

# TRINITY TOPICS

The Newsletter of Trinity Episcopal Church  
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July/August 2015

## *A word of THANKS from Fr. Jim & Nancy*

Dear People of God at Trinity,

We send our heartfelt thanks to you for the wonderful “retirement” dinner and tribute for us. It could not have been better with good food, good friends, and loving hearts. We want to especially thank you for the gift without compare that was given in our names to the effort in Kajo Keji. You have been a blessing to us and you will forever remain in our minds, our hearts, and our prayers and as I said in my last homily with you; it is not “Good-bye”, but rather “God be with ye”.

May God bless, preserve, and keep you,

*Jim & Nancy*

### *Trinity Church's Mission Statement*

“Living, loving, sharing in the name of Jesus Christ.”

### *Vision Statement*

“Honoring the past as we build a strong foundation for the future, while sharing our Christian faith through service to the community.”

**Please Remember in your Prayers: especially**

**Those serving in the armed forces: especially**

Michael Steinruck, Tom Austerberry, Erik Ryland, Larry Reedy II,  
Ethan Garrity, Eric Walls, Cory Maurer, Travis Miller, Jeremy Thomas

**Those sick or in need of healing: especially**

Lynn Allen, Pat Allen, Fred Bacon, George Barlow, Bruce Becker, Barry Boose, Ruth Bohnenblust, Maureen Cole,  
Lois Campbell, Claire & Gene Connelly, George Dupree, Bonnie Eckert, Carol Field, John Franko, Suzy Franko,  
Dorothy Frye, Tim Haley, Charlotte Haines, Nancy Harris, Holly Hedstrom, Dave Houck, Joanne Kraft,  
Barbara Kull, Michael Lafferty, Kelly Lambert, Jim Major, Celie Muench, Michael O'Malley III, Marilyn Miller,  
Joan Moyer, Sean Noone, Cora Gamelin-Osenbach, Violet Pogera, Tony Rauco, Bill & Katherine Reese,  
Suzie Rich, John Ross, Scott Russell, Ellet Sapp, Pam Sapp, Chuck Sells, Vivian Smulley, George R. Stone Jr.,  
Wendy Stone, Jackie Villinski, Steve & Sally Wood, Pastor Craig Zimmerman, Karen, Joan, Frank, Sherry, Deb,  
Linda, Donny, Carol, Kim, Shirley, Anna, Clem, Claire, Sarah, Cheyenne, Betsy, Baby Emma, Frank, Kelly, Nikki

*A Prayer for our Search Process*

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**UNITED THANK OFFERING (UTO)**

***“Our change changes lives”***

***Are your blue boxes filling up with coins representing all the things you are thankful for? The UTO Ingathering will take place on two Sundays in September, the 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Our offerings will be presented at the Diocesan Convention on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.***

***Every penny goes to worthwhile causes both here and abroad, so please count your daily blessings and we will count your coins.***

***If you would like to start your blue box (it's never too late), there are some available at the Chapel as well as UTO envelopes for the Ingathering Sundays. If you have any questions, please see Cora Gamelin-Osenbach.***

***Thank you!***

## THE MUSIC CORNER by Cora A. Gamelin-Osenbach

We now enter the hopefully slower paced time of summer; services at the Chapel of the Resurrection are every Sunday at 9 am. The one service will include an opening and closing hymn as we join together in worship in the calm, lovely setting of Charles Baber Cemetery.

The choir is taking a well deserved rest and will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the parish lounge. We are always looking for enthusiastic people who want to enhance our worship through the gift of music. As some of you know, because of budget constraints, the Choirmaster position has been eliminated. However, we are very thankful that our Choirmaster, Franklin Osenbach has agreed to continue in a volunteer capacity. We are still committed to providing the high quality music program that Trinity has become accustomed to even with our challenges. We will begin services in the sanctuary again on September 13.

CONCERT SERIES - Our ninth season will begin on September 20 at 4 pm with marimba artist, Greg Giannascoli accompanied by Schuylkill County native, Ron Stabinsky. A unique and exciting offering which exemplifies our series and its eclectic appeal to the community. Please see the entire season flyer included in this TOPICS. As always, if you are interested in becoming a patron of the concert series, please see Cora Gamelin-Osenbach or send a contribution to the church office with a designation for the concert series - thank you!

