

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1342 WEST PROSPECT ROAD
ASHTABULA OH 44004**

**JULY 2022
NEWSLETTER**



Trivia Answers

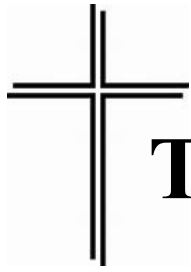
Philadelphia
In a triangular shape
Bristol, Rhode Island
French people
150 million
2.5 million people
Francis Bellamy

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Calvin Coolidge
56
Liberty Enlightening the World
John Hancock
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Fort Knox

The Pennsylvania Evening Post
Thomas Jefferson
Hot dogs
John Adams, Thomas Jefferson
Philippines

Declaration of Independence
50 stars, 13 stripes
Star-Spangled Banner
Philadelphia, Pa
Due to protest against British
1777

Al Anon will be meeting at a Lake Shore Park pavilion
every Tuesday at 7:00 pm
during the summer.



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My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As a boy of 16, my worst fear when learning to drive was merging onto the expressway. I had a terrible fear that I would be driving onto the on-ramp and when I would go to merge over into the right lane of the interstate, a tractor-trailer would be in the place on the road I wanted to get to. Obviously the two of us could not occupy the same spot on the road and if we did, my little car was going to lose that fight. What my driving instructors taught me was that if that ever happened, I just needed to wait until the truck passed me and then I could merge in behind. I just needed to yield to the bigger truck.

We need to yield to the bigger Lord. When God and we come together, both of us can't be in the same spot. Both God and us when we are merged together, cannot be the same thing. With God united with us through the Son and in the Spirit, we both cannot be in the same driving lane. Both of us cannot be Lord, one needs to be Lord and one needs to be follower. We need to yield to the bigger truck, we need to yield to God who is already Lord.

In the gospel of Luke, we have a centurion of great authority, great wealth and great respect yielding to a person of greater authority, Jesus of Nazareth. The centurion built the Jewish people of his town a synagogue. The centurion was so well respected by the Jewish elders that they testify to Jesus of how worthy he is. Obviously this centurion is a man with just about everything we Americans desire, power, money and respect. But with all the authority this centurion possessed, he still lacked an authority over the power of sickness, that his most treasured servant lay dying.

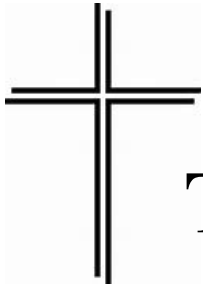
But his ears pick up the town gossip that a man whose name was Jesus had this greater authority, even an authority to speak and people are cured. So this centurion who commands Roman soldiers, who can afford to build a synagogue, this centurion yields to the bigger truck. This lord over people, yields to the bigger Lord over all things. The centurion says to Jesus, *Only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it.* A centurion with authority over others yields to the one with God's own authority set over him, Jesus the Christ and Lord.

How slow we are to recognize what the centurion recognized? How slow we are to see what the centurion saw. This is what John the Baptist foretold, God has come down to his people as the man Jesus of Nazareth. If this Jesus is God with us, then how slow we self-proclaimed lords over others, yield to the one with the ultimate Lordship over us, the very Son of God!

But thanks be to God that Jesus is not only Lord over us, but also that Jesus is Brother inside us. Not only does Jesus possess power over evil and death, but Jesus also possesses humility which yields to his Heavenly Father. Not only does Jesus have authority over everything making him the Lord. But Jesus also has compassion to help us yield to God, making him the Brother. Who better I ask you to help us yield to almighty God, than the Son who yielded his entire life to the will of what his Father asked of him?

So, if Jesus is Lord and Brother to all who will have him as such, then let us so filled and held by the Son's tender embrace, learn to be sons and daughters of the Father, yielding to God's will. I can think of no bigger truck we merge with, therefore let us yield to God and just simply fall in behind. After all, when we yield to God, we just might find that is where Jesus already is, yielding to God.

In Christ,
Rev. Mark



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A Note From Session

Session continues listening to reports and suggestions/mandates regarding safe Covid procedures. As things change, so will we. We will now Pass the Peace during worship, if you are comfortable with being close and shaking hands.

Trinity's committees have been busy.

Community Outreach, with Pam Bloom as chair, collected from the congregation and donated to Homesafe of Ashtabula.

Through Community Outreach, you continue to donate to Faith Lutheran Food Pantry which is filling a great need in our community.

Property and Finance, with Beth Dougherty as Chair, is watching the masonry project move forward.

Fellowship, with Nancy Sabo as Chair is planning our summer worship/picnic at Lake Shore Park on August 14th at the Overlook Pavilion at Lake Shore Park. East Side has been invited to join us. Bring place settings and a dish to share!

Worship and Music – Peg LaDu and Nancy Sabo are sharing this responsibility. Rev. Joh Gehring-Anders will be here July 3rd and Joyce Shellhammer will be here July 10th while Rev. Mark is on vacation.

