**Trinity United Church of Christ**



***May 2022***

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***Worship: 8am & 10:15am***

**May 1: Communion**

**Message:** “Change is Possible” Acts 9: 1-19

**May 8: Festival of the Christian Home**

**Message:** “Breaking Chains” Acts 16: 16-34

**May 15: Confirmation Presentation Sunday**

Bible lessons, songs and Faith Presentations

**May 22: High School Graduation Recognition**

**Message:** “Good Work among You”

**May 29: Memorial Weekend**

**Message:** “Encouragement in Christ”

 Philippians 2: 1-13

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**Communion: Please pick up your communion wafer & cup as you enter the sanctuary.**

**Offering: Please place your gifts in the offering box or plate as you enter or leave worship.**

***Contact Information***

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***(Corner of Clay & 8th Street)***

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**Office Hours: Monday – Thursday**

**9am – 1pm & 2pm - 3pm**

***Website:*** *htps://www.trinityjasperucc.org*

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***Pastor:***Rev. Jane Hillman

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**May Monthly Calendar**

**SU 1** 9:45 am Gather & Sing

**M 2** 6:00 pm Property Team

**T 3** 7:00 pm Outreach Team

**SU 8** 9:45 am Gather & Sing

**S 14** *Parish Hall reserved*

**SU 15** *Confirmation Presentation Sunday*

 2:00 pm *Parish Hall reserved*

**T 17** The last day for Trinity Tree House

 2-day class

**W 18** 9:15 amTTH Graduation

10:30 am UCC Clergy

 6:00 pm Church Council

 7:00 pm AA

**SU 22** *High School* *Graduation Sunday*

9:00 am Men’s Fellowship

**M 23** *Newsletter Articles Due*

**TH 26** *Newsletter Sent*

**M 30** *Office Closed!*

***The church office is closed every Friday!***

**May Weekly Calendar**

**Circle of Concern –** Fridays @ 7:00 am

 No COC on Friday, May 27th

**Music Together –** Mondays & Saturdays

 @ 9:30 am

 No MT on Saturday, May 28 or Monday, May 30th

**AA –** Wednesdays & Fridays @ 7:00 pm

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***PJ’s Ponderings…*  May 2022**

*Do more than exist* … **Live!**  *Do more than touch* **… Feel!**

*Do more than look*… **Observe!** *Do more than read…* **Absorb!**

*Do more than hear****…* Listen!** *Do more than be kind****…* Love!**

*Do more than listen****…* Understand!** *Do more than think****…* Ponder!**

*Do more than live****…* Celebrate!** *Do more than be thankful****… Worship*!**

*Do more than speak about Jesus****…* Act!** *Do more than talk about Jesus****…* Witness!**

*~ Wesley Taylor*

When God is at the center of our life, we are able to do more than exist. With God, we are able to do more than just “live” through another day or make it to the weekend. With God, life can be richer, fuller, and more meaningful. Life becomes abundant with God.

Every day is a gift from God that is to be celebrated. All that we are and all we ever hope to be comes from God. What does the Lord require in return? We are called to bear witness to God in our lives. Thus, on May 15, our five Confirmands will give their Faith Presentations. You will not want to miss these powerful testimonies of how God acts and shapes our young people. The worship is filled with praise music, prayers and words of faith. Please come and support these young people; you will be blessed! *~ Grace & Peace, Pastor*

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**Confirmation Presentation Sunday – May 15** (*Both Services)*

The Confirmation Class has written the **service for May 15,** including all the prayers. They selected a variety of music for all of us to sing, prepared a class creed and their individual Faith Presentations.

**Confirmands**: Lillie Campbell, Parker Jahn, Madison Mauck

Addie Schnarr, Mya Uebelhor



**Easter Blessings…**

* Thank you to the **Women’s Guild and Men’s Fellowship** for hosting Easter breakfast; thank you to all who donated food and attended.
* Thank you to those of all ages who shared their **gift of music** on Easter.
* Thank you to those who **donated flowers** and **Lelani Wittwer & crew** for arranging them.
* Thank you to our **Worship Team** for bringing Easter alive in our sanctuary.
* Thank you to all those who attended and/or participated in **the Confirmation Conversation**; your sharing of your faith was a blessing.
* Let us give thanks for the **new Christ Candle** in memory of Hugh Mattingly.

