

# HOLY TRINITY

## Evangelical Lutheran Church

# ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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### From the Pastor:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

In a recent issue of *Forum Letter*, a newsletter from the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau in New York, the editor mentioned something that surprised him: he couldn't "find any substantive discussion of the Nicene Creed" in Luther's works. Luther "says plenty about the Apostles' Creed, of course, and a good bit about the Athanasian Creed," but apparently extremely little about the creed of 325/381, which is nevertheless included among the ecumenical confessions in the *Book of Concord*, and which we typically recite on non-green Sundays (and Saturdays).

The editor invited readers to bring to his attention what he might have missed; and, without having scoured Luther's works myself, I invite my readers to do the same for me. But whether or not Luther said much about the Nicene Creed, it's still well worth thinking about on the part of Lutherans, especially in this 1700th anniversary year of the first Council of Nicaea in 325.

The Nicene Creed is specifically Christian, not generically "religious," because it affirms the full, undiluted deity of Jesus — "God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father" — and of the Holy Spirit — "Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified" — without bringing into question the affirmation, shared by Jews, Muslims, and Christians, that there is exactly and only one God.

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### Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Maurice Y. Lee

### Staff

Mr. Thomas Hobson Williams,  
*M. Mus., Director of Music*

Mrs. Deborah Mumford,  
*Office Administrator*

### Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m.

(Sunday Church School  
at 10:30 a.m.)

### Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning  
& Festival Days

**Deadline for submission of material  
for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 a.m.  
the 15th of each month.**

# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## *Mission Statement*

We proclaim the  
Gospel of Jesus Christ,  
worshiping,  
making disciples,  
and serving  
in his name.



## Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity. Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.

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In fact, the Nicene Creed is rightly seen as what, at the human level, unites Christians of all doctrinal traditions and across the many variations of emphasis and practice, because it points to who, at the divine level, alone unites us, and who alone will bring our unity to visible clarity and actual love: the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

But the Nicene Creed is not simply a human instrument of unity, as momentous as that is. In a time when truth is relativized, doctrine is condemned, faith is ridiculed, and the name of Jesus is a swear word, to affirm the Nicene Creed as part of our worship, and to say, with Christians of every time and place, "We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, ... and in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, ... and in the Holy Spirit, the Lord," and of course to mean it: that's an act of war, a movement of insurrection against the powers and principalities of this age.

The Nicene Creed can do that only because it is a faithful mirror of the holy scriptures, the word of God, the sword of the Spirit, and because it sends us back to those scriptures again and again, to be encountered and to be found by Christ himself.

This anniversary is as good a time as any to recognize that, as — after 1700 years — we are not done with the Nicene Creed, so — after 1700 years — the Nicene Creed, and much more importantly the one and triune God to whom the Creed points, is not done with us.

Confessing Jesus with you,  
Pastor Maurice





## Healing Prayer Ministry

Trained members of our Healing Prayer Ministry are available for private one-on-one prayer in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd directly after worship on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings. We look forward to praying with you.



## † Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity Women's Prayer Group will resume meeting in September.

For prayer needs over the summer please contact Rosemary Hinkle at

[Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net](mailto:Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net)

The group will gladly gather to lift up any in need of intercessory prayer.

Next meeting  
**Monday, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**7:00 PM**

“Devote yourselves to prayer,  
being watchful and thankful.”  
Colossians 4:2

## Prayer List



**One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer.**

**Please pray for the following:**

**Please pray for the following individuals & their families:** *(we cannot add last names or initials)* The families of the members Holy Trinity together with those they love, including: Adriene, Alan, Allan, Allyson, Amanda, Angie, Anita, Ann, Anna, Anne, Antonette, Baby Wilkinson, Barbara, Benjamin, Beth, Bill, Blake, Bob, Brett, Carly, Carol, Caroline, Cheryl, Christine, Christopher, Cindy, Clare, Dallas, Darren, Dave, David, Deb, Derek, Donna, Emersyn, Emily, Eric, Erica, Erin, Ernie, Gavin, Gene, Gloria, Grace, Hannah, Jamie, Jennifer, Jenny, Jill, John, Julia, Kathy, Kellie, Ken, Kevan, Kim, Laney, Laura, Levi, Linda, Lisa, Logan, Loreto, Lori, Mandy, Mark, Martha, Marty, Mary, Mary Kate, Matthew, Melania, Melissa, Mike, Nancy, Nat, Pastor Jeff, Pat, Paul, Peter, Phil, Rich, Rick, Roger, Rose, Rosemary, Ross, Ryan, Sandy, Sam, Sharon, Sherri, Skylar, Solomon, Sophia C., Steve, Teri, Thea, Tiffany, Todd, Tom, Tracy, Troy, Trudy, Valentine, Vera, Vicki, Willow.

**Please pray for the following families:**

All of the families of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for; especially we pray for the: Berkovitz, Boehm, Cannan, Custer, Delucia, Diener, Eisenmann, Erb, Gregg, Hendrickson, Johnson, Lacy, Lowry, Maieron, McGeary, Novak, Riehm, Rothermel, Schenck, Schmidt, Staedtler, Steinhofer, Tavella, Wanger, Wilkinson.

