



# The Trinity News

### Sunday Schedule:

Traditional Worship: 8:15 AM  
Education Hour: 9:25-10:15 AM  
Contemporary Worship: 10:30 AM

Senior Pastor: **The Rev. Dr. Gerhard W. Kraus** (cell: 513 293-4841 — [prgerhard@earthlink.net](mailto:prgerhard@earthlink.net))

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Preschool Director: Nancy Harrow — Interim Director of Children's Education: Jill Stout

Children & Family Director: Jill Stout -- Youth & Family Director: Tim Stevenson

### "OUR VISION"

Living as faithful disciples of Christ, we strive to build strong family ties within the congregation and the home.

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## Couples' Club announces their Annual

# Red, White, & Blue Carry-In

All members and friends of the congregation are invited to a church-wide carry-in covered dish supper this Sunday, May 15th, in Noecker Hall. The Pickaway Brass Quintet will begin playing patriotic music at 5:30 PM with supper served at 6:00 PM. We'll honor our veterans and military personnel in recognition of Armed Forces Day which is May 21st. Mr. Dennis Lester, president of the Soldiers and Sailors Monumental Society, will present the program.

## A Congregational Meeting will be held this Sunday, May 15, at 9:45 AM in the sanctuary

to vote on a proposal for a new land mark at the corner of Pickaway and Mound Streets and on a proposal to repave the east side parking lot.

### Another New Members' Class Opportunity

A New Members' Class will begin this Sunday, May 15th, during the Sunday School hour (9:25-10:15 AM), led by Pastor Gerhard in his office. It will run for 3 consecutive Sundays. Anyone interested in membership at Trinity and/or in knowing more about the Lutheran doctrine is invited to attend.

## Calling All Graduates.....



Please contact the church office if you are graduating from high school or college so that we can include you in the our **Graduate Recognition Day on Sunday, June 5th.**

Known high school grads have received a form in the mail to be returned no later than May 29. If you're graduating, and didn't receive a form, PLEASE contact us, and we'll get you one.

College grads are asked to contact the office with the following information: Name, school name, and degree.

Thanks for keeping us informed!

### from Jill's desk...

Thanks to the preschool board for helping serve the luncheon prior to the recent P.T. Reptile program.

Kids, don't forget to get registered for **BLAST CAMP** (June 26-30). Forms are at the Involvement Center.

**SUMMER SUNDAY VBS IS COMING!** We're putting our staff together now, so please contact me (497-0227) if you're willing to help on any or all of the Sundays (June 5-August 7) with music, crafts, teaching, or snacks.

children's ministries

## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

My eye glasses broke last week. I went to adjust them and pop...they broke...just like that; all I did was touch them. I had to bring out an older pair from a few years ago. I can still see, but the prescription isn't right. So, reading now has become an aerobic exercise, moving my head up and down to focus; moving my arms in and out to make the text readable; bobbing my head back and forth. My eyes hurt, my neck hurts, and my arms are tired from holding the paper way out in front. Fortunately, this problem will not be a problem in a couple of weeks. I'll get my new pair, and they will be better suited to my current eyesight.

All that got me thinking about how we see things in life and in ministry. As we age our eyes change, first we need glasses, then we need newer prescriptions. Keeping your current glasses longer than you should or trying to use an older pair lead to the same thing --blurry vision, and a lot of unnecessary movement!

How do we see the resurrected Jesus in the world? In your eyes, is He outshining the world, or is the world outshining Him? Where is the evidence that God is active in our lives? We see God through prayer and study of scripture. We encounter the living Christ in worship and in fellowship. Where and how we find God changes the older we get -- or should I say the more experiences of life we have. And, sometimes we need new glasses or a new way to focus to better see God active in our life. May this Easter season be a time to see the living Lord active in our world.

In His Name..... Pastor Gerhard.



*Christian Sympathy* is expressed to the family of Ruth Hulse upon the occasion of her death. May God's peace and comfort be yours in your sorrow.

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### ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

ARE YOU BEING COUNTED AMONG THE FAITHFUL??

#### SUNDAY, MAY 1:

Sunday School: Total = 47  
Worship: (8:15) 115 (10:30) 231 = 346 Total

#### SUNDAY, MAY 8:

Sunday School: children-10; youth-10; adults-36 = Total 56  
Worship: (8:15) 150 (10:30) 165 = 315 Total

### PRAYER CONCERNS



Logan Stout (healing from injuries as a result of falling from tree); Rojanne Woodward (knee problems); Londa Wright; Curtis Fleisher (testing); Larry Roush (Adena Hosp./foot surgery); Sadie McAfee; Melissa Fletcher; Cindi Barton (cancer); Aaron Curts (Children's hosp.); Ethan Gerhardt (Children's hosp./pneumonia); Cody Stewart & family (4 year old hurt in auto accident); the family of Ruth Hulse upon her death

