

Trinity Trumpet

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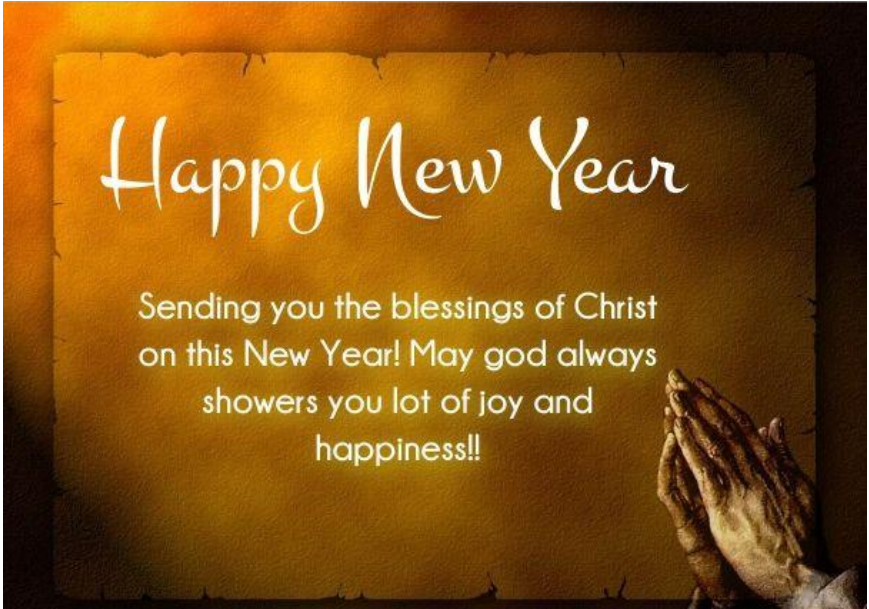
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Grant us, O God, to know what is worth knowing. To Love what is worth Loving, to praise what delights you the most, to value what is precious in your sight, to hate what is offensive to you. Don't let us judge by what we see, nor pass sentence according to what we hear, but to judge rightly between things that differ, and above all to search out and to do what pleases you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Pastor Dave Creamer

“Thoughts from your Student Minister on the New Year”?

“New year’s” are just like any beginning. There is excitement for what will be new. Relief that what was is behind us is now the past. As humans it is an important part of our lives to be refreshed. As Christians we need to make sure that all these feelings and emotions can be centered on our First Commandment, To Love our God with all that we are. Whether we are excited for what is a fresh start or relieved that what is past is done and over, we need to pray for guidance and want the Spirit to give us clarity.

Pastor Dave Creamer

Just Plain Ponderings by Your Consistory President

Thanksgiving and Christmas season always bring love, joy hope and peace. Time to reflect on how we have been blessed in our lives and all we have to look forward to through the birth of Jesus.

The Trinity Family is truly blessed to have so many disciples willing to give of themselves to make each and every moment special. God has given each of us our own unique talents to be shared with others in our families and beyond. As we celebrate the talents of the outgoing consistory members and their service to the church. We also welcome and look forward to the incoming class and the talents they bring to the body of Christ. Additionally, we are blessed to have a special group of young people to bring joy and life to our Trinity Family, allowing us to nurture and mentor them through their faith journey to discipleship. We are blessed with a very caring family of members who serve God by sharing his love with others through cards, food, calls, visits, and rides...

We have also been blessed with a very caring Student Pastor Creamer, and the opportunity to walk with him through his calling to ministry. God has also blessed us with two eyes, two ears, two nostrils, two hands, two feet, and only one mouth! Perhaps he wants us to look, listen, smell, work, run, twice as much as talk!

Let’s ponder that thought for a while!

