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The Trinity Herald Newsletter

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First Night Hallam
Saturday, December 31st
7:00 p.m. - midnight

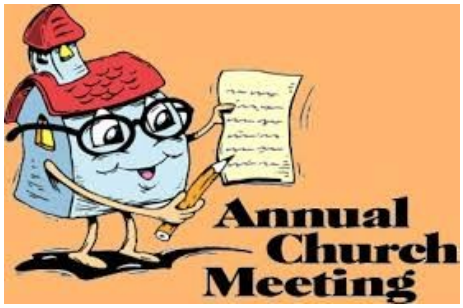
Sunday, January 1st
Joint Worship Service
at Kreutz Creek
Presbyterian Church
10:45 a.m.

Family Supper
Tuesday, January 10th
6:30 p.m.

Budget & Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 15th
Directly after Worship

Family Game Night
Friday, January 20th
6:30 p.m.
Bring it On!!!!!



Sunday, January 29th
Pot Luck Dinner & Annual Meeting
1:00 p.m.

THE PARSONAGE

What are your favorite memories of New Years past? For me, I always have fond recollections about spending the day on the family farm with my extended family. We ate the "lucky" foods; we watched the bowl games (and the parades). We played cards and laughed about days gone by and tricks played over the years.

At some point in time, there would be someone laughing about the time they and Uncle Art went frog gigging and there was a hole in the burlap bag. Other times you would hear half the family talking about how Arkansas University was nothing but a "cow college" and that Oklahoma University would always be better; while the other half was making it clear that OU was nothing but a bunch of "rough necks" trying to look and act smart and Arkansas was the better team. I can't remember a single time when Oklahoma and Arkansas ever played each other, but the arguments were steady and annual: Don't forget we lived on the Arkansas/ Oklahoma border and this was important stuff!

Getting back to the lucky foods, the saying for New Year's Day is that you are to eat poor, so you will live rich. The menu changes depending on where you live and to be honest, our family had quite a list, since we added items, as new family members brought their traditional foods with them. We had fried salt pork, black eyed peas (seasoned with salt pork), cooked cabbage (with salt pork), green salad, sprinkled with salt pork and rice cooked with small pieces of salt pork in it. As you can see, we all got annual Christmas cards from the local cardiologist.

These foods were to bring health and wealth to you and your family and they did in the form of family bonding and joy. The same can be said about our Christian family. As we spend time together working, cooking, eating, cleaning dreaming and even grousing; we find that we are made whole and complete with each other. Why do we have church fellowships and suppers, because it reminds us that, "we are one in the bond of love," and that we are fellow travelers on the same journey – we are not alone. The body of Christ is made complete, when we are joined together.

So… Happy New Year to you my church family and don't forget that Penn State is nothing but a bunch of drunken wannabes that will never amount to anything and Arkansas will always be better!

Peace,

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Rev. Kelly

Thank you for all the wonderful gifts and cards. I have been blessed with a wonderful church family. From Dana and the girls, Happy New Year.

God Bless, Rev, Kelly and family

JANUARY ALTAR FLOWERS

January 8th	In lieu of altar flowers Phyllis Shoff is making a donation to the Building Repair Fund in honor of loved ones. Blessings to everyone in the new year.
January 15th	The altar flowers have been presented by Ed and Carole Reisinger in loving memory of Edward L. and Margaret Reisinger.
January 22nd	In lieu of altar flowers the Sanders family is making a donation to the Endowment Fund in loving memory of John Buchart.
January 29th	The altar flowers have been presented by Bill and Patti Conaway in memory of their fathers, Paul Yost and William Conaway.

FAMILY SUPPER

This month's supper will be turkey and waffles, mashed potatoes, peas, dessert and beverage on ***Tuesday, January 10th, at 6:30 p.m. Join us! Bring a friend!*** Sign-up sheets in the usual places.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION TEARDOWN

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations on ***Saturday, January 7th at 9:00 a.m.*** Many hands make for fast work. Thanks once again to the crew for making our church look so beautiful.

BIBLE STUDY

for both Monday night and Thursday morning will resume the week of January 9th, at 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. respectively.

GAME NIGHT

On Friday, ***January 20th at 6:30 p.m.,*** we will be sponsoring another Game Night. This is not just for the kids but also for the young at heart. Come challenge Dale and Vi to a game. They are the reigning "King & Queen" at game night. Games range from ping pong, bumper pool, board games to card games. You name it, we got it. And if we don't have, bring it. Bring friends and a snack to share. New competition is needed. Join us.

