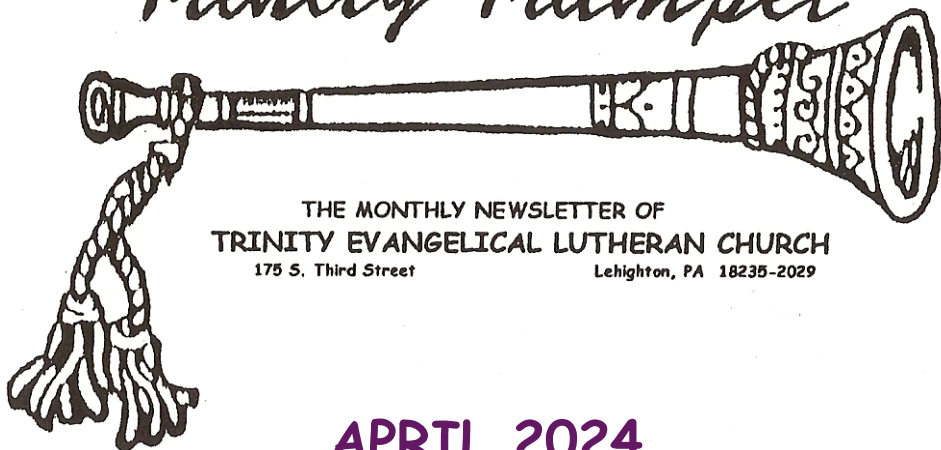


Trinity Trumpet



THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
175 S. Third Street Lehighton, PA 18235-2029

APRIL 2024

Walk
the
WALK



Love ...
in truth
and action.

1 JOHN 3:18, NRSV



Earth
Day



"Receive the Holy Spirit."
John 20:22

THE CHURCH STAFF

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Website: jackandjilllehighton.org

Email: jackandjillpreschool@yahoo.com

TRINITY'S WEBSITE www.tlclehighton.com

OUR CHURCH CODE is **343**

Please give the code when you are admitted to **LEHIGH VALLEY or ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL**. If you don't have the code, please have someone contact the church office so someone can visit you!

DIAL-A-DEVOTION ... Call (610) 377-1612 for an inspirational message. Dial-a-Devotion is ministry LIFE (Lehighton Interfaith Fellowship).

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

March 7, 2024

Actions/discussion that took place:

- Approved the monthly financial reports of the treasurer and the financial secretary. February bills paid were \$36,850.86; income was \$10,378; pass-through was \$7,473.17; and deficit was \$18,999.69. \$10,000 was transferred from the Moyer account to pay bills. The balance in the Escrow account is \$12,268.18. The balance in the Memorial account is \$24,860.78. The natural gas budget is \$1,382.56 over budget, and the weekly envelope category is behind. The repair/maintenance category is over budget by \$5,196.25. The 2023 audit will occur March 16.
- Committee reports were received from Christian Education, Worship and Music, Jack and Jill, Social Ministry, Property, and Finance.
- Property reported the roof leak that has been causing the drip in the hallway between the Sanctuary and Luther Hall has been located and appears to have been sealed. Christian Education noted that snow tubing was successful, and plans are in place for the Palm Sunday Parade and Easter Egg Hunt. Jack and Jill noted that the recent Tommy's hoagie fundraiser was successful and future fundraisers include PJ Whelihan's dine and donate and Cindy's Deli. Worship and Music reported that the services are now being live streamed on our Facebook page. Youth Group reported the upcoming Movie Night March 16 is free, with snacks to purchase; a pancake brunch April 14 from 11am to 1pm (open to the public); another Movie Night May 18; and a Fellowship Cookout June 2.
- Approved the transfer of membership for Nicole Nothstein and her daughter Aleah to St. John's Lutheran Church in Slatington.
- Received a thank you note from Kelly Keiser for refreshing the memorial fund at Leighton Animal Hospital to keep the memory of Shawn alive.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Becker, Council Secretary

Church Finance & Attendance Report

February Monthly Income	\$ 10,378.00
February Monthly Expenses	\$ 29,377.69
Attendance:	
Saturday, February 3rd	22
Sunday, February 4th	60
Sunday, February 11th	87
Ash Wednesday – February 14th (noon)	28
Ash Wednesday – February 14th (7pm)	58
Sunday, February 18th	100
Wednesday, February 21st	43
Sunday, February 25th	78
Wednesday, February 28th	33



April 9th Prayer Vigil for Peace in the Middle East.

