



June 22, 2020

The Good News from Trinity PC

Onsite Trinity Worship Services

Trinity is now worshipping on Sundays in the sanctuary.

Session understands that not everyone will be comfortable returning to the building for worship. Therefore, we continue to offer recordings of the worship services.

We also have the capability to provide a video recording of the worship service, that will be live streamed at 10:15 AM or played later at your convenience. (see page 3 for details)

Sunday, June 28

Trinity welcomes Elder Patricia Brown



Patricia Brown has been a Pastor/Commissioned Ruling Elder in Chinle, AZ and in Cincinnati. She was Moderator of the General Assembly in 1997-1998. Her education background is : MSW in Psychiatric Social Work, 1973, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD and BA in English/Psychology, 1966, Bennett College, Greensboro NC. Patricia has been married 53 years, has two children, and four extremely talented grandchildren. Her life goal is to travel the world's famous rivers—so far she have cruised the Yangtze, Nile, Amazon, Mississippi, Danube, and Rhine.

Please welcome Patricia and help her feel at home.

Office Open

9:00-Noon Monday-Thursday

Prayer Requests can be emailed to:

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Prepare for Worship 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 13

“How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I bear pain in my soul,
and have sorrow in my heart all day long?
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?
Consider and answer me, O LORD my God!
Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of
death, and my enemy will say, ‘I have prevailed’;
my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.
But I trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the LORD,
because he has dealt bountifully with me.”

Reflection

The life and witness of the prophet Jeremiah remind us that in challenging times we often choose denial and despair and resort to easy answers. How can we more faithfully discern God’s will during times of trial in our life, nation, or church? At the expense of comfort, ease, and half-truths, to whom or to what do you turn for the courage to choose justice, hope, and truth, and what is the reward that you seek?

Morning Prayer

I rise this day in the power of your Holy Spirit, O God. I lift up my hands, my heart, and my songs to praise you, O Christ.... May all who speak to me say, “Peace”; may all to whom I speak hear, “Love.” ...Whether the day is bright or gloomy, be my light. Then, when the night begins to fall, bid me home—be my home, that I may find my rest in you, O Three in One. Amen.



The Act of Asking

In *Everyday Spirituality*, James Hazelwood explores 27 ordinary activities that are, he asserts, more spiritual than we tend to think. One is asking questions. “We see God in all the questions we ask, whether or not they are religious. The simple act of asking questions indicates that we are meaning-seeking creatures.”

The pastor continues: “We inquire of the meaning of life, the purpose of work and relationships. We even ask it of our very own existence. The answers often come not in clear proclamations of certainty but in stories, tales and the myths of life. ... Inquiry, wonder, and discovery are things that the human mind loves.” Then he offers this thought-provoking statement: “When we ask questions, we are engaging in prayer.”

Do you agree? What other daily activities might be more intertwined with your faith than you thought? While you ponder even these questions, do you sense the Holy Spirit moving you?



Olive

The olive branch is a symbol of peace, harmony and healing. Olive trees provide shelter, as well as oil used for ointment and consecration. The olive branch also represents deliverance from hardships and anxiety because a dove brought an olive leaf back to Noah’s ark after the flood ended (Genesis 8:11).

Sermons Online and on YouTube

For those that do not attend in person, Trinity will be offering on-line services live streaming at 10:15 on YouTube. To watch the video live, click on the link below which will direct you to the Trinity YouTube channel, and then click on the video in the displayed list with the LIVE box illuminated. We strongly encourage you to click the "subscribe" link on that page.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn4Bfx9UtjiaWsrXObnly6g>

On Sunday afternoon, the recorded live service will also be available via link through the Trinity website at the link below:

<https://www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org/sermons/>

New Officers

Last Sunday, we installed Elders Kurt Schuler and Barb Pratt. Wilson Tayong was both ordained and installed as an Elder. Ginny Kramer was installed as a Deacon and Valentine Nyamusa was ordained and installed as a Deacon.

Current Officers

Elders

Gina Anaple
George Fraley
Debbie Johnson
Barb Pratt
Diane Rayer
Marty Reese
Kurt Schuler
Wilson Tayong

Deacons

Connie Williams
Joleen Goens
Ginny Kramer
Marta Mojzer
Jennifer Reese
Fran Thomas
Valentine Nyamusa

We thank Cindie Postell and Allison Schuler our retiring officers and all of our present and former officers for their dedication to serving the Trinity family.

We are grateful for our Elders and Deacons! Please keep them and all our officers in your prayers.