EASTERN YORK FOOD PANTRY

Until further notice the EYFP **does not need** canned goods at this time as they are overstocked. They are in need of jelly, instant mashed potatoes, hamburger helper, rice & rice mixes, spaghetti sauce and jello or pudding. Plastic grocery bags are always needed. Monetary donations can be given to Barb Latshaw, Rev. Kelly, Jim Smith or Patti Conaway.

THE TRINITY CHRISTMAS CARD MAILBOX

is wrapping up and as before, was an overwhelming success. Please check the mailbox one last time for any last minute mailings for family and friends. It is in the church office.

SHORT CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

will be held ***Sunday, January 15th***, directly after worship, to approve the budget and to make a change to the church by-laws concerning the size

of the Church Council. Copies of the budget are in the back of the sanctuary and in the Gathering Place for review.

BAND TOGETHER

The Penn State Hershey (Band Together) group strength training program continues 3 days a week (M-W-F) in the mornings at 10:00 a.m. This has become a great community success. Come and check out what the program is all about. These folks never took a recess over the holidays. Participants are seeing results!

CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

A few 2017 church offering envelopes still need to be picked up. If you are not receiving them and would like to begin using them, please contact June Snyder at 818-9455 or the church office at 757-3169.

"THESE DAYS" SUBSCRIPTIONS

The office is taking over the subscriptions for "These Days". We are very grateful to Jim Grove for handling these devotionals for us for many, many years. Present subscribers are paid up until the end of June. If anyone would like to begin a new subscription beginning with the Jan-Feb-March edition, please see Pat. Regular and large print is available. Meanwhile because we do not have a list of the present subscribers, we have a few Jan-Feb-Mar editions in the church office. If you are paid up till June, please see Pat to pick up your current edition.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please help us up-date our email addresses for our files. It is our hope to save the trees and postage if we can email your newsletter to you. It will be in beautiful color and you can access it during the month when needed.

IMPORTANT!!! ANNUAL REPORTS AND MEETING DATE

The Annual meeting will be held on ***Sunday, January 29th***. All Church committee heads need to assemble their annual reports, and have them into the office by January 15th.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

On ***Sunday, January 15th***, we will be installing three new members on Church Council. We are pleased to have Carole Reisinger, Gil Gonsalves and Steve Arnold join Trinity's Council. We are looking forward to them working with us. We would like to thank Joe Sheetz for his many years of service on Church Council. He will be greatly missed. We love you Joe!!

THANK YOU

for your cards, prayers and expressions of sympathy during the recent loss of our father, William Young and brother, Leon Abel. We sincerely appreciate the thoughtfulness and kindness shown by Rev. Kelly and our church family at Trinity UCC.

Greg & Carol Young

MANY THANKS

to Kim DeLany and Syd Lehman for the wonderful community Christmas concert last Sunday. Also thanks to the Friendship Circle ladies for the refreshments afterwards. $266 was collected for the Eastern York Food Pantry along with canned goods. Thanks everyone.

A BIG THANK YOU

to Tiffany Lakatosh and Danielle Nelson for organizing and directing the Children's Superhero Christmas Program. The congregation always enjoys the children performing.

WE HAD MANY

nice compliments on our beautiful church decorations in the sanctuary and the meaningful Christmas Eve service from quite a few visitors who spent the evening with us. We are thankful for all the volunteers who helped make this Christmas season so blessed.

THE MITTEN TREE

Thanks to all who helped cover the Mitten Tree.

REFRESHMENTS

2017 is in desperate need of sponsors for after-worship refreshments. Please sign-up for a week or two.

Please Welcome Our New Members

Wilbur Henry Latshaw - Wilbur and his wife, Barb and son, Willie live in Windsor. They have three other grown children; Cathy Latshaw, Melissa DeGiovanni and Danield Latshaw. He is retired but enjoys watching sports on TV. He served in the Marines.

Barbara Ann Latshaw - Barb is the wife of Wilbur. Their 56th wedding anniversary was December 22nd. Congratulations. As most of us know, Barb is the main force behind the Eastern York Food Pantry. She also likes to read and put puzzles together.

Wilbur Henry Latshaw, III - Willie is the oldest child of Barb and Wilbur. He likes motorcycles, watching people and animals.

