

HOLY TRINITY

LUTHERAN CHURCH

May Trumpet 2020

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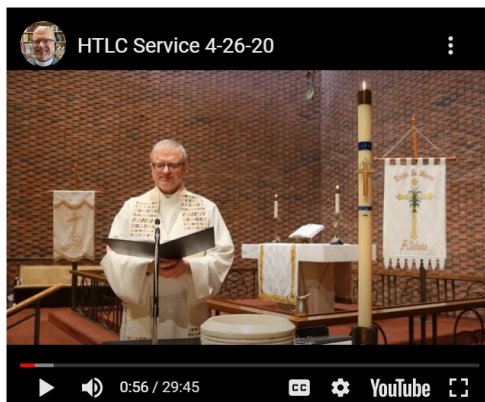
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Due to health concerns regarding the corona virus, all in person church services and other group activities at Holy Trinity have been temporarily suspended at least through May or until further notice. Please see page 2 for more detail.

***Please call the office and/or visit our website
(www.holytrinitykingsport.org)
frequently for updates.***



During this time of forced separation from our Holy Trinity Family and Friends, Pastor Scottie is creating videos on YouTube, and we are posting them to our church website.

HolyTrinityKingsport.org

You can go directly to our Worship Services by following this link:
https://holytrinitykingsport.org/worship_services

Bible Study Groups are cancelled until further notice.

Men's Bible Study. Wed. 7:30 am to 8:30 am. Topic: Ezra & Nehemiah
We will cancel our weekly Bible study until after April or until further notice.

Women's Bible Study, Tuesdays, 10 am. Cancelled until further notice.

Holy Trinity Kingsport will Continue Suspending Worship through May.

...We are still praying 🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻



Remember that life truly is fragile so handle with prayer. I write to you again here at the end of April 2020. I am finding it difficult to even write this message. Our church council has made a decision to continue not opening our doors for worship at Holy Trinity for the month of May. Even though citizens of the United States are moving about more freely now, we believe it is in the best interest of our worshipping community to continue the same practice of not holding worship in May at Holy Trinity.

The United States government is opening the gates so to speak and thereby allowing more freedom to move about in these trying times while we continue living with this *Coronavirus Pandemic* for which there is still no vaccine. I know there are those who believe it is for the best interest of our economy that we begin reducing our restrictions which for many of us, began in the middle of March. Yet there are no consistent measures being taken from state to state in these United States. I pray folks will not go far although they will be free to cross state lines. So although there is more freedom now, remember these three words: Choices-Decisions-Consequences! Please continue to pray with me that God will give us wisdom for the days ahead.

Let me encourage you to remember the acronym I gave you last month for prayer. ACTS!

Acclamation (Praising God)
Confession (Confessing our sin)
Thanksgiving (Giving thanks to God)
Supplication (Our requests to God)

We will continue to pray God will give us wisdom and discernment in order that we make the best decisions for the safety and health of our church body. I pray that God will continue to strengthen us all in body, mind, and spirit as we navigate the days ahead.

In conclusion, let me remind you that we prayerfully considered everything our larger church body recommended as we made decisions for worship and also for Holy Communion. With many of our members being 65 and older, we would be a tremendous risk to gather together for worship at this time. We also believe that it is the best interest of our church body to wait until we are all together again to share in Holy Communion. Remember that Christ is fully present in both Word and Sacrament. Therefore, all of us have the opportunity to be connected to Christ and each other through God's Word even as we are physically separated.

So let's recap where we are...

1. We will not worship together in May. You will be notified should we make a change in this decision.
2. We will remain connected in Word and prayer.
3. Our website (holyltrinitykingsport.org) includes weekly worship opportunities on video. Go to our website and click on our services to find a link to the videos.
4. Our website also includes an up-to-date calendar and other important information.
5. Weekly updates go out and sometimes include encouraging videos as well.
6. We will continue sending hard copies of our activities to those who are not connected with the Internet. (Please call the church office if there is anyone else who has no internet connection.)
7. I am always available to speak with you by telephone. You may call 423-247-9106 office or my cell, 864-561-5700.
8. Please continue to watch for email updates.
9. We will continue having ZOOM meetings as necessary.

