



# TRINITY HIGHLIGHTS

May 2024

*The monthly newsletter of  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Greencastle, PA*

Family in Christ,

Ascension Day is upon us, and then Pentecost. These are key days in the life of the church. Ascension Day, because it falls during the week, we rarely celebrate, and yet, it is a day of meaning for the people of the faith and for the church. It is the day that our Lord Jesus, left the earth and took his seat at the right hand of God in heaven.

Pentecost is the day that the Holy Spirit was given to the church and all of the baptized. It is sometimes called the birthday of the church. The giving of the Spirit is important to us, because the Spirit is the one that “Calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth” (*Small Catechism*). It is through the Spirit that Jesus is present with us in our worship and is truly present in the bread and wine of communion.

We are not alone, so long as we believe that Jesus is present with us still. Ascended, and yet in the Spirit is present with us anyway. It is one of the mysteries of our faith.

With the coming of Pentecost, the season of Easter concludes, but Christ the crucified and risen one is with us still. Each Sunday is a resurrection day, a time to remember the one who gives us eternal life. A time to celebrate the precious gifts of God.

In Christ,

*Pastor Denise*





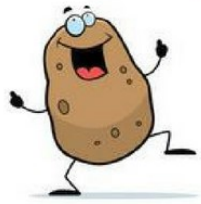
# MAY

# 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Potato Bar Workers 6PM Worship & Music 7PM Scout Mtg 7:30 PM	2	3  Den Mtg 6PM AA 7PM	4  Baked Potato Bar Dinner 4 - 7 PM
5 Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15 AM	6  AA 7PM	7  Bible Study 1PM	8  Bible & Brew 6PM Council 7PM	9 <i>Ascension Day</i>	10  AA 7PM	11
12 Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15 AM	13  AA 7PM	14  Bible Study 1PM	15	16	17  AA 7PM	18
19 <i>Pentecost</i> Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15 AM	20  AA 7PM	21  Bible Study 1PM	22	23	24  AA 7PM	25
26 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15 AM	27  AA 7PM	28  Bible Study 1PM	29	30	31  AA 7PM	

# May Worship Assistants

	MAY 5	MAY 12	MAY 19	MAY 26
Assisting Minister	Charlie Ford	Dave Wolfe	Don Swart	Scott Valentine
Communion Assistants	Rob Marsh Mary Thomas	Mary Thomas Sue Wunderlich	Carol Swart Darrell Swart	Wendy Hall Mary Thomas
Communion Cups	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas
Greeters	Norra Swart	Sue Wunderlich	Alan Shank	Sally Funk
Ushers	Norra Swart	Rob Marsh	Alan Shank	Donna Wolfe
Singer	Matt Cessna	Ella Swart	The Choir	Phyllis McCullough
IT Ministry	IT Team	IT Team	IT Team	IT Team
Communion Preparers	Donna Wolfe Sue Wunderlich	Charlie and Beth Ford	Don and Carol Swart	Donna Wolfe Sue Wunderlich



## ALL YOU CAN EAT!

### Baked Potato and Salad Bar

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**  
**4:00 - 7:00 PM**

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle**

#### MENU

**Baked Potato Bar with Toppings**  
**Salad Bar, Rolls, Beverage**  
**Dessert**

**Cost: Donation**  
**Benefit: Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Building Fund**

**TELL YOUR FRIENDS!**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



## BIBLE AND BREW

*Bible and Brew* will be meeting on Wednesday, May 8th at B Sides Pizza and Brew on 104 East Baltimore St., Greencastle at 6 PM. Please contact Rachele Gehr or Dave Wolfe at (717) 371-9919 or (717) 658-1538 if you are planning on attending so that we can notify B Sides ahead of time.

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



*"As our numbers continue to increase, we continue to be thankful for your continued support. You are truly a blessing to us and those in our community who need food."* Please bring the assigned item when you come to worship to place in the box in the Narthex or to the church on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings.

May 5 - Brownie Mixes  
May 12 - Toilet Paper  
May 19 - Canned Soup  
May 26 - Cereal

**COMMUNITY**  
**BLOOD DRIVE** **TRINITY'S FIRST BLOOD DRIVE**

We ended up with a total of 13 donors and from them we were able to collect 11 pints of blood. This collection will help us save the lives of up to 33 local patients! With every pint we collect, we are able to separate the pint into 3 components; platelets, red blood cells, and plasma. Each component can essentially be used in 3 different patients depending on the patient's needs. This is where we get the 33 lives saved.

It was a first attempt for us with Central PA Blood Bank. As well, they are new to this area and still building a client base, so this was a good first try.

Thanks to everyone who helped that day!



**GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED**

Please help us to recognize the graduates in your family. We will be honoring graduates on Sunday, June 2 during worship. If you have a family member that is graduating and you would like them remembered in the prayers, please fill out the form which is available on the table in the Lobby, contact the Church Office at 717-597-9348 or email us at [tlcsecoffice@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecoffice@gmail.com). We need the information by Sunday, May 26.

**MAY SPECIAL APPEAL**

The Special Appeal for May is Spiritrust Lutheran Hospice. Most of us know of someone who has been cared for by the staff of Spiritrust Lutheran Hospice. The Hospice team is dedicated to caring for those living with a terminal illness and their families. They assist by managing pain and symptoms, providing support to the family, providing education on what to expect and teaching care giving techniques. They also provide grief support programs in our community. More information about the services of Hospice can be found in the brochures located in the rack by the office door. If you desire to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelope for "Special Appeal".



**WORSHIP SCREENS**

We are still in the process of discerning what program to use in projecting worship on the screen. We are awaiting proposals. If you have computer knowledge and would like to serve on the committee, please speak with Beth Ford or Darrell Swart.



**SPIRITRUST LUTHERAN AUXILIARY**

The annual Spiritrust Lutheran Chambersburg Auxiliary membership drive will take place during the month of May. Anyone can join with a minimum contribution of \$1.00. Your support allows the Auxiliary to continue to make generous contributions to Spiritrust Lutheran, The Village at Luther Ridge, including donations to the Inn Endowment Fund and Homecare & Hospice Endowment Fund. These funds are essential to providing continued benevolent care.

If you would like to join the Auxiliary or need more information, please contact Sue Snyder. Checks should be made payable to "Spiritrust Lutheran Auxiliary".



**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL 2024**

Members of the Congregational Council for 2024 will be installed during the worship service on January 7. They were elected at the Congregational Meeting in December. Council officers will be elected at the January 10, 2024 meeting.

- Members for 2024 are:
- Darrell Swart - President
  - Matt Cessna - Vice President
  - Beth Ford - Secretary
  - Wendy Hall
  - Sue Snyder
  - Mary Thomas
  - Robin Witmer-Kline

- Non-Voting Members:
- Pam Arnold - Financial Secretary
  - Carol Swart - Treasurer