The Preschool celebrated the birth of Jesus with many fun and special events this past month. A super thank you to all who helped to make our Polar Express PJ Party a huge success! Congregation members and staff donated supplies, food and their time and talents so that our students and siblings could celebrate the magic of the season ! The preschool would also like to express our gratitude to Santa Claus for taking the time to visit each of our classes and share a very special new stuffed friend with each boy and girl. Our MWF students enjoyed an Advent themed field trip to the Parish Resource Center in Lancaster last month. We also welcomed over 200 friends and family to our Christmas Program performed by MWF and PreK students! Our three year olds enjoyed a Christmas party with special guests as well. We are ready for the new learning challenges and activities the new year shall bring! The Preschool wishes everyone a blessed New Year and continued Christmas season!

Brenda Keller

Trinity Member Service List

This is a partial listing of some of the resources our congregation offers. Please notify the office if you wish to be included. DISCLAIMER: This list is for informational purposes only.

Cindy Bowman - Physical Therapist - Specializing in myofascial release - a beneficial and effective massage technique to relieve pain, postural abnormalities and improve overall well-being #840-1787

Gus Carpio - Electrician - Residential and Commercial/Bucket Truck #487-3966

Steve Dellinger - Steve L. Dellinger Contractors - Masonry & Concrete Work #252-2789

Frank Harro - Professional Business Supplies, Inc. - All your printing needs #252-5800

Vickie Kelly - Hair Styling - In your home or at funeral homes #781-4894

Tiffany Lakatosh - Bookkeeping/Accounting - Notary and taxes #244-8828

Christopher Lakatosh - Security Systems #244-8828

2017 ANNUAL MEETING

Please plan on joining us on ***Sunday, January 29th, at 1:00 p.m.*** in the Social Hall for our annual potluck dinner and meeting to review 2016 and discuss plans for the new year. The annual 2016 report will be available with committee persons to answer any questions.

JANUARY

Birthdays & Anniversaries

4	John Lesh
8	Yvonne Arnold
8	Norma McCurdy
9	Dennis Tome
10	Lana Ilgenfritz
10	Wilbur Latshaw, III
16	Erin Wesser

17	Jeff Clinton
18	Agnes Kerlinger
19	Madisyn McCleary
20	Janette Harro
25	Jerry Snyder
25	Jerry Ulmer
26	Joyce Brown

27	Steven & Kacey Hinkle	1996

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Pastor's Office:
pastor@trinityhallam.com
Trinity Preschool:
preschool@trinityhallam.com
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CHURCH COUNCIL

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Christine Broome, President	757-6357	Year #6
Gretchen Brumbaugh	252-9709	Year #2
Gil Gonsalves	309-7372	Year #1
Mike Harbaugh	252-1868	Year #2
Vickie Kelly, Vice President	781-4894	Year #4
Carole Reisinger	252-1887	Year #1
Warren Ruppert	755-0352	Year #4
Jim Smith	244-9534	Year #2
Jerry Ulmer	684-7098	Year #4
Greg Young	755-5380	Year #2

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Newsletter Editor
Pat Harbaugh
757-3169

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES
JANUARY 15th

John Brumbaugh, Church Treasurer 252-9709

Turn to Fox 43 News or www.fox43news.com for Church cancellations due to inclement weather.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE EASTERN YORK FOOD PANTRY

Especially during these most difficult times, when food pantries are experiencing an increased number of people and families in need of help.

PLEASE DONATE YOUR CAMPBELLS & GENERAL MILLS BOX TOPS FOR OUR SCHOOLS!!

They help support our local elementary schools in the Eastern School District.
The company requests the "box top" logo (only) be cut off of the product package!

JANUARY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 2017	1st New Year's Day	8th First Sunday After Epiphany	15th Second Sunday After Epiphany	22nd Third Sunday After Epiphany	29th Four Sunday After Epiphany
LECTIONARY READINGS LAY READER	JOINT WORSHIP AT KREUTZ CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 10:45 P.M.	Isaiah 60: 1-6 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12 Tony Richeson	Isaiah 49: 1-7 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-42 Cheryl Gerhart	Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-23 Susan Richeson	Rev. Kelly Shiflett
GREETERS	N/A	Bill & Patti Conaway	Wayne & Liz Keller	Wilbur & Barb Latshaw	Ed & Carole Reisinger
USHERS	N/A	Bill & Patti Conaway Jerry & Christine Broome	Wayne & Liz Keller Althea Lesh Christine Broome	Mike & Pat Harbaugh	Ed & Carole Reisinger John & Gretchen Brumbaugh
ACOLYTE	N/A	Alexis Lakatosh	Faith Groff	Rachel Bowman	Collin Young
MONEY COUNTERS	Pat Harbaugh Christine Broome	Mary Alice Pershing Don Hinkle	Jim Smith Vickie Kelly	Tiffany Lakatosh Ed Reisinger	Carol Young Cheryl Gerhart
NURSERY ATTENDANTS	N/A	Tiffany & Alexis Lakatosh	Tony & Susan Richeson	Jim & Denise Smith	N/A
CHILDREN SS TEACHER	N/A	TBA	TBA	TBA	N/A
ADULT SS TEACHER	N/A	Tony Richeson	Ed Reisinger	OPEN	N/A
REFRESHMENTS	N/A	June & Jerry	OPEN	Mike & Pat Harbaugh	N/A