I hope you had a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Tom Croner



Consistory Corner

Trinity United Church of Christ November 11, 2024

Attendance

X Leanna Coughenour (Asst. Secretary)	X Ann Slifco
X Gale Hay	X Tom Croner (President)
X Rus Ogburn (Vice President)	X Amanda Custer
X Sheron Engleka (Secretary)	X Julie Petro
A Jim Darr (Treasurer)	X Pam Bush (Asst. Treasurer)
X Jean Hart	X Bill Landis
X Dave Creamer	

President Tom Croner called the regular meeting of Trinity United Church of Christ Consistory to order at 7:00pm. Dave Creamer offered prayer.

Minutes for October meeting

Minutes for the October 14, 2024, meeting was sent to the consistory members electronically before the November meeting. There was a correction to the September minutes as follows: Dave Creamer has entered into the same agreement with Unity UCC to be a quarter pastor for 10-13 hours per week (not minutes).

A motion was made by Rus Ogburn, seconded by Leanna Coughenour to approve the October 14th minutes with the correction to the September minutes. **Motion approved.**

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was given to the consistory prior to the meeting for review. No Corrections were made. A motion was made by Rus Ogburn, seconded by Jean Hart to accept the report for audit review. **Motion approved.** Several requests have been made by various organizations. It was decided to research the amounts given in previous years and make decisions at our next consistory meeting.

Student Minister's Report

Dave Creamer reported that he attended the Christian Education meeting on Thursday, November 7th. Some subjects that were talked about was Confirmation, Care Committee, Glade One-Room Schoolhouse open house on December 15th.

Standing Committees Reports

- a. **Christian Education** – Leanna Coughenour reported that the Children's Christmas program will be on Sunday, December 15. Jean Hart and Amy Clark and the children are working on this program. The Hanging of the Greens will be during Sunday school on December 1st. A motion was made by Ann Slifco, seconded by Gale Hay to purchase another quarter of pamphlets for the Sunday school children. **Motion approved.**
- b. **Fellowship and Funeral** – Jean Hart reported that they had the Funeral dinner for Betty Strasser. A motion was made by Rus Ogburn, seconded by Amanda Custer to put a garbage disposal unit in the kitchen sink at the church. **Motion approved.**
- c. **Hugs and Kisses** – Amanda Custer reported that the Hugs and Kisses had a pumpkin carving event with the Lutheran Church youth at the Lutheran Church, The Candy Bingo was held at our church with our congregation and the Lutheran youth. There were approximately 45 in attendance and a great time was

had by all. There was a clean-up day at the IOOF cemetery. Future activities will be planned at their next meeting.

- d. Property – It was reported that they will check the boiler and the walkway to make sure all is well when the weather gets cold due to any possible damage from the storm before the insurance claim can be closed.
- e. Music – Ann Slifco reported that the bells had been cleaned and repaired.
- f. Sound – It was reported that the new projector is in and is to be installed this week. Additional training will be needed for the new system.

Special Committees' Reports

- a. Christmas Decorations – Ann reported that the tree will be going up on Thursday, November 21st. The colors this year will be pink and purple.
- b. Search – Annual evaluations and review of the contract for the Student Pastor should be performed by the Pastor and personnel committee. A motion was made by Gale Hay, seconded by Bill Landis that the Pastor and personnel committee would be responsible for the annual evaluation and review. **Motion approved.**

Coordinator Reports

- a. Association and Conference – Tom Croner reported that it was voted on to have all the conferences merge into one – Keystone Conference.
- b. Chancel Flowers – It was reported that some of the inserts that hold the flowers are cracked and the

flowers do not have enough water to keep them correctly. Pam will check with the florist.

- c. Member Information update – Pam Bush reported that all of the information received has been updated by Jean Ann. It was reported that some people are not receiving the one call announcements. This will be looked into. Any one not receiving the calls please let the church office know if you are not receiving the one call and/ or would like to be on the one call list.
- d. Living Waters - Gale Hay reported that there is going to be a Youth Rally on December 6 – 8 at Camp Living Waters. A motion was made by Ann Slifco, seconded by Julie Petro to pay for any youth who wants to attend the Youth Rally at the camp. **Motion approved.**

Old Business

Amanda Custer reported that the signs for the handicap, the new lines that were painted on the parking lot, the new coating on the parking lot and the new kitchen faucet/ sprayer are all items to help make our church ADA compliant.