No meeting in April.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP ...

Coffee Fellowship is held following the 9:30am worship service.

Congregational Fellowship is held on the *last Sunday* of the month. Please bring an item to share if you are able.

If you are interested in hosting a Sunday, please contact Bev in the church office.

A WAKEUP CALL

God — let me be aware.

Let me not stumble blindly down the ways,
Just getting somehow safely through the days,
Not even groping for another hand,
Not even wondering why it all was planned,
Eyes to the ground unseeking for the light,
Soul never aching for a wild-winged flight,
Please, keep me eager just to do my share.

God — let me be aware.

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Stab my soul fiercely with others' pain,
Let me walk seeing horror and stain.
Let my hands, groping, find other hands.
Give me the heart that divines, understands.
Give me the courage, wounded, to fight.
Flood me with knowledge, drench me in light.
Please — keep me eager just to do my share.
God — let me be aware.

—Miriam Teichner

NURSING, REHABILITATION and ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

The Summit at Blue Mountain Health Systems:

Madeline Dietz

Mrs. Bush's Personal Care Home

Jean Niehoff

Forest Hills Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center

Jean Rice

Moravian Hall Square – Bethany House

Carol Hunsberger

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

The following homebound member is celebrating a birthday this month!



16th Sara Flyzik
1846 Hemlock Dr.
Lehighton PA 18235

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SARA!!!

BAPTISM & NEW MEMBER REQUESTS

If you are interested in scheduling a baptism or becoming a member of Trinity, please call the church office at 610-377-4303.





Youth Group is held on the last Sunday of the month

Noon-1pm in the Youth Room

All youth in grade 7-12 are invited!

Lunch is provided.

For more information, please contact us!

610-377-4303 or telc1872@ptd.net

ALL YOU CAN EAT



Sunday, April 14, 2024

11:00am till 1pm. in Luther Hall

Cost: Adults (Age 13+) \$15.00

Children 5-12 \$ 7.00

Children 5 and under are FREE

Menu includes pancakes, potatoes, eggs,
breakfast meats, and beverages

Proceeds benefit Youth Service Projects & Activities



As the days grow warmer and the flowers bloom, we find ourselves immersed in the beauty of spring. At **Jack and Jill Preschool**, we embrace this season not only as a time of renewal but also as an opportunity to deepen our faith and share God's love with our little ones.

Just as seeds planted in fertile soil sprout into vibrant flowers, our preschoolers are like tiny seeds awaiting growth. We water them with kindness, nurture them with patience, and surround them with the warmth of Christian values. Each day, we sow seeds of love, compassion, and gratitude, believing that they will blossom into beautiful souls.

Jack and Jill continues to register children for the 2024-2025 preschool term. Families can register their preschool age child to attend one of the classes that will start in September.

If a child is three years old on or before September 1, 2024, they can attend the primary class. These children come to preschool on a Thursday and Friday.

If a child is at least four years old by September 1, 2024, they can attend the pre-kindergarten class. These children attend preschool on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Families can contact the preschool to schedule a time to stop by and get a registration form, have one mailed to them or fill out the registration form online. Please, call the preschool at 610-377-6562, email:

jackandjillpreschool@yahoo.com or get information about registration and more information about Jack and Jill on our website: www.JackandJillLeighton.org.

If you are a family, or know of a family with a young child, please let them know about Jack and Jill Preschool.

Fundraisers:

Ink Jet cartridge recycling – we are fundraising by recycling ink cartridges. Containers will be placed in the church office, Narthex, or they can be dropped off at Jack and Jill Preschool and placed in the blue tote on the side porch. Thank you to everyone who has donate cartridges.

Donation: If you'd like to make a general donation to the school, you can write a check to Jack and Jill Preschool and include "General Donation" in the memo line.

Amazon Wishlist: We have created a wish list on Amazon with many great items that the school could use for the classroom. All items will directly benefit the education of our students. Use the link below to purchase items.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1WCQ1TZFKLA54?ref =
wl_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1WCQ1TZFKLA54?ref=wl_share)

We could always use white card stock and 5oz paper cups



Thank you for supporting Jack and Jill Preschool. Your kind and generous donations have made an impact on the children at Jack and Jill.

