971-1977 – Rev. William Hauser – associate

1973-1983 - Dr. Frank K. Efird - senior

1977-1980 - Rev. David E. Moreland - assistant

1980-1983 - Rev. Bruce G.Trethaway - assistant

1983-1993 – Rev. Jan C. Walker – senior

1987-1989 – Rev.Robert Machamer, Jr. - assistant

1984-2009 - Rev. David L. Scharf - visitation

1990-1993 - Rev. W. J. Matlock - assistant

1993-1994 - Rev. Maurice Gold - interim

1993-2001 - Rev. H. Paul Santmire - senior

1994-2002 – Rev. Byron Arledge – assistant

2001-2002 - Rev. Kenneth Anderson- interim*

2002-2012 - Rev. R. Landis Coffman - senior

2006-2013 - Rev. Eileen L. Woyen - assistant

2012-2013 - Rev. Rod Funk - interim

2013 - Present - Rev. David L. Nevergall - senior

*No photo was available.



Rev. Glen Bishop

Rev. Robert B. Lantz



Rev. Fred E. Ringham, Jr.



Rev. William Hauser



Rev. Dr. Frank K. Efird



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Rev. Byron Arledge



Rev. R. Landis Coffman



Rev. Eileen L. Woyen



Rev. Rod Funk



Rev. David L. Nevergall



150th Anniversary Kick-Off Celebration!

And so it has begun!! The Kick-Off Celebration was a grand event that began with a glorious worship service that included Bishop Abraham Allende as the guest preacher and special music throughout. This was followed by a Fellowship Brunch and music by Les Dolices. The event concluded with a clean-up and mulch spreading event in Grace Park. +





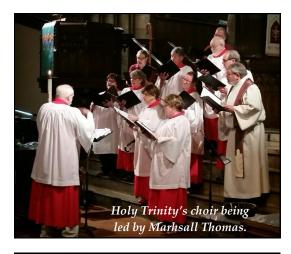




Pictured below: More than 100 members, family, friends and guests attended the Fellowship Brunch and enjoyed the music of Les Dolices.









Bishop Allende with Velma Pomrenke (1) and Harriett Chapman, the great-great-granddaughter of John F. Seiberling.













Limited Edition

Anniversary Polo & T-Shirts

Dress for this special occasion with these 150th Anniversary shirts!! The polo shirts are embroidered and the t-shirts are imprinted with the 150th Anniversary logo on the front in the pocket position. Both shirts are available in white, grey and burgundy and come in adult small through adult xxx-large sizes.

POLO SHIRTS

\$25 for S-XL | \$30 for XXL-XXXL

T-SHIRTS

\$10 for S-XL | \$15 for XXL-XXXL

The shirts are available for purchase every Sunday in the Chapel Lounge following worship.

If the color/size you want is not in stock, it can be ordered. Payment is due when shirt is purchased or ordered.

Order Form

Name	
Address	
City	
Zip	
Phone	
Email	
Choose a shirt:	Polo Shirt T-Shirt
Choose a color:	White Grey Burgundy
Choose a size:	Small Med Large
	X-LgXXX-Lg
	Cash or check accepted.
Make ch	neck payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.
Write '150th Pol	o Shirt' in memo line. Place order form with payment
in the o	ffering plate or drop it off in the church office.

Special Activities During the 150th Celebration Year

Focus Focus

*The fourth Sunday each month will focus on a different aspect of the celebration. Additionally, former senior pastors, associate pastors and vicars have been invited to be guest preachers on these Sundays.

Below is the schedule (to date).

August 26—Pastor Jeff Steele-Steeber

September 23 — Pastor David Ritchie

October 28 — Pastor Landis Coffman

November 25 — Pastor Rod Funk

January 27 - Rev. Byron Arledge

February 24—Pastor Paul Santmire

150 Service Projects

(throughout the Celebration year)

In honor of Holy Trinity's 150 years, we will complete 150 service projects! And, they've already started with the Blanket Connection Project and the Mulch Spreading Party in Grace Park held June 17. *There will a wide array of projects* planned throughout the year, many of which we already do such as Family Promise, support for Robinson CLC and OPEN M, DLM Food & Resources, LINKS Academy and Warriors Journey Home. The goal is to have everyone who attends Holy Trinity participate in at least one project ... or as many as you like!

Rotating Archival Displays

There will be a rotating 150th Anniversary exhibition on display in the Chapel Lounge Gallery beginning June 17. The displays will feature special items from the archives and will rotate every 2-4 weeks.