**Timothy Bortner, center, received his God and Church medal from the Hawk Mountain Council of The Boy Scouts of America at the May 17 service**



**The Children's Choir combined with Trinity's Choir to sing at Fr. Jim's final service on June 14**



# Trinity Episcopal Church Concert Series

## Calendar of Upcoming Events for the 2015-2016 Series



September 20, 2015

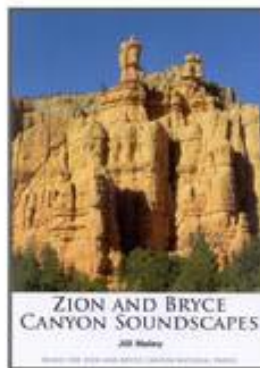
November 15, 2015



*We kick off our 9<sup>th</sup> season with a unique, exciting concert with the marimba. Mr. Giannascoli teaches at Juilliard and will offer an eclectic program with Schuylkill County native, Ron Stabinsky, as accompanist.*



**Greg Giannascoli, marimba artist**  
**Ron Stabinsky, pianist**



*We welcome back Jill Haley with the second in her series of original compositions accompanied by photos of Utah's national parks. Breathtaking both in sound and vision.*

**Jill Haley, oboist & composer**

April 10, 2016

May 15, 2016



*Mr. Mead is the organist and Director of Liturgical Music at the large and historic St. Mary's Church in Newport, RI. Also a composer, he is a former student of Canon Mark Laubach and a native of Bloomsburg, PA.*

**Cody Mead, organist**



*Simon is well known to Schuylkill County as one of the founding members of the Gabriel Chamber Ensemble. He will be accompanied by Dr. Pan, an internationally acclaimed pianist who has made music with Simon around the world.*

**Simon Maurer, violinist**  
**Dr. Xun Pan, pianist**

**Sunday Afternoons at 4:00**

**No Admission Fee - Free Will Offering Taken**

*Handicapped Accessible*

**Reception following the concerts to meet the Artists**

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## NEWS FROM MARION C. PRICE TRUST FUND

As we age we face challenges that we did not think twice about in earlier days. Accepting changes in your abilities and adapting new coping strategies will help you restore balance, reduce stress and maintain your feeling of wellbeing.

Keep in mind that what works well for one person may not work for another. When developing your coping strategies, the more flexible you can be, the better you can fine-tune your strategies.

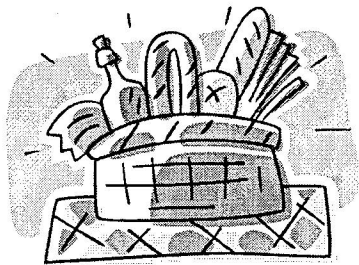
- **Set realistic goals and focus on what you can do today.** Some tasks may become too difficult for you to complete; reduce stress by asking family or friends for help.
- **Develop a daily routine.** Having a schedule can reduce the time you spend figuring out what needs to be done and when, and makes you more successful in accomplishing your goals and limiting mistakes.
- **Approach one task at a time and don't get stuck.** Give yourself enough time to complete a task. Don't pressure yourself to succeed. If something becomes too difficult, take a break and try again later.
- **Know that you have more than one chance to solve most problems.** It's not uncommon to have to try different strategies to achieve your overall goal.
- **Recognize the triggers that cause you stress.** Knowing what causes stress allows you to make plans in advance or decisions about the type of activities/tasks you choose to participate in.

**Use your sources of strength.** Family, friends, prayers, your inner strength, pets, your *Parish Nurse* (570-621-3220) – *While it may seem like a sign of weakness at first, asking for help when you need it may help you maintain your independence and remain in control*, all these sources can get you through hard times, even as you face daily challenges or setbacks.



**Scam Alert:** The FBI warns of a funeral fraud perpetrated on seniors. Scammers read obituaries and call or attend the funeral service of a complete stranger to take advantage of the grieving widow or widower, claiming the deceased had an outstanding debt with them. The scammers will try to extort money from relatives to settle fake debts.

Another particularly elaborate property tax scam seen in California has fraudsters sending personalized letters to different properties apparently on behalf of the County Assessor's Office. This letter, made to look official but displaying only public information, identifies the property's assessed value and offers the homeowner, for a fee of course, to arrange for a reassessment of the property's value and therefore the tax burden associated with it.



# Baber Day

14th & Market Street, Pottsville

**Sunday, September 13, 2015 3:00 to 6:30 PM**

## 17th Annual Baber Appreciation Day

Hot dogs, baked beans, chips, watermelon & water will be provided.

Bring your own folding chair.

