

The Trumpet

August 14, 2026



Worship with us online using **this link**.



Worship with us Sunday mornings in the sanctuary at 10 am.



Pray with us Wednesdays at 7 pm at a service of Evening Prayer on Zoom.

*Who teaches us more than the
animals of the earth and makes
us wiser than the birds of the air?*

Job 35:11



Do you have a favorite photo of your pet? Send it to Judy Flanigan at jhflanigan1@gmail.com to include in a future edition of the Trumpet!

This Week at Trinity

Wednesday August 19

Evening Prayer at **7 pm** on Zoom. Contact Judy Flanigan at 215-370-2570.

Thursday August 20

TAG Games Group at **1 pm**. Contact Jan Contino at 610-324-2003.

Looking Ahead

Monday August 31

Christian Book Group meets at the Empire Diner on Ridge Pike at **5:30 pm** for dinner followed at **7 pm** with a discussion of *Jesus Changes Everything* by Stanley Hauerwas. Contact Peter Schell at 215-806-4889.

Tuesday September 1

TAG Book Group meets at **11 am** to discuss *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans. Contact Heddy Martorelli at 610-247-6367.

Wednesday September 2

Juliet's Luncheon will be held at Via Veneto, 2688 Dekalb Pike at **noon**. RSVP to Karen Console at 610-715-9468.

Sunday September 13

God's Work Our Hands. We will be assembling blessing bags for the patrons of the soup kitchen and we will hold the 3rd annual Gemma picnic.

Saturday October 3

We are hosting a Health fair for Trinity and the community in the afternoon. More info to come on all events.

Trinity Community News

From the Hospitality Committee

Many thanks to those who help with coffee hour each week. We are always looking for more volunteers!

WANTED - 2-3 volunteers to help serve lunch to our Gemma friends at our picnic on **Sunday, Sept. 13** after worship.

NEEDED - more sweet treats for coffee hour. Please label with the date and leave in the freezer.

See Lynn Chialastri with questions or to volunteer.

Be a financial steward while reducing your tax liability.

At 70 and a half, if you have a traditional IRA, you can donate up to \$111K a year to charity through a "Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)." The money comes directly from your IRA to the charity. Given you do not withdraw the money from your IRA, you don't pay taxes on it. For example, if you donate \$7K to Trinity, you won't owe about \$1400 in federal taxes (the example assumes a 20% tax bracket). And once you're 73, this also reduces the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) you have to withdraw (and pay taxes on). If you have any questions, have a chat with your financial advisor or with any member of the stewardship team.

Looking Ahead to December

Are you willing to help sew new, adult sized costumes for the Live Nativity? You can work at your own pace and on your own schedule from home. If you enjoy sewing with others, consider gathering with a small group at someone's home or at Trinity for fellowship while you work.

By sharing your sewing skills, you'll help keep our cast warm and comfortable so they can focus on sharing the joy and hope of the birth of Jesus with all who come to experience our Live Nativity.

If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Elaine Gross at egross46@verizon.net. We'd love to have you be part of this meaningful ministry!

Football Mania Update

First, a second anonymous donor will pay the \$6.00 fee we pay to CharityMania for each ticket we sell. Second, as you already know, another donor will match our profits from this program. See Mike Martorelli on Sundays in the narthex.



Adult Faith Formation

From September until May, join us each Sunday for reflection and discussion of the lectionary readings in **Room 106** at 11:15 am.



Food Drive

Every Sunday from 1 to 3 pm. Please bring your non-perishable food items for donation to the Daily Bread Food Pantry and St. James Outreach House.



Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour hosts are needed. We have a handful of dutiful coffee hour hosts, who either set up or clean up most Sunday mornings. Won't you consider being a host as well? See Lynn Chialastri for more information or sign-up on the easel by the coffee stand.



August Birthdays

Greg Fry
August 5

Carl Nelson-Poteet
August 7

Sarah Anderson
August 17

Jim Bedrosian
August 18

Linda Stone
August 19

Jacob Fry
August 21

Becky Shadle
August 22

Jessica Lacerte
August 25

Craig Moyer
August 25

Michael Martorelli
August 29

Katherine Booz
August 30

Ashley Parker
August 31

Marilou Doughty
August 31

Alexa Marburger
August 31

August Anniversaries

Richard & Emma Berkmire
August 4

Jeremy & Katrina Stansbeary
August 9

Conrad & Janet Fontaine
August 16

Mark & Jenny Anderson
August 16

Mark & Carol Jablonski
August 24

Church Council Members:

Marilou Doughty, *president*; Elaine Gross, *vice president*; Emma Berkmire, *secretary*; Dave Stone, *treasurer*; Leslie Askonas, Jim Bedrosian, Georgia Burnett, Janet Fontaine, Beth Keenan and Anne Meibohm.

Church Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 8 am to 1 pm.

For Pastoral emergencies please call 610-584-8411, extension 2 and leave a message for Pastor Nelson. This voicemail is being monitored for emergencies.

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