

Trinity United Church of Christ

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Trinity Times

July/August 2023

Release of Pastor Jessica and Welcome to Pastor Katie

On Sunday June 11th the congregation of Trinity UCC said goodbye to Pastor Jessica and her family. Saying goodbye to your minister is always hard to do, but this was probably even more difficult than usual since Pastor Jessica will be moving so far away, to England.

We want to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the monetary farewell gift for Pastor Jessica and a special thanks to Belva LaMotte for taking charge of the delicious salad bar and desserts. And now we must direct our thoughts and energy to the next steps for Trinity.

For the next several weeks Reverend Lucy Brady will lead our worship services until Sunday July 30th, and then Pastor Katie Penick will begin her service with us.

Pastor Katie will be offered a six-month contract to be Trinity's Designated Minister. This will be the first time that Trinity UCC has hired someone as a Designated Minister and the Consistory is very hopeful about this concept. Basically, this contract allows the congregation and the minister to get to know each other for six months and then both decide if this position should transfer to Settled Minister.

Per the contract that the Conference requires before the pastor can be called, a Congregational vote must be held for Trinity members to approve offering Pastor Katie the Designated Minister position. This will be done on Sunday June 25th. After six months, if both Trinity UCC members and the Designated Minister wish to make this a settled position, another congregational vote would then be required.

Who is Pastor Katie Penick? Katie's path to being an ordained UCC minister was a winding path rather than a straight road. Even though she received her Master's Degree from Vanderbilt University in 1989, rather than pursuing ordained ministry, she worked for a variety of human service agencies in Tennessee, Washington DC and Maryland. When Katie did make the choice to become an ordained minister, she held several part time ministerial positions in small regional churches and is currently the full time interim pastor at Zion Reformed Church in Hagerstown.

Katie's experience with small congregations as well as various efforts guiding youth programs were some of the positive impressions that we received from Katie during the interview process.

Katie lives in Frederick with her husband and daughter.

Please meet and welcome Pastor Katie as she begins her ministry with Trinity on July 30th.

Together in Christ, Trinity UCC Consistory



JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/08 – Sam Brainerd
 7/10 – Sherry Rivera
 7/14 – Weston Townsley
 7/15 – Kenneth Ludwig
 7/19 – Tyler Marchand
 7/20 – Erica Price
 7/22 – Hannah Matthews
 7/24 – Gavin Larson
 7/28 – Jamie Price
 7/31 – Nick Garmer
 Izzy Garmer

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

8/03 – David Haines
 8/05 – Belva LaMotte
 8/14 – Debra Persinger
 Megan Miller
 8/19 – Debby Miller
 8/20 – Brett Myers
 8/21 – Lauren Price
 8/23 – Michelle Wagner
 Katelyn Wagner
 8/26 – Jeff Brooks
 8/28 – Marissa Schultz



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

7/07 – Don & Jen Garmer

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

8/02 – Erica Price and Dave Hannon
 8/08 – Cammeron and Oluseyi Ogunsua

Church Communications Submission Dates

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday
 September Newsletter – Monday, August 21

Contacting the Church Office

For a non emergency call the church office 410-374-2727.

In case of Pastoral Emergency call Robert Miller 410-374-4455



Meeting Dates - Zoom

Consistory – Wednesday, July 12, @ 7pm
 Wednesday, August 2, @ 7pm

Worship Comm – TBA

PPR – TBA



HELPING HANDS JULY

Greeters for the month of July:

July 02 – Leslie Brooks
 July 09 – Belva LaMotte
 July 16 – Leslie Brooks
 July 23 – Belva LaMotte
 July 30 – Belva LaMotte

Ushers for the month of July:

July 02 – Deb Persinger
 (Observing – Moriah Marr)
 July 09 – Moriah Marr
 July 16 – Deb Persinger
 July 23 – Deb Persinger
 July 30 – Sandy Sanders

Lay Readers:

July 02 – Sue Myers
 July 09 – Robert Miller
 July 16 – MB Brainerd
 July 23 – Marge Bailey
 July 30 – Leslie Brooks

Media Operator:

