

Strawberry Festival

**Trinity Lutheran Church
130 S. Walnut St.
Wernersville, PA**

**Saturday June 9, 2012
(Rain date, June 10)**

3-8 PM

**Baked Goods, Used Books and other Media for Adults and
Children, Jewelry, Food, Games, and Plants**

****Featured Entertainment**
The Usual Suspects 3:30 PM
Trinity Orchestra 6:30 PM**

**Proceeds Benefit the Wernersville Centennial Fund and the
Conrad Weiser Food Pantry**

Sign up to volunteer to help in the narthex of the church.



COLLECTING NEW AND GENTLY USED STUFFED ANIMALS FOR STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

Donations are welcome to be used as prizes at our game stands.

Also needed are drinking glasses or mugs for the dime toss.

Contact Barbara Debiec @ 610-670-2841.



And from Carol Koch @ the Media Table....

We welcome your donations of hard cover and paperback books, puzzles, DVD's, CD's , etc. for adults as well as children. Please-no magazines. You can bring your donations to the church office any week day between 10AM & 2PM. Cut off date is June 3rd as we need to sort and price all items the week of the festival. Please label cartons or bags to indicate Media. Thank you.

We also have a need for clean plastic quart containers for soup.

Please put on the back windowsill by June 4th.



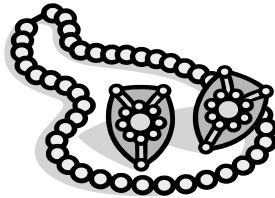
RAFFLE PRIZES

See Iva Brooks or Connie Fritz with your raffle donations for the Strawberry Festival. or put them on the back window sill at church.

Please have them there by June 3rd.

Thank you.

Any questions call Iva@610-589-5529 or Connie @610678-3876.



Something new is being added this year-costume jewelry-so if you have any items to donate, please see that they get to Kathy Bashore or the box on the back narthex windowsill by 6/3.



Get out those baking tins and your favorite recipes. The Strawberry Festival Baked Goods stand needs your talent and donations. We can sell anything you like to bake: cookies, brownies, whoopie pies, cakes and pies. Bring them to church the day before or the day of the Festival, Saturday, June 9th. Any questions, call Sue Sickler @ 610-678.9796.

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Barbara Debiec, Asst. Financial Secretary	610-670-2841



We congratulate the following graduates who are members of
Trinity:

Scott James, son of Beverly and Daniel James, who graduated from
The Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree
in Computer Engineering
and

Jordan Wagner, son of Margaret and Michael Wagner, who
graduated from Temple University with a degree in Kinesiology and a
major in Athletic Training.

We commend and congratulate these young men and their families
on their accomplishments.



Don't forget that thanks to Scott James we now

have an on-line website for our church: www.trinitywernersville.org
Thanks to Jerry Jarsocrak and his back up, Leslie Pirl-Roth, there's a daily calendar that lists daily events and meetings. All kinds of information out there about our church, including the newsletter, and a slide show also. **CHECK IT OUT!!!**



THE BIG SUMMER CHANGE

Saturday/June 9/no 5:30 service
Sunday/June 10/10:30 AM (yet)
SUNDAY/JUNE 17/9:30 AM



Our last day of Sunday School is on June 3rd. You don't want to miss this as it is game day for the kids complete with prizes and snacks.

9:15 AM

It will also serve as a review of our 5 Rotational Modules for the year.

Toss Game---Jonah

Wisemen Relay---Advent to Christmas

Sink or Float---Woman at the Well

Sound Eggs---Palm Sunday to Easter

Stack Fruit---Fruits of the Spirit



We will honor you with a gift at 5:30 PM on Saturday and 9:30 AM on Sunday. The men and boys will sing a medley of hymns at the 9:30 service.

Please join us.
Please give us a chance to recognize you.



"Trinity's Men's Group will be meeting on Monday, June 11th at Furnace Creek Manor, 270 S Freeman St, Robesonia at 7:30 PM in the Activity Room. All men 18 and over are invited, bring a friend!"



Can you believe we gave over \$21, 000 in April toward regular expenses? Check back, how many years ago we did that?! Tell us what year it was. Keep up the exemplary work.

Do you know something about tending a property? Our house....our garage....grounds? We sure could use you on Rental Management. If you are interested, please mention something to Ron Harman (610-775-8460) or PD (610-858-4136).