#### SERVING Sunday, May 15th

USHERS: (E) Cochrun's crew (L) Tina Holtz & John Prince; GREETERS: (E) Jane Truex & Virginia Swoyer (L) Roger & Marty Eitel; ASSISTING MINISTERS: (E) Pat Meyer (L) Doris Young; LECTORS: (E) Patty Truex (L) Blaine Bullock; CRUCIFER: Cassidy Burton; ACOLYTE: Andrew Dresbach; NURSERY: (E) Nedra Betts (S.S.) Erin Kirby (L) Bethany Reid; COMMUNION PREPARERS: Kenny & Mary Williams; COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: (E) Tim & Linda Stevenson, Lynne Svetek, Shirley Thompson (L) Roger Eitel & Cindy Ferguson; POWER POINT: Tricia Dresbach

#### SERVING Sunday, May 22nd

USHERS: (E) Cochrun's crew (L) Renee Reed & Leah Pettit; GREETERS: (E) Mary Easter & Lois Melvin (L) Roger & Pam Wolfe; ASSISTING MINISTERS: (E) Brenda Palm (L) Matt Fuhrhop; LECTORS: (E) Lou Weigand (L) Karen Bullock; CRUCIFER: Andrew Crist; ACOLYTE: Ellie Hill; NURSERY: (E) Kim Faler (S.S.) Kim Manson (L) Linda Stevenson; COMMUNION PREPARERS: Kenny & Mary Williams; COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: (E) Tim & Linda Stevenson, Lynne Svetek, Shirley Thompson (L) Roger Eitel & Cindy Ferguson; POWER POINT: Sam Stevenson

**Thank You** "Thank you to Pastor Kraus and Mary Lou for helping plan for the Easter Breakfast. Thanks to Linda Stevenson, Dan & Rosemary Rhoades, and the Huddle leaders & students for decorating tables, serving beverages, and clean-up. Thanks to Tony & Valerie Crist, Leah Pettit, Brad Thompson, and the Wippel family for their culinary skill in helping prepare and serve the breakfast. Thank you to Bob Evans, Kroger, & Tim Horton's for their help in ordering the food, and a BIG thank you to the over 270 people who attended! It has been our pleasure to serve the congregation as chairs of this project for the past 12 years; however, we're leaving this event in the good hands of the Wippel family beginning next year." --Ed & Debby Boyer

### Two Week Calendar:

Wed.	11th	Martha Circle - 10:15 AM Hulse Memorial Service - 7:00 Praise Team Rehearsal - 7:30
Thurs.	12th	Staff Meeting - 8:45 AM Dorcas Circle - 9:30 AM Set-Up for 8th Grade Dance/3:30/N.H. Bells/Choir - 6:30/7:30
Fri.	13th	MBA - 6:30 AM Wedding Rehearsal - 6:30 NJHS 8th Grade Dance - 7:00-9:00/N.H. AA Meeting - 8:30/N.H.
Sat.	14th	Couples' Club Decorating - 2:00/N.H. Svetek/Marks Wedding - 4:30
Sun.	15th	Congregational Meeting - 9:45 AM SNA Wrap-Up! Red, White, & Blue Carry-In - 5:30/N.H.
Mon.	16th	Bible Study/Lunch Bunch - 10:30 AM Scout Troop 170 - 6:30/U.R.
Tues.	17th	Gardeners - 9:00 AM Worship Team - 6:00 Outreach Team - 6:30
Wed.	18th	Red Cross Blood Drive - 9:00-4:00/N.H. Safe Sanctuary Meeting - 6:00 Praise Team - 7:00
Thurs.	19th	Staff Meeting - 8:45 AM Bells/Choir - 6:30/7:30
Fri.	20th	MBA - 6:30 AM Synod Assembly/Wittenberg AA Meeting - 8:30/N.H.
Sat.	21st	Confirmation Pictures & Rehearsal - noon

### preschool corner...

Our Open House was a great success. Along with our current students' families, we had many new families enrolled for the '11-'12 season come to check things out as well. We really enjoyed singing and worshipping with you on May 1st. We were hoping for more families to stay for lunch and for the P. T. Reptiles program, but those who did stay had a great time. Ask Pastor Kraus about his snake handling experience! We're in the last few weeks of our school year, and it has been another wonderful year here at Trinity. The children have grown and learned so much. Some of them will return next year while we'll say goodbye to others. We will miss them all. At the end of each year we send out Parent Evaluations. We look at all of them to find out what parents think we do well and where we could improve. I love when parents take the time to not only fill it out, but also give us their heartfelt reactions to their child's school year. Here are some of their comments:

"Would recommend Trinity Preschool to everyone." -- Overall, this is a great program that is so supportive of its students and their families." -- We are looking forward to having both boys at Trinity next year--keep up the great work! So proud of our teachers!" -- "Thanks for all your hard work and love and compassion for my kids!" -- "Thank you for teaching my child. I could have never accomplished this at home." -- "Great experience!"

It's so good to hear such positive comments! --Nancy Harrow