In addition, there will be a 'Family Legacy' exhibit in the display cases in the office hallway beginning June 17.

The first exhibit features the Black-Evans-Flemm-Stefanik Family. We also want to feature other families whose legacy at Holy Trinity spans several generations. Please contact Sandy DeLuca if you are interested in having your family featured.

150 Service Projects

In honor of its 150th Anniversary, Holy Trinity will complete 150 service projects over the next year, and we have already completed three! Below is a list of upcoming projects. Please consider helping with one ... or more!! The goal over the next year is to have every person participate in at least one service project. If you have project ideas, please contact Karen Nevergall.





July 30, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Help Dip Ice Cream at OPEN M

A few more people are needed to help dip ice cream at OPEN M's Community Picnic ... no prior dipping experience needed! Please sign-up at the Welcome Center in the office lobby area. †



July 14, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
July 18, 7-8:30 p.m.
July 28, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Escort Families
through DLM Food

& Resources

To make this ministry happen, volunteers are needed each month. Just a few hours of your time can have a tremendous impact not only on the families but on YOU! †



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Please consider helping families in need by being a grocery shopper, evening host, cook, launderer, or van driver ... wouldn't it be great to get all volunteer jobs filled?!

Teams and groups within the church could volunteer ... please sign up on the bulletin board in the office hallway. Please see Gregg Loesch with any questions. †

Here are Other Completed Service Projects



Ruth Anderson spent nearly two hours picking up trash along Market Street from Holy Trinity to her home in Highland Square. Fortunately, there are many trash receptacles along the way, which made it easy for her to empty the bag several times and continue the work.

Pictured is Ruth with the last load, outside of Frank's Place, where she enjoyed several glasses of water. †

Thank you to everyone who is participating in the Blanket Connection project. Whether you're cutting the fleece or working with one of our home bound members to tie the blanket (or doing both), your time and effort are much appreciated. These blankets will benefit the Beds for Kids Program at Summit County Children Services.

Pictured is Joanne Aller holding the blanket she made. †



Benevolences Approved by Outreach & Social Concerns Ministry

At the last meeting of the Outreach/Social Concerns Team, the following benevolences were approved:

- Akron Public Schools Project RISE Street Card printing
- Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Ohio
- School uniform project with the Eastwood Church of the Brethren
- DLM Food pantry
- Habitat for Humanity of Summit County
- Family Promise of Summit County
- In One Piece (Grace Park group)
- South Street Ministries
- LINKS
- South Akron Youth Mentorship
- St. Bernard's Hot Meal Program
- Legacy III
- Freedom House for Women
- FI Community
- Truly Reaching You

Benevolences totaled \$28,500, funded by the TLC Endowment Fund. +



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PERSONAL CARE KITS

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

- Be sure to shop for light- or medium-weight towels, which are easier for Kit recipients to hand wash and air dry, take up less storage space and are considerably less expensive than the fluffier towels we may prefer to use.
- Bath towels vary in size. The 52" X 27" size listed in the guidelines is the maximum size. 20" x 40" is a good guideline for a minimum size.
- · Please give new items only.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
- All items should be new and in good condition.
- . Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH PERSONAL CARE KIT

- ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
- TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- ONE adult-size toothbrush in it's original packaging*
- ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging
- ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging
- * Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap

HOW TO PACK YOUR PROJECT PROMISE KITS

- Fold the towel in half. Place the rest of the items in the towel, fold and roll so nothing falls out, and secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands.
- Pack completed Kits, like items together, in boxes.
 Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- . Do not use plastic or paper bags to pack donations.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box and label the contents

These will be assembled on Rally Day in September.





MEET THE NEWEST BAPTIZED MEMBERS OF HOLY TRINITY!

Pastor David carries (in his right arm) Amelia Claire Stefanik, daughter of Erin and David Stefanik and (in his left arm) Owen William Olson, son of Laura and Eric Olson. †

Nominating Committee

In accordance with the Constitution, the Nominating Committee will accept nominations for both Congregation Council and the Nominating Committee through July 15th. Nominations can be submitted to the Congregation Secretary, Ann Lawson. The Committee will then submit the slate for elections at the October Congregation Meeting. †

2018 RALLY DAY

SAVE THE DATE!

Rally Day

September 9, Middle Hour

Join us for a Chicken & Waffles Breakfast in Fellowship Hall to kick off the "new year" of Sunday Morning Discipleship Classes at Holy Trinity.