I hope to have the opportunity to talk with many more of you in May. We will do everything we can to keep us connected in every way possible with your safety being at the center of our decisions. Keep the faith and we will keep moving forward together.

As Myra and I were walking in our neighborhood this morning, she said,

"I will be so happy when we can all be together at our church. I'm getting to know people at church and I want to be back together again."

I could not agree more with what Myra is saying. It will be a celebration for us all when we are back together again. As Myra also shared with me,

"We will truly celebrate Easter together."

In the meantime,

...We are still praying



*Yours in Christ,
Pastor Scottie*

*Even though I walk
through the darkest valley*
I will fear no evil
for
you are with me
your rod and your staff
they comfort me

Psalm 23:4



Psalm 23

The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David.

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;^j
- 3 he restores my soul.^k

He leads me in right paths^l
for his name's sake.

- 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,^m
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff —
they comfort me.

- 5 You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

- 6 Surelyⁿ goodness and mercy^o shall
follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of
the LORD
my whole life long.^p



News from our ... **Church Council**

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL MINUTES

April 13, 2020

Meeting held by Zoom, was opened with prayer led by Pastor Scottie.

Minutes of March meeting, Treasurer's report and Financial Secretary's report were all reviewed and approved as submitted.

Parish Nurse Sue's report had been distributed in advance. She reports no new illnesses that she is aware of in the congregation.

Pastor has been busy recording and delivering messages and worship services and connecting with congregation members using new communication and technology ways. He was especially busy during Holy Week and thanked Joy Wood and Susan Waters with their help in providing music for Easter Sunday.

A generous gift from the DeGreen family designated for Audio Visual use was recognized. A thank you from council for the congregation will be sent.

A recommendation was received to consider a constitutional change to reducing the size of our council membership from 12 to 8 elected members. Much discussion revealed that this is an item that has been discussed for several years. The size of our congregation and the many other ministries that members need to be involved in make it more difficult to fill 12 seats on council. After much deliberation on the pros and cons, it was an overwhelming and unanimous decision to move forward by calling a congregational meeting to recommend this change. Communication to the congregation will begin right away and will be carried out over the next 30 days prior to a vote. New ways to communicate and vote are being worked on in the event we are still in a restricted congregating in person mode.

Vision 2020 team has wrapped up their work on proposing a modification in our Vision and Mission for Holy Trinity in the years ahead. This will be proposed to Council in a special meeting and then to the congregation. This will move us along our roadmap to the place where we, with the Holy Spirit's guidance, will be ready to identify the mission fields and ministries where we are being called to focus our resources in the days and years ahead.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Nominating Committee Announcement

May 2020

We are blessed to have the following Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (HTLC) members graciously agree to have their names submitted for the next Council election. They are committed servant leaders who have demonstrated their dedication to Jesus Christ, our church family and our community.

Detra Cleven
David Hrivnak
Dr. Jim Louthan
Dr. David Reames

While we approached several members, all others declined; therefore, we have four individuals for consideration. **The Congregation Council recommends these members for ratification and asks that HTLC voting members signify their vote for ratification of the slate of candidates in an upcoming “mail-in” ballot voting process. Members will receive more information in a packet mailed to your home address.**

*In Service to Our Lord,
Nominating Committee:
Lynn Bulle, Terry Huret, Edna Kinner, Loretta Nitschke*



Proverbs 4 : 6 “ *Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you ;
love her and she will watch over you. “*

God has gifted us, His children with many gifts. He has given us understanding, knowledge, and intellect (a mind). May He continue to guide us and may we not squander the gifts He has given. Continue to follow the pandemic precautions to protect yourself and others. Take care of your mental health and utilize the discerning mind that God has gifted you to guide your actions.

Thank You for your blood donation : Charlie Nitschke
Sue Rasmussen
Jerry Wright



In His service and yours,
Sue

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Our Motto — Helping Transform Lives in Christ

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement:

Holy Trinity Lutheran church, called by Christ, and guided by the Holy Spirit, affirms God's love for all His creation.