Sandwiches for the Homeless

We will once again be making sandwiches for our *Daily Bread*, a food pantry for the homeless on July 9. We can use all the sandwiches we can get. Please note the instructions for making the sandwiches:

- *place sandwiches in zipper sandwich baggies and label with type of sandwich.*
- *Meat Sandwiches: We usually only put bread, meat and packaged mayo/mustard in each baggie. If you can provide cheese and/or lettuce on the sandwich that is a bonus, but we don't put on anything that will make the bread soggy. Any type of bread or meat is accepted, but our guests tend to prefer white bread over wheat and turkey, pepperoni, and bologna over other meats like ham or roast beef.*
- *PB&J Sandwiches: No rules really except making sure not to overload the bread with jam/jelly so the bread doesn't get too soggy.*

Bulletins on Thursday

On Thursdays, you will receive a bulletin via email for the Sunday service. Davis will be playing the hymns in the video service on the web page. Lyrics will be included in your bulletin. Please check your emails on Thursday and be prepared to sing along on Sunday. If you are planning on attending

From the Treasurer:

Please continue to mail in your pledges even though we are not physically attending services. The general costs to operate the church still continue. Your donations are being processed and deposited each week. Thank you for keeping your pledges up to date.

Onsite Worship Protocols

Trinity has begun Onsite Worship. Below are the preparations and changes to the worship service that have been made:

Preparations for the Trinity building include:

- Thoroughly cleaning on a regular basis, with frequently touched surfaces being sanitized.
- Church front entry doors, as well as the middle and side entry doors to the sanctuary, are propped open and will remain open for the entire worship service. (minimizes contact with the door handles and increases ventilation within the church building.
- Bottles of liquid hand sanitizer will be available for use in the narthex, and you are encouraged as well to bring your own personal hand sanitizer. The water fountains outside the restrooms will be unplugged and covered on Sunday morning. Please bring your own personal water containers or bottles. No food or beverages will be offered. The sacristy room will be closed.
- When utilizing the restroom on Sunday morning, note whether another person is already using the room, and wait outside until that person exits the restroom before entering. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water prior to exiting the restroom.
- While inside the church building, **we are strongly encouraging that each person wear a face covering or mask.** A limited number of surgical masks will be available if you forget your own personal face covering.
- If on Sunday morning you are experiencing a fever (in excess of 100.4° F), coughing, shortness of breath or other symptoms potentially indicating COVID-19 infection, please refrain from attending worship on that morning and seek medical assistance.

The worship service itself will, not surprisingly, be a little different than what we are accustomed to. Some of the worship service modifications will be:

- We anticipate that attendance at the initial services will be quite modest, so the ushers should easily be able to assist individuals and family groups to find seating in the pews with appropriate social distancing.
- No printed bulletins will be distributed by the ushers. Everyone will receive an electronic version of each week's bulletin by email, and you are encouraged to print out the bulletin at home and bring it with you on Sunday morning. A limited number of printed bulletins will be available in the narthex. The bulletin will include the hymn lyrics.
- Hymnbooks, Bibles, pencils and attendance pads will be removed. Prayer request forms will be displayed on a table in the narthex, that can be filled out prior to the service, which can then be deposited in offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors.
- There will be no choir performances, and congregational singing of the hymns will be discouraged. Singing of the hymns in our minds, or possibly light humming, will be our means of expressing our musical worship.
- There will be no children's sermon or children's Sunday school classes, so children will remain with their families during worship. **No nursery attendants will be provided**, so use of the nursery room will be limited to parents and their children, if necessary.
- There will be no collection of offering during the service. Offerings will be deposited in the offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors when departing the sanctuary at the conclusion of the service.
- On Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month) servers will not be distributing the communion elements. Trinity has purchased a supply of prepackaged communion "sets", each with a wafer and sealed juice cup, which will be placed on a table at the front of the sanctuary, to be picked up by individual worshippers at the appointed time during the communion service.
- Following Rev. Dunlap's benediction, he, or the preacher of the day, will immediately proceed outside the church building, to greet and chat with the worshippers in the safer, fresher outdoor environ (no rain please!). All of the attendees will be encouraged to proceed to the outside as quickly as possible. It's outside, in the fresh air, that we can really practice being the Trinity community of faith - socially distanced hugs, catching up on all our quarantine stories, etc.!