Western Berks Shepherding Ministry needs drivers to take people to medical appointments once a month. Interested? Talk to Diane Brown (610-678-8083) or PD.

Young people who are involved in confirmation...keep signing bulletins and giving them to me after worship.

Do you see someone who is new to the service that you attend? Don't be afraid to tell them and say "Hi"! Help us continue to get "good grades" on welcoming people. I'd rather have someone say I attend the other service than know that no one ever said anything to them.

Your congregation sponsors the Conrad Weiser Baccalaureate

Service on June 7, 2012 as we take our bell choir and pray-ers.

I share a heartfelt thank you with:
Charlotte Moyer and Richard Hummel
who will share as our lay delegates for:
The Synodwide Assembly
on Friday and Saturday, June 15 & 16 @ the Sovereign Center
Carol Koch, Associate in Ministry and PD, Pastor
who are "rostered leaders" are required to attend.

Assembly Festival Worship Service Features Rachel Kurtz

All people - assembly visitors, voting members, and people from across the synod - are invited to the **Festival Worship Service** at the synod assembly on **Friday evening, June 15, at 8:00 p.m.** in the Sovereign Center.

This service will feature nationally known singer, songwriter and storyteller **Rachel Kurtz**, who will be a featured performer at this summer's ELCA Youth Gathering, *Citizens with the Saints*. Rachel has performed at the previous three gatherings, and she tours throughout the country, spreading her music and gospel message as a solo performer and with two other Lutheran and youth favorites, *Agapé* and *Lost and Found*.

At our synod assembly, Rachel will join a brass ensemble, a jazz ensemble, and a combined children's choir in leading a wide variety of worship music. A grand procession will bring together leaders and musicians, worship furnishings, and the assembly to hear Mark's parable of the Sower and the Seed, and to celebrate our Christian vocation in the world and the many ways God is loose in the world through us in our everyday lives.

Preschool Class

Openings for 3 year old children's group
Please contact the pastor
who will distribute tri-fold brochures and registration forms.
610-678-1782, extension 1

Face (and Body) Painting in Sunday School to celebrate Fruits of the Spirit (what brings us joy)



Ben Scheider



Nate Scheider



Stephanie Kurtz and Michaela Kerchner



Garrett Jones and his dad, Ken

*And some pictures from the Mother's Day Banquet
and the moms and daughters singing in church on
Mother's Day*



Trinity Lutheran
Youth Event
Monday June 11th, 2012
1:00pm-7:00pm

Come Celebrate the start of summer at...

**Trinity's
End of School Bash!!**

At Charlotte Moyer's Home

Don't miss a day full of Outdoor Fun!!

Swimming

Canoeing

Volley Ball

Horse Shoes

Wiffle Ball

A Delicious Cook Out & More!!!!

Meet at church at 1:00pm!!

Need a Ride to Charlotte's?

Call PD at 610-858-4136

Don't Miss it!! Sign Up Today! ☺

Sign Up Sheet located in Narthex by PD!

Walk Ins are Welcome!!! Bring your Friends!!!

Opportunities Abound to Help Others this Summer

Help Wanted

Female with disability wishes to hire an aide. (No heavy lifting required). Resides at Furnace Creek in Robesonia. Flexible afternoon hours. Must be comfortable driving a mini-van. Call Janet Miller for details. 610-693-8214

Opportunity House

Check out the sign up sheet for Opportunity House (Thursday, 6/7) in the narthex.

Items and quantity needed

Hamburger Bar B Que-made with 3 lbs. of hamburger (3 Sets)

2 Dozen Hamburger Rolls (4 Sets)

1 Gallon Macaroni Salad (4)

Large Bag of Chips (2)

4 servers

Please sign up to bring food or to help serve.

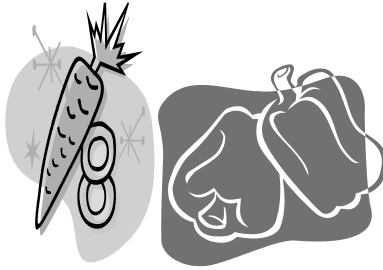


Your chance to feed the hungry which Christ took seriously as we find in Matthew 25. Our donations go to the Conrad Weiser Food Pantry. Our pantry Sundays are June 17th and June 24th. Please bring your food to the church narthex. Suggestions of needed items:

Jelly	Drinks-Mixes or cans	Rice/Stuffing/Pasta
Canned Soups, Beans, Meats/Tuna, Pasta, Vegetables, Fruits		
Potatoes-cans or boxes	Peanut Butter	Cereal
Saltine Crackers	Spaghetti Sauce	Macaroni & Cheese
Snacks/Desserts	Toilet Tissue, Tissues, Paper Towels	



We will again be inviting your participation in our book bag project for Conrad Weiser East elementary students. You may want to start collecting items. We will need 10 to 15 book bags and materials such as (but not limited to) pencils, markers, rulers, crayons, paper, stickers, etc. No scissors, please. More on this in the July newsletter.