Jane Howells,

Director of Jack and Jill Preschool

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



After completing the necessary requirements on March 10th & 17th, the following 5th grade students received their 1st Holy Communion at our Maundy Thursday worship service on the evening of March 28th:

Aydan Potter Breiner
Brielle Paige Steigerwalt
Ashlin Larc Wolter

Thank you to Kathy Long and Alex Haggerty for teaching the classes.

Blessings to all as they grow in their faith and deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Communion.



If you wish to put yourself, a friend or loved one on the church or private prayer list, please call the church office at 610-377-4303. ***It is important that you provide an update every 30 days or the name will be removed. No exceptions.***

Please note: You must get permission from the person placed on the list due to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).



April 2024 Sunday School Newsletter

The Trinity Youth Group will host a pancake brunch fundraiser on Sunday, April 14 in Luther Hall from 11-1 p.m. There will be no fellowship that day, but a snack will be provided during Sunday School. We will be showing the Davey & Goliath episode "Happy Easter" during the Sunday School hour.

Please consider supporting our Youth Group by staying for brunch after the Sunday School hour!

April's classroom lessons from the "Whirl with Jesus" curriculum include:

April 7: Early Believers Share; Acts 4:32-35

April 14: Jesus Appears to Disciples; Luke 24:36b-48

April 21: The Good Shepherd; John 10:11-18

April 28: Let us Love One Another; 1 John 4:7-21

Have a blessed April from Trinity's Sunday School Staff!

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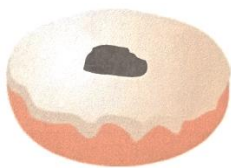
To Linda, Council, Special Gifts. TELC ♥

There are no words to explain how my world has changed. Today is 459 days since Shawn passed and some day it was yesterday. Please extend my thanks and appreciation for the support, monetary donation to his memorial acct and use of Luther Hall. I always called Trinity Shawn's church. He was certainly dedicated to not just the Building but also the people. He was dedicated to everything he did! Saying I miss him is an understatement but I know you all understand as he was certainly one of a kind & Linda – motion to adjourn the meeting. 😊

Love and Hugs to all and appreciation for showing your love of my dear husband.

Kelly S. Keiser

ST JOHN'S DONUT SALE



Orders must be received by April 14th.

Delivery to the church office on Wednesday, May 1st.

If paying by check, make payable to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Persians - \$2.00 each

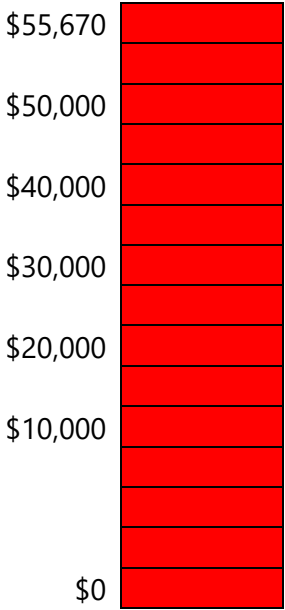
Iced Long John (pack of 2) - \$4.00

Coconut Long Johns (pack of 2) - \$4.50

Thank you for supporting St. John's!

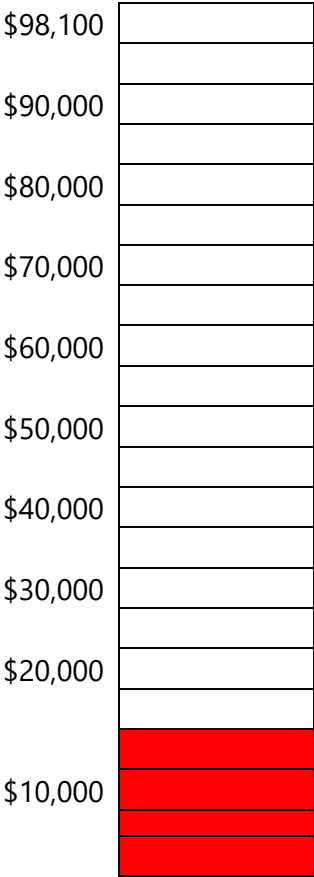
**Luther Hall Air
Conditioning**

Installation:	\$49,850
Electrician:	\$5,820
Total Cost:	\$55,670



**Sanctuary Air Handler
Installation with the
help of a \$ 97,000 loan
with a monthly loan
payment of \$1,130.73**

Installation:	\$91,800
Electrician:	\$6,300
Total Cost:	\$98,100



Total Amount Received as of 3/17/24: \$ 19,366.