“Free Will Donation”

**NATURE AND HISTORY WALKING TOURS 3:15**

**SMALL BASKET RAFFLE**

**PICNIC BEGINNING 4:30**

**BAKE SALE**

**THIRD BRIGADE BAND CONCERT 4:00 - 5:45 PM**

**SOLEMN EVENSONG SERVICE (Pending) - 6:00 PM**

Monetary contributions to purchase the hot dogs, rolls, and condiments or contributions of paper products, water and chips would be greatly appreciated. Volunteers are needed to make bake goods, to help set up and clean up, cut the melons, and grill the dogs. Two volunteers are needed for a limited raffle sale the day of the event. If you can help, call Carol 617-6704, Carla or Norm-628-3868, Kurt Kovalovich 640-1738, or the office at 622-8720.

# CHARLES BABER PRESERVATION TRUST

## Arbor Day Celebration- April 25, 2015

Arbor Day was a sunny, but chilly day. It represented the 15th year of a tree planting program that began in 2000. Each year 10 new trees are planted and blessed with a tree sponsorship of \$400 per tree. The proceeds from the tree sponsorship are used to removed dead or diseased trees, that left unattended, could fall or break off and could cause damage to neighboring property (as they have done in the past) or can damage nearby memorial markers.

This year we were very blessed in having 11 trees sponsored. Ten new trees were planted this year, but one unsponsored tree remained from last year, so we had the perfect number of trees available for sponsorship. We, the board are very thankful for the sponsors, many of whom have continued to sponsor trees over the past several years.

This year our tree memorials and thanksgivings and their sponsors were as follows: (1) Weeping cherry tree: Given in gratitude for many years of service to our retiring Rev. and Mrs. James Rinehart by the Baber Preservation Trust Board. (2) Pin Oak given in loving memory of the Ulmer Family by Augusta Leininger. (3) Pin Oak given in loving memory of Adolph & Elizabeth Burke by Corinne Gearhart. (4) Pin Oak given in loving memory of my husband Robert Moser by Peggy Moser. (5) Pin Oak given in loving memory of my parents Edward A. and Barbara G. Beddall by Thomas Beddall. (6) London Planetree given in thanksgiving for Allen Brennan by Seraphina Brennan and Amiee Wagner. (7) Copper Beech given in memory of my husband Jerry Field by Carol Field. (8) Horse Chestnut given in loving memory of Rogene D. Kulp Motney by Fred and Dona Brown. (9) Ginkgo given in thanksgiving for a loving husband and a wonderful life of Robert Moser by Peggy Moser. (10) Swamp White Oak given in loving memory of Nancy Williams by Corinne Gearhart. (11) Pin oak given in thanksgiving for our grandson Adam Schmitz by Mickey and Betty Bradley.

The Charles Baber Cemetery, constructed as a cemetery within a garden park setting, has a wide and healthy variety of trees. Except for the outlying perimeter area and the hillside between the upper and lower sections, all of the trees have been identified and plotted. The four section plot plan and the descriptions of the many trees have been placed on the cemetery's website at [babercemetery.org](http://babercemetery.org). These trees are spectacular in any season, and because of this, all attempts were made to photograph the various trees in different seasons. Come and enjoy the trees in person or on the website.

### RESTORATION PROJECT

The extensive road and pavement work at the 16th Street entrance is 90% complete. The new sidewalks, the new curbing, and the re-sloping of the road were very effective in deterring the water from entering the property from 16th St. Street and from West End Avenue. To appreciate the benefit of this work, all one has to do is visit the site during a heavy torrential rain. The final coat and sealer, at a cost of \$4,000, remains to be placed on the road. This won't be done until the drain work is complete. Two drains closest to the 16th entrance work were cleaned out, broken pipes replaced, and they were given new catch basins and new grates.

The pond is cleaned out and has a new concrete spillway and a mountain rock entrance way where the water feeds into the pond. Ten drains remained to be set with new concrete basins, blocked pipes cleaned out, new grates placed on the drains, 2B stone fill placed around the basins, and then the area around the grates covered with asphalt. The basin work and the partial 2B stone fill was done on six of these drains in early spring. During the week of June 15-19, the 6 drains begun in the spring were finished with 2B stone fill and asphalt. Three of the remaining 4 drains were also completed. We are meeting with the contractor to determine the cost of the work on the remaining drain, but its completion remains uncertain at this time unless we receive additional contributions. We have run out of money. If you have not contributed to this worthy project, please consider making a contribution. Any donation would be greatly appreciated.

#### Charles Baber Cemetery Preservation Trust - Restoration Project

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Please make checks payable to the Charles Baber Cemetery Preservation Trust, 200 S. Second St., Pottsville, PA 17901. Mark memo line for "restoration".

The Charles Baber Cemetery Preservation Trust is a non-profit organization.



Just like the rest of our bodies, our eyes have different needs as we age. The risk of contracting a number of age – related eye diseases –such as glaucoma, cataracts and macular degeneration will increase.