**Please pray for the following petitions:**

That God would bless and protect all members of Holy Trinity and those they love and pray for.  
That God would guide each of us to grow in grace and please send workers into the Harvest.  
For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in.  
For all who struggle with addiction to drugs and alcohol.  
For the sick and the grieving.  
For all congregations of the NALC.  
For all travelers and for the dying.  
For the military and their families.  
The unemployed, the underemployed & the uninsured, especially those in our own families.  
All Caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs,  
For the members of the Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church in Ethiopia, and for the Nifas Silk Congregation.  
For our sister congregations: Nifas Silk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and First Lutheran in Kirkland Illinois.  
For all Christians who are being persecuted for the faith throughout the world.  
For the victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes and hurricanes and for favorable weather and an abundance of crops.  
For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.  
For those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.  
For the people of Ukraine.  
For peace in the world and shootings to stop in our cities.  
For a peaceful political atmosphere.



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE 9 AM LIVE  
ON YOUTUBE (thehtlconline)  
OR [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/  
@HOLYTRINITYABINGTON/STREAMS](https://www.youtube.com/@HOLYTRINITYABINGTON/STREAMS)

## Support Us

Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. See page 5 for ideas on how to do this.

## Treasurer's Report

*May 31, 2025* (For the Year 2025)

**Surplus/(Deficit) 2025** (\$51,851.39)

**The full treasurer's report  
is available upon request.**

**Keep in your prayers  
the following  
individuals serving  
in the armed forces:**

Christopher Biehl  
Conor Gowton  
Shaun Hall  
Eric Henderson  
Nathan Quinlan  
Jamie Riley  
Vikas Shah  
Jonathan Skilton, MD  
Jeremy Zar

Martin Luther quotes:

"When the gospel flourishes in the church, everything flourishes with it."

"That the Creator himself comes to us and becomes our ransom - this is the reason for our rejoicing."

"It would be a good thing if young people were wise and old people were strong, but God has arranged things better."

"The bible is a remarkable fountain: the more one draws and drinks of it, the more it stimulates thirst."



**Please remember your  
Church in your will.**



# CHURCH COUNCIL



## Notes from Council:

We will be giving highlights from our last council meeting each month in Echoes. Once the minutes are approved from the previous month, they will be available in the Narthex.

Council met on Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>

**Treasurer's report** – The deficit continues to increase as our expenses (within our approved budget) are outpacing our income. Currently the deficit is at \$51,000

**Pastor's report** – Pastor is looking to do some events this summer geared toward the arts. He and Thomas are looking into have some summer concerts. The council viewed a short video featuring Bishop Dan and Deacon Andrew Ames Fuller in which they discussed the invitation of congregations to observe a Vocation of Marriage Sunday. This is in view of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin and Katharina Luther's wedding.

**Property** – Property asked for approval for monies to paint the Narthex. Council asked for a clarification and will be voting for approval via email once the clarification is received from Property.

**Live-Stream equipment** – For livestream a user will need to go directly to our You-tube site. The livestream cannot be hosted directly on our webpage. A link to You-tube will be embedded on our website and in the e-mail Deb sends out each Friday.

**Bread of Heaven** – the Picnic was held on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The cake raffle raised \$360

**Evangelism** – The Walk for Water held on May 17<sup>th</sup> raised \$3000.

**New Business** – A new ladder will be purchased for work to be done in the upper classroom area. This is so a ladder does not have to be carried up and down the stairs.

An announcement will be made that the old folding chairs are available for the taking and some will be donated to Sarnelli House.

As always if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please talk to any of the council members. If you are unsure who we are, our pictures are in the Narthex.

## An extra message from your President of Council:

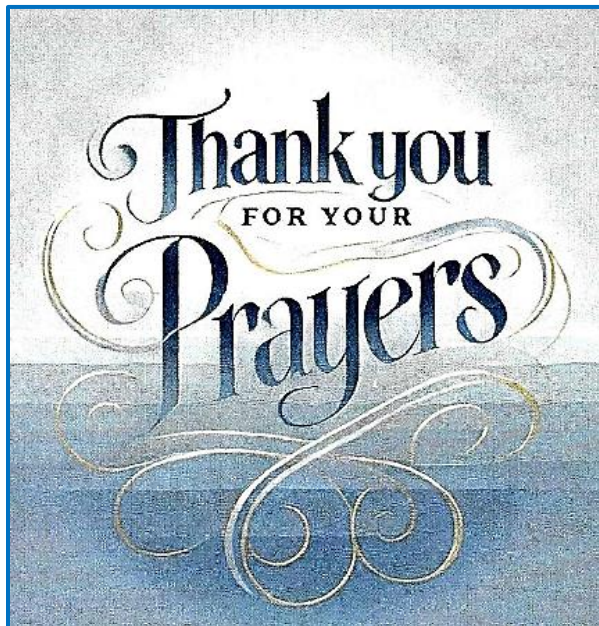
I am a life-long member of Holy Trinity and have witnessed first-hand the generosity of its members. This family has walked with me through some of the best and hardest times of life. For this, all I can say is Thank You. I love my church and my church family.