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**Jack Astrike** *Northwood Retirement Community, Assisted Living*

 *400 Pleasant View, Apt. # 1, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-634-7920)*

**Norma Blackgrave** *St. Charles Health Campus, Rm. # 103*

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**Eloise Breidenbaugh** *Northwood Retirement Community, Rm. # 504*

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**Others to keep in thought and prayer…**

* **Shirlene Dreher, David Fischer, Janice Sunderman, and Brian & Sandy Ferrell.**
* **Lelani Wittwer and family for the loss of Lelani’s brother.**



**Pray without ceasing…**

* Pray for the **people of Ukraine and give thanks for all who are welcoming refugees.**
* **Pray for ALL in need of healing;** may God grant them strength and patience.
* Pray giving thanks that the **Covid-19 numbers continue to fall**, remembering that there are still those who are losing their lives. We give **thanks for our health care workers!**
* Pray for those **impacted by** the **devastations from wind, fire & water.**
* Pray for those **killed by senseless violence** in various places in our country.
* Pray for our **military, first responders and those in law enforcement.**

**How do I pray for the Ukraine war?**

1. Ask to see God's glory amid great struggle. ...
2. Pray for God's peace to be a source of strength. ...
3. Pray for God's protection & comfort. ...
4. Ask God to intervene. ...
5. Pray that Ukraine and Russia would be places without corruption. ...
6. Ask for repentance, grace, forgiveness and reconciliation throughout Ukraine and Russia.

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**Important Dates to Remember!**

 **May 15** 7:45 am Arrive and put on robes

 8:00 am Lead worship

 9:00 am Practice for Rite of Confirmation

 10:15 am Lead worship … then relax and breathe!

 **June 5** 9:30 am Practice for Youth, Parents and Faith Partners

 Confirmands should be robed.

 10:15 am Rite of Confirmation - Communion

 

* It was a joy to attend the Lincolnland Association Meeting was again in person, where I was surprised by a celebration of my upcoming retirement. The words and gifts shared deeply touched my heart.
* It was a joy to have adults: Kari Roth, Audra Jahn, Meghan Premuda and Heather Goodhue as Sunday school teachers.

**Finance Team Report…**

The Church Council wanted to make the congregation aware that our $56,000 balance as of January 1, 2022 in the General Fund has declined at the end of the first quarter by $15,000.



**Contributions – Envelopes:**

* 1st quarter **2022** budgeted amount is **$45,500.**
* 1st quarter **2022** giving was **$28, 576**.

**By comparison** - 1st quarter **2021** giving was **$39,955.**



 **April Council Highlights**

**Approved Council Decisions …**

* Trinity Tree House Budget for 2022-2023 school year.
* Agreed to offer church camp scholarships using the Edna Joseph Fund.
* Reimbursing Pastor for curtain rods personally purchased that will remain in parsonage.
* Agreed to help sponsor Dubois County Pride in the Park.
* Posted current CDC guidelines regarding COVID precautions for your review.

**Next Council meeting – Wednesday, May 18**…

**6 pm** Meeting with Conference staff regarding steps in the transitional process.

**7 pm** Regular May Council meeting.

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 **Mission Alive at Trinity**

**May Mission**

**One Great Hour of Sharing – Love Responds**

Outreach Team, with approval from Council, has selected “One Great Hour of Sharing” as our mission for May. OGHS is one of the special missions of the United Church of Christ. The theme for the 2022 special offering is “Love Remains.” The theme is based on 1 Corinthians 13:13 – “And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”

The resources collected will help people nearby and faraway when man-made or natural disasters strike. Over the last year, there were communities needing a little more compassion, love, and support. Tornadoes, wildfires, earthquakes, floods, and hurricanes ravaged communities worldwide, in some cases, destroying everything. These gifts make a difference for neighbors near and far whose names we do not know and whom we may never meet. Thank you for your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing, as together Trinity’s Love Responds.

**Our goal is $400.**

**Dubois County Habitat for Humanity**: **We collected $6,748 surpassing our goal of $5,000.** Your prayers and financial gifts have been appreciated.  Thank you.

**Community Food Bank**

The people at Trinity have contributed the following items to the **Community Food Bank** since the last newsletter: 8 boxes of Hamburger Helper, 63 regular sized cans of vegetables, 4 large sized cans of vegetables and 9 cans of ravioli.

 **Many** of you are aware that we are again placing Community Food Bank items in the baskets in front of church on the first Sunday of each month. Any donations brought after the first Sunday can be placed on the shelves in the foyer. All will be taken to the Community Food Bank.

 **May’s food bank item is:** Canned chicken, tuna, and salmon

 Thank you again for sharing your blessings!

**Ukraine Relief**

Donations to help the people of Ukraine are greatly appreciated. Checks made out to Trinity UCC; we will send them to the designated fund. Thank you so much for your donations. **Year to-date we have collected $1,100.**

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**Mission Alive at Trinity- Continued**

**![C:\Users\Jane\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\K2KY9B0Q\kids-saving-money-on-coin-jars[1].jpg]()Adopt a Family**

**Your spare change/dollars do more than a little!** **Our 2022 family is a mom, dad, and their 2 daughters (ages 5 and 11).** The younger girl is severely handicapped, and even though Dad works a full time job and Mom has 2 jobs, their budget is stretched with all the extra expenses pertaining to her care. We hope, by helping them with a gift each month, we can lighten some of the stress. Thank you so much for your continued support.