#### Tips for protecting your eyes:

1. Know if you are at higher risk for eye diseases. Be aware of your family's health history. Regular eye exams are particularly important, because an early diagnosis can limit any vision loss and help preserve your eyesight.
2. Have regular physical exams to check for diabetes and high blood pressure. If left untreated, these diseases can cause eye problems.
3. Look for warning signs of changes in your vision. If you start noticing changes in your vision, see your eye doctor immediately. Some trouble signs to look for include: double vision, hazy vision and difficulty seeing in lowlight conditions. Other signs to look for are frequent flashes of light, floaters, eye pain and swelling. All of these indicate a potential eye health problem that demands immediate attention.
4. Exercise more frequently. Some studies suggest that regular exercise –such as walking –can reduce the risk of age-related macular degeneration by up to 70%.
5. Protect your eyes from harmful UV light. You should always wear sunglasses with proper UV protection to shield your eyes from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. This may help reduce your risk of cataracts and other eye damage.
6. Eat a healthy balanced diet. Fruits and dark green vegetables containing antioxidants can possibly help reduce the risk of cataracts. And a diet rich in omega-3 fatty acids may reduce your risk of developing macular degeneration.
7. Get your eyes checked at least every two years.
8. Don't smoke. People who smoke are at greater risk of developing age-related macular degeneration and cataracts.

**Lyme Disease:** While it is a good idea to take preventive measures against ticks year-round be extra vigilant in warmer months when ticks are most active. Lyme disease is a bacterial illness that is spread by tick bites. Use Natural or purchased tick repellent when hiking or walking in wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter.

If you find a tick attached to your skin: grasp it as close to the skin's surface as possible with fine tipped tweezers, pull upward with steady even pressure, clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol. Dispose of the tick by submerging it in alcohol and place it in a sealed bag.

See a Doctor if you develop a fever, rash, severe fatigue, facial paralysis or joint pain within 30 days of being bitten by a tick. Lyme disease is treated by antibiotics but if untreated, you may later experience severe arthritis, problems with your nerves, spinal cord, brain or

heart.[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

# July 2015

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue                      | Wed | Thu  | Fri                       | Sat                       |
|--|--|--------------------------|-----|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
|  |  |                          | 1   | 2  | 3<br><u>Office Closed</u> | 4 <i>Independence Day</i> |
| 5 <i>Pentecost VI</i><br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                              | 6<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                         | 7                        | 8   | 9<br>7:00pm HALOS                                  | 10                        | 11                        |
| 12 <i>Pentecost VII</i><br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                            | 13<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                        | 14                       | 15  | 16   | 17                        | 18                        |
| 19 <i>Pentecost VIII</i><br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC<br>10:15am Vestry Meeting | 20<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                        | 21                       | 22  | 23<br>11:00am<br>Senior Adventures<br>7:00pm HALOS | 24                        | 25                        |
| 26 <i>Pentecost IX</i><br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                             | 27<br>4:30pm Soup Kitchen<br>7:30pm AA Meeting | 28<br>7:00pm MPT Meeting | 29  | 30   | 31                        |                           |

# July 2015

## Lay Liturgical Ministers Schedule

| <u>Date</u>      | <u>Lectors</u>   | <u>Chalice/Acolyte</u>                | <u>Ushers</u> | <u>Counters</u>          | <u>Eucharistic Visitor</u>                                    |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---|
| July 5 - Chapel  |  |                                       |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am           | (OT) K. Kovalovich<br>(NT) C. Field<br>(POP) K. Murray   | B. Rutecky<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None  |               | B. Bednar<br>S. Wagner   | K. Kovalovich to J. Moyer<br>K. Murray to B. Reese & I. Long  |
| July 12 - Chapel |  |                                       |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am           | (OT) J. Bednar<br>(NT) N. Kauffman<br>(POP) J. Giansello | E. Barnwell<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None |               | B. Bacon<br>S. Wagner    | C. Field to M. Brennan & B. Bradley<br>K. Murray to B. Uranko |
| July 19 - Chapel |  |                                       |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am           | (OT) K. Murray<br>(NT) K. Kovalovich<br>(POP) J. Bednar  | N. Kauffman<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None |               | B. Bacon<br>B. Bednar    | C. Field to C. Griener<br>K. Kovalovich to A. Sapp            |
| July 26 - Chapel |  |                                       |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am           | (OT) C. Field<br>(NT) J. Giansello<br>(POP) N. Kauffman  | J. Bednar<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None   |               | B. Bednar<br>C. Osenbach | C. Osenbach to J. Kraft<br>K. Kovalovich to M. Keyworth       |