As the President of Council, I have been made keenly aware of the budget and expenses along with the normal ebbs and flows of giving. Summertime is normally a down time. Wonderful things happen in our lives in the summer: vacations, celebrations, family gatherings and overall relaxation (hopefully). All of these are God's blessings in our lives. I know we are all grateful for these blessings.

I ask that you prayerfully consider doing what you can to maintain or increase your giving throughout the summer. Personally, Benet and I are pledging to give a bit more each week in appreciation of all that we have received from this church and from all of you.



## NOTES OF THANKS



Dear Holy Trinity Family:

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, flowers, and emails. I am immensely grateful for all the heartfelt wishes you sent during this very challenging time. I am now recovering from surgery and hope to see you soon!!! Your many kindnesses touched my heart.

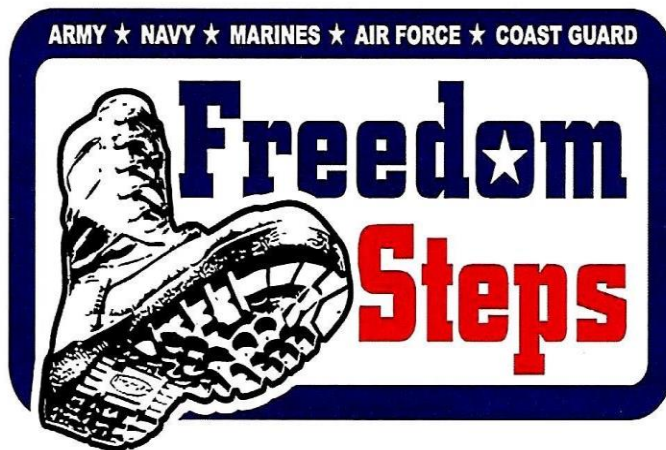
Thank you -  
Barbara Rothermel

Dear Holy Trinity family,

Thank you so much once again for your generous support of Freedom Steps. Your continuous flow of donations is very much appreciated.

Through your generosity we are able to send a piece of home to our deployed troops.

Blessings to each and every one of you for your kindness. Thank you again,  
Freedom Steps Committee



[www.FreedomSteps5k.com](http://www.FreedomSteps5k.com)





## I Have Called You by Name

June 5, 2025

Dear Friends,

I woke up this morning with these words from the Book of Isaiah running through my head. *"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."* Isa 43:1b. There is a reason why that verse is on my mind, and the words are significant due to the organizational season we are in, as some of you know.

Since March, we have been praying together and listening to one another as we discern the Lord's will about our name: World Mission Prayer League. Some of you may have joined us for a meeting with our constituents when we presented this idea. We received some vital feedback. It's spurred us on to continue exploring and considering a name change. If you joined us, this information isn't new, but we want everyone possible to have the opportunity to hear about this initiative. As supporters of WMPL, we invite you to join us in prayer for this crucial decision.

We are not on a mission to change the name unnecessarily, but there are compelling reasons to consider it. Based on feedback, we understand that there is an openness to discussing a name change. There are some strong opinions that we don't change, but there is trust in the Lord and openness to his leading. There are several reasons to consider a change, but no single reason alone that compels us to do so. There are also regional concerns with our existing name.

The name, World Mission Prayer League, doesn't exactly roll off the tongue, as Chuck Lindquist, former director of WMPL, said to me some months ago. The word 'Mission' is not suitable in some places and can be a security concern, especially when combined with 'Prayer.' The word 'League' is outdated to many. Having a long name is obsolete, according to external feedback.

Why is considering the input from WMPL's external audience so important? The external are those whose hearts and ambitions align with WMPL but who are not involved or connected. Two possible indicators of external responses to the WMPL name are a) the growth rate of supporters and b) the growth rate of those seeking to become "workers," particularly those with no current connection to WMPL. A name is a primary element in a first encounter and impression.

We see biblical examples of God giving a name or a new name to those he chooses. A new name might reveal character or foreshadow a new purpose, role, or future call. Does God have something new in store for WMPL, the world, or new workers that a new name would help usher in?

One way you can help us is by sending a note answering the question, "Why does WMPL exist?" in five words or less. You can send it to [kscott@wmpl.org](mailto:kscott@wmpl.org) and [kellykinnunen@gmail.com](mailto:kellykinnunen@gmail.com). Your responses will help us see a pattern as God speaks through his people.

We can't thank you enough for your generosity and partnership in mission. We are blessed by it because we get to share that generosity with others!

In Christ,

Kyle

Kyle Scott  
Executive Director



TOGETHER IN CHRIST, GLOBAL PRAYER & MOBILIZATION

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Join the summer reading club at your local library (it's not just for kids) and then come check out the books at the church library to add Christian titles to your list. (The summer reading program doesn't have to be all from one library system.)

A few "staff recommendations" are highlighted on the library cart in the fellowship hall:

***House of Living Stones***, by Katie Schuermann

"Not just fiction: the church is a character and it was great to see the church in the story doing what our church does too. I really liked the characters' backstories and how they intertwine." —Linda Frezza

***Kitty, My Rib***, by E. Jane Mall

"A charming summer read: fictional account of the marriage of Martin and Katie Luther based on actual events in their lives. Celebrate their 500th anniversary as you read this book!" —Linda Kreisich

***The Bark of the Bog Owl***, by Jonathan Rogers

"A fun children's book (series) based loosely on the life of David but set in a fictional world of fantasy that also seems like the Deep South of America! Very fun and well written" —Beth Lee

***Dear and Glorious Physician***, by Taylor Caldwell

"The story is based on Dr. Luke with a lot of research on medicine at the time of Christ. It really takes you into the world of Ancient Greece and Rome." —Sandy Miller



Your Church Library  
does not close for vacation!