We will also be putting together Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. We will begin collecting items and/or money for these kits this month.

Hosted by the Youth & Education Ministry Team – if you have any questions, please contact Rachel Núñez, Director of Discipleship Ministries; 330-376-5154 or rnunez@holytrinityakron.org. †



Worship

Worship+Plus offers a wide variety of learning, serving and fellowship opportunities all summer long. **Pictured above:** Pastor David leads the Ancestors Bible Study on Samson. **Pictured at right:** Dr. John Schluep, founder of Warrior's Journey Home, was the guest speaker for the kick-off Worship+Plus event held May 27. The Warrior's Journey Home mission is to provide spiritual healing and soul repair of the invisible wounds for veterans, families and the community. For the complete list of the remaining Worship+Plus events, see page 7. †

WarriorsJourneyHome.org



Golf Scramble Fundraiser July 27, 2018

WARROR'S JOURNEY HOME GOLF SCRAMBLE FUNDRAISER

Brookledge Golf Club 1621 Bailey Rd., Cuyahoga Falls

Friday July 27th, 2018

7:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast 8 a.m. Shotgun Start 1:30 p.m. Outing, Lunch and Awards Ceremony

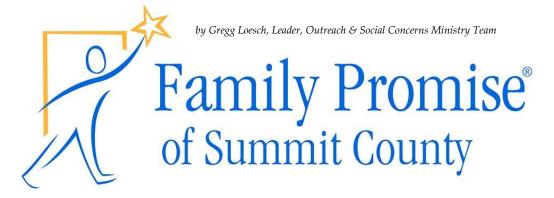
Cost is \$80.00 per person and includes: 18 holes of golf, cart, breakfast, and lunch.

Extras include skins games, raffles, mulligans to purchase, and more fun extras.

To pay by check or request a registration form, please contact.

Carol Godard at cgodard@wjhm.org Visit www.warriorsjourneyhome.org





Our sixty-fifth week of Family Promise hosting began Sunday, May 6th with four families consisting of five adults and six children, ages five months to 16 years old. Since schools were on opposite ends of the city, we had busy mornings leaving the church at 7:15 a.m. to get everyone to their schools before 8 a.m. Everyone got along together and we had an enjoyable week of hosting!

Helping move the beds upstairs and setting up the guest rooms were Bruce Mansour and Vince Simmons. Our van drivers through the week were Dan Detwiler, Dennis Ingram, and Sandy Deluca. Cooking and serving our guests a delicious dinner every evening were Doris



Picturedf above: Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro (3rd from left) and FP Director Jeff Wilhite (2nd from left) display the letter of cooperation they just signed for the project.

and Don Santangelo; Debbie Schramm; Sue and Dan Detwiler; Sandy and John Hamilton; Linda Vowles and her daughter Cathy Wolverton and her daughter Emily; Joan Kull; and Joanne and Duane Aller. Thanks goes to our evening hosts Velma Pomrenke; Sylvia and Bob Leddon; Ruth and Marshall Thomas; and Bob Nagle. Overnight hosts were Karen and Pr. Dave Nevergall and Elizabeth and Ernie Liska; and Peter Calvin At the end of the week the portable beds were packed and delivered to the next host church by Dennis Dick and Mike Ameling. Laundering the sheets was Laura Scheck, and grocery shopping was Karen Nevergall. Thanks also to our sextons for keeping the bathrooms, kitchenette and eating area clean and in order.

On May 17th an open house celebration was held to kick-off the renovation of Glendora House, a 1930s-

vintage apartment building on Copley Road next to Buchtel CLC. This three-level nine-unit apartment building will be operated jointly by Family Promise and the Summit County Battered Women's Shelter. The building is solid, with a laundry room and a community room. It has a fenced-in playground, picnic area, and parking lot. Family Promise will use Glendora House to

shelter three larger families while four families stay at the (12) host churches. All guests will still receive all of the regular Family Promise services. This additional housing facility will help reduce homelessness in our community and will be an opportunity for Trinity to continue to help families in need. Family Promise and the Women's Shelter received a \$250,000 renovation grant from the State of Ohio Capital Grant program. Another \$100,000 was

donated for the refurbishment project from the GAR Foundation, the Summit County Land Bank, the Ronald McDonald House Foundation, the Venarge Family Foundation, the Berlin Foundation and Care Source. Buchtel CLC's vocational masonry program will assist with the renovations. †

Next Family Promise Week at Holy Trinity Sunday, July 22—Sunday, July 29

Consider helping families in need by being a grocery shopper, evening host, cook, launderer, or van driver, please sign up on our bulletin board in the office hallway. Please see Gregg Loesch with any questions.



