



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
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# ANNUAL REPORT

2019





## A message from ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Dear friends in Christ,

Stepping out in faith can be difficult. Martin Luther did it in 1517. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America did it at the 2019 Churchwide Assembly. This church can be bold and daring because of our scriptural and Lutheran confessional understandings. Is it easy?

No. Do we always get it right? Probably not. Where we are in error, may God correct us.

The cross is our center. Faith, grace and Scripture alone are our guides. We are church. We are compelled by the gospel and our understanding that in Christ we have been set free to love and serve the neighbor. This loving and serving of our neighbor alongside courageous and faithful leaders is what offers hope to congregations.

Over the past 18 months we have made significant strides in our work on congregational vitality. This church has multiplied its efforts and leveraged its resources to enhance vitality in congregations. Our vision continues to evolve around strengthening our relationships with God, each other and the neighbors we serve. In this way we are addressing both local and global issues by being present in our own community and proactive with issues in the broader church.

This presence is made possible in significant ways through your giving of time, talents and financial resources to our work together. The success of our recent campaign, *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*, reflects the increasing

support for existing and new ministries that serve our communities here at home and others around the globe. Through regular, special and legacy gifts, \$250 million was given to support God's work. Through the spiritual practice of giving, we both acknowledge receiving God's gifts and share in God's generosity by passing on a portion to others. Together we are doing God's work in ways that we could not do otherwise.

As your congregation plans work for the coming year, I hope you will be both bold and daring, remembering God provides and desires abundant life for all. May you continue supporting God's work together with a spirit of solidarity, collaboration and generosity. We are all partners in the gospel, believing in Jesus Christ crucified and risen for the life of the world.

Stepping out in faith together,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" —2 Corinthians 5:17*

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**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA**

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to be a community of faith,  
committed to serve, conforming to Christ.

**PAROCHIAL REPORT  
January 1, 2019—December 31, 2019**

**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL OFFICERS**

President: Tom Schulz  
Vice-President: Debbie Williams  
Secretary: Tina Ahrens  
Treasurer: Wayne Chappel

**CHURCH STAFF**

Senior Pastor: The Rev. Michael J. Martine  
Associate Pastor: The Rev. Matthew Pensinger  
Director of Youth and Family Ministries: Michelle Shirk  
Organist: Joy Ide  
Adult Choral Director: Tara Beitzel  
Director of Children and Youth Choirs: Christa Schimitsch  
Office/Outreach Coordinator: Elayne Olson  
Parish Nurse: Judi Cosgriff, RN  
Business Manager: Jackie Rinehart  
Inside Sexton: Tom and Beth Parker

**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL**

<u>2017-2019</u>	<u>2018-2020</u>	<u>2019-2021</u>	<u>2020-2022</u>
Mindy Leaman Joni McCrady Debbie Williams	Tina Ahrens Casey Kraus Tom Schulz	Jessica Dinkel Craig Haas Harold Wilson	Maria Brouse Lynn Ebersole Natalie Kopp

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Christian Education.....Gayle Watson  
Fellowship.....Tina Ahrens/Linda Umberger  
Finance.....Wayne Chappel  
Stewardship.....Staff  
Outreach.....Staff  
Property.....Tracey Olson  
Staff Relations.....Marc Spiridigliozzi  
Evangelism/Communication.....Scott Noon  
Worship and Music.....Becky Noon  
Youth.....Scott Everhart

**The Annual Congregational Meeting to approve the 2020 Budget was held on December 1, 2019.  
THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO APPROVE COMMITTEE AND FINANCE  
REPORTS FOR 2019 WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 23, 2020.**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**February 23, 2020**  
**AGENDA**

1. Receive and approve minutes of the 2019 Congregational Meetings
2. Receive/Accept President, Staff, and Committee 2019 Reports
3. Receive and approve 2019 Financial Reports
4. Announcement of Officers for 2020

President: Tom Schulz

Vice-President: Jessica Dinkel

Secretary: Tina Ahrens

Treasurer: Wayne Chappel

6. Adjournment

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Trinity continues to be a place of growth.

One of my main focuses as a pastor has always been an attempt (an endless attempt) to be relevant. I truly believe that faith needs to be our foundation but that it must apply to real life and offer us genuine help as we encounter our relationships and this world. This focus is shared by our staff and impacts everything we do.

As I've said to our Bishop, Jim Dunlop, "Our ministry at Trinity assumes that a lot of what the larger church is doing simply doesn't work anymore."

And so, we have continued to try to innovate, inspire, and build our community.

One of the focuses our staff collaborated on this past year was our "Come to the Well" campaign. In this effort we encouraged the entire congregation to share prayer concerns and then lifted up one another each week in prayer. The beautiful "well," constructed by Michael Baley and Allan Crist, was the center of this effort, and we hope to use it more in the years ahead.

As part of this, we began the development of a "podcast" ministry. I know that some of you who received emails announcing podcasts were a little nervous about clicking a "link," but I assure you the podcasts are a lot of fun and (I think) instructive. I found the discipline of listening to the podcasts to be a good way to prepare for the "Come to the Well" services and messages. We will continue to produce podcasts in 2020.

The series itself and the sharing of prayer concerns brought something home to staff that is undeniable. All of us, in our over-busy world, have times when we are hurting. We have times when we feel the pressure (generated by social media) to pretend our lives are "perfect." Many of us often feel like we are failing.

This is part of what makes a supportive community, centered in the Christ, so important. We need a place where we can share our stresses and sorrows. We need a place where we feel the support of one another. We need a place where we are reminded that God loves us and wants us to live that love out in community.

Part of the emphasis, of course, was to remind all of us of the importance of gathering to worship. In most ways, worship is more for us than it is for God. It builds us up and sustains us, and while it is tempting (and sometimes ok) to take a break and have a quiet Sunday morning at home, our lives are fuller for the practice. I think, and hope, that "Come to the Well" affirmed that for many of us.

As I look back at 2019, I see so, so much activity. There is really no "slow" time in this church. (When we receive messages in the fall, or before Lent, talking about a "busy" time of the church year beginning, we laugh!) Trinity's life together is marked by great creativity, the effort to support one another, and the desire to serve others as servants of God.

In addition to God's blessings, two elements are essential to maintaining our life together. One is a committed and caring staff. The other is you.

Your service and support of this church is key to everything we do. I honestly am stunned by the number of volunteers who participate in the programs supported by Trinity. Most Lutheran churches in the United States average about 50 to 75 people in worship--we probably have three times that number of people who serve Trinity as volunteers!

So, I thank you (and ask you to keep doing God's work!). Being allowed to serve with you is a great joy and blessing in my life. God bless us in the year ahead!

Respectfully Submitted  
P. Michael J. Martine

Hopeful

As I look back over this year at Trinity, I'm filled with hope. This is going to sound repetitive but: we are still doing it. We are still gathering as a faith community. We are still working to bless Mount Joy and the people who live here. We are still an oasis where people can connect and where love is felt and where our brokenness can be healed. There are so many struggles and pressures in the world, and we are all doing our best to do our best, each and every day... and Trinity is a place where we affirm that, and where we support each other, and where we try to offer resources that help with the struggles and the pressure. We're still doing it. I find that incredibly hopeful.

Highlights of 2019 for me:

I got to help with the youth mission trip to Philadelphia, which was very meaningful for me. It was really exciting to see our high school kids have so much fun together. It was also deeply moving to watch them engage with entrenched issues of poverty, homelessness, and racism. Trinity does such a great job of continually educating, challenging, and expanding the worldview of our kids in their developing faith walk, and we see the results year after year.