**HAPPY SUMMER READING!**

**CHURCH LIBRARY**

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."

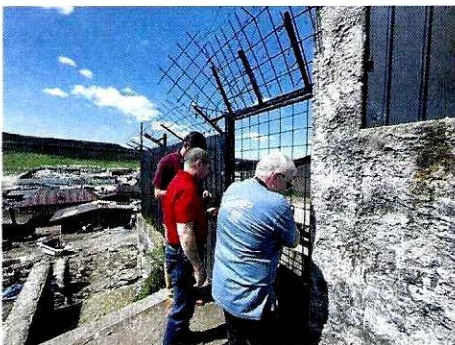
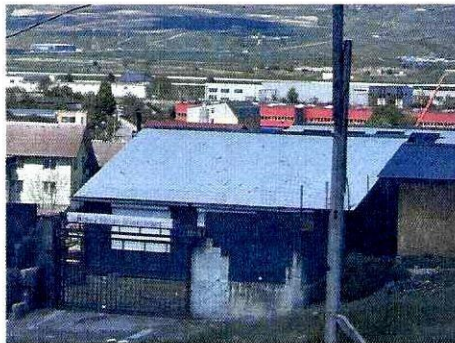




## New Shoebox Opportunity: Will You Participate?



This Roma (gypsy) community in Romania is built on a trash dump. Montgomery County OCC Area Coordinator Rania Metry participated in a shoebox distribution here in early May. The children have no schooling and cannot read or write. A missionary minister and his wife teach the children Bible lessons. They blow a horn, and the children come running. They are then locked in the building below (for safety reasons) for fun and learning. The children had never received gifts and opened their boxes cautiously as they have been taught to guard what little they have and feared others taking their gifts.



Samaritan's Purse security guards lock in volunteers and pray outside the shoebox distribution. A child happily discovers her copy of *The Greatest Journey* book.

With Pastor Maurice's leadership, your Social Ministry committee is initiating a summer collection of items for Holy Trinity's Operation Christmas Child fall shoebox packing party. Each month, features suggested items we hope to pack. Your contributions, including money—marked "OCC" if you prefer us to shop—will help defray supply costs. Please do not let these collections take away from your personally packed boxes. Here is the summer overview.

**All Summer:** We are collecting stuffed animals. (Think beanie baby size.)



### June

- ◆ Coloring Books for boys & girls ages 2-4 and 5-9 (especially boys 5-9). TIP: avoid books with word games and lots of activities with directions. Mazes and dot-to-dots are fine, but books should be mostly for coloring.
- ◆ 24-Count boxes of Crayola crayons & Crayola Colored Pencils. (deals at Walmart)
- ◆ Washcloths in bright colors; NO white or tan as many have inadequate laundry facilities.
- ◆ Rubber Balls especially Pinky balls or similar sizes with good bounce.

### July

- ◆ Blunt-edge scissors (younger) and pointed scissors (older) available in bulk at Amazon
- ◆ Hand-crank flashlights (available at Amazon)
- ◆ Spiral notebooks, either 8 x 10 or 6 x 9
- ◆ Rulers wooden or plastic
- ◆ Glue sticks, NO liquid glue permitted.

### August WOW Gifts

- ◆ The shoe that grows (We expect to receive info in July about new, reduced-price shoes.)
- ◆ Soccer balls with pumps.
- ◆ Chelsea or Barbie dolls and if possible, include some accessories/clothes.
- ◆ Lego sets for different ages





## Ideas for Packing Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

**NO toothpaste, food, liquids, creams, or war-related items. Nothing breakable.**

**NEW: NO Soap! (Customs problem)**

**Select your Gender & Age Groups:**

**Boys and Girls 2-4, 5-9, 10-14**

**All Children Need A Shoebox!**

**Boys 10-14 & 2-4 receive the fewest number.**



**All children prize their stuffed animals.**

### **Ideas to Get Started!**

#### **School Supplies**

Notebooks, Pads, Journals  
Pencils, Pens, Sharpener, Crayons/Colored Pencils  
Ruler, Eraser, Glue Stick, Scotch Tape, Scissors  
Solar Calculator  
Stencils, Stickers, drawing & construction paper

#### **Toiletries**

Washcloth, Toothbrush, Chap Sticks  
Nail clippers, Emery Boards, Band-Aids  
Large-tooth Comb, Sports Towel, Tissue Pack  
Mirrors (only plastic), Feminine products

#### **Accessories**

Socks, Gloves, Scarves, T-Shirts  
Ball Caps or Visors, Sun Glasses—UVA protection required  
Barrettes, Hair Ties, Headbands, Bandanas  
String bags, Small Zipper Bags (Cosmetic size)

