

# The Orbit

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"For the Lord gives wisdom from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright he is a shield to those who walk blamelessly, guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his faithful ones. Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; for wisdom will come into your heart; and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul; prudence will watch over you; and understanding will guard you."

Proverbs 2: 6-11

## **From the Pastor:**

As we have been studying the book of Proverbs in our Bible Study I have been learning a lot and being reminded of how I should be acting as a disciple of Christ. Proverbs is not just a book of wise sayings, it is also a book that can teach us how to live with one another and be in relationship with each other. Proverbs deals with not only our relationships with our friends but also our enemies and most importantly our relationship with God. In these verses from Proverbs we learn that wisdom is from God and when we obtain wisdom then we will be secure in our relationship with the Lord. One thing that Proverbs tells us is that when it talks about wisdom it is not referring to book smarts or learning. That knowledge is not just about how much we know but it is about being righteous. Righteousness comes from our understanding of justice and equity towards others. When we have wisdom we live in righteousness and deal with others with equity. We stand up for those who do not have a voice and we serve those who we can. Our wisdom shows how we treat others and if we treat them fairly and with compassion then God will guard us as we do the right thing. Wisdom and knowledge is for everyone, and everyone can obtain the pleasure of God.

Peace





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## Trinity President

### APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS!

This season of renewal is a time of warming weather and nature coming back to life. Flowers bloom, birds sing, butterflies arrive, animals are born, reminding us there is new life all around us. Spring is an awesome reminder that God makes all things new again. We at Trinity are looking at a fresh start, bringing our church family together “in person” again as we work through the pandemic.

Your council is working hard to start committees up again, plan activities and functions everyone can enjoy, following CDC guidelines of course. If you have any ideas or suggestions please don't hesitate to share them. If you have an interest in joining a committee, all are welcome. Everyone has a talent to offer, a lot of spaces could be filled, and it's pretty much fun, most of the time!

Keep an eye on the bulletins and the Orbit to see what's happening. I know this might surprise you but I have heard people say oh I don't read those, guess that's why I didn't know. Ummmmm!

Isaiah 40:31

Happy Spring!!

Linda Hoover, council president



## Trinity's Some Things to Think About

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Of all the problems in the world, what problem do you think saddens God the most?

Honesty guides good people

If Jesus were to follow you around for one day, would you do anything different?

Some people cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go.

Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness.

Linda Hoover



## Trinity Stewardship Committee

In keeping with designating the quarterly Thank Offering, the Stewardship committee has proposed that the June Thank Offering be given to Pastor's discretionary fund. Church Council approved this at the March meeting.

The Discretionary fund is used by Pastor Eli to aid both members of the congregation and the community with emergency and/or unexpected expenses. This fund is a line item in Trinity's budget. However the amount for the year is just \$200 and has been depleted already. Please consider supporting this fund with the June Thank Offering.

Also, thanks to a generous bequest from an estate, Trinity has reached the minimum amount required for investment of the Endowment Fund. Council will be meeting with a Representative of the ELCA at the April meeting to finalize these plans.

The principal of the Endowment Fund will never be spent. However, the proceeds will be used each year for various projects at Trinity, based on the recommendations of the Endowment committee and Church Council.

Even with the relatively modest amount being initially invested, the Church should realize a return after just a year of approximately \$1200 that will benefit Trinity. It is important to realize that with additional contributions to the Fund, this return will increase. So this is only a beginning.

Gifts can be made to the Endowment Fund at any time, and in any amount. Please designate any offerings either in a separate envelope or in the memo portion of your check. Please remember that any gift will impact Trinity ministries on a permanent basis.



## Trinity Special Thank You!

*April seventeenth twenty twenty one*

*Dear Pastor Eli and all our Trinity family.*

*Louise and I, while we are still together, want to take this time to try and thank each and every one of you; words are so inadequate, but we are so appreciative of the outpouring of love and caring. All the prayers, cards, calls and monetary gifts mean so much to us. We thank God we are so lucky to be members of this loving and giving family.*

*Thank you Trinity*

*We love each and every one of you*

*Harry and Louise Yeager*



# Trinity Church Childrens Page

Help all  
four people  
find the  
Bible!



For as the  
body is one, and hath  
many members, and all  
the members of that one  
body, being many, are one  
body: so also is Christ.  
1 Corinthians 12:12

[www.biblebookandmore.net](http://www.biblebookandmore.net)

# Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers ...