July 02 – Karen Haines/Sandy Sanders
 July 09 – Karen Haines/MB Brainerd
 July 16 – Elwin Wagner/Sandy Sanders
 (Observing – Moriah Marr)
 July 23 – Karen Haines/Sandy Sanders
 (Observing – Moriah Marr)
 July 30 – Elwin Wagner/Sue Myers
 (Observing – Moriah Marr)

HELPING HANDS AUGUST

Greeters for the month of August:

Aug 06 – Robert Miller
Aug 13 – Leslie Brooks
Aug 20 – Belva Lamotte
Aug 27 – Leslie Brooks

Ushers for the month of August:

Aug 06 – Deb Persinger
Aug 13 – Sandy Sanders
Aug 20 – Deb Persinger
Aug 27 – Sandy Sanders

Lay Readers:

Aug 06 – Sue Myers
Aug 13 – MB Brainerd
Aug 20 – Robert Miller
Aug 27 – Moriah Marr
(Robert to provide guidance)

Media Operator:

Aug 06 – Karen Haines/Sandy Sanders
Aug 13 – Karen Haines/Moriah Marr
Aug 20 – Elwin Wagner/Sandy Sanders
Aug 27 – Elwin Wagner/Sue Myers



Get Involved in Worship

We are seeking more volunteers to serve in various roles.

If you are interested in serving as a **lay reader, media operator, greeter, usher, or helping with children's church**, please let Worship Committee know.

- Even if you are unable to make it to worship in person, there are ways you can **serve as a reader from home**. Many hands make much lighter work for everyone!

June 2023 Consistory Meeting Highlights

Treasurer's report: Sue reported transferred \$4,000 from the endowment checking acct was transferred; nothing was taken out of investment accounts.

Pastors report: Planned and lead worship, May 12th, 19th and 26th.

Attended CA Council Meeting. Pastor Jessica finished cleaning out office.

Planning "Goodbye" Service

Committee Reports

Property: Doug M will replace the ceiling tile missing from the kitchen. We discussed concerns for ice on church street steps being salted in a timely manner during the winter for safety concerns, especially for Diane coming and going from work.

Finance: No Report

Personnel: No Report

Evangelism: Belva is planning a goodbye luncheon on June 11th after Sunday Worship.

Christian Education: Leslie reported they are on summer break and will begin again in September with Rally Day.

Fundraising: Christian Ed is doing "Spread the Joy Fundraiser" with T-Shirts hoping to raise money for a children / youth event, i.e., bowling or movie. The T-Shirts are being offered free or for a goodwill donation to go towards the fundraiser.

Worship: Lucy Brady will be Trinity's Supply Minister, June 18th, June 25th, July 9th, July 16th and July 23rd. Lucy is not available for Sunday, July 2nd, a service will be planned for July 2nd at the next meeting.

Next Worship Committee Meeting – TBD- will need to check-in with Pastor Lucy.

Caring Ministry: No report

PPR: No planned meetings until we have a new pastor.

Unfinished Business / Updates

Newsletter articles due to Diane on or before Monday, June 19th

Summer Hours: Worship at 10:00 a.m. starting June 11th

New and Continuing Business:

VBS – TUCC will be working with our neighbors, Immanuel Lutheran

Next Meeting – Wednesday – July 12, 2023 at 7:00 via Zoom



Gift Cards

As we head into summer, I just want to remind you that we will continue to order gift cards on the 1st Sunday of every month. The cards generally arrive the following Wednesday and will be distributed on the 2nd Sunday. If you need to have your order prior to the 2nd Sunday just let me know and we can do that.

Some people have given me their “recurring monthly” order, so they don’t need to remember to let me know. Plus, if you’d like to pay for your cards electronically you can do that through our website. The website to see all the various stores, restaurants, etc that participate can be found at <https://www.raiseright.com>. Once on the website just click on “Brands” and you can search for a particular store, or sort by type of vendor, or

if you would like me to send you a complete list of all the participating vendors just let me know.

Cards are available in various denominations and retailers provide various refunds to Trinity just for your participation. For example, Weis Markets gives Trinity 5% of the value of the gift card you purchase. Let’s say you want \$200.00 in Weis cards, you pay \$200.00 and receive \$200.00 in Weis cards and Trinity receives \$4.00 as a donation.

Let me know if you would like more information about the program, Sue Myers at wsmdem@comcast.net or 443-375-6788.