#### **Toys**

Stuffed Animals, Dolls (Barbie, Chelsea, rag)  
Marbles, Glo Sticks, fold-up Frisbees, Yoyos  
Coloring, Maze, & Dot-to-Dot Books  
Vehicles of many kinds (no war)  
Puzzles, Legos, Hand-held Pinball games  
Playing Cards, Uno, Dominos  
Musical Instruments: Harmonica, Kazoo, etc.  
Definitely A Ball! (Pinky, bouncy, beach, sports)  
Play Doh, Play Doh tools, Water Colors (dry)/Brush

#### **Misc.**

Flashlight with extra set of batteries (tape ends) or hand crank.  
Soccer Ball & Pump, small Tool Set  
Manicure Set, Jewelry making kits, Sewing kits  
Small Backpacks

**BE CREATIVE! Think Age-Appropriate.**

**Please remember that quality is essential. This shoebox might be the only gift a child receives, and we want the items to have staying power.**

### **Date for Your Calendar!**

**Church Packing Party—Saturday, November 15**

**Want to Volunteer in the Baltimore Packing Center right after Thanksgiving? Please tell Rosemary Hinkle.**





# Will You Start Packing Shoeboxes this Summer?

*Tis the season of many sales...after July 4th, back-to-school, change of seasons.*

Please think of the children throughout the world who have never received a gift, which is hard for us to grasp. Think of the children and their families who do not know Jesus and how knowing Him and having a church community of worshippers can change their lives...forever!

Look for a **carton of shoeboxes** in the Narthex in July for you to take and fill.

**Coloring Pages:** Available in the narthex. Complete with children, grandchildren, nieces & nephews and enclose in your shoeboxes as children love to hear from other children.

**Packing with children or teens?** Let them have the joy of shopping for items for boys or girls their age. They not only know what they would like to receive, but also if they provide their name **and** email and even a photo, the receiving child might be excited to correspond.

## Important Reminders:

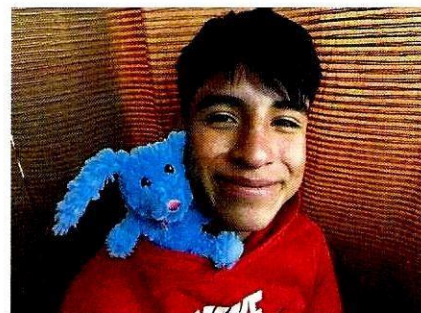
Never seal shoeboxes; they must be inspected before leaving the country.

- Place at least one rubber band around each shoebox to hold the lid shut.
- Place age/gender tag at one end of lid — Not in the middle please.
- Fill to full but not overflowing; lids should close easily and not bulge. If you have concerns about receiving families asking for money, Samaritan's Purse says to tell recipients you are praying for them. **NEVER** send money.
- In Romania, they ran out of boys' boxes and had to give girls' boxes. Remember the boys!

## May 2025 Shoebox Distribution in Romania



Never doubt the power of a stuffed animal for any gender or age. This teen boy below still treasures his stuffed animal received several years ago.





**Back by  
popular Demand!**

## **BLACKOUT**



**Starts Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Complete the Card...Win a prize!  
(rumor has it, there is a new prize)  
magnets still available

See Benet and/or Janice Donnelly

All proceeds benefit Bread of Heaven.

\*Due to the overwhelming generosity  
of the congregation ~ the Box-O-Bag-A-Meter Program  
is not needed at this time!

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**93 is the number of guests we served in JUNE with 14 new  
guests signed up, bringing our monthly total to 362 people.**

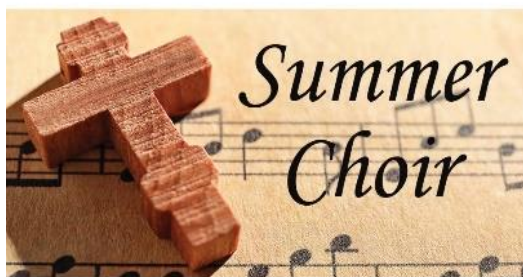
The Bread of Heaven food pantry is currently  
looking for donations of these items:



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|------------------|------------------|
| Sugar            | 4 lb. or larger  |
| 100% Fruit Juice | 64 oz. or larger |
| Pasta Sauce      | 24 oz. or larger |
| Pasta            | 1 lb. or larger  |
| Pancake Mix      | 32 oz. or larger |
| Syrup            | 24 oz. or larger |



**Food Needed**



Interested in singing in a choir but not sure about commitment? Give it a try for one or more Sundays this summer. We will have a "**summer choir**" from **every Sunday through July 27<sup>th</sup>**.

Anyone interested is welcome to show up in the sanctuary at 8:30 a.m., at which time we will rehearse a simple choir anthem (and hymns) for the service. (Simple enough that it can be sung with any number who show up, be it a choir of 3 or a choir of 30.) There will be no midweek rehearsals during the summer.

Contact the Director of Music at [musician@holytrinity.net](mailto:musician@holytrinity.net) if you have any questions.

