

Chili Contest- Start tweaking that chili recipe to make it into a winner in our 11th annual Chili Contest! The tasting and voting will follow worship on February 12th. Awards will be given for the Meatiest, Beaniest and Spiciest chili and for the Best chili of them all. Please sign-up on the poster in the hall and indicate if you are bringing an entrée or dessert (your chili counts as your entrée). There's always plenty of non-chili

entrees to choose from, too. Please indicate if you are entering the chili contest.

Trinity's next Confirmation Class will be on Sunday, February 19th, 2023 starting at 9:00AM, just prior to our regular Sunday morning worship service. Additional classes in March will be held on the 5th & 19th.



On Saturday February 11th @ 830 a.m. Lum's Fernbrook there will be a meeting. All men are invited and encouraged to attend.

Women of Trinity – our monthly luncheon meeting schedule for 2023 will begin in March. Please watch the March newsletter and Sunday bulletins for a place, date and time. There will be a sign-up poster in the hallway. All women of Trinity are invited to join us for fun and fellowship.





Easter Food Donations – Starting Sunday February 12th the Deacons will begin collecting food to be donated to the Food Bank for Easter. Please put your donations of non-perishable food items in the blue container under the table in the hall, to the left of the sanctuary. Thank you in advance for helping the Deacons provide food for Easter to those less

fortunate than we are.

Mission-Outreach Committee will be meeting on Mon., Feb. 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the church.

I am happy to say that the meals we packed for Rise Against Hunger back in November have now been shipped to Haiti. I received an email earlier today. Please pass this along as I cannot message Everyone and I do not have everyone's telephone numbers who volunteered that day. Thank you so much!



Deacon Easter Flower Sale- Ordering Easter flowers feels like Spring is just around the bend. The Deacons are once again sponsoring the annual Easter flower sale. Order and dedication forms are available at the church on the Narthex table and from the Deacons on Sunday morning. Flowers are \$10.00 each and the orders are due Sunday March 5th. **Checks should be written to Trinity Board of Deacons**; cash is also acceptable. Pick up date to follow.

<u>2023 Per Capita</u> - The Per Capita for 2023 has been set at \$42.00 per person. The total is divided among the Presbytery - \$29.75, the Synod of the Trinity - \$2.40, and the General Assembly - \$9.85. Your support is greatly appreciated. Art Peoples, Clerk of Session

Flower Chart -There is a flower chart sign-up sheet in hallway for anyone wishing to honor a loved one. The cost of flowers is \$50 per week so please plan accordingly.



Request for Liturgists - We need liturgists. If you are interested in serving as a Liturgist, please check the poster on the bulletin board in the hallway and select a date. Nicole Fleschut, Administrative

Assistant, will send you your material prior to the date you are scheduled to be the Liturgist. Thank you, Art Peoples, Clerk of Session

February 12, 2023	Karin Thompson
February 19, 2023	Sherri Newell

Meals on Wheels ~ If you would like to volunteer for Meals on Wheels

on any open dates, please call Meryl Davis @ (570) 310-1556.

February 9, 2023	Wayne & Marianne Williams
February 23, 2023	Open

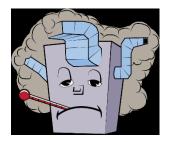


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Trinity Presbyterian Church Building Use Calendar - The Session is requesting everyone who wishes to use the facilities at Trinity to schedule their events with Nicole Fleschut, Administrative Assistant. By phone: 570-675-3131 Or by email: <u>trinitypress@frontiernet.net</u>. This will ensure that everyone has an opportunity to use the building for approved activities, and we won't have double bookings. Thank you for your support. Art Peoples, Clerk of Session







Trinity Presbyterian Church SPECIAL OFFERING FOR HEATING

Dear Members and Friends,

At the annual meeting on January 29, 2023, Karen Perzia, Treasurer, provided an overview of the 2023 budget. As you are aware, we have been confronted with increases in our family expenses. This is also true of the church. During 2022 our heating and electric bills increased by \$6,000.00. This would indicate that our 2023 utility budget projection would cost \$18,000.00. Heating and electricity is the church's largest single operating expense.

Our Property Committee and heating contactor (Newco) inspected all of the heating and air conditioning equipment and ensure us that they are operating at peak efficiency. The next area to examine is usage. One question frequently asked, do we allow the heat to run when the building is empty? We were advised that we should maintain a level heating setting. We shouldn't lower the heat after school too much. It would be more costly to bring the heat back up to standard recommended levels than to maintain a steady level all night. We do lower the heat in the sanctuary after the service on Sunday and turn it up the following Saturday night.

The Session has considered a number of solutions. The first one is a "Special Offering for Heating." This offering is truly a special offering that will be dedicated to the heat and electric bills. The congregation will be kept apprised of the results of this Special Offering.

Please consider giving as generously as you can. For your convenience, we will place special envelopes on the table outside the entrance to the sanctuary. If you place a check in the offering plate, please write in the memo section "Heating Fund." You may also mail your check to the church office.

Thank you for considering this request. We all want to be warm and comfortable when we attend worship services and events at our church. Your "Special Offering" will be greatly appreciated.

For the Session of Trinity,

Arthur J. Peoples Arthur Peoples, Clerk

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Announcements need to be either emailed to trinitypress@frontiernet.net by **Tuesday morning at 10 am** or written on one of the forms found on the bulletin board and deposited in the office. **Newsletter articles** need to be submitted to the church office by **February 23**th. They need to be emailed to trinitypress@frontiernet.net along with any images.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members of Trinity:

Rich Burkhardt Jim Snyder Shirley Wolfkeil Mary Chappell Doug Stevens

Tom Pickett Phil & Leona Walter

Friends of Trinity:

Richard & Linda Armbrust Craig Berlew- Medical/blood pressure issues John Butler – Cousin of Nancy Thomas – Back operation Ellie Caruthers – Friend of Ken Jones Katie DiSimone – Glioblastoma Kaytlin Dixon – Karin & Murray's great-niece in bad accident Sandy Goodwin – Dr. Curt Goodwin's sister Rita Groboski Carol Gumienny- Stroke- eyes & balance- Nancy Thomas's sister Michael Gusher Jr Barbara Jones - Betty Handley's sister Del Jones- Betty Handley's son Jeri Kane – Karin Thompson's sister Marge Kishbal Gladys Masoner- Michele Steele mother Bill Morrison – poor health – Neil's brother Peter Stevens - Doug Stevens's brother - serious health problems Amy Wert – paralyzed from accident – daughter of Janie Millers co-worker Richard Williams - Nancy Williams's son & Karen Perzia's brother Nick Yatsko – Rev. Murray and Karin's son in law – massive heart attack Nick James Yatsko – Rev. Murray & Karin's grandson Bonnie Zim – Fall- Allyson Lord's sister Richard Zim – Allyson Lord's brother-in-law

*If any names need to be added or can be removed, please let Nicole know. Thank you.