Thanks, and have a great summer!



Christian Education July/August Newsletter

Christian education will be on summer vacation until Rally Day this fall. We hope to have some activities for all ages this summer.

Love and Grace to all our youth and family.

Amy and Leslie



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Receipts and Disbursements

	<u>Apr 23</u>	<u>Jan - Apr 23</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Childrens' Church	0.00	40.00
Communion Offering	80.00	140.00
Loose Offering	145.00	235.00
Miscellaneous	162.00	1,104.55
Regular Offering	<u>6,145.25</u>	<u>23,922.25</u>
Total Income	6,532.25	25,441.80
Expense		
Educational Ministries	244.30	484.85
Evangelism	102.72	399.78
General	3,781.05	12,061.36
Personnel	5,673.91	29,062.07
Property	500.00	1,321.85
Music	300.00	1,209.67
Worship	<u>171.44</u>	<u>597.71</u>
Total Expense	<u>10,773.42</u>	<u>45,137.29</u>
Net Ordinary Income	(4,241.17)	(19,695.49)
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Cemetery	(808.50)	(808.50)
Interest/Dividend Income	0.03	406.27
Memorial Fund	0.00	900.00
Fundraising	471.09	2,011.63
Special Offerings Received	<u>450.00</u>	<u>1,196.90</u>
Total Other Income	112.62	3,706.30

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Receipts and Disbursements

	May 23	Jan - May 23
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Children's Church	341.00	381.00
Communion Offering	35.00	175.00
Loose Offering	97.25	332.25
Miscellaneous	0.00	1,104.55
Regular Offering	4,627.00	23,549.25
Total Income	<u>5,100.25</u>	<u>30,542.05</u>
Expense		
Educational Ministries	0.00	484.85
Evangelism	0.00	399.78
General	601.42	12,662.78
Personnel	5,245.00	34,308.97
Property	105.00	1,428.85
Music	100.00	1,309.67
Worship	67.60	685.31
Total Expense	<u>6,349.02</u>	<u>51,478.21</u>
Net Ordinary Income	(1,248.77)	(20,936.16)
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Cemetery	(1,000.00)	(1,608.50)
Interest/Dividend Income	0.12	408.39
Memorial Fund	50.00	580.00
Fundraising	4,050.50	6,065.13
Special Offerings Received	245.25	1,442.15
Total Other Income	<u>3,345.87</u>	<u>7,085.17</u>
Other Expense		
Special Offerings Disbursed	645.10	1,781.39
Transfers		
Transfer to General Account	4,000.00	15,500.00
Transfer from Fundraising	0.00	(3,000.00)
Transfer from End. Fund-General	(4,000.00)	(12,500.00)
Total Transfers	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Other Expense	<u>645.10</u>	<u>1,781.39</u>
Net Other Income	<u>2,700.77</u>	<u>5,273.78</u>
Net Income	<u><u>1,452.10</u></u>	<u><u>(15,662.38)</u></u>

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Worship 10:00am	3 The Church Office closed thru July 11. In case of Pastoral Emergency call Robert Miller 410-374-4455	4 Independence Day Church Office closed	5 Church Office closed	6 Church Office closed	7 Church Office closed	8
9 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion 10:00am	10 Church Office closed	11 Church Office closed	12 Consistory 7pm	13	14	15
16 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am Improvement Fund Offering	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am	31	Notes: Church Office opened: Mon, Tue, Thur, (9am -1pm) except where noted. <u>No Children's Church or Trinity Youth Club in July!</u>				

August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Consistory 7pm	3	4	5
6 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion Worship 10:00 am	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Worship 10:00 am	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Worship 10:00 am	21 September Newsletter articles due	22	23	24	25	26
27 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship 10:00 am	28	29	30	31	<p>Notes: Church Office opened: Mon, Tue, Thur, (9am -1pm) except where noted.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>No Children's Church or Trinity Youth Club in August!</u></p>	

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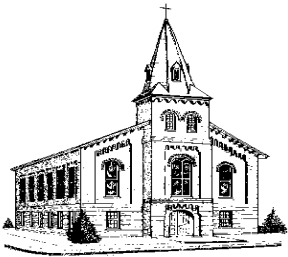
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