# August 2015

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue | Wed                 | Thu  | Fri   | Sat                                  |
|--|--|-----|---------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|
|  |  |     |                     |  |   | 1                                    |
| 2 Pentecost X<br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                              | 3<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                         | 4   | 5                   | 6  | 7   | 8                                    |
| 9 Pentecost XI<br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                             | 10<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                        | 11  | 12                  | 13<br>11:00am<br>Senior Adventures<br>7:00pm HALOS | 14  | 15                                   |
| 16 Pentecost XII<br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC<br>10:15am Vestry Meeting | 17<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                        | 18  | 19                  | 20   | 21  | 22                                   |
| 23 Pentecost XIII<br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                          | 24<br>4:30pm Soup Kitchen<br>7:30pm AA Meeting | 25  | 26<br>7:30pm- Choir | 27<br>7:00pm HALOS                                 | 28<br>5:30pm Momolu/Reed<br>Wedding Rehearsal | 29<br>2:00pm Momolu/Reed<br>Marriage |
| 30 Pentecost XIV<br>9:00am Holy Eucharist<br>Chapel of the<br>Resurrection-CBC                           | 31<br>7:30pm AA Meeting                        |     |                     |  |   |                                      |

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| <u>Date</u>        | <u>Lectors</u>  | <u>Chalice/Acolyte</u>                  | <u>Ushers</u> | <u>Counters</u>          | <u>Eucharistic Visitor</u>                                  |
|--------------------|---|---|---------------|--------------------------|---|
| August 2 - Chapel  |   |   |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am             | (OT) F. Osenbach<br>(NT) K. Murray<br>(POP) K. Portland   | C. Field<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None      |               | A. Portland<br>B. Bacon  | A. Portland to I. Heckman<br>C. Field to J. Ebling          |
| August 9 - Chapel  |   |   |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am             | (OT) J. Giansello<br>(NT) A. Portland<br>(POP) C. Field   | J. Mansell<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None    |               | C. Osenbach<br>S. Wagner | K. Kovalovich to R. Imschweiler<br>A. Portland to C. Muench |
| August 16 - Chapel |   |   |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am             | (OT) J. Bednar<br>(NT) F. Osenbach<br>(POP) N. Kauffman   | K. Kovalovich<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None |               | B. Bednar<br>A. Portland | A. Portland to M.L. Heller<br>K. Kovalovich to V. Smulley   |
| August 23 - Chapel |   |   |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am             | (OT) K. Kovalovich<br>(NT) K. Portland<br>(POP) K. Murray | A. Portland<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None   |               | B. Bacon<br>B. Bednar    | C. Field to K. Reese<br>K. Murray to M. Mortimer            |
| August 30 - Chapel |   |   |               |                          |   |
| 9:00am             | (OT) C. Osenbach<br>(NT) C. Field<br>(POP) A. Portland    | K. Murray<br><u>Acolyte</u><br>None     |               | S. Wagner<br>A. Portland | C. Osenbach to R. Bohnenblust<br>K. Kovalovich to J. Moyer  |

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### July Birthdays

- 1 – Tony Bacon
- 2 – John Pritiskutch
- 3 – Lea Bortner
- 4 – Jerry Simatos
- 6 – Leigh Ann Siminitus
- 9 – Frederick Bacon
- 11 – Kendyl Moyer
- 14 – Kitty Murray
- 18 – Jessica Swick
- 19 – Betty Uranko
- 20 – Reynolds Hosteller
- 25 – Miriam Harris, Jessica Nabholz
- 28 – Nancy Buehler, Daniel Mac Arthur, Jean Ebling  
Janine Hinnershitz
- 31 – Robert Bednar

### August Birthdays

- 1 – Connie Guensch, Ralph Imschweiler
- 2 – Donna Ross
- 4 – James Coulson
- 6 – John Fahenstock
- 7 – Chris Nabholz
- 8 – Alana Spotts, Sandra Snyder, Emily McCall
- 12 – Doris Kauffman
- 15 – Allen Greiner
- 16 – Edna Rauco, MacKenzie Menuchak
- 18 – Dotte Kelly, Anne Marie Brennan
- 22 – Kathy Burda
- 23 – Delaney Burns, Layne Reedy, Peter Bortner
- 24 – Joan Moyer, Bill Reese, Waverly Bacon, IV
- 25 – Patrick Moore, Sr.
- 26 – Cynthia Ryland, Jake Oerther
- 27 – Justin Lindenmuth, Elliot Wehr
- 28 – Tracy Frederick
- 30 – Frank Yuengling
- 31 – Nanci Billie, Bill Malarkey