Diapers and blankets donated by the youth.

NEOS Assembly held in June

The assembly opened with worship and focused on "Ambassador for Christ" 2 Corinthians 5:20. Worship was a strong focus led by clergy and youth. New this year was Bible study to focus on the theme and studied 2 Corinthians 5:14-21.

The speakers spoke on HUNGER. Hunger not just for physical food but for literacy, companionship, access to healthcare, justice and PEACE, the freedom from strife war. Mikka MaCracken was a powerful speaker. How do we as Ambassadors for Cheris help bring this about at Holy Trinity, NEOS, national and international levels. Programs are available through NEOS and national ELCA to educate and help us be Ambassadors.

There were several seminars offered both days to make everyone more aware of the Church at work in the World. They included:

- World Hunger—see information above
- Draft Statement of Women and Justice—presented information on the statement and invited comment
- Authentic Diversity//Cross—honest conversation on race relations and racism in society; this group has met once at Holy Trinity.
- LOMO—information on available programs
- Youth-led Service Projects (Saturday only) blankets for Holy Trinity and diaper packets for Haven of Rest and Holy Trinity.

As usual, business was done, elections held, reports heard, budget approved, suggested compensation packages approved.

Recognition of significant anniversaries was done at a first-time dinner hosted by the Bishop on the first evening of the assembly. Announcement was made on the second day to the whole assembly.

Respectfully submitted by Frederica Cohen and Ron Nockengost, Holy Trinity delegates. †



Gardeners Needed

Put your green thumb to work!

Summer is officially here! With summer comes the upkeep of the church's flower beds. Thank you to Susan Detwiler for working on the beds around the church and planting flowers underneath the cross near the main entrance. More needs to be done ... planting and mulching and continued weeding and watering.

If you love to garden (or maybe just a little), please consider helping to maintain the flower beds around the church. We are looking for individuals to sign-up for a week at a time to help with any additional planting, mulching, weeding and watering. If the planting and mulching are done, then help is needed with just the weeding and watering.

There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center near the office entrance. Thanks for your consideration.

Also, just FYI, a neighborhood man named Howard Carter is gardening the box near the paper recycling bin, as well as caring for the flagpole area at Grace Park. He is someone Marla has gotten to know well, and is a safe and trustworthy person of faith, even if he is his own brand of uniqueness. He may be borrowing a few tools from Bruce, or using the hose to fill up buckets to carry to Grace Park in the mornings. So if you see him, you might want to say hello and introduce yourself. He has lived in the Grace Park area his whole life and likes to do projects that benefit the neighborhood. †





CHILDREN'S SERMON DRAWS A BIG CROWD ...

Round and round they go ... During the children's sermon on Trinity Sunday, May 27, Pastor David invited people to the front to 'dance with God.' It was a demonstration of the Circle Dance of Father, Son and Holy Spirit and everyone being invited. So, wherever you are, know that you are always invited to the 'Circle Dance.' +

SAVE THE DATE!

Community Development Is 4 All People

A workshop presented by the United Methodist Church 4 All People and sponsored by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Saturday, November 17, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Cost: \$10 per person \$40 per organization max (up to five people)

*Includes snacks, lunch and seminar materials

Solid neighborhoods are whole, healthy, and engaged communities where all people are empowered to pursue their hopes, dreams, aspirations ... where lives are transformed by faith and trust, and personal fulfillment is experience through abundant caring and grace. Holy Trinity is committed to working with our strategic partners to help Akron's neighborhoods experience just such transformation. CD4AP has done this work in Columbus. Come and learn how we can work together to accomplish these same goals in Akron. †

To register, please call Holy Trinity at (330) 376-5154 or register online at holytrinityakron.org.

A Look at the Numbers

It is a privilege to worship, to serve, and to give of ourselves as we share God's Good News with our neighbors and friends. We do that as individuals by the choices we make in everyday life. And we do that together by our work as a congregation. That's what good stewardship is all about.

For that reason, we monitor statistics on attendance and giving to the church. They offer a glimpse into the health of our congregation. During May 2018, average weekly worship attendance at Holy Trinity was 149. That's down from an average of 159 per week during May 2017. Worship is fundamental to the strength of the community and mission we share. It is where God blesses us in the sharing of the Word and Holy Communion. Please remember, especially during these summer months, to make it a priority in your life.