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## Holy Trinity Blood Drive for the Red Cross

Mark your calendars for  
**Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Red Cross Blood Drive  
at Holy Trinity**

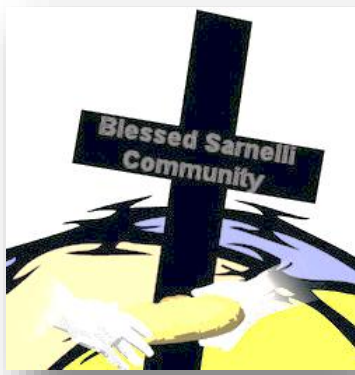
Call **Karen McGovern (267) 968 – 5485**  
to schedule an appointment



✓ Every unit donated can save up to 3 lives!

✓ Every 2 seconds someone in the US needs blood!





## SUMMER HAS ARRIVED!

There is a great need at Sarnelli House for gently used warm weather clothing -

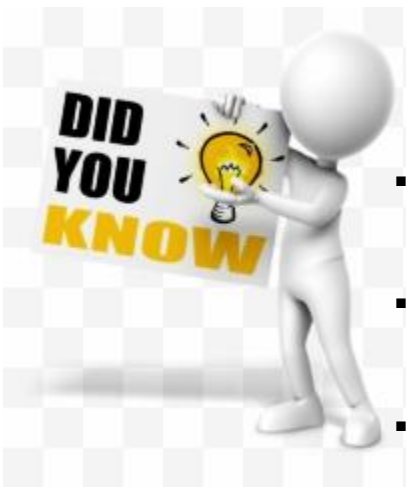


**Shorts, tee-shirts, sneakers, sandals & hats.**

**New men's and women's underwear  
is an urgent and on-going need.**

Thank you for your continued consideration of this vital ministry.

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### Regarding the LCW's Giant Gift Card Program...

- If you don't happen to shop at the Giant you could buy the cards to donate to the *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry...
- Every card purchased goes to help the LCW provide scholarships for the women of Holy Trinity...
- It's easy to order speak to Nancy Ischinger any given Sunday...
- Card purchases are offered in any denomination...
- Now that you know why not order some...



Opportunities to study, learn, discuss this summer...

## The Sundays of July 2025



We will have the opportunity to study the five shortest letters of the New Testament, **Titus, Philemon, 2 John, 3 John, and Jude.** Each week's study will be independent of the others so if you miss a week or two, you can still fully participate in the sessions you attend. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall immediately after Sunday worship. Pastor Guenzel will lead the class and the Holy Spirit will be our Guide. All are welcome!

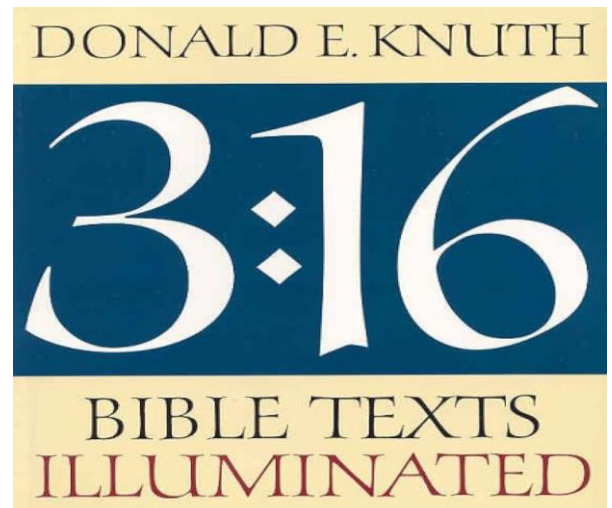
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## Thursday morning Meanderings with Pastor Maurice

on *3:16 Bible Texts Illuminated*,  
next class on **Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>**,  
at 10:00 a.m.

And throughout the summer...  
keep an eye on the bulletin for more dates!

Bagels and such on the house of course!  
Join us for stimulating discussions  
& lively conversations.





# Epic Australian Adventure: An Unforgettable Journey with Jesus

**Mon., July 28, 2025 to Fri., August 1, 2025**

**9:00 AM - 11:45 AM**



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,  
2086 Parkview Avenue, Abington, PA

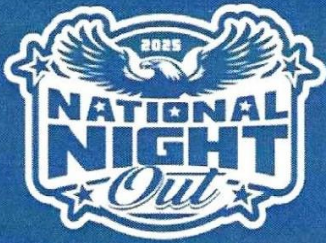
Sign up today for VBS! Throughout this program,  
we will go on an epic adventure through Australia  
and along the way be guided by our Savior, Jesus  
who is the way, the truth, and the life!

Let's go on an unforgettable journey!

You can register at our website as a participant or volunteer!

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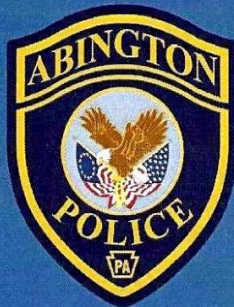
# Abington Township Police Department

## Pre-Night Out Block Party 2025

August 4, 2025

5pm-9pm

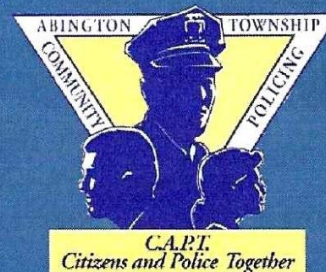
Abington Town Center, London  
and Old York Road  
(Target Parking Lot)



### Benefits

**D.A.R.E.**

TO RESIST DRUGS  
AND VIOLENCE.



TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING COMMUNITIES SAFER, MORE CARING PLACES TO LIVE AND WORK

### Expecting Presentations By...

- Abington Tactical Unit
- Abington K-9 Unit
- Abington Traffic Safety Unit
- Neighboring Police Departments
- Pennsylvania State Police
- Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- Fire Equipment & Smokehouse
- County Detective's Forensic Unit

**"An Evening of fun for the Whole Family"**

For More information Contact: Kaitlyn Metzinger



(267)-536-1082



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# July Worship Assistants Schedule



## July 6

|                                       |                                        |                 |                       |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 1</b>                 | <b>Lector - Sat Karen McGovern</b>     | <b>Acolyte</b>  | <b>Sherry Breslin</b> |
| <b>Stream Gloria Ischinger Team</b>   | <b>Sun Nancy Necker</b>                | <b>Crucifer</b> | <b>Rob Ischinger</b>  |
| <b>Healing Nancy Ischinger Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Beth &amp; Frank</b> | <b>Cantor</b>   | <b>John Minges</b>    |

## July 13

|                                            |                                         |                 |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 2</b>                      | <b>Lector - Sat Linda Cassady</b>       | <b>Acolyte</b>  | <b>Jonathan Mutashobya</b> |
| <b>Stream Frank Ganther Team</b>           | <b>Sun Matthew Gregg</b>                | <b>Crucifer</b> | <b>Otis Bricker</b>        |
| <b>Healing Nancy King-Berkovitz Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Nancy &amp; Wayne</b> | <b>Cantor</b>   | <b>Eric Gregg</b>          |

## July 20

|                                          |                                               |                 |                         |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 3</b>                    | <b>Lector - Sat Bruce &amp; Maureen Freer</b> | <b>Acolyte</b>  | <b>Gloria Ischinger</b> |
| <b>Stream Rob Ischinger Team</b>         | <b>Sun Allan Shikhvarg</b>                    | <b>Crucifer</b> | <b>Charlie Tolton</b>   |
| <b>Healing Wayne Laudenslager Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Sue &amp; Deb</b>           | <b>Cantor</b>   |                         |

## July 27

|                                   |                                          |                 |                        |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 4</b>             | <b>Lector - Sat Kathleen Ingerson</b>    | <b>Acolyte</b>  | <b>Steph Templeton</b> |
| <b>Stream Charlie Tolton Team</b> | <b>Sun Charles Tolton</b>                | <b>Crucifer</b> | <b>Matthew Gregg</b>   |
| <b>Healing Sue Tolton Prayer</b>  | <b>Christophers - Sherry &amp; Linda</b> | <b>Cantor</b>   |                        |

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# August Worship Assistants Schedule



## August 3

|                                   |                                               |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 5</b>             | <b>Lector - Sat Bruce &amp; Maureen Freer</b> | <b>Acolyte Benet Donnelly</b>   |
| <b>Stream Hannah Mumford Team</b> | <b>Sun John Bleimaier</b>                     | <b>Crucifer Janice Donnelly</b> |
| <b>Healing Deb Mumford Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Beth &amp; Frank</b>        | <b>Cantor</b>                   |

## August 10

|                                     |                                         |                                |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 1</b>               | <b>Lector - Sat Linda Cassady</b>       | <b>Acolyte Allan Shikhvarg</b> |
| <b>Stream Gloria Ischinger Team</b> | <b>Sun Linda Borkowski</b>              | <b>Crucifer David Tolton</b>   |
| <b>Healing Prayer Helen Haun</b>    | <b>Christophers - Nancy &amp; Wayne</b> | <b>Cantor</b>                  |

## August 17

|                                      |                                     |                                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 2</b>                | <b>Lector - Sat Karen McGovern</b>  | <b>Acolyte Michael Mutashobya</b> |
| <b>Stream Frank Ganther Team</b>     | <b>Sun Scott Brown</b>              | <b>Crucifer Linda Borkowski</b>   |
| <b>Healing Sherry Breslin Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Sue &amp; Deb</b> | <b>Cantor</b>                     |

## August 24

|                                       |                                               |                               |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 3</b>                 | <b>Lector - Sat Bruce &amp; Maureen Freer</b> | <b>Acolyte Helen Haun</b>     |
| <b>Stream Rob Ischinger Team</b>      | <b>Sun Larry Guenzel</b>                      | <b>Crucifer Frank Ganther</b> |
| <b>Healing Nancy Ischinger Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Sherry &amp; Linda</b>      | <b>Cantor</b>                 |

## August 31

|                                            |                                        |                             |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Usher Team # 4</b>                      | <b>Lector - Sat Kathleen Ingerson</b>  | <b>Acolyte Nancy Necker</b> |
| <b>Stream Charlie Tolton Team</b>          | <b>Sun Helen Haun</b>                  | <b>Crucifer Jim Necker</b>  |
| <b>Healing Nancy King-Berkovitz Prayer</b> | <b>Christophers - Beth &amp; Frank</b> | <b>Cantor</b>               |

