# The Orbit

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"Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, You will be made free'? Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household' the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."



John 8: 31-36

## From the Pastor:

The primary focus for the month of July is the beginning and the celebration of the 4th of July. We celebrate independence day. The day is also looked at as freedom day, as America was formed and the colonists declared their freedom from British rule. The Bill of Rights lays out many freedoms and there are Amendments to the constitution that ensure other freedoms. However, the most important freedom we have was not won in the Revolutionary war or secured by an act of congress. The most important freedom was won over 2,000 years ago on the cross, by Christ. This is the freedom from sin, death and the Devil. As Christians our true independence day is that first Easter Sunday when Christ rose triumphant from the tomb. Like our American freedoms many of us did nothing to achieve them, they are part of our history. Some fought valiantly for them on our behalf, but they are ours none the less. Jesus fought for our eternal freedom and all we have to do is believe in his name. We have been freed by the Son himself and no one can take that away from us. Freedoms in this world are precarious, but the freedom we have in Christ and through Christ is everlasting. "So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

Peace



# **Trinity President**

## HAPPY 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY!

As we celebrate this holiday with fireworks, picnics and family gatherings we must contemplate what the Declaration of Independence means to us. Remember that in 1776 it was declared that God made all men equal and gave them the rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We live in a great country!

It is now time to live free of masks, have gatherings and socialize with friends and family. Whew, a long time coming. We must continue to be vigilant though and not brush off the safety of common sense. Although masks are no longer required you need to make your own decision as to whether you will or will not wear one, be in your own comfort zone. Your council thanks you for the awesome support and patience you gave to our church, you are the ones that held us together. I personally thank council for the countless hours of information gathering, number watching and making some very tough decisions. We will see what the future brings and pray for an ending to this madness. We plan to get back into our regular activities and move forward.

Linda Hoover, Council President

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# Trinity's Some Things to Think About

## TRINITY'S THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

What's more important to you, your goal, or other's opinions of your goal?

When you have exhausted all possibilities, remember this: you haven't

Do you believe we have a responsibility to help the poor?

You typically only breathe out of one nostril at a time. (trying it, aren't you?)

After you die, what is the one thing you would like to be remembered for?



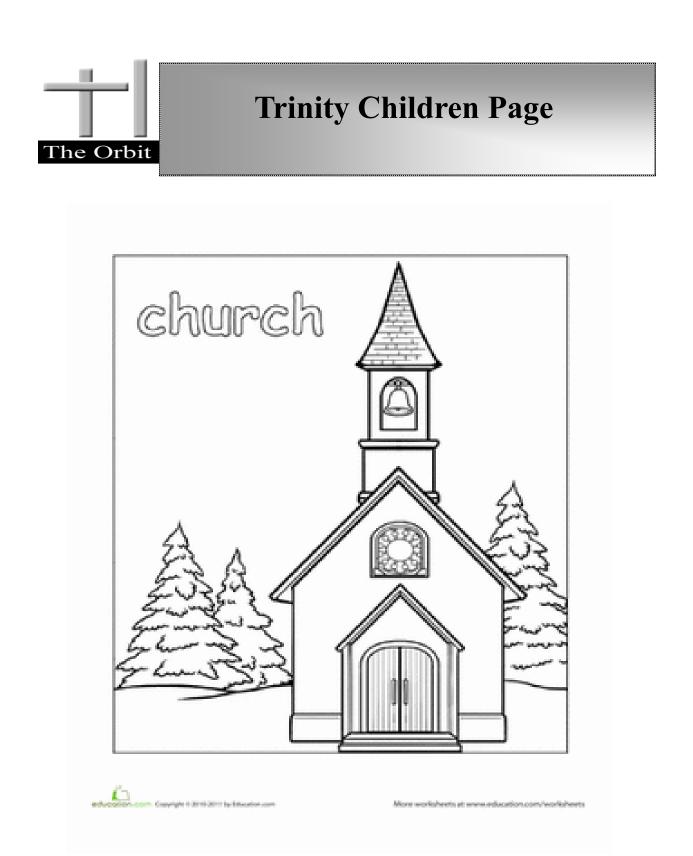
# **Trinity Social Ministry**

SOCIAL MINISTRY is excited to get back into meeting and serving again. We help many people and organizations plus members of our church. We meet once a month for about ½ hour to discuss our next project. We need your help, some of our members are no longer able to participate, additional ideas and help is needed, it's not a big consumer of time but gives you a chance to contribute to a worthy cause. For any information or questions call Sharon Kutz or Linda Hoover, we'll be happy to talk to you. We need to start up our committees again, it's been a long year of confinement.



# **Trinity Healthy You**

HEALTHY YOU group invites you to give us a try! We have been titles "socialcize" because we do much more than exercise. We do video's that are fun for anyone, any age or physical ability. We do ½ hour exercise and more than ½ hours of "brain games" that make us laugh as well as possibly learn something. It's good for all of us to be able to get together again and have some companionship and fun. We meet Tuesday and Friday at 10:00, come once and you'll be hooked. Just show up and enjoy!





## Please keep the following people in your prayers ...

#### **Trinity Members**

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

#### **Trinity's Homebound Members**

Chris BurdaMarie LaichAudrey DeiluliisDawn MangusRon GreenBob NearhoofKen KumpfArlene Roessing

#### **Those Serving in the Armed Forces**

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

**Donnie Alwine** Janet & Charlie Aungst Scott Aungst Sandy Badorrec Dan Baughman **Behe Family** Frank Bennett **Kris Bennett** Casey Bondarenka **Dorothy Bush** John Bush Sue Carter Sue Casalviere **Tracee Cole** Scott Corl Raynoo Cox Family Sandy Daddorek Jim Deffibaugh Jorden DeFrancisco Zane Dodson **Cheryl Ecker** Autumn and Shelly Emswiller Phil Esper Nancy & Bill Filler Elisie Fogel Haley Gehret Dawn George Amy Gleason Amanda Gregg & Daughters Ann Hanczaryk **Robin Hansley** David K. Harpster Tim Harrison **Don Haslem** Tom Hatch

**Danielle Hatfield** Robin Housley Jack Hoyne **Beth Ickes** Judy Johnson Katie Kanczaryk Tom Klevan Pastor John Klingeman Lucya Kunkel Jan Lastaglia Janelle Lehr Raiia Lind Linda Mardula **Bernie Market** Ron Matta Sharon Mayers **Barb McConnell Bob McConnell** Eddie McGee **McGilvery Family** Kathy McIntyre Sharon McKeehan Janelle Messner **Rudy Muccitelli** Bill & Penny Murphy Wyatt Nite **Richard Perry** Zach Porta **Frances Pringle** Abby Remendowski Katie Riggleman Toran Robertson Carl Ruckinger Michael Ruckinger **Bill Senitko Ronald Settle** Patty Smith

**Family Members and Friends** 

Tina Spahn Michele Taylor Blair Umholtz Mike Verilla Paul Wallis Mary Walter James Wilt Steve Wood Elsa



Please know that you can 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 can 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 July

July 4 Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13

**July 11** Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

**July 18** Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 25 2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-18 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21

#### In the Orbit This Month:

Also worth mentioning...

## The next Orbit Deadline is July 24th

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

 Email your article to: office@trinityaltoona.com drgeesey@verizon.net

• Drop your article in the Orbit mailbox inside the Christian Education office.

#### Please remember:

- All articles will be included <u>as</u> 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.

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