JANUARY CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 JOINT WORSHIP AT KREUTZ CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 10: 45 p.m.	2	3	4 CHOIR PRACTICE 6:30 p.m.	5	6 EPIPHANY	7 CHRISTMAS DECORATION TEARDOWN 9:00 a.m.
8	9 BIBLE STUDY 6:00 p.m.	10 FAMILY SUPPER 6:30 p.m.	11 CHOIR PRACTICE 6:30 p.m.	12 BIBLE STUDY 9:00 a.m.	13	14
15 INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS CONGREGATIONAL MEETING DIRECTLY AFTER WORSHIP	16 BIBLE STUDY 6:00 p.m. FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE 7:00 p.m.	17 CHURCH COUNCIL 7:00 p.m.	18 CHOIR PRACTICE 6:30 p.m.	19 BIBLE STUDY 9:00 a.m.	20 GAME NIGHT 6:30 p.m.	21
22	23 BIBLE STUDY 6:30 p.m.	24	25 BREAKFAST CLUB 11:45 a.m. CHOIR PRACTICE 6:30 p.m.	26 BIBLE STUDY 9:00 a.m.	27	28
29 ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING & POTLUCK 1:00 p.m.	30 BIBLE STUDY 6:00 p.m.	31	28			CADETTE TROOP $20567 MEETINGS 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH

NEWS of the 29 Churches of the York Association

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Mission Statement

We, the members of the York Association of the United Church of Christ, are called by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit to represent Christ by:

- supporting one another in our covenantal relationship;
- calling clergy and laity to mutual accountability to the faith and order of the church;
- witnessing together to God's redeeming love. (Adopted April 28, 1991)

Greetings from YA President

Happy New Year! I hope all is well and that you are enjoying the Holiday Season. We are gearing up for some exciting things this year and are excited to share some of the plans with you.

The big item for us this year is to address the quorum issue in our association. As you probably know, meeting the quorum numbers has become a problem over the last few years and we have not been able to do the business of the Church more than once. There are some ideas that are already being passed around and we hope to have a proposal or two for York Association to consider.

Community Outreach has two events planned for the coming year. This year's *Social Justice Event* will be at Hayshire UCC on March 18 and the *Go Green Sunday Event* is on August 13 at Shiloh. These events have become great occasions for our Association; they are filled with great information, good fellowship and strong community building opportunities for all of York County.

Parish Life is planning our annual dinner and I also hear that Octoberfest is a go for the second year. Parish Life is needing a few more folk on their committee, so if you are interested, please let us know.

Committee on Ministry has an ordination celebration on the 15th of January, as we bless the ministry of Kent Rhodehamel and his on-going journey with Locust Grove. The Ordination Service begins at 3:00 and there is a dinner in their fellowship hall following the service. Clergy are invited to robe and process, wearing either Red or Multi-color stoles. Please RSVP by Jan 8th.

As you can see, we are hitting the ground running and we hope that you all will attend as many of the YA events as possible. One last thing, like us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/yorkucc, and become a part of our group. Happy New Year and God Bless.

Submitted by: Rev. Kelly Shiflett,
President York Association

Installation Service of Our New Conference Minister and President

The **Rev. Dr. Monica Dawkins-Smith** will be officially installed as Conference Minister of the Penn Central Conference at a Service of Installation at Heidelberg United Church of Christ, 47 W. Philadelphia Street, York, PA 17401 on Sunday, January 8, 2017 beginning at 3:00 p.m. Parking is available in the lot behind Heidelberg (off Beaver Street) or the parking garage on W. Philadelphia Street.

Monica was elected to her position at a specially called meeting of the Conference on Saturday, August 20 at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Mechanicsburg, PA.