I got to help bring in over 30 new members this year! Our church family grew in numbers and also in strength. I meet with our potential new members, get to know them and their faith backgrounds, and try to connect them with opportunities for service and for making new friends. It's so great to see people getting involved in ROC, or starting to show up at fellowship times, or coming out to the clothing drive, or helping out as greeters. New faith friends equal more faith and fun at Trinity.

And speaking of growing, our junior high ROC class is such a continual source of inspiration and faith in the future for me, and I'm extremely grateful for all of the opportunities I have to interact with, write curriculum for, and help to teach these great kids. All the thanks to Tina Ahrens, Michelle Shirk, Pastor Mike, Jon Lee, and everyone else who helps with that class.

All the "side projects" that I got to help with like:

- Youth events and retreats
- Seasonal worship services and fellowship events
- Weekly Quiet Communion
- Visitation and conversation with all kinds of our friends
- Occasional leadership in our Wednesday Bible study, always a crazy fun time
- Teaching and training our acolytes and crucifers and our First Communion classes; the kids and I have a TON of fun in worship and in learning how to more fully participate in it!
- Connection with our fellowship groups, especially Wing Men (going strong!) and Young Adults (which has grown into a regular 10-15 people!)
- Podcasts!
- Service projects like our Clothing Drive, especially on my mind this time of year. I feel like I'm an old hand at it now, helping the new people know where to go!

All of these things and so much more contribute to and increase my sense of hope. All the thanks to the staff of Trinity, especially Pastor Mike, Michelle, Elayne, Jackie, Beth, Tara, Joy, Christa, Judi, all of our council members and volunteers, and everyone who works in, helps with, and prays for the ministry of this church. We are still doing it. We are the people of hope. As we see what 2020 has in store, we know that God is with us and that we are together, and the power of that will carry us into the future. Thank you so much for your participation in and support of this ministry; thank you so much for continuing to give me hope.

"He has told you, O mortal, what is good... and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God?"

In Christ,  
Pastor Matt Pensinger

Fellow Congregational Members,

God has truly blessed us! This has been an exciting year of worship at Trinity. Your dedication and commitment to serve our congregation, as well as the local community, continues to be a shining example of God's word in motion. Council and our staff have worked diligently over the past year managing our financial, facility, and Ministry needs.

The Congregation Council continued its primary role of overseeing ministries, setting direction and policy, and ensuring the safekeeping of Trinity's assets. In terms of stewardship, Trinity was challenged to meet our goals for most of the year. I'm pleased to report that due to your unprecedented support in December we were not only able to meet our goals but exceeded them beyond expectation! I never cease to be amazed by the incredible generosity of our Trinity family. We've been blessed by strong giving, growing worship attendance, new members, and active participation. Thank you for your support!

It was another busy year at Trinity! We kicked-off the year with our annual clothing drive. It was a tremendous success and is greatly appreciated by the community. We're having a positive impact in the lives of many that truly need our help. The Power Packs program continues to be a blessing for the families in our area that struggle to provide healthy meals for their children. Facility enhancements in 2019 included a new church sign, much-needed modern kitchen equipment, and new parking lot markings. We had a building security assessment and are in the process of reviewing additional measures that can be taken to ensure that Trinity continues to be a safe environment in which to worship. The Fall Spiritual Campaign, "Come to the Well", gave us an opportunity to share our burdens and renew our faith.

It was identified that our stained-glass windows were greatly in need of repair. After extensive research a contractor was selected, and the congregation approved the investment during a Congregational meeting. Repairs are underway and will hopefully conclude within the next year. The renovations should only cause minor disruptions to our worship.

I'd like to thank the congregation, my fellow Council members, and our staff for your incredible support and service. Council is looking forward to serving you with joyous hearts as we consider the possibilities awaiting us in 2020.

God bless,  
Tom Schulz  
Council President



**Worship and Music Committee**

**Chair:** Becky Noon  
**Council Liaison:** Joni McCrady

**Members:** Pastors Mike Martine and Matt Pensinger, Linda Boozer, Jere Duke, Carrie Henry, Terri Lee, Georgeanne Reardon, Tim Markovits, Cathy Hoffmaster, Tara Beitzel, Joy Ide, Christa Schimitsch, Joni McCrady, Elayne Olson

Worship and Music works in conjunction with the pastoral staff and music staff to oversee the worship life at Trinity. Our committee is a dedicated mixture of members from both the contemporary and traditional services, and we are committed to excellence in all of our worship offerings.

Trinity continues to be blessed by its music programs. Joy Ide, Organist; Tara Beitzel, Senior Choir Director; along with Christa Schimitsch, Children and Youth Choirs, added meaning and richness to our worship through their efforts.

Thanks as well to the work of our bell choir, conducted by Bill Troutman, and to the volunteers in the choir and contemporary band. Trinity’s goal of providing energizing and compelling worship cannot be realized without the hard work of all of these individuals!

Two cantatas (with full orchestra and ballet) highlighted the Easter and Advent seasons. We continued to use the “stations of the cross” format for Good Friday worship, using special music by the choir and vocal/instrumental soloists.

The Sunday after Christmas was again a special day with “Come into God’s Presence with Singing.” A truly “special” music Sunday, the service remains one of the most original and joyous offerings celebrating the birth of Christ one could find in an ELCA church.

As always, the committee thanks the singers, musicians, dancers, “tech people,” and all those who lend a hand in carrying out worship in this place. We are truly blessed to be able to praise the creator in so many wonderful ways.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Noon

**Small Group and Adult Education Ministries**

Trinity has a number of small groups and adult education opportunities. If you want information about any of these contact the church office.

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| Wing Men                | Women’s Thursday AM Bible Study | Comfort Stitches         |
| Young Adults            | TLC’s Mom’s Time Out            | Uplifting Sisters        |
| Seasoned Men            | Quilting Group                  | Prayer Partners          |
| GLOW Women’s Book Study |                                 | Compassion Card Ministry |

Adult Education groups that met in 2019 include:  
Wednesday Morning Bible Study  
STS (Spiritual Truth Seekers)  
Coffee Talk (Q&A Forum with Monthly Guest Speakers)  
Sunday 11:00 AM Bible Study

Thank you to all who lead and participate in these activities!

## **Youth and Family Annual Report**

Trinity continues to reach out to Trinity families and their friends in many meaningful ways. Through weekly gatherings, special events, and gatherings our youth feel the love of Christ and dig deeper into their faith and understanding of God.

### **Christian Education Overview Council Liaison: Craig Haas**

ROC (Raised on Christ) continues to be a popular place for our families on Sunday mornings. Lesson outlines are created by staff and are enhanced each week by our volunteer teachers and leaders. From crafts to science, our kids see the Bible and learn the stories of our faith in amazing ways. Sr. High youth had a special finance series this year teaching them to view money through a Biblical lens. Jr. High youth created lessons and served at Juniper Village on two Sunday mornings.

Vacation Bible School was led by the team of Jill Fleming and Amanda Adams. “Quest for the Treasure of God” was written by our teams at Trinity specifically for our children. The setting was a Mayan Jungle in Guatemala and the lessons taught included bravery, trust, patience, and love. Our offering focus was the Lutheran Camping Corporation and together we raised \$973.00 to help send kids to camp who are in financial need.

We continue to have success encouraging youth of all ages to take part in leadership roles in worship. Youth serve the first Sunday of each month and on “Souperbowl” Sunday.

Favorite traditions continue to be the annual Easter Egg Hunt, the Festival of the Arts featuring our tween artists, Summer Camp Sunday, and Celebration Sunday where confirmands and graduates are recognized. This year we once again presented custom-made crosses to all confirmands.

### **Youth Programming Overview Council Liaison: Debbie Williams**

It was a Pilgrimage year for our Sr. High Youth! Nine youth and three adults traveled to Philadelphia to serve with Broad Street Ministry. Together we learned about incarceration, addiction, people experiencing homelessness, and more. It was a meaningful and educational week that none of us will forget!