Trust in Christ

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:13–22

Do the Right Thing Anyway

*But even if you do suffer for doing what is right,
you are blessed.*

1 Peter 3:14

A cynical old trope declares that “no good deed goes unpunished.” While this is certainly not true in every case, it seems that doing the right thing can sometimes earn us criticism or lead us into difficulties. The author of 1 Peter recognizes this truth but encourages his readers to follow their consciences and do the right thing, even if it brings them reproach or leads to struggles. He reminds us that in doing what Jesus Christ was called to do, he himself suffered greatly.

Our moral compass should not be set so much by the world’s definition of what’s right but rather by a conscience shaped and guided by our faith in God and trust in God’s word. We are not to be blown about by the moral breezes of the day. Instead, we should be driven by the steady wind of God’s guiding Spirit.

*Make us strong, O God, to do the right thing, as
defined by the love and law of Christ, even if it
brings us criticism and difficulty. Amen.*

Michael L. Lindvall, Fort Wayne, Indiana

THE GOOD NEWS

As of June 21

Keep in your Prayers

Family of Dick Rayer, Rick Rayer's Father	Bereavement/loss of Rick's Father, Dick
Connie Williams' mom	Healing/hip pain/UTI infection/Connie unable to visit
T. First, G. Anaple request	Healing/brain tumor and treatment
Paul Pavloff, K. Kessler Request	Healing/open heart surgery
Thomas Kettler, K. Evert Request	Healing/kidney stones
Charlene Stump, K. Kessler request	Good diagnosis and treatment for hip and knee
Debbie Johnson	Healing/knee surgery
Bob Miller, D. Schuler request	Healing/heart concerns
Steve, Kathy Kessler's son	Thanksgiving successful surgery/hip replacement
Family of Nancy Chamberlain, Schuler's request	Bereavement/loss of Nancy
Family of Chet Hard, Schuler request	Bereavement/loss of Chet
Madison, Cindie Postell's granddaughter	Thanksgiving/home/2 months of rehabilitation
Mike, Marta Mojzer's brother	Healing/advanced liver failure and other concerns
*All families in distress/difficulties with COVID	God's support/strength, guidance
Gina Anaple	Healing/recovering surgery
Fran Thomas	Healing/pain relief
Natasha, B. Pratt request	Healing/recovery surgery on legs
Jean Parsley	Continued healing
Pam Harring	Continued healing/guidance with treatment
George Liles	Continued healing/home recovering
Dee Burkhardt	Continued healing
Diane Niehaus, B. Luebbe request	Continued healing/several health concerns
Gerald Reese, M. Reese's father	Continued healing/swallowing problems
Margie, Fran Thomas' sister	God's peace and comfort
All peoples in the Middle East	Peace and reconciliation
All Elected Government leaders	Wisdom/support/enlightenment
Support for all our military	Strength/discernment/God's protection
For all missionaries (Especially for S. and B.)	Protection/blessings/fruitful mission work

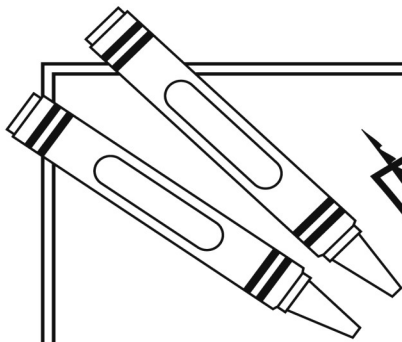
Names that have been on the Prayer List for more than 4 weeks are marked with an asterisk ().
If you would like them to remain on the list, please contact the office by Tuesday.*

Financial Information

Donations Received as of 6/21	\$2,935
Pentecost Offering	\$85
Per Capita 2020 Donations	\$825
Property Fund Giving 2020	\$3,500
Property Fund Goal 2020	\$5,000
Per Capita for 2020 is	\$33

Worship Schedule

June 28	Elder Patricia Brown
July 5	Rev. Tom Dunlap
July 12	Rev. Tom Dunlap
July 19	Elder Cindie Postell



PUZZLE

NEVER FEAR!

The Psalms are full of inspiring prayers to God,
who always looks after you.