## Trinity Members

Jim Aungst	Doris Hollingshead
Ted Baird	Jessica McGraw
Tyler Bennett	Bill McLaughlin
Ruth & Bob Brubaker	Cindy Murphy
Tina Chestney	Ken B. Myers
Church HealthTeam	Ray Nycum
Church Council	Angie Peacetree Family
Don Corl	Jaden Rhode
Gary Crownover	Tom Simpson
Sondra Deffibaugh	Stenger Family
Jane Eamigh	Fred Teigler
Paul Hamilton	Jasmine Wilkins
Kathy Hatch	Nevin Woodring
Kristina Henderson	Louise Yeager
Bob Hofmann	Nancy Yeager

## Trinity's Homebound Members

Chris Burda	Marie Laich
Audrey Deiluliis	Dawn Mangus
Ron Green	Bob Nearhoof
Ken Kumpf	Arlene Roessing

## Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Eddie Bennett	Nathan Frank
Sarah Brown	Ryan Maguire
Jim Buchanan	Justin Patz
Jason Buck	Jason Smith
Kyle Eberhart	Eric Sweet

## Family Members and Friends

Dustin Adams	Jack Hoyne	Michele Taylor
Donnie Alwine	Beth Ickes	Blair Umholtz
Janet & Charlie Aungst	Judy Johnson	Mike Verilla
Scott Aungst	Katie Kanczaryk	Paul Wallis
Sandy Badorrec	Tom Klevan	Mary Walter
Dan Baughman	Pastor John Klingeman	James Wilt
Rick Beauchamp	Lucya Kunkel	Steve Wood
Frank Bennett	Janelle Lehr	
Kris Bennett	Raija Lind	
Casey Bondarenka	Bernie Market	
Dorothy Bush	Ron Matta	
John Bush	Sharon Mayers	
Tracee Cole	Barb McConnell	
Scott Corl	Bob McConnell	
Sandy Daddorek	Eddie McGee	
Jim Deffibaugh	McGilvery Family	
Jorden DeFrancisco	Kathy McIntyre	
Zane Dodson	Sharon McKeegan	
Cheryl Ecker	Janelle Messner	
Autumn and Shelly Emswiller	Rudy Muccitelli	
Nancy & Bill Filler	Bill & Penny Murphy	
Elisie Fogel	Wyatt Nite	
Haley Gehret	Zach Porta	
Dawn George	Abby Remendowski	
Amy Gleason	Katie Riggelman	
Amanda Gregg & Daughters	Toran Robertson	
Ann Hanczaryk	Carl Ruckinger	
Charles W. Harpster	Michael Ruckinger	
Tim Harrison	Bill Senitko	
Don Haslem	Ronald Settle	
Tom Hatch	Patty Smith	
Danielle Hatfield	Tina Spahn	
	Bill Stonebraker	



Please know that you may add someone to our prayer list at any time by calling the church office (943-3972). If it is appropriate to remove someone from the prayer list, again, please inform the church office. Names of family and friends will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. You may keep someone's name on the list by calling the church office and giving us a brief update so that we can continue to effectively pray for your loved one.



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### Lectionary Readings for the Month of May

**May 2**

Acts 8:26-40  
Psalm 22:25-31  
1 John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8

**May 9**

Acts 10:44-48  
Psalm 98  
1 John 5:1-6  
John 15:9-17

**May 16**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26  
Psalm 1  
1 John 5:9-13  
John 17:6-19

**May 23**

Acts 2:1-21  
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
Romans 8:22-27  
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

**May 30**

Isaiah 6:1-8  
Psalm 29  
Romans 8:12-17  
John 3:1-17

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### Also worth mentioning...

### The next Orbit Deadline is May 24th

Please get your article to the newsletter in one of the following ways:

- Email your article to:  
**[office@trinityaltoona.com](mailto:office@trinityaltoona.com)**  
**[drgeesey@verizon.net](mailto:drgeesey@verizon.net)**
- Drop your article in the Orbit mailbox inside the Christian Education office.

**Please remember:**

- **All articles will be included as long as space permits.**
- **Articles will be edited for grammar and/or clarity where needed.**
- **Any article turned in after the deadline will be included in the next month's Orbit.**

**Thank You!**