BOLD continues to be a great place for our kids to gather and discuss their faith and issues in our world today. Each week highlights a different Bible story and a relatable contemporary issue for our kids to debate. Jr. High was modified this year to include a cooking experience that will result in a cookbook to benefit the Mount Joy Food Bank.

Overnight retreats continue to be a challenge for this generation due to a high level of youth experiencing anxiety when away from home. This year our children and youth participated in a winter Jr. High Retreat, Alive for Jr. High, and the Sr. High Sexuality Retreat. Those who are able to attend have a great time and learn a lot about themselves and how to recognize and respond to the presence of God in their lives.

Favorite events for our children and youth this year included late night events for Jr. and Sr. High, F2 Self Defense course for teen girls and women, Shady Maple outing, a Seder dinner, Holy Week stations, and Hike Nights.

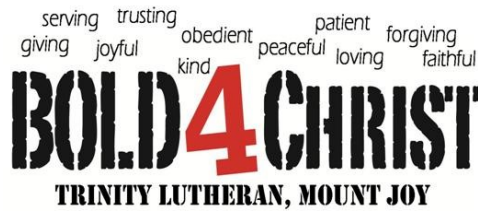
**Professionally** I continue to serve on the Donegal Foundation Board and the Donegal Theater Community. I serve twice annually with Junior Achievement and work with Donegal High School students for both events. I attend as many sporting events and performances of our children and youth as possible and visit young adults in college. I continue to meet with families upon their request and serve as a sounding board regarding issues they are facing in their lives.

Please take a moment to say a special “thank you” to our volunteers who make children and youth ministry happen. There are close to 60 adults who give their time, talents, and energy to Trinity kids. What we do could not happen without all of them!

Sincerely;

*Michelle Shirk*

Director, Youth & Family Ministry



### Outreach Ministry Report

Council Liaison: Jessica Dinkel

Highlights of the congregations service in 2019:

- Community Clothing Give-Away and Community Meal Event
- Rocky Boy Indian Reservation Monetary Collection for Layette Ministry
- Trinity participates in the “Adopt-A-Highway” program twice a year
- Members have an opportunity for Trinity Grounds Clean-Up twice a year
- College/Military Care Packages – 28 gift cards, plus knitted scarves for freshman
- “Thinking of You” cards mailed to homebound members
- Toys For Tots collection site
- Giving Tree Project – Collected socks for age 6 through adult which were filled with small gifts, snacks, etc. These were distributed to area residents through; Meal-on-Wheels, to Our Home of Hope in Columbia and to Donegal Power Pack Families
- Education Box Top collection for Donegal School District
- Collection of Eye Glasses for Lions Club benefits the Blind Association
- Mount Joy Food Bank collection
- Metal Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- Annual “Dresses for Africa” sewing day held in July
- Throughout the year, served at Water Street Mission in Lancaster and the Central PA Food Bank in Harrisburg
- School supply collection for REYS Backpack School Project
- Trinity continues to be the core group operating the Donegal Power Packs Project in its 5th full year of distribution (2019/20)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elayne C. Olson, Outreach Coordinator

Trinity Comfort Stitchers continue to meet from September through May on the first Monday of each month at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM. The group consists of Trinity members, as well as friends and relatives of members, interested in knitting, crocheting, and looming for charity donations. The following gifts were created and donated by the Comfort Stitchers in 2019:

- 317
- 195 hats
- 22 prayer shawls
- 18 prayer squares
- 10 baby blankets
- 11 baptismal blankets
- 33 baptismal blankets
- 6 Warm Up America blankets
- 176 scarves
- 11 scarves to graduating seniors
- 5 traditional mantles
- 26 military mantles
- 2 fleece blankets
- 112 pairs of gloves (purchased)
- 6 pairs of socks

Items were gifted to:

- Children’s Playroom
- Sisters of Mercy Guatemala
- Masonic Children’s Home
- Hospice
- Hope Within Ministries
- Our Home of Hope
- PA Breast Cancer Coalition
- Donegal Primary Homeless Program
- ARC Columbia
- Meals on Wheels
- WUA Tiny Hats Program
- Peter’s Porch—Zion Lutheran, Akron
- ECHOS
- Friends, family, TLC members, babies baptized, community scarf bombing, and TLC Clothing Give-Away

Respectfully Submitted,  
Karen Adams, Comfort Stitchers Coordinator

## Congregational Mission Ministry Report

I have continued to attend meetings and stay in touch with the Rev. Glenn Beard of Luthercare in regards to groups traveling to Puerto Rico for hurricane relief. This is a possibility for future trips if there is interest in the congregation.

The plan to return to Guatemala is scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup> through July 4, 2020. The mission team will be assisting Servants Hearts Ministries based in Texas. The main goal of this ministry is providing clean, accessible water to those in need. They also build housing, and install stoves, and water filter buckets.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elayne C Olson  
Outreach Coordinator

## Finance Committee

**Treasurer:** Wayne Chappel  
**Council Liaison:** Harold Wilson  
**Business Manager:** Jackie Rinehart  
**Committee Members:** Julie Houseal, Harold Wilson

The Finance committee met monthly, several meetings were virtual, to review Trinity's record of receipts and disbursements, and to make recommendations to Council regarding investment vehicles, as needed. Overall, we had a positive financial year with continued support from our congregation, particularly at the beginning and end of the year. The shortfall in offerings to budget of \$2,200 was offset by the overage in interest income of \$6,500 that exceeded budget and expenses lower than budget by \$16,600. With a really strong push during the Christmas season from the congregation, we were able to exceed budget by \$20,900 in total for the year.

On January 19, 2020, this committee (Wayne Chappel and Harold Wilson) along with the help of Julie Houck, Robert Houck, Trobe Barnitz, Nancy Barnitz, and Carl Spellman conducted an internal audit of Trinity's financial records and practices. Committee member, Wayne Chappel, submitted a report to Council in summary of the audit's findings, and offered suggestions for improvement opportunities. The audit report identified no major findings.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne E Chappel

## Property Committee

**Committee Chair:** Tracey Olson

**Council Liaison:** Casey Kraus

The Property Committee functions as a task group in coordination with the staff to perform needed maintenance on the building and grounds. They are available on an “as needed basis” to support our sexton when needs arise. Their efforts have allowed Trinity to keep costs down while keeping the facility functional and attractive.

### 2019 Highlights:

Completed the replacement of two HVAC units that control heating/cooling on our main floor. The units installed in early 2019 marked the completion of a task approved by the congregation in late 2018 to replace a total of four units.

Thanks to Casey and Elaine Kraus, our church sign was repaired and restored. This work included the updating of our ELCA logo. The sign looks wonderful and greatly enhances our “street presence.”

In tandem with the Fellowship Committee coordinated replacement of our kitchen stoves, freezer units, and installed an ice machine. (Thanks to those whose donations made these wonderful improvements possible!)

Mold remediation and repairs to the old kitchen were completed. The carpet in the kitchen was removed and it was discovered that a sump hole was hidden under the carpet. (Technically, the hole is not a “sump hole” as it is encased in concrete and does NOT run to ground.) It was also discovered that an outdoor drain--outside the exit door of the kitchen--actually runs into the sump hole, thus causing the room to flood. An ancient, non-operating, cistern pump was also found in the hole. Fortunately, the piping for the pump designed to extract the water from the hole was intact and a new pump was installed that should prevent future flooding. (The carpet in the old kitchen will not be replaced. The room is simply used for storage and this will ensure that maintenance on the pump can be performed.)

Completed replacement of the HVAC units that service the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen. Also replaced one of the two water heaters that service the kitchen and restrooms on that side of the building.

Contracted for repairs to the flat roof over the offices. Repairs were completed, though it is expected (as is often the case with flat roofs), that more repairs will be needed occasionally.