*Directions: Use the clues to fill in each missing letter. Then use those letters
to complete Psalm 13:5, NIV.*

What plants grow in DIR ₁

The opposite of play WO K₂

One-of-a-kind NIQUE₃

A hug and a KI S₄

Sour TA R ₅

To speak very loudly YE L₆

Immediately N W₇

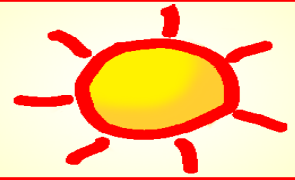
Bees live in a HI E₈

A dandelion is this W E D₉

I ₁ ₂ ₃ ₄ ₅ in your unfailing ₆ ₇ ₈ ₉ ;

my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5, NIV

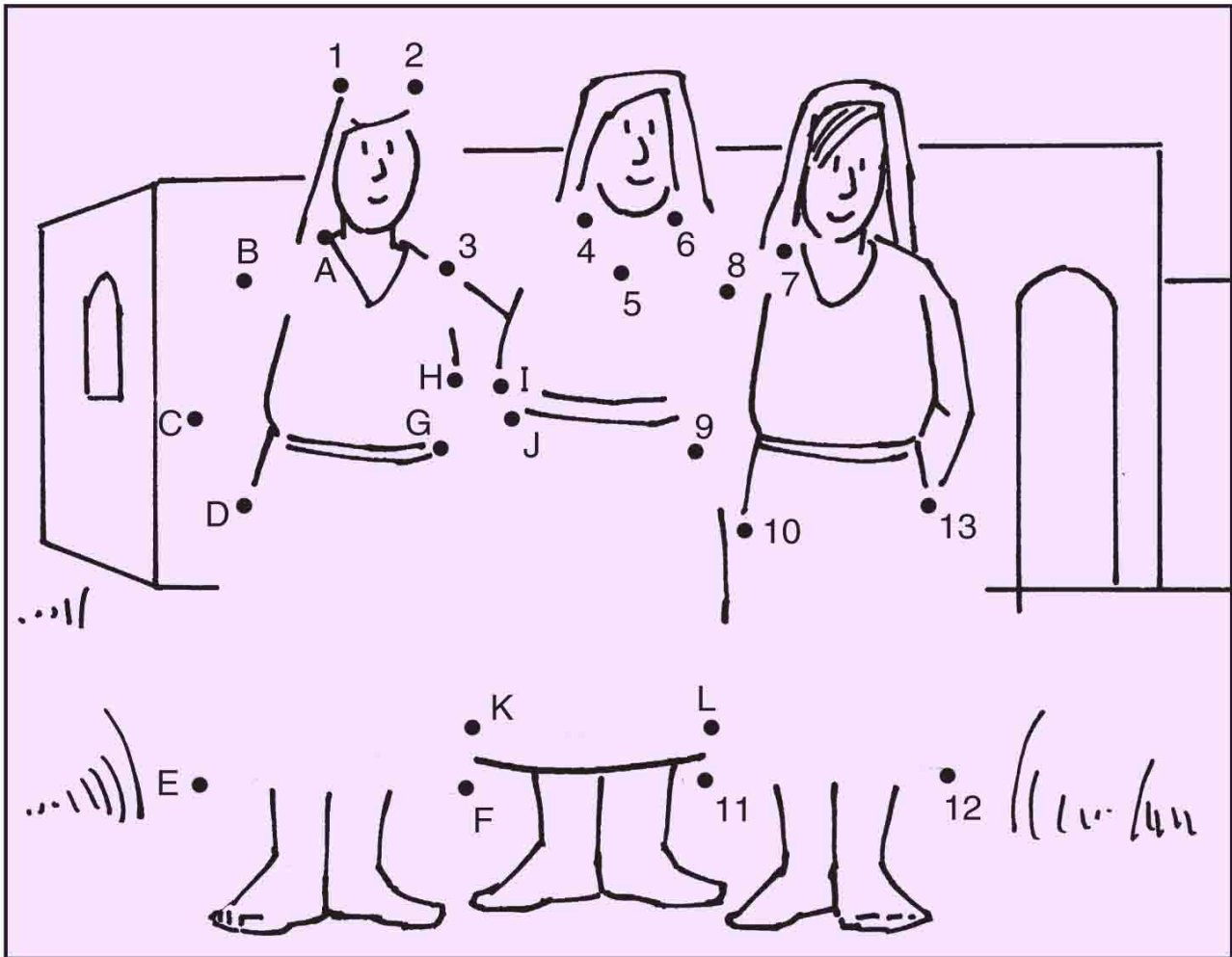
Answers: dirt, work, unique, kiss, tart, yell, now, hive, weed,
I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm
13:5, NIV



Ruth Stays With Naomi

Naomi lived in Moab.
Her daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth,
were with her. They loved her.

Connect the dots. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
A B C D E F G H I J K L



• Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

March 24, 2019 • Ruth 1:1-22

Ruth Stays With Naomi

Naomi, her husband Elimelech, and their 2 sons left Bethlehem because there was a famine in their land. Where did they go?

Color in all the shapes with odd numbers.