In response, we commit ourselves and our gifts to God's work and His praise through worshipping, celebrating the sacraments, proclaiming the Gospel, teaching God's Word, and loving all people.

Following Christ's example, we promise to live our faith in word and deed by being a living sacrifice for others, forgiving and reconciling our differences, and ministering to those in need. All this we do in the sure and certain hope of our salvation.

The More You Know...

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This month Worship and Music Committee continues its series of Trumpet articles covering a variety of topics on symbols, colors, design/architecture, traditions, seasons, and festivals that many of us either don't think about very often or perhaps are not sure of the significance of these things. This month we share information about the seasonal and festival colors we see in worship.

The Meaning and Use of Liturgical Colors

In the Christian tradition colors are used for vestments and paraments, but a unified system of colors developed only gradually and haphazardly until and through the Middle Ages. Today, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America provides a system of colors for use by its congregations; for the most part, the same system is also used by Roman and Anglican churches, at least in the United States; and by many churches around the world, including the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

Many of the colors associated with the seasons are closely linked with the experience of Christians in the Northern hemisphere. Christians in the Southern hemisphere will experience the church year differently in that context, perhaps calling forth different color associations. It is also helpful to realize that colors have different associations across the globe, just as they have had different associations over the course of the church's history. For example, white is the color North American and European Christians typically associate with Christmas and Easter, the color white signifying the purity of Christ, light or joy. In many Eastern cultures, however, white connotes mourning. Red, associated with energy, blood or fire among other things in Western culture, is the color associated with purity in India.

The colors serve to adorn the worship space, and to call attention to the nature of the season or festival being celebrated. A brief summary of their usage, according to the church year, follows.

Advent: Blue is associated with Advent, suggesting hope. This association originated in Scandinavia, probably because purple dye was too expensive for churches to use. Some assemblies use purple in Advent, a color associated with royalty as the church awaits the newborn king. (note, this is a different meaning than when it is used in Lent; see below).

Christmas: White, calling to mind the purity of the newborn Christ, and to our light and joy in him. Some also use Gold.

Epiphany of Our Lord: White (see Christmas).

Baptism of Our Lord: White (see Christmas).

Time after Epiphany: Green is used for its symbolism of our growth in Christ. Green, in a sense, is a "neutral color," used when more festive or more somber color is not appointed.

Transfiguration of Our Lord: White (see Christmas).

Ash Wednesday: Purple is the preferred color as this is the first day of Lent. Historically, black has also been used on this day, since it is the color of the ashes to which we will all return.

Lent: Purple is typically associated with Lent, suggesting repentance and solemnity.

Sunday of the Passion: Scarlet is the preferred color of this first day of Holy Week, as it suggests the deep color of blood. (Scarlet is to be distinguished from the brighter color of red, which is appointed for the Day of

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Pentecost, martyrs' days, and certain church celebrations). If a parish does not have scarlet vestments, purple may be used.

Days of Holy Week: Scarlet or purple may be used for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday: For this fourth day of Holy Week, celebrated as the institution of the Lord's Supper, scarlet or white is used.

Good Friday: No vestments or paraments are used on this day, after the stripping of the altar on Maundy Thursday night.

Vigil of Easter: White or Gold suggests of joy in the Resurrection is used on this night.

Easter Day: White or gold is suggested for this day. The gold color symbolizes that this day is the "queen of feasts," unique in the entire church year.

Sundays of Easter: White suggests the joy of the resurrection.

Day of Pentecost: Red as the color of fire is used on this day when we remember the tongues of fire descended on the crowd in Jerusalem. In contrast to the color of scarlet, Pentecost's red is a bright color.

The Holy Trinity: White is suggested, the expression of joy in the mystery of the Triune God.

Time after Pentecost: Green is used, to indicate our growth in faith as we follow the teachings and ministry of Christ. Some assemblies use differing shades of green throughout the Sundays after Pentecost, a lighter green in summer and a darker green in fall.

Christ the King: The final day of the church year uses white, a festive color suggesting light, joy, and the celebration of our Lord.

Lesser festivals and commemorations are white, unless a martyr is celebrated, in which case bright red is suggested.