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# JULY 2025

| Sunday                                                                                                                                    | Monday                                  | Tuesday                                 | Wednesday                               | Thursday                                                              | Friday                                                                                                                                                     | Saturday                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                           |                                         | <b>1</b>                                | <b>2</b>                                | <b>3</b> 10:00 Bread of Heaven                                        | <b>4</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b><br><br>Happy 4th of July<br>7:30 AA    | <b>5</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA  |
| <b>6 PENTECOST 4</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Adult SS Class<br><br>10:30 4th of July leftovers<br><br>6:00 AA                     | <b>7</b><br><br><b>Pastor at BLYD</b>   | <b>8</b><br><br><b>Pastor at BLYD</b>   | <b>9</b><br><br><b>Pastor at BLYD</b>   | <b>10</b><br>10:00 Bread of Heaven<br><b>Pastor at BLYD</b>           | <b>11</b><br><b>Pastor at BLYD</b><br><br><b>BLOOD DRIVE</b><br>7:30 AA | <b>12</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA |
| <b>13 PENTECOST 5</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Adult SS Class<br><br>11 - 4 Swim Party & Homemade Ice-cream contest<br><br>6:00 AA | <b>14</b>                               | <b>15</b><br><br>7:00 Evangelism        | <b>16</b>                               | <b>17</b><br>10:00 Bread of Heaven<br>10:00 Theology w/Pastor Maurice | <b>18</b><br><br>7:30 AA                                                                                                                                   | <b>19</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA |
| <b>20 PENTECOST 6</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Adult SS Class<br><br>Ocean City Day Trip<br><br>6:00 AA                            | <b>21</b>                               | <b>22</b>                               | <b>23</b>                               | <b>24</b><br>10:00 Bread of Heaven<br>10:00 Theology w/Pastor Maurice | <b>25</b><br><br>7:30 AA                                                                                                                                   | <b>26</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA |
| <b>27 PENTECOST 7</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Adult SS Class<br><br>VBS Set-up & Aussie food<br><br>6:00 AA                       | <b>28</b><br>9:15 - 11:45<br><b>VBS</b> | <b>29</b><br>9:15 - 11:45<br><b>VBS</b> | <b>30</b><br>9:15 - 11:45<br><b>VBS</b> | <b>31</b><br>9:15 - 11:45<br><b>VBS</b>                               |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                     |

## Special Dates:

- U.S Independence Day, *July 4, 2025*
- Red Cross Blood Drive, *July 11, 2025*



# August 2025

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Monday                                                                                                                                        | Tuesday                             | Wednesday                           | Thursday                                                                 | Friday                                             | Saturday                                                                                                                                     |
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|  <div> <b>Special Dates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Abington Pre-Night Out, <i>Aug. 4</i><br/>5 p.m. ~ 9 p.m.</li> <li>♦ Prayer Service, <i>Aug. 23</i> 6:30 p.m.</li> </ul> </div> |                                                                                                                                               |                                     |                                     |                                                                          | <b>1</b><br>9:15 – 11:45<br>VBS<br><br>7:30 AA     | <b>2</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA                                                                                           |
| <b>3</b><br><b>PENTECOST 8</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Finger Crafts<br><br>6:00 NA                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>4</b><br><br>Abington<br>Pre- Night out<br>5:00 – 9:00 pm | <b>5</b><br><br>NALC<br>CONVOCATION | <b>6</b><br><br>NALC<br>CONVOCATION | <b>7</b><br>10:00 Bread of<br>Heaven<br>NALC<br>CONVOCATION              | <b>8</b><br><br>NALC<br>CONVOCATION<br><br>7:30 AA | <b>9</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA                                                                                           |
| <b>10</b><br><b>PENTECOST 9</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Grounds For<br>Sculpture Outing<br><br>6:00 NA                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>11</b>                                                                                                                                     | <b>12</b>                           | <b>13</b>                           | <b>14</b> 10:00 Bread of<br>Heaven<br>10:00 Theology<br>w/Pastor Maurice | <b>15</b><br><br>7:30 AA                           | <b>16</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA                                                                                          |
| <b>17</b><br><b>PENTECOST 10</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Eat the Book<br>Party<br><br>6:00 NA                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>18</b>                                                                                                                                     | <b>19</b><br><br>7:00 Evangelism    | <b>20</b>                           | <b>21</b> 10:00 Bread of<br>Heaven<br>10:00 Theology<br>w/Pastor Maurice | <b>22</b><br><br>7:30 AA                           | <b>23</b><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br>6:30<br><br>7:00 AA |
| <b>24</b><br><b>PENTECOST 11</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Picnic &<br>Putt putt golf<br><br>6:00 NA                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>25</b>                                                                                                                                     | <b>26</b>                           | <b>27</b>                           | <b>28</b> 10:00 Bread of<br>Heaven<br>10:00 Theology<br>w/Pastor Maurice | <b>29</b><br><br>7:30 AA                           | <b>30</b><br><br>5:00 Holy Communion<br><br>7:00 AA                                                                                          |
| <b>31</b><br><b>PENTECOST 12</b><br>9:00 Holy Communion<br>10:30 Organ<br>Extravaganza<br><br>6:00 NA                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                               |                                     |                                     |                                                                          |                                                    |                                                                                                                                              |