Have a garden?

If God blesses you with an abundance
bring your "overage" to the crate.

We have decided to start it earlier this year so watch for it on the 3rd
Sunday in June (June 17th)

If you don't have a garden or are not growing what's in the crate
take what you would like, leave a donation.

All donations will be given to **World Hunger**.

Attention Trinity Members:

The Well Drillers will be getting a new start on September 20 at 7:30 with a new name and new plans. We invite anyone interested in joining this new group. Come with your ideas and be prepared to have a life changing experience.

Thanks,

Dawn Hickernell



Ladies

I would like to extend a big thank you to all the ladies who wore hats on Mother's Day. There were many more hats than I ever expected to see. Everyone looked so nice and it was so much fun. I actually wore my hat all day. Thank you so much for the outstanding response.

Sue Sickler



The Rev. SAMUEL R. ZEISER, Ph.D.
Bishop

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

April 23, 2012

Dear Friends in Christ:

Greetings to you in this Easter season, when new life in the Risen Jesus is especially apparent in our worship and in our ministries. Thank you for your faithful service to this Church!

Enclosed is your congregation's certificate acknowledging mission support giving for 2011. Along with the certificate, I am pleased to convey my personal gratitude for congregational support offered to the mission of the wider church and for your leadership in garnering that support.

The certificate represents so much that is accomplished in Jesus' name by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Right now, I am particularly mindful of the significant impact of mission support as seminarians are prepared for leadership roles in our congregations. The Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod is currently working with five graduating seminarians for potential calls on our territory. Making this process possible are synod candidacy committees, regional coordination, seminary resources, synod and churchwide scholarship programs, and churchwide interrelatedness that opens up consideration of candidates from Maine to California. Without mission support, broad-based strength of this nature would not be available to us.

Congregations of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod have been blessed with first-call pastors, Associates in Ministry, and diaconal ministers who have brought faith, energy, theological integrity, and deep pastoral skill to our life together. The mission support provided by the congregation you serve is so vital in making these call opportunities possible.

Please extend my gratitude to the congregation members who serve with you in Jesus' name. Their offerings generate so much new life in this Church. Tell them of my respect for their enduring commitment to serve the God we have come to know in the Risen Jesus. They inspire me.

Your brother in Christ,

Samuel R. Zeiser
Bishop

(Certificate is on bulletin board in narthex)

An article from the Journey (Phoebe Services Faith in Action Newsletter)

Community and Employee Faith in Action Moments

Furnace Creek Manor Resident Association Supports Mission Trip

By Kevin Kurtz, Manager, Furnace Creek Manor

On January 9, 2012, the Residents' Association of Furnace Creek Manor donated \$350 to support Trinity Lutheran Church of Wernersville's Mission Trip to El Salvador. The mission trip took place November 13-19, 2011 with 12 members from Trinity. They traveled to El Salvador for a week to install a hand pump well in the village of Guayapa Abajo, Jujutia, El Salvador. The well was installed at a school and will provide clean drinking water to over 900 students who attend the school.

The trip was funded by Trinity Lutheran Church in Wernersville, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Trinity Lutheran Church of Kutztown, members of the team, and the Furnace Creek Resident Association. The Resident Association President, Roy Reifsnyder said, "The Residents' Association could not support a more worthy cause." Members of the team traveling to El Salvador included Kevin Kurtz, Manager of Furnace Creek Manor, and Wendell Byler, husband of Beth Byler, Administrator at Phoebe Berks Health Care Center. A power point presentation program was provided to Furnace Creek Manor residents on the team's experiences, which included photos and a video of the trip as well as the members' personal reflections on the trip. Team member Wendell Byler said, "We cannot thank you enough; your gift helped to make the trip possible.