They are looking for liturgists and ushers to assist in our worship.

Ministerial Relations Committee, Mary Belding, Pam Bloom, Beth Dougherty, and Dale Fassett are available for any questions or concerns of the congregation and the pastor.

Yoke, Craig Reiter, Beth Dougherty, and Mary Belding will meet as needed with East Side' members of the committee (Cathy Burnham, Doug Gill, and Jim Booth). Please continue to pray with us for success in this endeavor.

If you have any questions or concerns for any of these committees, or want to join them in their work, please contact the chair of the committee.

We look forward to continuing to worship and work together to strive to discern where God would have Trinity move. Please keep us in your prayers.

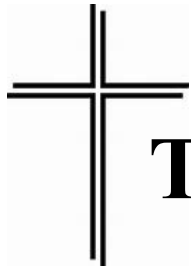
Blessings,

Mary Belding, Clerk

Prayers

Beverly Cigani, Marion Shipman, Marilyn Anderson, Megan Davis, Jerry Jeffries, Lois Fassett, Jerry Kaydo, Family of Adam Holdman, Charles Stewart, Dylan Northrup, Nick Irochi, Ukraine, Dick LaDu, George Sabo, and Claudia Hakkarainen.





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2022 per capita is \$34.91

Property and Finance

Capital Improvement Fund balance: \$33,265.71.

The outside of the Church is getting a facelift! Repairing the bricks and mortar is in process and near completion. Total cost will be \$35,850.00. To date, we have raised \$33,265.71. Session has approved paying the balance of \$2,584.29 from the Church Operating Account.

Current items on the committee's agenda:

- The chancel carpet still needs stretched
- Service the air conditioning
- Replacing clocks that are not functioning
- Seal the parking lot and paint lines

Richardsons has been doing a wonderful job with the lawn care maintenance. Because of this, the decision has been made to part with the lawn mowers and weed whacker. We will offer the lawn care equipment to church members only. We have had a few members of the congregation already inquire. Below is a list of the equipment and prices. If interested, contact the church office or Beth Dougherty (440-661-1416).

2015 cub cadet xt1 Enduro series It 42 inch	\$500.00
Troy-bilt TB110 21 in. push mower	\$ 75.00
(2) Weedwackers-	make offer

God continues to lead us to do amazing things. Thank you for your support!

Beth Dougherty, Rich Fassett, Craig Reiter, Norm Jepson, Josh Hall, Terry Karvonen, Mark Mong, Hobart Shiflet

Community Outreach

Trinity continues to give...

We have received thank you notes from:

- Julie Sundquist of Homesafe for allowing her to speak and for the monetary and product donations given to them.
- Stacy's House and the young adults now residing there for monetary and product donations provided.

Bike and Build is coming to Trinity Presbyterian Church again in 2022!!

This group of 18-28 year old cyclists are traveling across the country on the northern route to learn and educate themselves regarding affordable housing in the United States. It is always fun to hear their stories and what a day in a cross country cyclist looks like. Thanks for your assistance every year in hosting this great group of individuals!

Thank you Trinity for your continued giving spirit, the blessings we have and give are AMAZING!

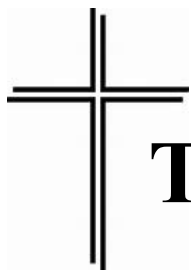
Peace...

May we be grateful for all the blessings we have and all the blessings we can share with our neighbors!

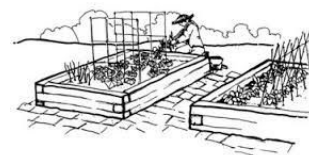
Nancy Sabo, Ruth Allen, Ruth Ann Ayers, Kathy Fassett, Barb Beatty, Dee Fassett, Mary Belding, Rev. Mong, Joyce Kren, Pam Bloom



#Thank You
From STACY's Club and the Leadership guys!



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The Eden Project

Our motto is "Growing Food, Growing Faith".

We have a garden growing! We have beans, tomatoes, peppers, onions, garlic, squash, and corn. Sounds like a great salad!

Much thanks to Ruth Allen, Dee Fassett, Dale and Kathy Fassett for their work in getting the garden started.

Our two wonderful benches donated in honor of the Hoffmans are often respectfully used by our neighbors.

We are grateful that Trinity Presbyterian Church recognizes the need to provide nutritious food to those in need.

Blessings and Bounty,

Joyce Kren and Mary Belding

Scrip

January-April 2022 Report

Dee Fassett and Mary Belding have been providing gift cards that, in turn, provided rebates that made it possible for the Scrip Program to contribute to the Trinity Operating Expenses.

Beginning balance 5/1/22:	\$ 797.43
Income from sales: May	2,765.00
Total Cost (incl shipping):	\$ 3,267.66
Ending balance 4/30/22:	\$ 294.77



Thanks to all who continue to purchase gift cards from scrip for gifts, groceries, gasoline, and more.

