

Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church

Light of Christ St. John's Windish St. Peter's

Till We Meet Again!

April 1 & 2

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Save the Dates!

April 23, 2023 St. John's Windish

April 30, 2023 St. Peter's

Please come to these very special worships followed by a luncheon at each campus. Participate in the decommissioning of each building and enjoy a time of fellowship to share memories and stories as we continue on our Blessed Trinity journey.

4/6 Maundy Thursday @ Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church - St. John's Windish Campus at **6pm**.

4/16 Polka Mass Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church - St John's Windish Campus **@10am**. Potluck sign up deadline is **4/11**.

4/23 Leave Taking Service **@ SJW**. Potluck sign up deadline **4/16**

4/29 Bingo - Please join us for our final Bingo at SJW. Call Kathy Remaly at 610-442-0438 for reservations and details.

WEEKEND WORSHIP

April 1, 5PM @ St. Peter's

April 2, 10AM @ SJW

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP

MINISTERS

April 1

Assisting Minister – Lois Ritchie

April 2

Assisting Minister – Joe Bleier

Organist – Linda Maule

Acolyte – Kevin Remaly

Lector – Kevin Remaly, Joe Bleier, Ken Remaly, Nancy Kostas and Sharon Lintner

Crucifer – Jimmy Bleier

Torch Bearers – Douglas Bleier and Teryan Gerhard

Communion Assistant – Stacy Stocker and Delyn Gerhard

Ushers – Glenn Breidenbach, Ron Laposa, Gayle Nemeth, Steph Gergar and Michel Lloyd

Here is a Ministry Opportunity

The live stream ministry of our Saturday evening worship reaches many people, including those using the Bringing It Home tablets. We need more people to help with this ministry. Please consider this as a way to serve. Training in the use of the video equipment will be provided. We would like to have a larger team so that nobody will have to do it too often. If you are willing to help with this important outreach, please contact tom.keener@upgbethlehem.org. We are now working on getting the equipment transferred to the Light of Christ campus in order to continue the ministry when that campus is the interim home of Blessed Trinity

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Mark your calendars! Once again, we would like to show our generous thanks to all the first responders who work hard in our community year-round.

To that end, we will host a First Responders Appreciation Breakfast & Luncheon on **Saturday, April 22, 2023** at St. John's Windish. Since our event spans breakfast and lunch, we need lots of volunteers and food. You can volunteer for the breakfast shift or for the lunch shift, or stay the whole day! We ask that **breakfast shift volunteers** arrive at St. John's by **7:00 a.m. and remain until 11:00 a.m.** For the **lunch shift**, we ask that volunteers arrive at St. John's by **11:00 a.m. and remain until clean up is complete around 3:00 p.m.** If you would like to help with this awesome event, please let Gina Brockway know (ginbrockway86@gmail.com or call or text 610-703-8249). Or contact Ken Remaly: krrcrown@gmail.com 484-934-4532. We also need volunteers to donate food (breakfast & lunch foods plus desserts) and paper products. We hope you can help us show our thanks & appreciation to our community's First Responders!

<u>NEXT WEEK'S MINISTER'S</u>
<u>APRIL 6 (Maundy Thursday)</u>
Assisting Minister – TBD
<u>APRIL 7 (Good Friday)</u>
Assisting Minister – TBD
Lector – Roselie Adducie
Usher – Cliff Bengston
<u>APRIL 8</u>
Assisting Minister TBD
Organist – Linda Maule
Acolyte – TBD
Lector – TBD
Communion Assistant - TBD
Ushers – Pat Little & Dolores Kennedy
<u>APRIL 9</u>
Assisting Minister – TBD
Acolyte – TBD
Lector – TBD
Ushers – Jennifer & Olivia Grube (LoC) Glenn Breidenbach, Dolores Kennedy, Pat & Ed Little and Tony DeAngelis(StP)

Blessed Trinity Lenten Outreach Project

Blessed Trinity Lenten Outreach Project. The Blessed Angels in Ministry (BAM) committee is asking Blessed Trinity members to support our Lenten Project which is to provide non-perishables for the family food pantry at Lincoln Elementary School, Gresham Street, Bethlehem.

April 2 will conclude our Outreach Project for Lincoln's Pantry.

The Lincoln Pantry was begun by Gena Holmes, their Communities in Schools Coordinator. She will present a Temple Talk on Sunday, March 5, to tell us more about her work at the school on behalf of the families. Please plan to attend and please participate in our project. **Thank you** for helping to alleviate food insecurity for families who are struggling in Bethlehem.