Contracted for the painting of new lines in the parking lot that allow for diagonal parking by the back, double glass doors. (This parking design allows those parked nearest to the building to exit the space and lot when a car is parked behind them.) Also added directional arrows to the parking lot to promote an orderly traffic flow.

Members of the committee assisted staff in the process of meeting with representatives of two stained glass window repair/restoration companies. A bid was secured with Willet Hauser and the congregation moved to approve the work in December. (As of this writing the work has begun.) Trinity has 33 stained glass windows. Thirty of the windows are in need of work--three windows require complete restoration. As part of the project, the windows will be covered in vented tempered glass. This covering will protect the windows and greatly add to the insulation of the building. (Note: the rose window above the altar already has this covering and is one of the three windows not in need of work.) Cost of the project will be approximately \$153,000. The project is expected to last several months and workers will be on site for much of that time. The congregation has set aside the needed funds for the project from congregational reserves; however, Trinity will provide opportunities for those who would like to donate directly to these efforts to do so.

We held a spring clean-up day (with mulching) and continued roadside trash pick-up as part of the “Adopt a Highway” program.

A special “thank you” goes to Denise Morrison and our girl scout troop for the planting, care, and maintenance of the beautiful native plant butterfly garden on the west side of trinity house.

So much of what occurs at Trinity only happens because of our wonderful volunteers. Special thanks to all of those who weed, mulch, water, and tend to the many tasks that keep our garden beds beautiful. Thanks, as well, to the many who use their skills to help us with indoor repairs and maintenance. Your service to Trinity is appreciated and essential!

If you are interested in serving with this committee, or helping around the church when needed, please contact Tracey Olson or Casey Kraus. Thank you to all who seek to keep our church beautiful, safe and in good repair.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tracey Olson

### Fellowship Committee

**Co-Chairpersons: Tina Ahrens and Linda Umberger**  
**Council Liaison: Tina Ahrens**

**Committee Members:** Allan and Carol Crist, Ann and Rick Divet, Jim and Yvonne Geiger, Harry and Carol Markovits-Goehring, Madolin Heisey, Pete and Gail Peterman, Jim Rintz, Kate Thome, Linda and Dick Umberger, Elaine Kraus, Gail Fridy, Molly Johndro

The committee organized and/or assisted with the following activities in 2019:

- Community Meal for Clothing Giveaway on January 26th
- Ash Wednesday Meager Meal on March 6th
- Coffee and Dessert Hour after each Lenten Mid-Week Service
- Chili Cook-Off on March 31st
- Maundy Thursday Dinner April 18th
- Celebration Sunday—Honoring Confirmands and Graduates May 19th
- Timbers Trinity Trivia Event and Lunch on May 1st
- Annual Summer Gathering/Picnic August 11th
- Trinity Open House August 25th
- Timbers Christmas Luncheon with Rhythm Singers December 16th (Cancelled –bad weather)

The committee would like to express a special “Thank You” to Beth Parker for all she does to set up and clean fellowship hall for all events.

We appreciate the members of Trinity for participating in the activities planned by our committee and your willingness to donate items when requested. We are always looking for new ideas and new members.

In 2019 we were able to replace the stoves/ovens and freezers with new/upgraded models. We also purchased and installed an ice machine in the kitchen. The new equipment is a welcome addition to those that regularly use the kitchen for events. These purchases were made with donations made to the Building Use Fund over several years and some donations from congregational members.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Ahrens and Linda Umberger

**February 24, 2019**

Tom Schulz, Council President, called the Congregational Meeting to order following the early service. The purpose of the meeting was to approve the 2018 Congregational Meeting Minutes, 2018 Bishop, Pastores, Staff, and Committee Reports, 2018 Financial Report, and announce 2019 Council Officers.

Tom reported that 2018 was a great year at Trinity and that we are doing good work. He encouraged everyone to serve. We ended the year in a strong financial position. He thanked the Pastors and staff for their continued hard work. Additionally, he announced that the HVAC units have been installed and are fully functional.

Copies of the Annual Congregational Reports and Financial audit were available. A motion was made by Mark Spiridigliozzi and seconded by Trobe Barnitz to approve the 2018 Congregational Meeting Minutes as written. The Congregational Meeting was recessed and carried over to the next services. The motion carried following unanimous verbal vote during each meeting segment.

A motion was made by Mark Spiridigliozzi and seconded by Charles Peterman to approve the 2018 Bishop, Pastors, Staff and Committee Reports. The motion was unanimously approved at all three meetings.

The 2018 Audit was completed with no significant findings to report. Tom thanked the Audit Committee for their service. A motion was made by Tom Parker and seconded by Scott Noon to approve the 2018 Financial Reports. The motion carried following a unanimous verbal vote during each meeting segment.

Tom announced the council officers for 2020 as follows: himself as president, Debbie Williams as vice president, Tina Ahrens as secretary, and Wayne Chappel continuing as treasurer.

Following the 11:00am meeting, Elizabeth Datorre moved for adjournment, with a second by Georgie Rardon. Those present voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Ahrens

**November 10, 2019**

Tom Schulz, Council President, called the Congregational Meeting to order following the early contemporary service. Tom announced that the agenda for the meeting consisted of a congregational vote for approval of the Willet Hauser Stained Glass Proposal. Questions from the Congregation were received and discussed. The congregation voted unanimously to approve the Stained Glass Proposal.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Ahrens



**December 1, 2019**

Tom Schulz, Council President, called the Congregational Meeting to order following the early contemporary service. The purpose of the meeting was to adopt the proposed 2019 budget and elect new council members.

### **Proposed 2019 Budget**

Copies of the proposed 2019 budget were distributed via email, mail, Budget Forums, and paper copies were available at the back of the sanctuary. Tom provided further commentary on the budget, alerting the Congregation to the churches financial needs and how that relates directly to our ability to staff this ministry. The congregation voted unanimously at all three services to approve the 2020 proposed budget.

### **Election of 2019-2020 Council Members**

Tom thanked the outgoing members of church council, Mindy Leaman, Joni McCrady, and Debbie Williams. Tom read the names of the three new candidates, Maria Brouse, Lynn Ebersole, and Natalie Kopp. Biographies of all three candidates were available. The congregation voted unanimously at all three services to elect the new candidates to council.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Ahrens

# Statement of Cash Flow - December 31, 2019

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	GENERAL FUNDS	OUTREACH FUNDS	TRINITY FUNDS	ENDOWMENT FUNDS	RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS
Beginning Balance January 1, 2019	\$179,269.24	\$3,953.25	\$79,479.84	\$357,565.72	\$217,207.24
Offering Receipts	\$523,555.41				
Investment Income	56,903.17				
Operating Expenses	(559,543.54)				
Change in Liabilities	623.13				
Outreach Gifts Disbursements		\$19,545.50 (20,004.38)			
Trinity Gifts Disbursements			\$27,914.11 (39,846.48)		
Endowments Received				\$2,580.00	\$4,164.60
Trinity Loan Repayment Disbursements				45,526.91 (77,285.00)	0.00
YTD Increase/(Decrease)	\$21,538.17	(\$458.88)	(\$11,932.37)	(\$29,178.09)	\$4,164.60
Ending Balance December 31, 2019	\$200,807.41	\$3,494.37	\$67,547.47	\$328,387.63	\$221,371.84

Total Cash	\$821,608.72
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Reconciliation to Balance Sheet	
Total Assets BS	\$1,160,836.38
Less Loan BS	339,227.66
Net Cash	\$821,608.72
Variance	\$0.00