For links to additional information, see

[https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/What is the meaning and use of liturgical colors.pdf? ga=2.242412546.1625312518.1587567114-234590109.1579557643](https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/What%20is%20the%20meaning%20and%20use%20of%20liturgical%20colors.pdf?ga=2.242412546.1625312518.1587567114-234590109.1579557643)

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Worship Assistants & Meals on Wheels



May 2020 Worship Assistants

If you perceive a conflict in your personal schedule, please try to exchange with someone else and remember to call the office with the change.

Area of Service	May 3 4 Easter	May 10 5 Easter	May 17 6 Easter	May 24 7 Easter	May 31 Pentecost
10:00 Service					
Acolyte	Nikki Louthan	Colin Steach	Riley Hollowell	Reagan Hollowell	Talon Huff
Banner Bearers	NA	NA	NA	NA	Caleb Steach Nikki Louthan
Torch Bearers	NA	NA	NA	NA	Carson Huff Colin Steach
Crucifer	NA	NA	NA	NA	Lily DeBaal
Assisting Minister	Jim Dickert	Charlie Nitschke	Amy Louthan	Sue Rasmussen	Laura Mitchell
Communion Assistant	Amy Louthan	Loretta Nitschke	David Reames	Leigh Bergemann	Sarah Wright
Greeters	Jon & Carolyn Peters	Judy Harper Kathy Schick	Mike Booher Kristi Grady	Ken Perry Tim Perry	Jeremy & Kristin Steach
Ushers	Jon Peters Jeremy Steach Kristin Steach Mike Booher	Judy Harper Kathy Schick Tim Perry Ken Perry	Mike Booher Kristi Grady Terry Huret Jeanette Huret	Ken Perry Tim Perry Jon Peters Gene Childress	Jeremy Steach Kristin Steach Jerry Wright Mike Booher
Nursery	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Leigh Bergemann	Brenda Mooneyhan	Jeanette Huret	Laura Reames	Sarah Wright
Sunday Meals					
Cooks	Terry & Jeannette Huret	JoRita McMurray Carolyn Peters	Leigh Bergemann Kathy Schick	James & Carolyn Chandler	Jeannie Fortier Judy Harper
Drivers – Blue:	Childress	Castille	Wright	Nitschke	Mortenson
Red:	Reinhardt	Louthan	Cleven	Peters	Orr
Green:	Steach	Glauer	Cooper	DeBaal	Kleven
Gold:	Perry	Churn	Hrivnak	Jantzi	Kinner

Thank you to all that serve our Lord in the above roles!

Holy Trinity is blessed to be made up of loving members. During this trying time, we can share that love by reaching out to one-another, just to “check-in”. Part of “reaching out” has been implemented by the Evangelism Team which has asked a number of willing members to reach out to fellow Holy Trinity members in their neighborhoods. The response from volunteers has been overwhelmingly cheerful and supportive. So.... if you hear from one of these volunteers, be assured we are not prying, we wish only to make sure you are doing well. And.... if you need any help, the volunteers will work with you.



Let’s keep the Peace and remember one another in our prayers. And....feel free to “reach out” yourself. We all miss seeing members’ smiling faces in church.



Your Evangelism Team



Made With Love

100 face masks were made for the staff and parishioners of Holy Trinity.

Thank You to Doris Orr; Care and Concern Coordinator for initiating, organizing, and implementing this project to protect us.

Thank You to Charlie Nitschke and the **Phone Chain Team** for their time and effort to obtain orders for masks.

Thank You to the Ladies who donated the materials, sewed the masks and delivered masks to us.

**Belinda Castille
Diane Childress
Pam Churn
Betty Dickert
Patty Firth
Louise Jaskoski (a friend of Holy Trinity)
Edna Kinner
Doris Orr
Carolyn Peters
Jo Rita McMurray
Sue Rasmussen**

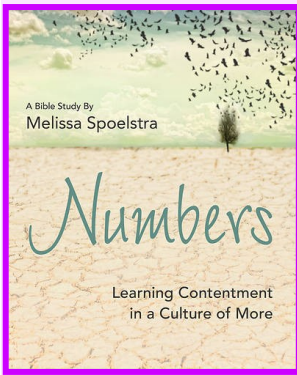
Thank You to those who delivered masks.