If you are able to help, please use the envelope enclosed weekly with your bulletin or mail your donation to the church. Any amount is appreciated!

BULLETIN & CHANCEL FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS

BULLETINS - **\$10.00 each** – *Three needed per week.*

April 7 - Krieger Memorial Fund (*all three sponsorships*)

April 14 – Nancy Keiser (*2 sponsorships*)

Sharon Young

April 21 – Barb Koch

John & Rhonda Rupell

Breane Bennett

April 28 - Three Sponsorships Available

CHANCEL FLOWERS – ***Florist of your choice!***

April 7 - The Kocher Family

April 14 – The Williams Family

April 21 – Sponsorship Available

April 28 – Sponsorship Available

If you would like to sponsor any of the open dates, please call 610-377-4303 or sign up in the narthex.

"Do something you really love in the most adventurous place you can and make sure it helps other people."

—Diane Sawyer

TRINITY PANTRY

The Trinity Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10-3 and on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:00 for Lehigh School District residents with a drive thru setting. If you do not have a car, walk ups will also be served. Families may come monthly and meet income guidelines. FMI call 610-377-4303.



Food and monetary donations are appreciated. Please make sure items are not outdated or open. Cash or checks made payable to the Trinity Pantry.

PANTRY ITEM for April: SOUP

Please place your donation in the basket by the church entrance or bring it to the church office. The basket is prominently displayed as a visual reminder of the importance of your gift!

A total of 27 cans of pork & beans were collected for the month of February!

Thanks to all for your continued support in helping to feed the hungry in the Lehigh School District community through this ministry of Shepherd House, Inc!



DISCOUNTED TICKETS

- Orders and money due by April 29th.
- Turn money or checks made to TELC into the church office
- Tickets can be used anytime in the 2024 season. (Valid thru January 1, 2025)

PRICES:

- All-age Admission (ages 3+) – \$43.10 save \$44.70
Reg Price \$87.80
- Parking - \$25.00 save \$5
- Meal Ticket (includes 1 entree, 1 side & 1 beverage) – \$19.06

Sign up on the Youth bulletin board or call the church office.

RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



FROM THE STORE



✓ Produce bags

✓ Store bags

✓ Ice bags



FROM YOUR PANTRY



✓ Ziploc® & other reclosable bags

✓ Cereal box liners

✓ Case overwrap

✓ Bread bags



FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR



✓ Newspaper sleeves

✓ Dry cleaning bags

✓ Bubble wrap

✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue



NexTrex

trex.com/recycling 1-800-Buy-Trex

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and Luther Hall entrance



WORLD HUNGER DONATIONS ...

Total donations received for the month of February was **\$ 473.00 for a year to date total of \$ 559.00.**

Please help us reach our goal of \$4,000 this year by making a monthly donation.

An envelope is provided in your offering packet for your convenience. Any amount is appreciated!

Thank you for helping to feed our hungry brothers and sisters!

BLESSED ARE YOU

The Beatitudes receive little attention, lamented novelist Kurt Vonnegut. "But, often with tears in their eyes, [Christians] demand that the Ten Commandments be posted in public buildings. And, of course, that's Moses, not Jesus. I haven't heard [anyone] demand that the Sermon on the Mount, the Beatitudes, be posted anywhere."

Jesus' Beatitudes have much to teach about selflessness, mourning, peacemaking and more. Jim Berger, author of *Being Sermon on the Mount Christians*, explains that those teachings were once "viewed as a mandate for the faithful." Post-Reformation, they became less law-like and more of a "liberating directive." Berger writes, "For Jesus, being and doing are inseparable. The Sermon is at once theory and praxis. It is not enough to read it or hear it. Jesus intends it to be how we live."