**Year to-date we have collected $346.52.**



**Tornado Recovery Donations**

Donations to aid in the **tornado recovery efforts** can be made through Trinity Church; they will be sent when information becomes available. **Please clearly mark your donations.** As always, thank you for your generosity.

**Year to-date we have collected $505.**

**Kentucky Disaster Response 2022 -** Join the IKC Disaster Preparedness and Response Ministry Team (DPRMT) who is planning work camps to Kentucky throughout the summer. Our next work camps are scheduled for the weeks of May 15 and May 22. We typically arrive Sunday evening for an orientation meeting and depart for home on Saturday morning after cleaning up of the dorms. We will be working in Mayfield, Kentucky which was devastated by the December 10-11, 2021 tornadoes. Go to ikc@ikcucc.org for more information!



**Dementia Support Group -** Do you, a friend, or a loved one care for someone with Alzheimer’s or another form of dementia?
**Holy Family Catholic Church is hosting a Dementia Support Group**

the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. **Upcoming date is May 17th**.

For questions **contact Bernie Heeke at 812-639-0331.** Thank you!

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 **Date Worship Attendance Sunday School Attendance**

 April 3 8 am 13 10:15 am 56 Total 69 Kids/Youth 9 Adults 4

 April 10 8 am 16 10:15 am 50 Total 66  Kids/Youth 8 Adults 2

 April 14 7 pm Maundy Thursday Total 42

 April 15 7 pm Good Friday Total 29

 April 17 8 am 23 10:15 am 110 Total 133 Kids/Youth 13 Adults 5

 April 24 8 am 21 10:15 am 56 Total 77 Kids/Youth 13 Adults 2

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#### 2022 GRADUATES

**High School Graduate: Maggie Hubster** is graduating from Jasper High School in May with an Honors Diploma. She will attend Indiana University majoring in Psychology with a focus on Behavioral Health and then continue to graduate school to obtain a Masters in Applied Behavior Analysis. Maggie’s dream job is to work in a school setting helping grade school children with behavior related issues.

Maggie’s accomplishments will be recognized in worship on May 22.

**Grad-School Graduate: Mira Vonderheide** is graduating from Butler University with a Master of Physician Assistant Studies degree. After graduation, she is planning to stick around Jasper for the summer while she helps out with her brother’s wedding and studies for her board exam. At the end of the summer, she plans to move to Phoenix, AZ with her fiancé, and would love to find a job working in a surgical subspecialty out there.

**Trinity UCC wishes the best of luck to each of these ladies as they follow their dreams!**

If there are any others who are graduating from high school or college,

please call the church office with information!

 

**Organ Recital**

By Scott Roberts & Jeremiah Mead

 Indiana University Jacobs School of Music Organ Department Students present an inspiring program that is free & open to all!

 **When:** Saturday, May 7th at 3:00 PM **Where:** Salem United Church of Christ

 202 E 4th St, Huntingburg, IN

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**May 2022 - Worship Participants**

**May 1 – Communion**

**Bible Readers:** Mary Ann Weisheit, Heather Goodhue **Acolyte:** Addie Schnarr

**Organists:** Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

**Time with Young Disciples:** Alexander Thomas

**Media:** 8 am Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am Mark Blackgrave **Media Producer:** Mark Blackgrave

**Usher:** 8 am Mary Ann Weisheit

**Ushers & Lock-up:** 10:15 am Heather Goodhue, Judy Hubster

**Communion Prep:** The Roth Family

**May 8 – Festival of the Christian Home**

**Bible Readers:** Connie Schmitt, Kaiden & Karsen Roth  **Acolyte:** Lillie Campbell

**Organists:** Mary Ann Weisheit**,** Sarah Sergesketter

**Time with Young Disciples:** Pastor Jane

**Media:** 8 am Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am Nichole Lechner **Media Producer:** Nichole Lechner

**Ushers:** 8 am Connie Schmitt

**Ushers & Lock-up:** 10:15 am The Roth Family

**May 15 – Confirmation Presentation Sunday**

**Confirmation Worship Leaders:** Lillie Campbell, Parker Jahn, Madison Mauck, Addie Schnarr, Mya Uebelhor

**Organist:** Sarah Sergesketter  **Acolyte:** Confirmand

**Media:** 8 am Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am Adam Roth **Media Producer:** Kurt Vonderheide

**Ushers:** 8 am Kurt and Selena Vonderheide

**Usher & Lock-up:** 10:15 am Alexander Thomas

**May 22 – High School Graduation Recognition**

**Bible Readers:** Doug Bawel & Suellen Seng, Melissa Blackgrave **Acolyte:** Parker Jahn

**Organists:** Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

**Time with Young Disciples:** Audra Jahn

**Media:** 8 am Adam Roth 10:15 am John Kahle  **Media Producer:** John Kahle

**Ushers:** 8 am Doug Bawel & Suellen Seng

**Ushers & Lock-up:** 10:15 am Kevin & Melissa Blackgrave

**May 29 – Memorial Weekend**

**Bible Readers:** Pastor Jane, John Schnarr **Acolyte:** Ushers

**Organists:** Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

**Time with Young Disciples:** Heather Goodhue

**Media:** 8 am Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am Nichole Lechner **Media Producer:** Doreen Lechner