# Balance Sheet - December 31, 2019

Name	December 31 2018	December 31 2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Checking Account	80,255.97	82,605.64
UCB Money Market	82,443.59	58,215.99
ELCA Mission Bond	47,000.00	47,000.00
Investments (MM, CDs, Savings)	575,869.67	577,716.43
Library Stock	51,906.06	56,070.66
Loan from Endowment Fund	307,469.56	339,227.66
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,144,944.85</b>	<b>1,160,836.38</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Payroll Payables</b>		
Federal W/H	0.00	0.00
FICA W/H	0.00	0.00
State W/H	0.00	0.00
Lancaster County W/H	0.00	0.00
Local Service Tax	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Payroll Payables</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Other Payables</b>		
Construction Loan - Trinity Endow.	307,469.56	339,227.66
Credit Card Payables	512.73	1,135.87
<b>Total Other Payables</b>	<b>307,982.29</b>	<b>340,363.53</b>
<b>Designated Funds</b>		
Endowment Fund	348,049.68	318,596.58
Schock Library Fund	141,406.06	145,570.66
Organ Fund	24,586.91	24,586.91
Scholarship Fund	4,214.27	4,214.27
Memorial Fund	9,516.04	9,791.04
Mission Fund	47,000.00	47,000.00
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>	<b>574,772.96</b>	<b>549,759.46</b>
<b>Outreach Funds</b>		
Blessed Bundles	337.61	594.46
Comfort Stitchers	1,019.71	737.64
Rocky Boy	20.00	90.00
Friends of Luther Acres	125.78	125.78
Discretionary Needs	1,931.30	1,832.73
Rise Against Hunger	515.34	0.00
Guatemala Well	0.00	242.28
Sunday School Funds	(18.67)	19.17
Broad Street Ministries	3.00	0.00
Donegal Power Packs Project	19.18	(147.69)
<b>Total Outreach Funds</b>	<b>3,953.25</b>	<b>3,494.37</b>

Name	December 31 2018	December 31 2019
<b>Trinity Funds</b>		
Mom's Group	375.15	178.95
Property Improvements	926.47	1,051.47
Designated Gift	10,005.00	5.00
Social Ministry Projects	317.64	317.64
The Timbers	10.00	10.00
Chancel Flowers	(328.12)	(284.36)
Quilt Group	428.39	220.30
Youth Fund	11,363.07	17,632.92
Mission Trips	9,677.35	10,274.40
Spark Teams	4,112.08	4,112.08
Sr. High Pilgrimage	3,195.11	0.00
Soderholm/Ruhl Youth Mission	15,700.00	15,624.51
Holiday Memorials	1,118.54	1,085.37
Choir Camp	916.77	900.38
Audio/Visual Equipment	750.00	750.00
Special Appeal	30.00	30.00
Wedding	(75.00)	(75.00)
Building Use	18,527.99	11,669.58
Camp Scholarships	0.00	50.00
Capital Campaign	610.00	670.00
Schock Library Book/Resources	1,819.40	3,324.23
<b>Total Trinity Funds</b>	<b>79,479.84</b>	<b>67,547.47</b>
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>		
	<b>658,206.05</b>	<b>620,801.30</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		
	<b>966,188.34</b>	<b>961,164.83</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Equity	173,804.57	178,756.51
Equity - Current Year	4,951.94	20,915.04
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>178,756.51</b>	<b>199,671.55</b>
<b>TOTAL LIAB. AND NET ASSETS</b>		
	<b>1,144,944.85</b>	<b>1,160,836.38</b>

# 2019 Income & Expense and 2020 Approved Budget

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Line Description	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	Variance Positive/(Negative)	2020 Budget
<b>INCOME</b>				
<b>Offerings</b>				
Unified Envelopes	507,193.43	501,258.41	(5,935.02)	488,900.00
Easter	6,000.00	5,455.00	(545.00)	5,700.00
Thanksgiving	1,000.00	2,860.00	1,860.00	1,000.00
Christmas	10,000.00	12,837.00	2,837.00	10,000.00
Maundy Thursday	550.00	457.00	(93.00)	550.00
Good Friday	1,000.00	688.00	(312.00)	850.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>525,743.43</b>	<b>523,555.41</b>	<b>(2,188.02)</b>	<b>507,000.00</b>
<b>Interest Income</b>				
UNCB Money Market	360.00	772.40	412.40	500.00
Lanco FCU Savings Interest	10.00	12.73	2.73	10.00
Trust Fund Interest	45,000.00	50,278.46	5,278.46	50,000.00
Investment Interest	1,500.00	1,457.62	(42.38)	1,450.00
Thrivent Choice Income	3,500.00	4,405.00	905.00	3,600.00
Other Income	0.00	(23.04)	(23.04)	0.00
<b>Total Interest Income</b>	<b>50,370.00</b>	<b>56,903.17</b>	<b>6,533.17</b>	<b>55,560.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>576,113.43</b>	<b>580,458.58</b>	<b>4,345.15</b>	<b>562,560.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Outreach Expenses</b>				
Regular Benevolence	36,000.00	36,000.00	0.00	36,000.00
Rocky Boy	400.00	400.00	0.00	0.00
Fire Dept. Mount Joy	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00
Lancaster Council of Churches	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Susquehanna Valley EMS	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
Habitat for Humanity	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Outreach Expense</b>	<b>38,500.00</b>	<b>38,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>37,100.00</b>
<b>Worship/Music Expense</b>				
Worship Supplies	3,000.00	3,355.07	(355.07)	3,000.00
Musicians/Supply Organist	2,000.00	1,975.00	25.00	1,850.00
Cantatas	0.00	1,638.73	0.00	2,500.00
Robe Cleaning	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Offering Envelopes	2,000.00	2,497.07	(497.07)	2,700.00
Organ/Piano Maintenance	1,500.00	1,990.09	(490.09)	1,600.00
<b>Total Worship/Music Exp.</b>	<b>8,900.00</b>	<b>11,455.96</b>	<b>(2,555.96)</b>	<b>12,050.00</b>
<b>Education Expenses</b>				
Education Expense	4,000.00	2,185.66	1,814.34	3,500.00
Vacation Bible School	3,500.00	4,085.03	(585.03)	3,000.00
Confirmation	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Sr. High Pilgrimage	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Church Camp	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Adult Education Expense	750.00	194.33	555.67	500.00
<b>Total Education Expenses</b>	<b>15,750.00</b>	<b>12,965.02</b>	<b>2,784.98</b>	<b>12,500.00</b>