New Business

It was reported that a quote was received from Etris Outdoor Service to take care of the churches sidewalk and put ice melt on when needed. A motion was made by Pam Bush, seconded by Rus Ogburn to have Etris Outdoor Service clean off the sidewalk and put ice melt on when needed. **Motion approved.**

It was reported that the following members have agreed to be on the 2025-2027 Consistory:

Elder – Allison Zimmerman
Deacon – Lori Gindlesperger
Deacon – Jeanne Hillegas
Deacon – Allen Strasser

A motion was made by Bill Landis, seconded by Pam Bush to accept the above nominations and to present them to the congregation . **Motion approved.**

A thank you for our donation was given to our church from the Bethlehem Experience

Opening prayer rotation for the December 9th meeting will be Bill Landis.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jean Hart, seconded by Pam Bush. **Motion approved.**

The next meeting of the Consistory will be **December 9, 2024 at 7:00pm.**

Respectfully submitted
Sheron Engleka, Secretary

**Trinity United Church of Christ
December 9, 2024**

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A Rus Ogburn (Vice President)	X Amanda Custer
X Sheron Engleka (Secretary)	X Julie Petro
X Jim Darr (Treasurer)	X Pam Bush (Asst. Treasurer)
X Jean Hart	X Bill Landis
X Dave Creamer	X Allison Zimmerman
X Jeanne Hillegas	X Lori Gindlesperger
X Allen Strasser	X Renee Gindlesperger

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Minutes for November meeting

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Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was given to the consistory prior to the meeting for review. No corrections were made. A motion was made by Sheron Engleka, seconded by Julie Petro to accept the report for audit review. **Motion approved.** Renee Gindlesperger, Financial Secretary attended the meeting to inform the consistory the amounts of donations given in prior years for requests that have been received recently. A motion was made by Jim Darr, seconded by Bill Landis to take any remaining funds needed to cover the budgeted amount for Benevolence not received in our offering envelopes by the end of 2024 from the Bequest Fund or the Margaret Fisher Fund. **Motion approved.** A motion was made by Julie Petro, seconded by Amanda Custer to pay up to \$300.00 for the balance needed for shipping of the Operation Christmas Child boxes. We packed a total of 178 boxes and it costs \$10.00 per box to ship. Monies for this project are still coming in so the total amount needed might be less. A motion was made by Pam Bush, seconded by Gale Hay to donate \$150.00 to The Human Society of Somerset. **Motion approved.** A motion was made by Amanda Custer, seconded by Leanna Coughenour to donate \$150.00 to the Berlin Lion's Club. **Motion approved.** A motion was made by Bill Landis, seconded by Julie Petro to donate \$250.00 to the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department. **Motion approved.** A motion was made by Jim Darr, seconded by Julie Petro to donate \$50.00 to the Berlin Bervalon. **Motion approved.** A motion was made by Sheron Engleka, seconded by Jean Hart to donate \$250 to the Children's Aid Home Program of Somerset. **Motion approved.**

Student Minister Report

Dave Creamer reported that he had a brief funeral for the family of Adeline Vieregge. A memorial service for Adeline will be held in