Our undesignated giving in support of Holy Trinity's ministry through May was \$172,438. That's about 9% behind our budget target of \$188,943 for that same period. We are making progress in closing the gap between our actual and our budgeted income for the year. Thank you for your attention to your own giving habits. Our ministries are fueled by the Spirit's work among us and by your faithful and generous response to God's gifts to you.

Something to consider: More and more folks are moving to electronic giving means, and we have the ability to accommodate that, too. Many find that it is an especially convenient way to manage financial stewardship. Contact Rick Kimble, our financial secretary, for more information about available options and/or to set it up. Please remember: Your tithes and other gifts not only pay the day to day bills here. They extend God's love and grace through our mission work in this area and also well beyond through our partnership with the Northeastern Ohio Synod and the ELCA. There is a ripple effect that quite truly reaches around the world.

Your faithful participation by means of worship, work and support bear witness to the significance of Christ's place in your life. It says to others that what you believe is important enough to affect the way you live. **Thank you** for being good stewards of the gifts with which God has equipped you. And remember to join us...this and every week...as the work of Christ's Church goes on. †



'Happy Birthday' to the following members who are celebrating birthdays this month!!

July 1 – Jacinto Nunez

July 2 – Josephine Ameling

July 4 – Elliotte Esworthy

July 4 – Tom Parry

July 5 – Dalene Carson

July 7 – Graham Jones

July 8 – Colin Richenbacher

July 10 – Barbara Hyer

July 15 – David Erickson

July 16 – Stephanie Andrews

July 18 – Ryan Bader

July 21 – Matthew Birch

July 22 – Lily Gosorn

July 22 – Carol Mason

July 22 – Emma Oberdorfer

July 24 – Paul Berthold

July 25 – Alice Bouton

July 28 – Cheryl Gates

July 28 – Elizabeth Liska

July 29 – Adeline Andrews

July 30 – Nancy Hartz

July 30 - Pat Keller

July 30 – Mara Lakins

If you want to include your birthday in a future issue of the Highlights, please contact Annmarie Demko at (330) 376-5154.

NOTE: This list only includes known birthdays.

Communion Bread Recipe

Ingredients:

- 1½ cups whole wheat flour
- ½ cup regular white or bread flour
- ¾ teaspoon baking soda
- 3 tablespoons butter (unsalted is best; may substitute margarine)
- 3/4 cup warm water
- 3 tablespoons honey
- 3/4 teaspoon salt

Directions:

 Combine the first four ingredients well. Cut in the butter, and work in thoroughly.

- Combine the water and honey. Stir this into the flour/butter mixture, and combine until you have a sticky dough.
- Turn out onto a board/counter, adding flour until you can knead it. Knead until smooth
- Divide the flour into four equal parts. Roll or press each part into a 6" flat circle.
- Lightly score a cross into the top of each circle. Brush with vegetable oil. Place onto a lightly-greased baking sheet.
- Bake at 350 for no more than 12 minutes. (Over baking makes the bread crumbly.)
- Remove and allow to cool completely.
- When cool it can be bagged for use later in the week or bagged and frozen for use up to three weeks later.

Welcome New Members

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Sarah Wachtman

was baptized as an infant at Bethlehem Lutheran Church near Okolona, Ohio, but grew up attending St.

Mark's Lutheran Church in Defiance. She is the oldest of four children. Growing up, she was active in Sunday School, VBS, Summer School and Cathechism classes. Throughout high school she was very active in sports, 4-H, and was a member of her church's youth group where she participated in a few Group Workcamps and also taught the Kindergarten Sunday School class. Sarah moved to Akron in 2008 to attend the University of Akron, joined Greek Life, and received her Bachelors degree in Exercise Science. She lives in Akron, is an active alumni board member for her sorority and works full-time at Dick's Sporting Goods.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!



Memorial Fund

In memory of Louise Spaulding

Dean & Lynda Leonakis

Memorial Garden Fund
In memory of Louise Spaulding
Altar Guild

Dear Pastor David Nevergall,

On behalf of Good Neighbors and those we serve, thank you so much for allowing our organization to use your building to serve those in need.

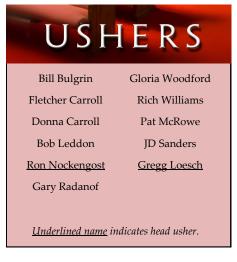
We have found a new location that is on the ground level, which will make it easier for our volunteers and clients to visit.

We greatly appreciate your help and support for so many years. Best wishes and God bless you for making a difference in our community.