## 2019 Income & Expense and 2020 Approved Budget

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Line Description	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	Variance Positive/(Negative)	2020 Budget
<b>Youth Expenses</b>				
Youth Activities	10,000.00	4,880.45	5,119.55	6,500.00
Youth Fund/Events	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
<b>Total Youth Expenses</b>	<b>14,000.00</b>	<b>8,880.45</b>	<b>5,119.55</b>	<b>10,500.00</b>
<b>Evangelism Expenses</b>				
Evangelism Communication	600.00	1,060.05	(460.05)	600.00
Advertising	560.00	212.83	347.17	560.00
Stewardship	2,000.00	337.73	1,662.27	1,000.00
Timbers	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Small Groups	450.00	(44.32)	494.32	0.00
Samaritan Center Partnership	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Evangelism Expenses</b>	<b>5,310.00</b>	<b>2,766.29</b>	<b>2,543.71</b>	<b>2,660.00</b>
<b>Outreach Expenses</b>				
Outreach Committee Expense	1,150.00	577.11	572.89	1,150.00
Comfort Stitchers	175.00	175.00	0.00	175.00
<b>Total Outreach Expenses</b>	<b>1,325.00</b>	<b>752.11</b>	<b>572.89</b>	<b>1,325.00</b>
<b>Total Salaries &amp; Benefits Expense</b>	<b>384,468.43</b>	<b>379,919.55</b>	<b>4,548.88</b>	<b>390,499.15</b>
<b>Administration Expenses</b>				
Travel Allowance	1,500.00	1,359.52	140.48	1,500.00
Office Supplies	3,250.00	3,348.91	(98.91)	3,400.00
Postage	2,700.00	1,893.25	806.75	2,500.00
Office Equipment Lease/Maintenance	10,250.00	11,859.90	(1,609.90)	18,110.00
Synod Assembly Expenses	760.00	720.00	40.00	760.00
Miscellaneous	1,200.00	1,092.30	107.70	1,400.00
Church Insurance	9,600.00	9,833.59	(233.59)	9,900.00
<b>Total Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>29,260.00</b>	<b>30,107.47</b>	<b>(847.47)</b>	<b>37,570.00</b>
<b>Property Expenses</b>				
Building Maintenance	25,000.00	26,873.83	(1,873.83)	20,000.00
Outside Maintenance	6,000.00	7,022.03	(1,022.03)	8,000.00
Utilities	34,000.00	29,477.24	4,522.76	30,000.00
Telephone/Internet	3,500.00	3,383.17	116.83	3,500.00
Trinity Place	4,000.00	4,345.73	(345.73)	4,100.00
<b>Total Property Expenses</b>	<b>72,500.00</b>	<b>71,102.00</b>	<b>1,398.00</b>	<b>65,600.00</b>
<b>Total Fellowship Expenses</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>	<b>3,094.69</b>	<b>1,405.31</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>
<b>Schock Library</b>				
Choir Music	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Books/Audio Visual	600.00	0.00	600.00	0.00
<b>Total Schock Library Expense</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>576,113.43</b>	<b>559,543.54</b>	<b>16,569.89</b>	<b>573,304.15</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>20,915.04</b>	<b>20,915.04</b>	<b>(10,744.15)</b>

# Outreach/Trinity Funds Summary

## January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

Description	Opening Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
<b>Outreach Funds</b>				
Mount Joy Helping Services	\$0.00	\$5,270.11	\$5,270.11	\$0.00
Comfort Stitchers	1,019.71	566.41	848.48	737.64
Rocky Boy	20.00	1,365.00	1,295.00	90.00
Friends of Luther Acres	125.78	0.00	0.00	125.78
Discretionary Needs	1,931.30	0.00	98.57	1,832.73
Sunday School Offerings	(18.67)	226.15	177.31	30.17
Lutheran Camping Corporation	0.00	972.99	972.99	0.00
Water Street Ministries	0.00	694.01	694.01	0.00
World Hunger	0.00	1,280.00	1,280.00	0.00
Rise Against Hunger	515.34	3,828.90	4,344.24	0.00
Heifer Project	0.00	719.17	719.17	0.00
Guatemala Well	0.00	242.28	0.00	242.28
Blessed Bundles	337.61	301.13	44.28	594.46
Broad Street Ministries	3.00	31.75	45.75	(11.00)
Habitat for Humanity	0.00	260.00	260.00	0.00
Disaster Relief	0.00	3,225.95	3,225.95	0.00
Donegal Power Packs Project	19.18	561.65	728.52	(147.69)
<b>Total Outreach Funds</b>	<b>\$3,953.25</b>	<b>\$19,545.50</b>	<b>\$20,004.38</b>	<b>\$3,494.37</b>
<b>Trinity Funds</b>				
Mom's Group	\$375.15	\$50.00	\$246.20	\$178.95
Property Improvements	926.47	125.00	0.00	1,051.47
Designated Gift	10,005.00	0.00	10,000.00	5.00
Social Ministry Projects	317.64	0.00	0.00	317.64
11:00 Adult Sunday School	10.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Chancel Flowers	(328.12)	1,612.26	1,568.50	(284.36)
Quilt Group	428.39	135.00	343.09	220.30
Youth Fund	11,363.07	6,269.85	0.00	17,632.92
Mission Trips	9,677.35	863.59	266.54	10,274.40
Bagel Café	0.00	2,287.48	2,287.48	0.00
Spark Teams	4,112.08	0.00	0.00	4,112.08
Senior High Pilgrimage	3,195.11	0.00	3,195.11	0.00
Camp Scholarships	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
Soderholm/Ruhl Youth Mission Fund	15,700.00	0.00	75.49	15,624.51
Holiday Memorials	1,118.54	779.33	812.50	1,085.37
Choir Camp	916.77	255.00	271.39	900.38
Audio/Visual Equipment	750.00	0.00	0.00	750.00
Special Appeal	30.00	0.00	0.00	30.00
Wedding	(75.00)	0.00	0.00	(75.00)
Building Use/Congregational Support	18,527.99	5,897.97	12,756.38	11,669.58
Music Ministry Fund	0.00	6,965.80	6,965.80	0.00
Capital Campaign	610.00	60.00	0.00	670.00
Property Capital Improvements	0.00	74,980.00	74,980.00	0.00
Schock Library Books/Resources	1,819.40	2,562.83	1,058.00	3,324.23
<b>Total Trinity Funds</b>	<b>\$79,479.84</b>	<b>\$102,894.11</b>	<b>\$114,826.48</b>	<b>\$67,547.47</b>
<b>Total Outreach &amp; Trinity Funds</b>	<b>\$83,433.09</b>	<b>\$122,439.61</b>	<b>\$134,830.86</b>	<b>\$71,041.84</b>

# Designated Funds Report

<b>Building Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	
Loan from Endowment Fund	(5307,469.56)
Income:	
Loan from Endowment Fund	(74,980.00)
Expense:	
Building Fund Contributions	43,221.91
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>(\$339,227.65)</u></u>

<b>Scholarship Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	\$4,214.27
Income	0.00
Expense:	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$4,214.27</u></u>

<b>Organ Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	\$24,586.91
Income	0.00
Expense:	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$24,586.91</u></u>

<b>Mission Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	\$47,000.00
Income	0.00
Expense:	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$47,000.00</u></u>

<b>P. Franck and Clara S. Schock Memorial Library Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019 (CD & Stock)	\$141,406.06
Income: Adjust stock value	4,164.60
Expense: Adjust stock value	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$145,570.66</u></u>

<b>Memorial Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	\$9,516.04
Income - Memorial Gifts	
Carl Billow	75.00
Dottie Heilig	175.00
Barb Klepper	2,305.00
Judy Scott	<u>25.00</u>
Total Income	2,580.00
Expense - Transfers	
Barb Klepper - Endowment Fund	<u>(2,305.00)</u>
Total Expense	(2,305.00)
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$9,791.04</u></u>

<b>Endowment Fund</b>	
Balance January 1, 2019	\$348,049.68
Income:	
Payment from Building Fund	43,221.91
Memorials	2,305.00
Expense:	
Loan to Building Fund	(74,980.00)
Balance December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$318,596.59</u></u>

## Trust Funds

Investments which donor(s) have established in trust through a commercial institution and in which Trinity receives interest income to be used for the total scope of the church's ministry. The principal amount invested in a "trust" is not available to Trinity.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>	<u>Trustee</u>
Elizabeth Everitt	\$978,126.00	Wells Fargo
<i>Trinity receives 3/4 of interest distribution</i>		
Franceanna Stoner	\$569,533.00	Wells Fargo
<i>Trinity receives 1/2 of interest distribution</i>		
Mr. & Mrs. Melvin K. Weaver	\$131,508.00	Security National Trust Company
John W. Dillinger	\$162,098.00	Security National Trust Company

## Endowment Funds

Investments which donor(s) have given to Trinity for the ongoing ministry of the church. At the January 27, 1980 Congregational Meeting, a policy was adopted regarding the gifts to Trinity: that monies received by Trinity from wills, bequests, memorials or honorariums which are not designated, shall be handled by the Church Council in the following ways:

- 1.) \$2,000 or above shall be placed in appropriate trust funds or bonds in memory of the deceased with income used to meet budget expense;
- 2.) Under \$2,000 shall be placed in the Memorial fund and used (at the discretion of Council) for appropriate memorials.