2025. Dave reported that he attended the Somerset Association meeting .

Standing Committees Reports

- a. Christian Education – Leanna Coughenour reported that the Hanging of the greens in the Social room during Sunday School was attended by approximately 30 people. Good food was enjoyed along with the children enjoyed decorating the tree in the social room.
- b. Hugs and Kisses – Amanda Custer reported that the Children’s Christmas Play Program will be on Sunday, December 15th. Glade One Room Schoolhouse Historic Christmas Tours will also be on December 15th. A game night is being planned for January 12, 2025, at 6:00pm. Bring your favorite family board game and snack/drink to share. A brunch is being planned for after church on February 16, 2025. For those who wish to attend the Winter Jam at the Brice Jordan Center on March 8, 2025, the cost will be \$15.00 and is to be paid at the door of the Bryce Jordan Center.
- c. Property - Jim Darr reported that a programmable thermostat was installed in the parsonage. He also reported that the property committee did not do the renovations that the congregation approved to the parsonage. Since our Student Pastor is not in need of a parsonage some decisions will need to be made if the congregation would be interested in renting the parsonage. If so, the carpets will need to be cleaned and some painting would need to be done. A motion was made by Jim Darr, seconded by Bill Landis to do the above with approval of the congregation. A congregational meeting will be called after the holidays.

- d. Sound – Pam Bush reported that they are still having to work out some problems with the sound system and broadcasting.

Special Committees' Reports

- a. Trinity Ladies – Julie Petro reported that they would be wrapping presents on Monday, December 16th, for the Adopt a Family gifts
- b. Christmas Decorations – The Christmas Decorating committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the Christmas decorating and putting up the tree.

Old Business

Dave Creamer reported that we would start to organize a Care Committee next year.

Pam Bush will put an announcement in the bulletins about the one call list. – If you are not receiving the calls and or would like to be put on the one call list, please contact the church office.

New Business

Tom Croner thanked the Elder and Deacons that are going off the consistory at the end of 2024 for their service to the church the last three years: Rus Ogburn, Leanna Coughenour, Ann Slifco, and Gale Hay.

Election of officers followed.

Dave Creamer took over the meeting until a President was elected. A motion was made by Jim Darr, seconded by Julie Petro to nominate Tom Croner President. **Motion approved.**

Tom Croner took over the meeting as the President. A motion was made by Julie Petro, seconded by Jeanne Hillegas to nominate Bill Landis, Vice President. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made by Pam Bush, seconded by Amanda Custer to nominate Sheron Engleka, Secretary. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made by Jim Darr, seconded by Allen Strasser to nominate Jeanne Hillegas , Asst. Secretary. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made by Pam Bush, seconded by Amanda Custer to nominate Jim Darr, Treasurer. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made by Sheron Engleka, seconded by Jim Darr to nominate Pam Bush, Asst. Treasurer. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made by Julie Petro, seconded by Jean Hart to adjourn the meeting. **Motion approved.**

The next meeting of the Consistory will be **Monday, January 13, 2025 at 7:00pm.**

Respectfully submitted
Sheron Engleka, Secretary

TUCC Congregational Meeting Minutes December 1, 2024

The annual congregational meeting was held Sunday, December 1, 2024, after worship. The meeting was called to order by President Tom Croner. Tom Croner offered the prayer. Minutes from the last congregational meeting held on Sunday, September 29, 2024 were sent to the members in the November/December 2024 Trinity Trumpet. There were no corrections to the minutes. A motion was made by Bob Brown, seconded by Lori Gindlesperger to approve the Congregational meeting minutes of September 29, 2024. **Motion approved.**

Tom Croner presented the budget for 2025. A written version of the budget was passed out to members present. A motion was made by Ann Slifco, seconded by Gaye Maust to approve the 2025 budget as presented. **Motion approved.**

Tom Croner presented the slate of members to serve on the 2025-2027 Consistory as follows: Elder – Allison Zimmerman,

Deacon – Lori Gindlesperger, Deacon – Jeanne Hillegas,
 Deacon – Allen Strasser. There were no additional nominations
 presented to the congregation. A motion to close the nominations
 was made by Bob Brown, seconded by Renee Gindlesperger.
Motion approved. A motion was made by Chris King, seconded
 by Kathy Spangler to approve the nominations for Elder and
 Deacons for the 2025-2027 Consistory. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Tom Calvert, seconded by Gaye Maust to
 adjourn the congregational meeting. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
 Sheron Engleka, Secretary