Keep the possibility of using scrip cards for large or small projects around your home. We can order your cards and have them within a week—so plan ahead!

Thanks to all who support this mission.

Peace and Blessings, Mary Belding and Dee Fassett

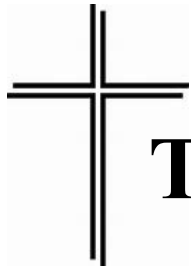


Sunday, August 14

Lake Shore Park
Overlook Pavilion
(East on 1st street)
Worship at 10:30
Potluck at 11:30

*Hot dogs furnished by Trinity *Bring a dish to share

*Don't forget your place settings



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It's Time to Reignite our Youth!

We are extremely excited to announce that Josh Hall and Dee Fassett will be reigniting our youth program! And-

WE NEED YOU!

It's time to "refresh" and "connect" with youth of our church families, friends, and community.

It's time to build relationships and engage in spiritual conversations that can foster and encourage spiritual growth in youth of all ages.

We need any help you can give.

- "Connectors" to help with the youth-even if it's just one time,
- Ideas for exciting things to help "connect" with the youth,
- Food,
- Your prayers



Kick-off Sunday, September 4, 2022

Breakfast at 10:00 AM

The real fun begins at 11:00 AM

Contact Dee Fassett, 440-992-5004 or Josh Hall, 216-952-6290 for more information and to share how you are able to help.



Rummage Sale

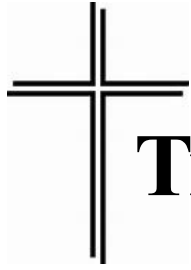
Saturday August 13

9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Bake Sale

Lunch

Donations can be dropped off in the Hoyt room during office hours. Call Kathy Depp if you need items picked up. Volunteers are needed to help set up on Thursday and Friday. Cashiers and helpers are needed for Saturday. Contact Kathy Depp for more information or to volunteer. 440-466-2267



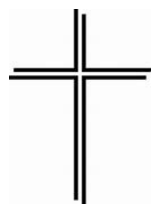
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1. Where was the first celebration of Independence Day held?
2. Every Independence Day, how many times does the Liberty Bell ring?
3. What was the name of the newspaper that published the Declaration of Independence?
4. The Fourth of July commemorates which document?
5. What is the proper way to fold the American flag?
6. Which American president was born on July 4th?
7. Which president of the United States was the first to host a Fourth of July celebration at the White House?
8. How many Stars and Stripes does the US flag have?
9. What is the location of the nation's oldest Fourth of July parade?
10. What was the total number of people who signed the Declaration of Independence?
11. Every July 4th, what food is most commonly consumed?
12. What is the name of the national anthem of the United States of America?
13. Who gave the Statue of Liberty to the United States?
14. What was The Statue of Liberty's official name?
15. Where is the Liberty Bell currently located?
16. Every July 4th, how many hot dogs are consumed?
17. On the Declaration of Independence, who had the largest signature?
18. Which two presidents of the United States died on July 4th of the same year?
19. Why was the Boston Tea Party's tea shipment ruined?
20. What was the estimated population of the United States on July 4, 1776?
21. On July 4th, which classic children's book was published?
22. In what year were fireworks first used to celebrate the Fourth of July?
23. Who is the author of the Pledge of Allegiance?
24. During World War II, where did the Declaration of Independence get stored?
25. Which country declared independence from the United States on July 4, 1960?

*******Trinity Church Worship Schedule Change*******

**Worship time will change to 11:00 AM beginning Sunday, August 7,
and remain at 11:00 AM for three months.**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Mark's Office Hours</i>	Trinity Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am-11:30 am 12:00pm-2:30pm	East Side Monday and Wednesday 8:30am-11:30 am	Church Office Hours Monday and Friday 10am-12pm Wednesday 9:30am-11:30am		1 Mark-Vacation	2 Mark-Vacation
3 Face-Face Worship 9:30am Video Worship Mark-Vacation	4  Mark-Vacation	5 Al-Anon 7pm Mark-Vacation	6 N/A 7pm Mark-Vacation	7 Mark-Vacation	8 Brown Bag Lunch packing 10 am Mark-Vacation	9 Mark-Vacation
10 2¢ A Meal Collection Face-Face Worship 9:30am Video Worship Mark-Vacation	11	12 Al-Anon 7pm	13 Bible Study 10am East Side N/A 7pm	14 Bible Study 7pm	15	16
17 Face-Face Worship 9:30am Video Worship	18	19 Al-Anon 7pm	20 Bible Study 10am East Side Book Club 7pm N/A 7pm	21 Bible Study 7pm	22	23 Clean & Free Anniversary 4pm—8pm
24 and July 31 Face-Face Worship 9:30am Video Worship	25	26 Al-Anon 7pm	27 N/A 7pm	28 Bible Study 7pm	29	30