In April 1982, the amounts noted in 1.) and 2.) above were amended to \$1,000. Thus, the Endowment Fund grows as persons are memorialized at \$1,000 or more and as people name Trinity as a beneficiary in estate planning. The principal investment is managed by the Congregational Council and/or Investment Committee and a report is made to the Congregational in the Annual Report.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Value</u>
Doris Stekervetz Oberholtzer	164,272.55	Barb Klepper	2,305.00
Mr. & Mrs. William Batzel	78,000.00	Vernon Kinsey	2,205.00
Mr. & Mrs. George Keener	63,922.64	Samuel & Mary Jane Harnish	2,020.00
Peggy L. Mowrer	54,434.38	Clarence & Ann Hollinger	2,000.00
Viola S. Kilgore	38,225.00	Jeffrey Meckley, Jr.	1,970.00
Dorothy Schock	28,300.00	Jeffrey Brown	1,490.00
Rev. & Mrs. W. Lester Koder	24,025.00	Gerald Sheetz	1,470.00
Rudy Soderholm	20,000.00	Charles (Casey) Kraus, Jr.	1,365.00
Kathryn A. Peiffer	19,000.00	Charles Ruhl	1,345.00
Mr. & Mrs. George I. Rice	19,000.00	Gertrude Scheffler	1,295.00
Wilma Dommel	15,000.00	Ervin Weaver	1,210.00
Mr. & Mrs. Grant D. Gerberich	10,500.00	Luella Eshleman	1,176.75
Mildred O. Booth	10,000.00	Beulah Smith	1,135.00
Clyde E. Gerberich	10,000.00	Bruce Brown	1,100.00
Lena Parker	10,000.00	Clyde Brinser	1,035.00
Richard Heisey	5,050.00	Elizabeth Klumpp	1,027.92
Mary Feist	5,000.00	Nora Derr Aubel	1,000.00
Dale W. Garber	5,000.00	Mr. & Mrs. Howard Bortzfield	1,000.00
Eugene & Anna Garber	5,000.00	Anna G. Buohl	1,000.00
Jean Gerberich	5,000.00	Mrs. Marian A. (Bortzfield) Forry	1,000.00
Ragnar & Mary Hallgren	4,625.00	Elsie Lefever	1,000.00
Charles "Jack" Bennett	3,840.00	Levi Ricksecker	1,000.00
William Moyer	3,020.00	Marie Schaefer	1,000.00
Reba Sebelist	3,000.00	Pauline G. Smith	1,000.00
Jack & Helen Breneman	3,000.00	O. K. Snyder	1,000.00
Harold Schafer	2,700.00	Dorothy Wagner	1,000.00
Norman Z. Heisey	2,550.00	Catherine Waltz	1,000.00
Roy Steinmetz	2,550.00	Carol Yocum	1,000.00
Marie Carson	2,500.00	Theda Young	1,000.00
Katherine Neal	2,500.00		
Helen Kinsey	2,500.00		
		<b>Honorariums</b>	
		Rev. David E. Klepper, Jr.	5,000.00



## Bequest from Dorothy E. Schock

" I give and bequeath my bank stock of the Union National Financial Corporation (of the Union National Mount Joy Bank) to the Trinity Lutheran Church of Mount Joy for the establishment and maintenance of a memorial in honor of my parents, know as the P. Franck Schock and Clara S. Schock Memorial Library Fund."

In May 2011, Union National Community Bank merged with Province Bank to form Union Community Bank, a subsidiary of Donegal Group, Inc.

## P. Franck and Clara S. Schock Memorial Library Fund

(3,786 shares of Donegal Group Inc. stock and an \$89,500 certificate of deposit)

## Designated Funds

Memorial, Honorariums or Bequests received by Trinity Lutheran Church that are designated for a particular fund or project. These funds are expended in full or in part as needed in the specified fund or project. Due to space limitations, this list only includes donations made in the last 20 years. A full list is available in the church office.

Wilma Dommel .....	\$6,500.00	Rudy Soderholm (2014).....	\$20,000.00
Memorial from Florence Dommel for the purchase and installation of a new carillon.		Memorial gift from Jean Soderholm designated for Youth Mission Fund.	
Glenn Nelson (2000) .....	\$5,000.00	Mildred Hollinger (2014).....	\$101.00
Memorial gift from Jean Nelson and Family designated for the Stove Fund.		Memorial gifts designated for the Mission Fund	
Ray Sweigart (2000) .....	\$1,000.00	Ed Beardslee (2013-2016).....	\$5,000.00
Memorial gift from Lorraine Meashey designated for the Stove Fund.		Memorial gifts designated to the Music Ministry Fund	
G. F. Naugle (2000) .....	\$200.00	Paul Linard (2015).....	\$1,000.00
Memorial gift from Agnes Naugle designated for the Stove Fund.		Memorial gifts designated for Church Camp Scholarships and Music Ministry Fund	
Mamie Goss (2000) .....	\$100.00	Peter Koder (2016).....	\$1,000.00
Memorial gift from John and Mary Ellen Steffy designated for the Stove Fund.		Memorial gift designated for building renovations.	
Frank Young (2000) .....	\$4,550.00	Donald and Gladys Ney, Sr. (2016).....	\$15,000.00
Presented in celebration of Frank's 75th birthday by Frank and Dusty Young. Choir chimes were purchased.		Memorial gift from children and families designated for new landscaping plan.	
Casey and MaryAnn Kraus (2001) .....	\$740.00	Irvin and June Smith (2017).....	\$13,000.00
Presented by family and friends in celebration of Casey & MaryAnn's 50th wedding anniversary.		Memorial gift from Carol Miller for the purchase of a Boston grand piano for the sanctuary	
Ethel Ercolino (2011) .....	\$500.00	John Fetzeck (2017).....	\$1,328.00
Memorial gift of Delilah Keller designated for audio/visual equipment.		Memorial gifts given for groundskeeping and ELCA Good Gifts/Heifer Project	
Charles & Elinore Ruhl (2012).....	\$10,000.00	The Rev. and Mrs. Lester Koder (2017).....	\$1,000.00
Memorial gift from children designated for Audio/visual equipment & Youth Mission Fund.		Memorial gift from Grace Koder designated for Discretionary Needs.	
James B. Heilig (2013).....	\$1,110.00		
Memorial gifts designated for the Building Fund in memory of James B. Heilig.			

## Bequest from Kathryn Sauder

\$85,000 for Trinity's Organ Fund received in 1997

## Bequest from Ethel Good

\$50,000 received in 1998. "It is my wish that the gift to Trinity Lutheran Church be used in the Outreach Program of the Church. The principal is invested in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Mission Fund. This fund supports the development of the new ELCA congregations.

## Memorial Fund

Begun in September 1977, this fund is for the deposit of monies less than \$1,000 given in memory of persons. The fund is to be used by the Congregational Council "for appropriate Memorial Fund Expenses" (see policy under Endowment Funds).

Contributions and disbursements in this fund are reported annually and a record of persons memorialized, together with donors, is properly maintained. See Memorial Funds Financial Report for the current year receipts and disbursements.