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| Shampoo | Pasta and pasta sauce | Laundry Wipes |
| Soap/Body wash | Instant Mashed Potatoes | Peanut Butter & Jelly |
| Feminine hygiene products | Canned fruit/applesauce | Dish Soap |
| Tissues | Juice | Ramen Noodles |
| Antibacterial wipes | Cereal and Cereal Bars | Deodorant |
| | Canned Tuna and Chicken | |

Pantry Sunday for Calvary Temple -Our next Pantry Sunday will be **April 16** (a change from the usual 2nd Sunday of the month). The needs at Calvary Temple are pancake mix (complete - only add water), syrup, rice, canned fruit, fruit or granola bars. Please bring your pantry contributions to SJW. **Thank you** for helping to alleviate hunger in our community.

Unity Committee Meeting Recap

1. Met on March 23, 2023
2. Discussed:
 - a. Update from New Property Location – continuing to meet with realtor to view properties. They are evaluating each property to see if it will meet our needs. They are assessing parking, structure, exterior, interior, heating and cooling, plumbing and electrical, space requirements, and accessibility. Just as a reminder, the goal is not to spend more money than what we are receiving from the sale of our properties, for example, no mortgage.
 - b. Update from Asset Disposition & Nonfixed Asset Inventory – working on clearing out space at Light of Christ to store items from St John’s Windish and St Peters. Coordinating on moving office equipment to Light of Christ as of May 3rd, this is the only building we will be able to operate in. Evaluating items that may be donated and discarded. Members who may want something they want to keep should submit a request for that item to either Kenda or Nancy who will review and reply.
 - c. Update from Attorney – Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church has acquired a Federal EIN number. We have also received our ELCA and our Northeastern PA Synod number. We are working with the Synod to get a PA Sales Tax exemption number under the Synod umbrella. We are awaiting the response from the state in regarding our PA registry. Our anticipation to receive the state response is early April.
 - d. Update from Social Activities – the committee will be coordinating volunteers for the fellowship time after Sunday services.
 - e. Update from Mission Statement – they will be meeting on March 30th to hopefully finalize the new mission statement
 - f. New sub-committee – Blessed Trinity Logo Design – anyone interested in volunteering their time or presenting a logo for consideration please contact Kevin Remaly in person or email kevremaly@gmail.com
3. Next Steps - Continue with progress of a new location for Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church.
4. Next Meeting – TBD as we are wrapping up our work.
5. Unity Team Sub-Committees:

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Unity Team co-chairs: Joe Bleier, Nancy Kostas, and Kevin Remaly

Unity Team members: Joe Boligitz, Mike Horwath, David Kolman,

Sharon Lintner, Mary Mann, Kenda Riley

Pastor Mike Button (liaison)

Blessed Trinity Council Meeting Recap 3/14

Bank accounts are being set up for Blessed Trinity

Last worships will be recorded and group pictures will be taken following the service.

DVDs will be available for purchase at \$10.00 each. Please use the sign-up sheets or contact the church offices.

Discussions are taking place with a photographer to take stills of each church and create a book for purchase

Southside Brass Band will be at each of the final worships

Tech Team is working on moving office equipment to LoC and setup by cloud services

Lease for LoC has been signed and return to Lehigh. One year maximum

Discussion in Executive Session on staffing. In the process of speaking to staff members

New property search committee process amended to:

Committee passes a recommendation to the Blessed Trinity officers who then view the property

The officers decide whether to pass it on to full council for approval

Full council then decides whether to pass it on for congregational vote

Next Blessed Trinity Council Meeting April 11, 2023 St John's Windish

Drop A Line

Blessed Trinity Council

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Sunday Worship During Lent and Easter:

April 30 - STP - 10 AM

April 2, April 16 and April 23 - SJW - 10 AM

Holy Week:

April 6, Maundy Thursday - Table of the Lord - SJW - 6 PM

April 7, Good Friday - LoC - 7 PM

April 8, Vigil of Easter - STP - 7 PM

Easter Sunday, April 9:

7 AM - STP

9 AM - SJW

11 AM - LoC

This Week at Blessed Trinity

Saturday, April 1

10:00 AM Open House @LoC Education Building
5:00 PM Worship with Livestream at St. Peters

Sunday, April 2

8:00 AM Worship Video Premieres
9:00 AM Sunday School at SJW
10:00 AM Worship at SJW

Monday, April 3

7:00 PM LoC Dart Baseball (St. Paul's)

Wednesday, April 5

7:00 AM Fellowship Group
9:00 AM Blessed Trinity Ladies Fellowship

Thursday, April 6

6:00 PM Table of the Lord @ **SJW**

Friday, April 7

7:00 PM Good Friday Worship @ LoC

Saturday, April 8

7:00 PM Easter Vigil @ St. Peter's

Sunday, April 9

7:00 AM Worship @ St. Peter's
8:00 AM Worship Video Premieres
9:00 AM Worship @ SJW
11:00 AM Worship @ LoC