**Ushers:** 8 am Linda Troxler

**Ushers & Lock-up:** 10:15 am John & Janis Schnarr

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**July - December Worship Participants Needed**

It’s that time of year again! 2022 Worship Participants are needed for July – December.

* If you already participate and would like to continue to do so, you're all set.
* If you already participate and would no longer like to or have a change in your schedule,

 please call or email the church office.

* If you do not currently participate and would like to start, please call or email the church office.

The options available are as follows:

* Bible Readers - 8 am and 10:15 am
* Usher - 8 am and 10:15 am
* Time with Children – 10:15 am

Church office email: trinityucc@psci.net

Church office phone: (812) 482-4090

Please specify which worship service you are available, if not for both.

As always, Trinity United Church of Christ appreciates your time and talents.

The new 2022 July – December Worship Calendar is set to be completed by June 3rd

and will be available for pickup on Sunday, June 5th after both worship services.

If not picked up that day, they will be mailed that following Monday.

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**![C:\Users\eloise\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\JL3XDJPC\flowers[1].png]() Women’s Guild News … May 4th at 6:30 PM -** Spring Celebration with the women of St. Paul and Augustana UCC in Holland. This is always a fun evening of visiting with friends.

We will plan to carpool leaving from the 9th street parking lot at 6:00 PM.

Please join us for a relaxing and enjoyable event!

**Men’s Fellowship** … the next meeting will be held May 22nd at 9:00 am in the lounge.

Scholarships for those wanting to go to religious camp this summer are available. The church will pay 50% of the registration fee for **Merom Camp**; the Lincolnland Association *will pay the other 50% for campers attending this camp. Our* church will also subsidize attendance to other summer religious camps.



**If planning on attending summer camp this year, please send an email to the church oﬃce if you are interested in any of these scholarships.**



**Easter Flower Garden**

**In Loving Memory of: Given by:**

* Jorene Brewer Jerry Brewer
* My Friend, Susan Habig Susan McGovren
* David Hubster, Johnny & Ilene Goodhue The Goodhue Family
* Tony Hurst Mike & Candy Berger
* Martha Bessencker & Willis & Kathryn Wittwer Dr. Harland & Lelani Wittwer
* Hugh Mattingly Brandon & Audra Jahn & Family
* Hugh Mattingly Donna Mattingly & Family
* Parents & Grandparents Lisa & Greg Kincer
* Pete Rasche Carol Rasche
* Katie & T.W. Laird & Authur & Harriette Neukam Carol J. Neukam
* Mr. & Mrs. Don Metzger & Denese Schnell Connie Schmitt
* Wayne, Ruth & Raymond Ruckriegel & Wilma Fields Violet Ruckriegel

**In Celebration of:**

* My Family Mary Ann Weisheit
* Granddaughters, Regan, Nora & Ruby John & Susan McGovren
* People of Ukraine Lisa & Phil Schmidt
* Trinity United Church of Christ John & Janis Schnarr
* Smiles we can see Rod & Jan Kalb
* Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren Violet Ruckriegel
* My 3 children, Scott, Sheila & Darla Violet Ruckriegel

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**May Birthdays**

**Name Day Name Day**

Janet Meyer 1

Judy Hubster 2

Evan Vonderheide 2

Andrea Hulsman 4

Jan Kalb 4

David Hubster 6

Brad Vonderheide 8

Thomas Peters 12

Jim Sheetz 12

Gayle McDaniel 14

Jack Astrike 17

Sonia "Sunny" Klem 20

Inez Knies 21

Rhonda Johnson 21

Meghan Premuda 22

William Cox 23

Natasha Schnell 25

Jeff Berg 26

Kyle Berger 26

Sherri Uebelhor 27

Lillie Campbell 30

**May Anniversaries**

**Names Date Years**

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Lucas and Kristen Hobson 5/11/2013 9

Ann and Kim Schroeder 5/12/1997 25

Candy and Mike Berger 5/13 /1989 33

Mary Beth and Les Brozman 5/23 /1986 36

Terry and Diane Kapp 5/23 /1970 52

Adam and Kari Roth 5/23/2009 13

Heath and Kathirene Astrike 5/26/2018 4

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