The contribution of the Furnace Creek Manor Resident Association reflects the Faith in Action caring nature that is evident throughout Phoebe Ministries by both residents and staff alike.



*Left to right—
Kevin Kurtz, Manager of Furnace Creek Manor with Roy Reifsnyder,
President of the Residents' Association and Wendell Byler, husband of
Beth Byler, Administrator at Phoebe Berks Health Care Center By Kevin
Kurtz, Manager, Furnace Creek Manor*

Church Council Highlights for May

- 2 Lay Delegates to synod assembly, Charlotte Moyer and Dick Hummel were approved. PD and Carol Koch must also attend as rostered leaders.
- Commended by the Bishop for our giving to Benevolence
- A new computer and printer have been purchased for the office
- Motions made and approved to purchase new white paraments and new paschal candle stand from Memorial monies of Bruce Klinger and Clarence Richards respectively.
- PD will be going to the Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia on May 31st as our congregation will be recognized as a faithful giver and he will be shown the Brossman Center and student housing which we helped fund.
- Habitat for Humanity has a store in Muhlenberg Township that accepts furniture and other household items for resale. Looking for churches to help as centers for accepting items and delivering them to the store.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorship

The cost of sponsoring the flowers is \$38.00. If you are sponsoring the flowers, please note that there are flower envelopes in the narthex beside the sign up list for altar flowers. Please put your check (payable to Trinity) or cash in the envelope and place in the offering plate. The cost of sponsoring the bulletins is \$10.00.

Flower Sponsors for June: 6/3-Sunday School Orchestra in memory of Pop Klinger, 6/10-Pamela Moyer in memory of her father, 6/17-Diane Klinger in memory of Bruce, 6/24-Mike Eshbach and family in honor of Dan & Audrey Eshbach's 50th wedding anniversary.

Bulletin Sponsors for June: 6/3-Sue & Joe Sickler in honor of Andy & Beth's wedding anniversary, 6/10-Sandra Miller in memory of Larry and her 32nd wedding anniversary, 6/17-Nick & Jessie Shadel in honor of their wedding anniversary, 6/24-Sue & Joe Sickler in honor of Joe's birthday.

Helpers for June

Acolytes: 6/3-Alec Doherty (8 AM), Nate Scheider (10:30 AM), 6/10-Nicholas Eshbach, 6/17-Nathan Thompson, 6/24-John Kurtz.

Greeters: 6/3-Rodney, Linda & Kirsten Weiss, 6/10-Eleanor Brossman & Catherine Richards, 6/17-John, Margie & Bonnie Stine, 6/24-Ed & Mary Jane Evans.

Lay Readers: 6/3-Wenell Byler, 6/10-Mark Searfoss, 6/17-Kevin & John Kurtz, 6/24-Ed Evans

Ushers: 6/3- Kurtz's, 6/10-Coldren's, 6/17-Lawry's, 6/24-Diane Klinger & Anne Marie Rinehimer

Nursery: 6/3-Barbara Debiec, 6/10-Kathy Lawry, 6/17-Kay Weatherholtz, 6/24-Morgan Enck.

Counters: 6/3-Jarsockrak/Sickler, 6/10-Debiec/Rinehimer, 6/17-Coldrens, 6/24-Coldrens.

Sound Technician: 6/3 & 6/10-Mike Jarsocrak, 6/17-Wendell Byler, 6/24-Scott Franzen

Bulletin Assemblers: 5/31-Mary Young, 6/7-Mary Jane Evans, 6/14-Carolyn Kurtz, 6/21-Anna Shull, 6/28-June Rapley.

Prayer List

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Note the newsletter deadline for July is Thursday, June 21st. It will be assembled and mailed Thursday, July 28th.

Birthday Milestones in June

Grace Luft will be 90 on 6/5, Rosalie Putt will be 89 on 6/7, Mary June Yackera will be 88 on 6/8, Marlene Ochs will be 81 on 6/18 and Edward Paine will be 86 on 6/28 Happy Birthday to Grace, Rosalie, Mary June, Marlene, and Edward.



Congratulations to the following families whose babies were baptized in May: Nick & Jessie Shadel whose son, Taylor, was baptized on Saturday, May 5, Jackie Latino and Danny Barreto whose daughter, Gianna, was baptized on Sunday, May 13th and to Rich and Kristin Lawry whose daughter, Katelyn, was baptized on Sunday May 27th.