> Sincerely, Your friends at Good Neighbors

July 2018 Worship Stewards

DATE	ACOLYTES/CRUCIFERS	READERS	COMMUNION ASSTS	SOUND
July 1 9:30 a.m.	Luke Nagle Mia Nagle	Laverne Mansour	Stephen White Frederica Cohen Gloria Woodford	Michael Wilson
July 8 9:30 a.m.	TO BE ANNOUNCED	Dick Willett	Stephen White Joan Derrig Amy Indorf Rich Williams	Joe Moxon
July 15 9:30 a.m.	Abby Mormino Ben Mormino	David Erickson	Stephen White Alexa Sandmann Sandy DeLuca	Bob Ethington
July 22 9:30 a.m.	TO BE ANNOUNCED	Kristen Forbes	Stephen White Diane Chambers Fletcher Carroll Donna Carroll	Michael Wilson
July 29 9:30 a.m.	TO BE ANNOUNCED	Diann Jenkins	Joan Derrig Stephen White Sandy DeLuca	Joe Moxon





Candles: Ruth Stefanik & Carol Seilberling Flowers: Joan Derrig Altar Care: Linda Vowles & Cathy Wolverton Communion:

> July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 9:30 a.m.: Donna Carroll & Gloria Woodford



KAREN NEVERGALL

for baking the communion bread throughout this month.

If you love baking, why not bake the Communion Bread to use during Sunday worship? The sign-up sheet and recipe can be found at the Welcome Center.

July 2018 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 WORSHIP+PLUS 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Eucharist 11 a.m. Fellowship & Refreshments, hosted by the Care & Fellowship Ministry Team (CL)	2 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 1 p.m. Staff Meeting	3 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp	4 Fourth of July Church office closed	5 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp	6	7 10 a.m. Stewardship Meeting (CL)
8 WORSHIP+PLUS 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Eucharist 11 a.m. Ancestors Study: Ruth (CL) 11 a.m. Youth Fun (YR)	9 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 1 p.m. Staff Meeting 7 p.m. Cabinet Meeting (CL)	8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 6:30 p.m. Personnel Meeting (CL) 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music Meeting (Rm. 202) 7:15 p.m. Derbytown Chorus Rehearsal (FH)	11 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 9 a.m. TTTs 6 p.m. Community Event	12 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp	13 3:30 p.m. Property Team Meeting (CL)	14 8:30 a.m. Men on A Mission (CL) 10:15 a.m. Jim Hofbauer Service & Internment (MG) 11 a.m. DLM Food & Resources Open for Project RISE
Mission Akron			19 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp	20	21	
WORSHIP+PLUS 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Eucharist 11 a.m. Guest speaker: Denny Wilson, FI Community Housing (CL) 11 a.m. Youth Service Project (YR) 3 p.m. Warriors Journey Home (CL)	16 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 1 p.m. Staff Meeting	17 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 6 p.m. Council Meeting (CL) 7:15 p.m. Derbytown Chorus Rehearsal (FH)	18 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 9 a.m. TTTs 11 a.m. Mid-Week Study (CL) 12:15 p.m. Worship (Sanc.)	7 p.m. Trinity Book Club (Main Library) 7 p.m. DLM Food & Resources Open for Project RISE		
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22 150th Anniversary: 4th Sunday Focus Youth Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Eucharist 11 a.m. National Youth Gathering Overview & Stockholder Brunch (CL)	23 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 1 p.m. Staff Meeting	24 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 7:15 p.m. Derbytown Chorus Rehearsal (FH)	8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 9 a.m. TTTs 11 a.m. Mid-Week Study (CL) 12:15 p.m. Mid-Week Eucharist (Sanc.) 5 p.m. Usher's Picnic (Tadmor Shelter)	26 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp	27 8 a.m. Golf Scramble Fundraiser for Warrior's Journey Home (Brookledge Golf Club)	28 8:30 a.m. Men on A Mission (CL) 11 a.m. DLM Food of Resources Open for the Public
WORSHIP+PLUS 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Eucharist 11 a.m. Welcome Event for Vicar Debbie & Brian Pinnegar (CL) 3 p.m. Warriors Journey	30 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 1 p.m. Staff Meeting	31 8 a.m. PCS Summer Camp 7:15 p.m. Derbytown Chorus Rehearsal (FH)		SSION	appear in bo information, the Chu	Tork activities old. For more please contac rch office 376-5154.

3 p.m. Warriors Journey

Home (CL)

Thank you!

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