**Charlie & Loretta Nitschke
Dick Orr
Jon Peters
Joy Wood**

Thanks be to all for being the hands and feet of Christ.

In His service and yours,
Sue

*Thank
You*



Women's Bible Study

Currently Postponed

Tuesdays, 10 am.

A Bible study by Melissa Spoelstra on Numbers: Learning Contentment in a Culture of More.

We will meet in the Conference Room.

Sunday Adult Bible School

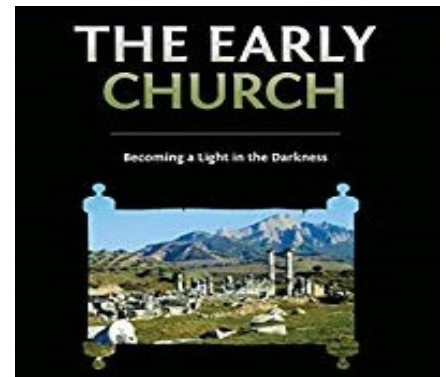
8:30 to 9:30 am.

Currently Postponed

THE EARLY CHURCH

A Ray Vander Laan Course.

Real faith, real life. For Christians today, faith in God can sometimes seem to be a cerebral choice. For the early church, it was the difference between life and death. Discover the passion and commitment early believers displayed as they claimed Jesus in the face of fierce consequences and powerful adversaries.



Altar Flowers

Altar flowers enhance the beauty of the worship service and are appreciated anytime to celebrate an event (e.g. birthday, anniversary) or honor a loved one.

Please contact Janet in the office to reserve the date on the calendar and please inform her if acknowledgment in the bulletin is desired. All information is needed a week in advance of the service date.

Festival Sundays for 2020 are also great opportunities to provide altar flowers:

Reformation Sunday, October 25

All Saints Sunday, November 1

Christmas Eve, December 24

Quilting Dates
(also on the Church Calendar)

May
5, 7, 12, 14, 19,
21, 26 & 28



On-going Standing Ministry Meeting Schedule

Audio-Visual (No routine meetings)
Congregational Life (No routine meetings)
Finance Committee (No routine meetings)

Outreach Committee
 1st Sunday of the Month at 8:30 am

Property Ministry
 1st Monday of the month at 7 pm

Stewardship Committee
 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 pm

WELCA Meeting
 2nd Monday of the month at 1 pm

Church Council Meeting
 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Mutual Ministry
 Last Monday of the month at 7 pm

Evangelism Committee
 3rd Tues of the month at 12 pm

Worship & Music Committee
 1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm

XYZ Breakfast Club
 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9 am.

Prayer Ministry
 2nd Thursday of the month at 12 pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry
 1st Thursday of the month at 10:30 am

Christian Education Ministry
 1st Thursday of the month at 11:30 am

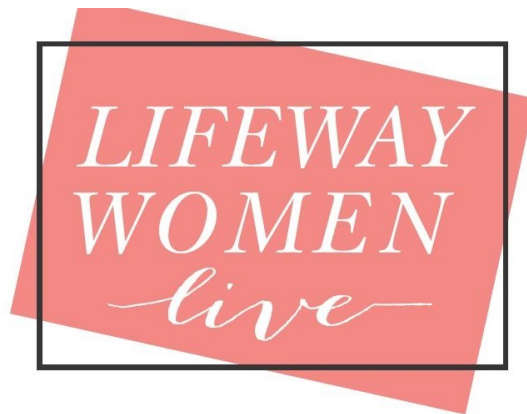
Please remember to check with the Committee Chairperson to see if your group will be meeting before you come.

May Babies!