Next Congregational Meeting: January 12, 2025 Following Worship

October - November



2024

	CURRENT	MAINT.	BENEVOLENCE
Beg. Balance	\$165,616.13	\$33,361.41	\$0.00
Receipts	\$19,096.01	\$2,064.00	\$4,571.89
Distributions	\$14,480.08	\$1,808.76	\$1,212.19
Ending Balance	\$170,232.06	\$33,616.65	\$3,359.70

Benevolence Distributions: Berlin Food Pantry (Individual Donations) – \$415; Disaster Relief - \$250; Knotty Knotters - \$50; Camp Living Waters - \$50; Operation Christmas Child - \$322.19; Pastor's Discretionary Fund - \$125;

Memorials Through 12/9/2024

Gifts were given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Betty Stasser.

Gifts were given to the Music Fund in memory of Betty Strasser.

Gifts were given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Adeline Vieregge.

--Jim Darr, Treasurer



Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for the Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Barb Berkley, Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Mary Jane Harding, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Debbi Luteri, Lois Saylor, Ruth Elaine Whitacre.

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Jim Benoit, Paige Boyer, Father Elijah Bremer, Rhonda Brown, Ray Coleman,

Tammy Coughenour, Wilma Durst, Reon Engleka,
Paul Gallick, Nancy Gindlesperger,
Marlene Gotchen, Karen Griffith,
Andrea (Shaulis) Harris, Joe Harris, Michael Harris,
Joy Hay (Dwayne), Larry Hay, Cindy McCullen Janicki,
Peter Kaltenbaugh, Barry Landis, Brenda & Larry Leister,
Jim Little, Judy McCullen, Larry McCullen, Cathy Meyers,
Joyce Miller, Laura Miller, Robert "Lee" Miller, Walter Miller,
Carl (Edison) Paul, Kathy Picking, Brian Robb, James Robb,
Brett Sarver, Tammie Saylor, Nancy Schrock, Curt Shaulis,
JoAnne Smith, Phyllis Stoy, Brooke Stutzman, Larry Tinkey, Robin
Walker, Nancy Weighley, Rick Work, Allison Zimmerman,
Gerald Zorn

Please Update

Please let the office know of the status of anyone you have placed
on the Prayer List.

Hospice Volunteers Needed

Hospice volunteers come from all ages and walks of life, with an extraordinary love and compassionate concern for others. They contribute to the overall well-being of our patients, families, and UPMC Family Hospice team members. Volunteers help Family Hospice and those we serve in many ways.

- Patient/family companionship
- Bereavement support
- Pet assisted visits
- Clerical
- Share musical talents
- Barber and hair stylist

All volunteers receive free training and orientation. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer with Family Hospice, call Daun, volunteer & bereavement coordinator at 814-515-6056.

Worship Assistants

January 5

Sound: Jim Darr, Pam Bush
Organ: Jean Ann Darr
Flowers: Barb Berkley
Bulletin: Craig & Amanda Stiffler
Ushers: Ann Slifco, Chris King
Acolyte: Vesper and Truitt Ogburn

January 12

Sound: TBD
Organ: Ann Slifco
Flowers: Richard Croner Family
Ushers: Jason and Amy Clark
Acolyte: Cora and Lucy Wright

January 19

Sound: TBD
Organ: Nancy Bittner
Flowers: Larry McCullen
Ushers: Leanna Coughenour, Bill Landis
Acolyte: Matt and Kaitlyn Miller

January 26

Sound: TBD
Organ: Amanda Custer
Flowers: Bill, Ann and Willie Slifco
Ushers: Lori Gindlesperger, Jim Walker
Acolyte: Nathan Spangler

February 2

Sound: TBD
Organ: Ann Slifco
Flowers: Mike Fogle
Ushers: Ken Miller, Leonard Gary