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR 2024 for Nursing and Higher Education

WILLIAM C. & LORETTA K. SHIRAR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP for NURSING was established for the purpose of awarding scholarships to high school seniors or older individual who are pursuing a career as a registered nurse.

- a. Applicant is to be a voting member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lehighton.
- b. First consideration is to be given to any person who is pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, followed by either a person in Associate Degree program or a Diploma program for registered nursing.
- c. Should there be no candidate from Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lehighton, who makes application for these scholarships for nursing, any applicant from the Lehighton Area School District will be considered.
- d. If two or more candidates pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing or if two or more candidates pursuing an Associate Degree or Diploma program for registered nursing apply for the Scholarship, the determining factor will be the financial need of the student

JEAN D. & ROBERT A. BENNER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

This memorial nursing scholarship was established for the purpose of awarding a scholarship to a high school senior or older individual who is pursuing a career as a registered nurse. The criteria that will be used in awarding this scholarship is as follows:

- a. First consideration is to be given to persons who are pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, followed by either persons in an Associate Degree program or a Diploma program for registered nursing.
- b. Any applicants from the school districts in Carbon County will be considered. This includes the Weatherly, Panther Valley, Jim Thorpe Lehighton, and Palmerton school districts and the Carbon Career & Technical Institute.
- c. If two or more candidates pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, or if two or more candidates pursuing an

Associate Degree or Diploma program for registered nursing make application for the scholarships the determining factor will be the financial need of the candidates.

THOMAS L. REISENWEAVER MEMORIAL HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP will be given to a student pursuing a degree in music or a finance-related field.

- a. First consideration will be someone pursuing a degree in music or a finance-related field.
- b. If no applicants in these fields, then preference will be given to a member of Trinity in any course of study.

MARIAN A. ASHNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN EDUCATION - Up to two scholarships will be given to Lehigh area students majoring in education.

- a. Applicant must be enrolled at a Pennsylvania college or university;
- b. Scholarship recipients can reapply in subsequent years for consideration for additional scholarship grants.

ECKHART FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship fund was established by Leonard and Gloria Eckhart in memory of Lori Flyte and Dino Eckhart.

- a. Two scholarships will be given each year to two Lehigh area students majoring in a medical field, a business field, or a trade school program.
- b. Applicants must be pursuing a degree or diploma from an accredited school of higher learning.
- c. Applicants are to be voting members of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. If none, applicants will be considered from the Lehigh Area School District.

The **MARK KRIEGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** was established to provide help to persons pursuing a degree or diploma from an accredited school of higher learning. Applicant is to be a voting member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. If none, applicant will be considered from the Lehigh Area School District.

The **TRINITY HIGHER EDUCATION GRANT** was established to provide help to persons pursuing a degree or diploma from an accredited school of higher learning. Applicant is to be a voting member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. If none, applicant will be considered from the Lehigh Area School District.

Application forms may be obtained through our website at www.tlclehighton.com, church office or requested via email to telc1872@ptd.net. Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 to Noon and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

APPLICATION DEADLINE is JUNE 1st.

DO YOU SHOP AT GIANT?

Just a reminder that we still have gift cards available as an ongoing fundraiser for our youth group at ***no additional cost to you!***



They receive five percent of each card sold. They may be purchased in increments of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Please call or stop in at the church office hours to purchase.

Thank you for your continuing support of our youth group!



THANK YOU ...

We can't thank you enough for your help when we needed it most! We are very grateful!

- Natalie Smith and Logan Wentz



PLANT, WATER, GROW

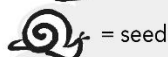
Building a faith community takes work. How did the church in Corinth come to be?

Directions: Use the code to fill in the words and complete a teaching of the apostle Paul.

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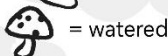
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= seed



= planted



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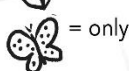
= grow



= one



= anything



= only

I _____ the _____, Apollos _____ it,

but _____ has been making it _____.

So neither the _____ who plants nor the

_____ who waters is _____,

but _____, who makes things _____.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7, NIV

Answer: planted, seed, watered, God, grow, one, one, anything, only, God, grow

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Worship Schedule:

1st Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School at 10:45 a.m.

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*"Living the excitement found in Christ
through service and love."*

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