**Deaths**

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Carl Billow  
 Ruth Billow  
 Susan Gipe  
 Sandra Jones  
 Julia Mowery  
 Joan Schierl  
 Judith Scott  
 Dorothy Sumpman  
 Pamela Wilson

**Confirmands**

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Kathryn Barraclough  
 Savannah Brosky  
 Drew Brouse  
 Scott Garcia  
 Owen Horvath  
 Sierra Houck  
 Caleb Miller  
 Isabelle Morrison  
 Andrew Myers  
 Kadia Stover  
 Gavin Tregae  
 Lily Troutman

**Losses**

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There were no losses

**New Members**

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Michael Baley  
 Elizabeth Baley  
 Debra Black  
 Savannah Brosky  
 Michael Cornman  
 Diane Glock-Cornman  
 Jesse Dinkel  
 Benjamin Gillian  
 Susan Gillian  
 Richard Graden  
 Carol Graden  
 Lauren Haggarty  
 Holden Haggarty  
 Trevor Hawkins  
 Bri Hawkins  
 Adelaide Hawkins  
 Isla Hawkins  
 Laura Kleindienst  
 Jason Lawrence  
 Sarah Lawrence  
 Stella Lawrence  
 Jameson Lawrence  
 Douglas Mason  
 Susan Mason  
 John Pepkowski  
 Wendy Pepkowski  
 Barbara Rosenberry  
 Christian Salisbury  
 Eleanore Salisbury  
 Christian Savastano  
 Melissa Woolfolk  
 Raymond Zahm

**Baptisms**

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Tea Booker  
 Oliver Brandyberry  
 Mason Cornman  
 Makayla Cox  
 Calvin DiPerri  
 Heston Haggarty  
 Avery Hoffmaster  
 Cameron Hoover  
 Brock Margargee  
 Simon Podesta  
 Christian Savastano  
 Adair Spangler

**First Communion**

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Alexandra Adams  
 Dani Alampi  
 Roxanne Cyr  
 Christian Datorre  
 Alana Ethridge  
 Cassandra Garcia  
 Noah Garcia  
 Leyna Jannotta  
 Joshua Kiesel  
 Julia Kiesel  
 Blake Witman  
 Emma Witman  
 Caden Woolfolk

**Marriages**

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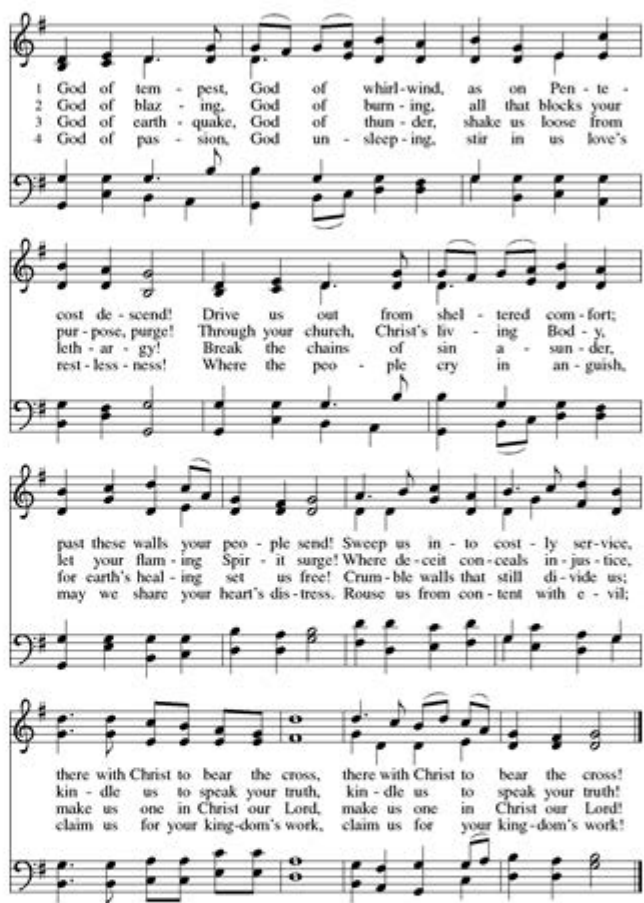
Clinton Blough and Lauren Houseal  
 Jesse Dinkel and Jessica Fultz  
 Benjamin Gillian and Susan Timko  
 Michael Houseal II and Sarah Mummau  
 Shawn Kaley and Kendra Olson  
 Richard Moore and Nery De Leon  
 Chad Sload and Sarah Saenen

Average Weekly Attendance:	298
Baptized Members:	965
Confirmed Members:	773
Communing Members:	786

# Litany

- L. Gathering together as God's people in this place, may we always be aware of your presence in our midst.
- C. Lord, may we always be aware of your presence.
- L. Knowing that the Word is our light, may we continue to grow in our scriptural and confessional understandings.
- C. Lord, may our minds continue to grow in your word.
- L. Recognizing that stepping out in faith is not easy, we ask that you give us strength, O Lord, to listen and be bold and daring.
- C. Lord, give us the patience to listen and the strength to be bold and daring.
- L. While we strive to know ourselves and your will for us, may we build our relationships with our brothers and sisters in Christ.
- C. Lord, help us to build faith-filled and healthy relationships with others.
- L. Recognizing that we are often the ones asking, "And who is my neighbor?" may we open our eyes, ears and hearts to all those in the community in which we live.
- C. Lord, may we always be open to those in the community in which we live.
- L. Recognizing the importance of Moses, the prophets and disciples, may we work together to accompany and raise up leaders for your church.
- C. Lord, may we have the insight, encouragement and skills to raise up courageous leaders.
- L. Recognizing the many gifts you have entrusted to us, may we use these gifts to do your work in the world today.
- C. Lord, may we use the gifts entrusted to us to do your work.

## God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -  
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your  
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from  
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;  
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,  
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,  
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,  
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,  
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;  
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!  
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!  
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!  
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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- L. Let us pray. As we strive to be your church of the present and the future, may we nurture a spirit of collaboration and solidarity. May we all be partners in sharing the gospel and believing in Jesus Christ crucified and risen for the life of the world.
- C. Amen.

# Beyond the Wall: Making All Things New



When have you discovered newness in life through Christ? Did you have to step out in faith to do so? Perhaps you had to let go of your will and accept God's will. This

is a major turning point in the faith journey of many people. There are examples in Scripture about Job (Job 29-30), Elijah (I Kings 19:4-14), Mary Magdalene (Luke 8:1-2) and the women at the tomb (Luke 23:55 – 24:5). Consider the story of the rich young man (Matthew 19:16-26, Mark 10:17-31, Luke 18:18-30). He approached Jesus with a simple question: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus replied, "Go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven." When the young man heard this, he was very sad and walked away, because he was very rich. Given the choice, he found it difficult to forsake wealth in this world for the promise of God and eternal life.

Sometimes there are barriers or walls that complicate trying something new or stepping out in faith. What walls or barriers have you encountered? Consider the story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10), who wanted to witness Jesus preaching but was too short to see past the crowd. After Zacchaeus climbed a tree, Jesus called out to him and invited himself to lunch in Zacchaeus' home. We know what Jesus said to Zacchaeus,

and he was a different person afterward. He had changed from wanting wealth and success in this world to desiring significance through a life of faith. When have you, or your congregation, chosen success over significance? Perhaps when using numbers or the size of your facilities as a measure. Moving toward significance usually means sacrificing success. In what areas of ministry is your congregation seeking significance today?

Stepping out in faith may be a personal choice for a short time but usually involves accompanying others. As members in the body of Christ, we are not called to meet our own needs alone. The Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) calls us to go beyond our barriers and bring the message of Jesus Christ to others. This helps us grow beyond a Christian enclave to become servants of Christ and a serving community. In what ways has your congregation moved from an enclave to a servant community?

Overcoming barriers and walls to make things new involves stepping out in faith. It means shaking loose from lethargy and moving out from sheltered comfort. In the process we break the chains of sin that hold us back and divide us from making us one in Christ. When we share in the distress of God's heart to do the kingdom's work, we are in tune with God's will, choosing significance over success and becoming a servant community. This is when we feel the vitality of our faith and the power of the Holy Spirit. May you experience this newness in Christ in and through your ministry.