Acolyte: Matt and Kaitlyn Miller

February 9

Sound: TBD

Organ: Amy Clark

Flowers: Russ and Jeanne Hillegas

Ushers: Jeanne Hillegas, Allen Strasser

Acolyte: Cohen Clark, Liz Hart

February 16

Sound: TBD

Organ: Nancy Bittner

Flowers: Bob and Colleen Glotfelty

Special Flowers: Anonymous

Bulletin: Anonymous

Ushers: Julie Petro, Pam Bush

Acolyte: Vesper and Truitt Ogburn

February 23

Sound: TBD

Organ: Jean Ann Darr

Flowers: Larry and Judy McCullen

Bulletin: Craig & Amanda Stiffler

Ushers: Tom Croner, Amanada Custer

Acolyte: Cora and Lucy Wright

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Dave Creamer, Student Pastor

Church Secretary: Pam Bush & Jean Ann Darr

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

Virtual Organist: Rick Kimmel

Consistory Elders:

Sheron Engleka, Secretary, 814-267-4166

Jim Darr, Treasurer, 814-267-5260

Allison Zimmerman, 814-267-4324

Consistory Deacons:

Pam Bush, Tom Croner (President) 814-442-6740, Amanda Custer, Lori Gindlesperger, Jean Hart, Jeanne Hillegas, Bill Landis, Julie Petro, Allen Strasser

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Reflections From a Church

Here a community gathered and in between
a place of certainty and comfort in a world that is not solid.

A source of faith often tested and affirmed.

Here, children dangled their legs from pews,
wondering when playtime would come again,
trading glances with other children dressed in Sunday best.

Here, women grew friendships for a lifetime
over quilting bees, Bible studies and bake sales.

While men huddled in conversation on the lawn.

Here couples vowed to love one another 'til death.

Promising to lean on one another in times of challenge
and celebrate together in times of joy.

Here, parents brought their babies to be blessed
pledging to return to this place of faith and community
joining a family larger than their own.

Here, families said goodbye to their beloved.

Remembering the way, they spoke or laughed or loved the ocean,
wishing them well on their journey after life.

Here, time passed, doors opening and closing,
one generation slipping into another.

Fewer footsteps on this floor, then none.

Here, two see a home build out of love,
a way to honor what has been and what will be,
a place where they can make their own and share.

Here neighbors come to see the place
they knew back when and know again
sharing tea and stories throughout the hours.

Here, friends meet over food and drink,
a place to laugh and talk – no thought of time.
Leaning into comfort, finding a home.

Trinity has had a year of laughter, tears, fellowship, learning, loving, giving and praying. We are blessed to have a group of people who believe in the Father, Son, the Holy Spirit and each other. We are indeed a church “family”. Looking forward to continuing wonderful things in 2025. Wishing you all peace, health and happiness.

Confirmation

Each time we baptize a child we commit ourselves to the process of caring for that baby’s spiritual education. As a congregation we say together that as the child is raised in the church we will provide for its guidance. Sunday School and Vacation Bible School are critical foundations in this education. Building these foundations in a child gives the Holy Spirit a place to use as roots, letting us grow as Christians.

The Confirmation process is an important step in our development. In no way taking the place of Sunday School but building on the foundations placed there, we can look closer at the Bible, explore our personal relationship with God, better understand the place we each have in this world.

My agreement with the Church is to provide this along with my time at the Pulpit, Funerals, and Weddings. Instructing Confirmation is what created in me my personal relationship with God. I think it is a very critical component of my job as your Pastor.

Considering that, I don’t have a traditional approach. I think some “Lecture” time is required, but taking our kids to see and experience different services will help them understand what we do better, what makes us who we are. I feel strongly that applying Faith, putting your hands to work on it, is the best way to learn.

Confirmation should include Mission, Service, and Practice.

As a parent, I understand how busy we are. I understand how busy kids are. I think Confirmation should start when you are in 5th or 6th grade and end in 10th or 11th. For example, If you’re busy playing Football in the Fall and miss sessions, then you get to have more than one year to get all the opportunities and

experiences. Doing it this way requires me to manage and organize classes and opportunities in a way that they don't happen at the same time year after year, but I think it is worth trying that to get a better experience for our confirmands.

