

# Trinity Tidings for June, 2023

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## Vacation Bible School 2023

I'm a gift, you're a gift, and you, and you, and you are a gift from God!! Many faces, ages, sizes, and shapes make up the body of Christ. It's who we are as we come together to worship, learn, sing praises, and eat together. This year we are expanding our intergenerational VBS to include Christ Lutheran Church in Glenside and Bethany Lutheran Church in West Reading. Our hope is to include a wider range of people in all their diversity as we come together to learn about **"God's Good Gifts."**

VBS will take place in a different location on each Wednesday it is offered. Here's what that will look like:

**June 21:** Bethany Lutheran Church in West Reading 6:00 p.m.

**July 19:** Trinity Lutheran Church in Wernersville 6:00 p.m.

**August 2:** Christ Lutheran Church in Glenside 6:00 p.m.

Let's plan on car-pooling on June 21 and August 2 to make travel easier for everyone.

The good news is that each congregation will be responsible for the meal and activities at their site. (Except pastors will plan for and teach the adults at each site.)

### Here's what to expect from 6:00—8:00 p.m. each time we meet:

**6:00 p.m.** Dinner

**6:30 p.m.** Large Group gathering for Singing, Scripture, and Prayer

**6:45 p.m.—7:50** Adults gather for Bible Study with Pastors Bruce and/or Julie

**6:45 p.m.—7:20** Activity #1 for Children and Youth

**7:20 p.m.—7:50** Activity #2 for Children and Youth

**7:50 p.m.—8:00** Closing with Songs, Sharing, and Prayer

**Please join us this summer as we explore "God's Good Gifts!"**

June 1<sup>st</sup> is the final deadline for Student Loan Grants. They must be in Pam Moyer's mailbox or at the church office by that deadline. The Endowment Treasurer will be following up.



We will recognize the fathers in church on Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there. Fathers and children are invited to sing God of Our Fathers on Father's Day Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup>. We will have a rehearsal after worship on Sunday's June 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Carla*



Thanks to Tedd Hickernell who planned and prepared our Mother's Day Banquet on May 15<sup>th</sup>. And thanks to the guys who set up, served, brought desserts, and cleaned up. We also appreciate the music of the Conrad Weiser High School Jazz Band and Choraleers.

Thank you to the Bell Choir Members, Sr. Choir members and instrumentalists for sharing your musical gifts! While the Choirs take a little break for the summer, we invite anyone who would like to provide music for our summer worship services to please sign-up on the list in the narthex. Carla is happy to accompany and rehearse with anyone who would like to share their musical gifts.

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**Members who are sick or recently hospitalized:** Eleanor Brossman, Sharon Gring, Daniel Hoppman, Shadow Loring, and Marilyn Weatherholtz.

**Members who are homebound or in care facilities:** Joan Kava, Diane Klinger, Carolyn Kurtz, Betty Reber, Pat Sickles, and Kay Weatherholtz.

**The Military:** Rena Butcavage, Natalie Ketner, Justin Klinger and John Kurtz.

**Family and Friends:** Barry Chapman, Arline G, Delores Hickernell, Jessey Homan, Shirley Kerchner, Tom Koerner, Danny Kuhn, Ian Pirl, Martin Strunk, Jr., and Wendy Wolfe.

**Special Ministries:** Our missionary in Tanzania-Stephen Friberg and his Family.

**Please let us know when our prayers are answered so we can keep our prayer list current.**

**Prayer Chain**

If someone you know-- or you yourself-- are in need of prayer, allow us to add your prayer request to our daily prayers. Prayers will always remain confidential. Prayer requests may be as detailed or as anonymous as you prefer. Ex. "Pray for my Aunt Nellie who has cancer," or "Pray for healing for a friend." To activate the prayer chain, please call Mary Young at 610-678-4470. If there is no answer, please leave a message or call at a later time if you are not comfortable leaving a message. Your prayer request is important and we do not want to miss it.

**How are We Doing?**  
**Trinity's Financial Summary for April**

Average Weekly Giving in April, 2023: **\$4,305.62**  
Total income to date in 2023: **\$56,157.00**  
Total expenses to date in 2023: **\$67,830.85**  
Total income in April: **\$\$21,528.10**  
Total expenses in April: **\$16,263.33**  
Synod Mission Support to date for 2023--**\$5,018.50**, 26% of \$19,290.00.  
West Berks Mission Support to date for 2023--**\$200.00**, 33% of \$600.00.