A reception will follow the service. Plan to attend this special event in the life of the Penn Central Conference.

"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Service of Ordination

The York Association of the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ and the members of Locust Grove United Church of Christ, 1035 Locust Grove Road, York, PA 17402 invite your presence for the Service of Ordination of **Kent Rhodehamel Sunday, January 15, 2017 at 3:00 PM** in the Sanctuary.

All are invited to a dinner of fellowship following the service (Fellowship hall, downstairs, accessible)

Clergy are invited to robe and process, red or multi-color stoles.

If you plan to attend the dinner, PLEASE RSVP – 717 755 1318 by Sunday, January 8, 2017 (Locust Grove Church office).

Celebration and Vigilance From our UCC Brothers and Sisters Near the Dakota Access Pipeline(DAPL)

There was much news in December about DAPL and the Army Corps of Engineers decision to deny a needed permit on Dec. 3rd. The UCC has been supportive of the peaceful water protectors who have gathered to pray and respectfully advocate for clean water and their rights. Link to the latest UCC news: www.ucc.org/news and go to the Dec. 6th article "Standing Rock Water Protectors Celebrate Victory, Stay Vigilant" (scroll down under more news at page bottom).

Lisa and Glenn Young from Hayshire UCC, York visited with Byron Buffalo, a licensed lay minister of the Dakota Association of the United Church of Christ, and his wife Toni during the Penn Central Partners in Peace Camp this past August. Toni is quoted in the above article about her reaction to the Dec. 3rd news: "I'm still on the verge of tears each time I think of all the sacrifices people made to stay up at Standing Rock," said Toni Buffalo, a member of the UCC Dakota Association and one of the denomination's leaders in the Lakota community. Buffalo was in the Water Protectors camp near the reservation when the Army Corps decision not to grant the permit was announced. "Although I'm happy [the easement was denied], we aren't naive to believe it's over. So, after a day of joyous celebration last night, today we have to get ready for the next step. Already DAPL has issued a statement saying what was done last night won't deter them. No war is won with one victory in battle." Please keep this situation in your awareness and your prayers.

Submitted by the PCC Green Justice Ministry Team

February newsletter deadline is January 11
This newsletter (January) will be emailed by December 19 by the Association President, Rev Kelly Shiflett.
Newsletter Editor – Sue Barnes
Editor Email – sjacobs@cdstraining.com

Micro-lending Update

Over the past 13 years, the York Association has established 31 Trust Groups in Africa, Central and South America, through Opportunity International. This ministry has empowered thousands of families enabling them to send their children to school and meet the very necessities of life. To date, 22 of the 29 churches in the York Association have supported this endeavor!

We mark the beginning of 2017 by making the new year brighter and better for families in two countries thanks to Mt. Zion-Spring Grove, Faith-York, Emmanuel-York, Grace-York, Mt. Zion-York, Emmanuel-Freysville and St. Paul-Stoverstown.

Micro-lending empowers people to provide for their families while staying with them. Education is not a right for most children in the world. It is a privilege relegated to those who can afford it. Micro-lending enables families in 2nd and 3rd world countries to provide the basic necessities for their children.

If your congregation has not been part of this initiative, 2017 is the time to be part of it!

Submitted by: Cathy Sherry, YA Outreach Committee

"It Takes a Village" – Families in Crisis
2017 Social Justice Forum
Sat. March 18, 2017 ~ Hayshire UCC – York
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

The 2017 forum will offer information and local resources about the local drug epidemic, the homeless and hunger crises affecting families locally, teens in crisis, domestic abuse, resources to empower families.

Mark this date on your calendars and watch for more information in your church newsletters and bulletins in the coming weeks.

Around the Association

Starview UCC

4832 North Sherman St Ext, Mount Wolf, PA 17347

- Starview UCC will hold a Carry-Out only boiled **Turkey Pot Pie sale** on Sat, January 28th (snow date: February 4th). Pre-orders will be accepted through Wednesday, January 25th by calling the church office at 266-4248. Orders are to be picked up between 3pm-5pm. Pot Pie may be ordered by the pint at a price of $4 or by the quart at a price of $8.

Emmanuel UCC, York

- Emmanuel UCC is **selling pecans** to benefit their **Kenya** Education Fund. 20 bags remain! Contact Emmanuel UCC, York. Phone 717-801-1084 or email emmanuelucc@gmail.com to purchase.

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Sunday Worship
9:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages
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