Look for further announcements in the weekly Bulletin, and a parent meeting in February.

Pastor Dave Creamer

Sunday School

Who is God?

A true, intimate relationship with God is not based on our own ideas about what God is like. If we really desire to know God, we must approach Him based on the knowledge of who He reveals Himself to be in His Word. Join Dr. Steven J. Lawson in this in-depth study as he articulates a biblical understanding of fifteen divine attributes and explores how a right understanding of God can affect every aspect of our lives. This 16-week adult Sunday School series will begin on December 22nd and be led by Sue Coughenour.

The Souper Bowl Competition is underway. There will be two winners again this year, so we will have to be on our game and regain our #1 spot as we lost it last year. The four quarters of the competition will be the four Sundays in January and the two Sundays in February before the actual Super Bowl. If making monetary donations, please mark your envelope "Souper Bowl" and make your check payable to Trinity UCC.

Meals on Wheels of Somerset County needs volunteers to deliver meals in Berlin and the surrounding area on Mondays. If you would be interested and want more information, contact Meals on Wheels at 814-443-2787 or Rose Shaffer, Berlin driver coordinator, at 814-267-5310.

Hugs & Kisses

Sunday, January 12th - 6:00 p.m. Game Night. Bring your favorite family board games and a snack/drink to share. This is for ALL ages so come join in on the fun!

February 16th- Hugs and Kisses would like to host a brunch after church. This will be a potluck for everyone. There will be a sign up at the entrance. Come and fellowship with us! (There will be no Sunday School on this date)

Trinity Bells

After providing us with a couple of simply wonderful performances, Trinity Bells will take a small break and resume rehearsals on January 29th. Thank you all, you are truly a blessing.

Join Holy Trinity for a Chili Cook Off!

And stay for an afternoon of Board Game Fun! We're looking for some great cooks to share with us your favorite chili recipe. (Other soups will be available). January 19th, after 10:40 a.m. service. Bring your own games to enjoy! Free Will offering for the "Souper" Bowl Food Pantry. To sign up to be a chef or for more information, contact Lacey at 814-233-8195.

Garrett Christian Community Church Choir and Friends will present their annual Christmas cantata, "Mary Did You Know?" on Sunday evening, January 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at their church at 800 Walker St., Garrett. There will be candle lighting and a time of fellowship will conclude the evening.

Sight and Sound - Noah

There are 11 tickets available for the Trip to Sight and Sound. The date is June 26th, 2025. The current price is Adults \$184 and children 12 and younger \$132. Final Price will be less after a fundraiser in January. Cost includes the bus, dinner, and the show. If you are interested in attending contact Vanessa Gardner, vgard59@gmail.com, reach out on Unity UCC's Facebook, or talk to Pastor Dave (cell 814-777-2280)

We would love your input!

We encourage you to send in information for “our” newsletter. Stories, news, blessings, anything that brings us together as one. Consider it somewhat a “Letter to the Editor”. We are also open to suggestions as to what you would like to see in the newsletter.

Pastoral Care: For those in need of pastoral care please contact Tom Croner President of Consistory at 814-442-6740, who will arrange for a pastor to provide comfort and assurance in a time of crisis. If you need **immediate** pastoral care, contact Dave Creamer, Student Pastor for Trinity at 814-777-2280. If Dave is not available, please contact Jay Shaffer at 814-483-0398.

New Year House Cleaning at The Parsonage

We would like to clean out the Parsonage “heated” Garage by having a “Free Will Donation” on the following items.



**Complete dining room set.
Hutch lower part 53” wide x 18” deep x 31” high
Upper part 53” wide x 18” deep x 54” high**

Cherrywood Queen Bedroom Set



Miscellaneous Items:



Wooden Desk, Chair, Office Chair, Exercise Bike, 20" Gas Powered Lawnmower and Gas BBQ

Please contact the church office or any member of Consistory if you are interested in any of these items.