2 Curt Churn
 3 Roger Boggs
 3 Larry Glauer
 5 Aaron Childress
 7 Joella Carter
 8 Josh Huerth
 8 Christopher Bulle
 9 James Chandler
 9 Jerry Kleven
 12 Marilee Frye
 14 Alex Childress

15 Dorothy Callahan
 15 Trudy Spencer
 17 Riley Hollowell
 19 Dee Holbrook
 20 Sandy Hickman
 22 Marty King
 27 Ken Perry
 30 Lindsey Altizer
 31 Edith Hildebrand





PURSUING CHRIST TOGETHER

AUGUST 7-8, 2020

GREENVILLE, SC | BON SECOURS WELLNESS ARENA

An event featuring Beth Moore, Priscilla Shirer, Jen Wilkin,
Jackie Hill Perry, Kelly Minter, Angie Smith & more!



Starting at \$79 for
Groups of 10 or More



LifeWay.com/LifeWayWomenLive

Interested? See Loretta Nitschke or Laura Mitchell



We need SOAP
for our TUB!

Please donate BATH SIZE BAR SOAP
for our Disaster Relief Kits!

Put them in the ORANGE TUB by the
elevator. Thank you!



Prayer Requests

Health Issues

Katie Maddox (Marty King's sister)
Victoria Burkhart (friend of Hrivnaks)
Melinda Rogers (friend of Trumbos)
Marty King
Wayne Whipp
Barbara Millsap (Jeff Bedford's sister)
Jean Winstead (Bruce Wilder's sister)
Alyse (Connie Steere's Granddaughter)
Sam Pratt
Judy & Erin Millington (Cecilie Aderholdt's friends)
Kelly Bates (Kathy's Schick's D-I-L)
Barbara Miles (Marty King's sister)
Kaleb McMurray (Jo McMurray's nephew)
Edith Hildebrand
Shannon & Laurel Wilder (Wilder's family)
Bruce Wilder
David Reames
James Griffith (Carolyn Cooper's Brother)
Marilyn Rich
Pam Churn
Anita Dievert
Charles McClure
Talon Huff
Bob Bedford (Jeff Bedford's father)
Carole Ferguson (Larry Landis' sister)
Laura Louthan (Jim Louthan's sister)
Scott Parker (friend of Kristy Jones, MOW recipient)
Ray Lindsey (Kyley Burse's father)
Kristi Grady
Charlie & Huey Taylor
(Laura Mitchell's friend's grandbabies)
Father of Farrah Cooper's co-worker
Carl Buick (Bruce Wilder's friend)
Bill Cooper
Amy Comier (Rachel Childress' niece)
Duane Calhoun (Diane Childress' friend)
Kathy Szymanski
Farrah Cooper
Roger Boggs
Beth Gula (Marilyn Rich's niece)
Pamela Hayhurst (DeBaal's family friend)
Judy Dolen (Laura Mitchell's neighbor)
Karen Weierbach (Florence Weierbach's SIL)

Military /First Responders

MAJ Will Huerth- USA, Leigh Bergemann's son
Maj Sam Oswald- USAF, The Mortenson's nephew
LtCol John Thompson- USAF, The Mortenson's nephew
LTC James Hoffman- Jo Ella Carter's son in law
SrA Cory lee Steadman- USAF, Tim & Viorica's son
Lt Adam Patterson- USAF, The Patterson's Grandson (Randy's son)
Cpl Travis Churn, USMC - Cal and Pam
Churn's nephew

Nursing Home, Assisted Living, Or Homebound

Marilee Frye- home
Dorothy Pamperl - Pam Churn's mother - The Blake
Marion Hansen- The Blake
Bob McLellan- Wexford House
Kyle Jenkins- home
David and Edith Hildebrand – Asbury Place
Dottie Newsome – Asbury Place

Family/Personal

Laynee and Aizlyn (Great granddaughters of Larry & Inez Glauer)
Taylor Jennings (granddaughter of Larry & Inez Glauer)
Tyler Davidson (Ken Perry's grandson)
Brian Hrivnak
Kirk Hrivnak



“They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to breaking of bread and to prayer.” Acts 2:42



Pastor - The Rev. Scottie Burkhalter
Parish Nurse - Sue Morgan
Administrative Assistant - Janet Thomas
Musician – Dr. Susan Waters

***Thank you for reading our monthly newsletter to keep up to date
with our growing church activities!***

***If you are new to the community or without a church home, please consider becoming a member of
Holy Trinity. Pastor Scottie will be glad to speak with you about this.***



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