Thank you. It is your giving that enables Trinity to continue in outreach, evangelism, and learning opportunities; support staff; provide worship; and engage in any number of missional programs. These are difficult times for everyone--including our church family--as the cost of living, even basic necessities, is rising. So if you are able--please consider how you might give in the weeks ahead.

Thank you for participating in the mission of Jesus Christ through your gifts to Trinity. How gifts may be received: **\*Online giving via Trinity's website: [www.trinitywernersville.org](http://www.trinitywernersville.org)**



Or scan the QR-code with your phone camera to connect to Trinity's Donate page. There you can securely make a one-time gift or set up recurring donations.  
\*Regular mail: 130 S. Walnut St., Wernersville 19565  
\*Vanco Mobile App. using debit or credit.  
\*To make changes to automatic withdrawal use invite code hpfk34.



We need cans for altar flowers. Please return any you may have used and/or bring new ones. Place them in the sacristy on the counter. Thank you from the Altar Guild.



If you have luncheon paper plates, napkins, plastic fork and or paper cups at home that you don't need, please consider donating them to the church for the Fellowship Table. Just bring them in a bag and put them on the back windowsill. Thanks for helping out in this way.



Pictures from Mother's Day Banquet (thanks to Kerri Searfoss & Betty Schaeffer)



Pictures from the Memorial Day Parade (thanks to Kathy Lawry)

### **Flower and Bulletin Sponsorship**

The cost of sponsoring the flowers is \$40.00. The cost of sponsoring the bulletins is \$15.00. If you are sponsoring the flowers or bulletins, please note that there are blank envelopes in the narthex below the sign up lists. Please put your check (payable to Trinity) or cash in the envelope (be sure your name is on the envelope) and place in the offering plate.

**Altar Flower Sponsors for June:** 6/4-Kay Stout in honor of Cash's birthday, 6/11-Debiec Family in memory of Rich Debiec, 6/18-Betty Shaeffer in honor of Harley Schaeffer's birthday, 6/25-Betty Schaeffer in honor of Matt and Harmony Wentzel's 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Bulletin Sponsors for June:** : 6/4-Kay Stout in honor of Cash's birthday, 6/11-Barb Debiec in memory of Rich Debiec, 6/18-Mary Young in memory of loving fathers-Barry Young, Charles Young, and Fremont Alderman, 6/25-Pam Guigley in memory of Ardith Kull.

### **Helpers for June**

**Altar Guild:** Barbara Debiec & Anne Marie Rinehimer.

**Snacks:** 6/4-Sandy C. Miller, 6/11-open, 6/18-open, 6/25-Stefanie Steffey.

**Acolytes:** 6/4-Stefanie Steffey, 6/11-Chase Steffey, 6/18-Aislin Given, 6/25-Tedd Hickernell

**Lay Readers:** 6/4-Mary Nace, 6/11-Elaine Briner, 6/18-Kerri Searfoss, 6/25-Allison Given.

**Communion Assistants:** 6/4 & 6/11-Kathy Lawry, 6/18 & 6/25-Aislin Given,

**Ushers:** 6/4-Lawrys, 6/11-Bashores, 6/18-Kurtzes, 6/25-Givens

**Sound System:** 6/4-Stepanie Kurtz 6/11-Wendell Byler, 6/18-Scott Franzen, 6/25-Stephanie Kurtz

**Counters:** 6/4-Debiec Rinehimer, 6/11-Franzens, 6/18-Rapley/Pirl-Roth, 6/25-Hummel/Jarsocrak

**Bulletin Assemblers:** 5/31-Barbara Debiec, 6/7-Jarsocraks, 6/14-Helen Hummel, 6/21-Sharon Black, 6/28-Amy Strunk.

**Newsletter Assembly:** Kathy Lawry

**Council Devotions and Snacks:** Beth Byler

### **Church Council Members**

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Cindy Hassler-Schappell 610-451-6131

Harmony Wentzel 610-390-9986

**Happy Birthday**

***Birthday Milestones in June***

Pat Sickles will be 90, June Rapley will be 82, Marilyn Weatherholtz will be 82. Congratulations to all of you.

### **Church Council Highlights for May**

- Fellowship will oversee stocking the church kitchen & fellowship areas upstairs and downstairs with paper products. etc.
- Council retreat set 4 goals which will be addressed and reported on @ August mtg.
- Reevaluating our church Property & Casualty Insurance and established a task force to meet with agent.
- Researching our audit status.
- Continue to research ways to streamline our expenses.
- Termite crew (Prudential) began termite abatement on 5/16.
- Next meeting is June 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM