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The Dec/Jan newsletter is to the Glory of God In loving memory of Clara Fischer by the Carl Fischer Family



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Dearest loved ones,

Our vision at Holy Trinity: BEING A DIFFERENCE- seeking, partnering, responding. "If you've gotten anything at all out of following Christ, if his love has made any difference in your life, if being in a community of the Spirit means anything to you, if you have a heart, if you care—then do me a favor: Agree with each other, love each other, be deep-spirited friends. Don't push your way to the front; don't sweet-talk your way to the top. Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead. Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand." (Philippians 2:1-4, The Message)

We seek not to fulfill our own selfish interests. We seek so others may get ahead, may come to know of hope, peace, joy, and love. We decide to lay aside our own selfish ambition and ask others to go before us. December 1 st starts the new church year. It will kick-off the Advent season. The first week to celebrate will be a week of hope. You are invited to join us at the Catasauqua Highrise at 9:20 for cookies, Christmas songs, and gifts. We will leave the church community hall promptly at 9:15. In addition to a worship at the Highrise, we will have 8 and 10:30 liturgy services here at Holy Trinity. In these services, you will be invited to write on a cross the answer to- what brings you hope? These crosses will adorn our Christmas trees.

The next three weeks will be peace, joy, and love in that order. Peace will be an invitation to travel to the Borough Hall building and hand out gifts, sing songs, and eat cookies. We will leave church promptly at 9:15 and drive to those building. In church we will decorate candles with a request for the Holy Spirit to bring peace to- (any place or circumstance you write). Those candles will adorn the trees as well. The third week, joy, we will hang bells with ribbons on that Christmas tree. My greatest joy is:\_\_\_\_\_. Love is the last week. How are we love? We are still working on that physical expression of the love we are. Something will come to mind by this fourth Sunday. We will have no fear, God will provide.

Happy start to the Christmas season. God is here with and within us. I can't wait to see us come to the full acknowledgement of that reality. As we come to Emmanuel, God with us, we will continue to use words of God's grace, mercy, and love in our worship services instead of the words of our sinfulness and death. I hope that our words will match our action will match our liturgical worship moments will match our moments of worship beyond Holy Trinity door. Your partner in life, Pr. Brian

Core purpose statement: "Gratefully sharing God's love through faith and service"

The deadline for the Feb. newsletter is January 22nd

IF HOSPITALIZED, BE SURE TO SIGN A RELEASE CARD
AND USE OUR HOSPITAL CODE #244.



By now, you should have received your offering envelopes for November and December in the mail. If you do not receive them, please contact Danielle in the church office. (610-264-2641)

#### TURNING POINT RECYCLING PROGRAM

"Please place donated cell phones in the basket on the glass table in the back of the sanctuary or in the familiar box in the hallway outside the fellowship hall. By recycling your used SMART PHONES, CELL PHONES, AND TABLETS, you are supporting a Zero Landfill program as well as supporting Turning Point."

*Did you know?* The Lions Club collects used eyeglasses (they don't need the cases) for areas in the world where glasses are unheard of luxury. The Lions have the glasses polished and shipped to optical missions around the world. The glasses are spread out, and the community members try on the glasses until they find a pair that helps. Can you imagine? Your used glasses can be dropped off in the box at the Whitehall Public Library, or here at Holy Trinity in the small basket in the "giving area" in the back of the sanctuary or in the basket in the hallway outside the fellowship hall.

**REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE program:** If you shop at Redner's please be sure to get a Save-a-Tape card at the customer service desk. (It's free!) When you make a purchase, give your card to the cashier to scan. The total points will show at the bottom of your receipt. Place your receipts in the basket in the "giving area" in the back of the sanctuary so the points can be submitted. Holy Trinity receives 1% of the purchase (excluding milk, tobacco, and tax). At \$1 for every \$100 spent, this can add up to a significant contribution toward Bear Creek camperships!

At any time, you can give donations to the "**Pastor's Discretionary Fund**". This fund is used to give temporary financial assistance to people of our congregation and community when a sudden need arises. You may send contributions to the church or place them in the offering plate on Sunday mornings. Please mark your checks or envelopes "Pastor's Discretionary Fund".



Christmas Eve Services:

4pm Light Literature and 7pm Candlelight and Communion

When there is inclement weather (snow, ice, sleet) all functions at church are canceled. For Sunday worship cancellations, tune to WFMZ TV or WFMZ Website or radio. Sunday early service is always cancelled when there is snow, sleet or ice.

ATTENTION TEAM AND COMMITTEE LEADERS: You will be receiving a letter via e- mail to remind you that your Team/Committee reports are due before and no later than Sunday, January 5th, 2025. You may submit them in various ways. Hand-written, typed, or email. If your report will be turned in late, please let Danielle know 610-264-2641. Thank you!



Sunday, February 2nd: after 10:30am service



#### To the Glory of God and

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Dec. 15th In lieu of flowers by Diane Czar

In memory of my loved ones by Rena Bond. Dec. 22nd

In lieu of flowers by Diane Czar Dec. 29th

**Bulletins** 

#### To the Glory of God and:

Dec. 1st Open

In loving memory of Bernadine Wehr by Ann and Dale Dec. 8th

Dec. 15th Open Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> Open

Dec. 24th In loving memory of Clara Fischer by The Carl Fischer family. (Christmas Eve Bulletins)

Dec. 29th Open

#### To the Glory of God and

Jan. 5th In loving memory of parents Hilda Bond, Wm. Anderson and Dr. John L. Bond for their birthdays by

Frank and Carole Nacci.

In loving memory of Robert S. Spengler by Ann and Dale. Jan. 12th

Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> In lieu of flowers by Diane Czar

#### **Bulletins**

#### To the Glory of God and:

Jan. 5th Open

Jan. 12th In loving memory of Robert S. Spengler by Ann and Dale.

Jan. 19th Open Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Open



## **Decembers Birthdays!!!!!!**

12/01 RuthAnn Reinsmith; 12/01 Barb Fister; 12/04 Jack Gebhardt; 12/05 Drew Carfara; 12/05 Tom Sipos

12/11 Michael Gillette; 12/21 Layla Zimmerman; 12/23 Joanne Spengler; 12/28 Wayne Kincaid;

12/28 Michael McCloud; 12/31 Richard Martson

#### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!!!!!!

1/03 Teresa Edwards; 1/03 Robin McCloud; 1/04 Brandon Keks; 1/05 Isabella Kistler; 1/06 Christine Webb;

1/06 Robin Ruch; 1/06 Carole Lubben; 1/07 Saraan Long; 1/10 Philip Reightler; 1/10 Jeffrey Steiner;

1/11 Lewis Carfara; 1/11 Linda Ettl; 1/13 Robert Bastian Jr.; 1/15 Zachary Schmidt; 1/15 William Bower;

1/15 Kerilyn Burrows; 1/18 Alyssa Riedy; 1/20 Sue Marakovits; 1/21 Weston Oberman; 1/22 William Keks;

1/23 Emma Weber; 1/29 Mary Ann Farrand; 1/29 Judy Spaits



We lift the family and Friends of Sally Chromiak November 2, 2024 They are now fully embraced in Gods Kingdom

We lift the family and friends of Ralston A. Anglestein October 28, 2024 They are now fully embraced in Gods Kingdom



Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – 11:30am Congregational Meeting to Approve Budget Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>- 4:30pm-6pm Braised Beef in Wine Sauce Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 – 11:30am Annual Congregational Meeting



#### **Trinity Morning Glories**

We are a daytime women's group here at Holy Trinity. Our focus is on the spiritual and service to others. Along the way, we share food, work, laugh, chat and pray together! Please join us!

Note: Our meetings will always be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 10:00 (exception: Dec. will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday).

**Sue Marakovits** led the meeting on November 18, 2024 with 29 members in attendance. Our guest speakers this month were **Gene and Barbara Schlegel**, representing Friends of the Catasauqua Parks. Welcome! We always count on **Betty Henderschedt** to play our opening song, "Good Morning, Lord" and she did not disappoint. Thanks, Betty.

For our devotion, **Pat Fried** used an article written by Julie McFadden, a hospice nurse. Julie wrote about the top 3 regrets people have as they come to the end of life and what those lessons can teach us about living meaningful. First, people didn't appreciate good health while they had it. Next, they wish they had spent less time working and more time enjoying little things in life. She wrote that we should have an "attitude of gratitude" for the little things we have. Lastly, they regret not working more on meaningful relationships with family and friends. These are important lessons for all of us. Pat finished be telling us to remember that "clouds are the dust at God's feet."

Gene Schlegel told us that Friends of the Catasauqua Parks is a non-profit 501(c)3 composed of a group of citizens whose aim is to bring happiness to the community through recreation activities. Some activities are the Summer Concert series at the park; the Battle of Balloons; annual Christmas tree lighting and raising funds for new lighting and equipment at the park. Even though Friends has only been in existence for about 2 years, they have already given back over \$11,000 to the borough raised through fundraisers. This includes money to Holy Trinity to help pay for the summer feeding program. He explained why the pool had to be closed. It was losing 140,000 (sometimes up to 500,000) gallons of water daily. Barb Schlegel also answered questions regarding various issues in the borough.

#### **New Business/Old Business:**

**Birthdays:** The birthdays for November were acknowledged. They received a birthday picture, created by **Karen Frankenfield. Diane Carfara** recorded us singing "Happy Birthday" to Carol Cunningham, one of our birthday celebrants, stuck at home.

**Correspondence:** This month, our correspondence included letters from Fostering Hope, our September charity, and The Clubhouse of Lehigh County, October's charity.

Several members gave thanks for the cards they received following health issues. **Linda Heiberger** has recovered for the most part from her gall bladder surgery and **Linda Wiland** has been given the great news that her cancer is gone! Unfortunately, **Judy Spaits** is at home with a broken ankle.

**Turning Point used cell phone collection:** There are 6 more cell phones for **Linda Wiland** to return to Turning Point.

**Thinking of You Card Ministry:** Once again our tables were filled with Thinking of You cards to sign. Thank you **Sandi Smith** and **Diane Jones**, along with **Trevor Smith**.

Update: Ann Marie Overdorf has volunteered to do our note taking. Thank you so much!

**Sue Marakovits** handed out the names of our shut-ins that members visit with a little bag of holiday cheer. Thanks in advance for this extremely important ministry.

**Diane Czar** handed out blank Christmas cards for us to sign for our active military personnel. Mission BBQ collects them to forward. She also offered wall calendars for sale by the Holy Trinity Youth Group.

**Murder Mystery: Janis Chavala** has signed a contract with Without a Cue Productions for September 13, 2025. The play will be "The Golden Girls Murder Mystery." Already an "**Angel**" has stepped up and donated \$500 for the down payment. Thank you! We will make the final decisions in May or June.

**Holiday Hope Chest Boxes:** Wow! The members donated 30 shoeboxes and over \$900 in gift cards for the Holiday Hope Chest Box drive. Diane and Tom Lindeman will deliver the gifts on Dec. 4.

There has been a request to provide holiday cheer to a local family with 6 children. **Janis Charvala** will get us more information.

**December meeting: Paula Kesack** from our December Fun Team reminded us about the festivities at our December meeting. First, we are asked to wear red or green. Then she explained about our gift exchange. Instead of purchasing a gift, she asks everyone to look around their home and chose something you no longer need and wrap it up. It's called a White Elephant Gift Exchange. It can be anything at all: clothing, household item, decoration, use your imagination! Our collection will be PJs for The Pajama Program and new books. The PJs should be brand-new, unused PJ sets, flame-resistant loose-fitting sleepwear made of polyester or snug-fitting sleepwear made from natural fabrics. **Pat Fried** also told us about \$5 books available at Kohl's.

**Carter Boyle fund**: Last month, **AnneMarie Overdorf** made us aware of a 12 year old from Whitehall/Coplay battling liver cancer. The members decided to take a separate collection (instead of an item collection) to go to the family. We collected \$250.00 and it will be forwarded to the Boyle Family as 5 \$50 Giant cards from Trinity's SCRIP cards. **Thank you all!** 

**Distribution of Offering**: Our collection this month was \$270.00. We voted to send two \$25 SCRIP card to Cay Galgon Life House, and the remaining \$220.00 to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

**Betty** played ending music, The Edelweiss Song. This month our repast was soups, breads, beverages and desserts.

Since Sept. 2008, <u>\$83,272.55</u> has been donated to special causes; this does not include all the non-monetary donations that have been made over the past 16 years which probably equal that amount.

#### **Future Dates:**

Monday, December 9, 2024 (note: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday)

Christmas Party – Fun Team: Deb Frey, Paula Kesack, Sue Smale, Deb Daddona

Devotion: Betty Henderschedt

Collection items: Brand-new unused PJ sets and new books for The Pajama Program

Food: Buffet

Appetizer: Meatballs/Vicki Chimics; Karen Frankenfield/bologna & cheese

Entrees: Diane Carfara/baked ziti; Barb Roth/Hamburger BBQ; Linda Heiberger/Ham; Pat Fried/chicken w/rolls

Salads: Diane Lindeman; Cheryl Kneiss/Spinach & Strawberries Salad

Rolls/Bread: Debbie Frey Drinks: Dawn Bowles

Dessert: Michelle Kasunic/Potato Chip Cookies

Kitchen Clean-up: Brenda Ondush, Cheryl Kneiss and Vicki Chimics

#### Monday, January 20, 2024

Devotions: Dawn Bowles

Speaker: Lois Reed, Catasauqua Community Cares Program (C3P) and Community That Cares (CTC)

Diane Carfara, point person

Collection items: white socks (for the Homeless shelter)

Food: Pizza

Ice Tea/Cheryl Kneiss; Dessert/Betty Henderschedt, Sue Marakovits & Diane Lindeman

Kitchen Clean-up: Linda Wiland and Linda Fetters



#### **NEIGHBOR SUPPORTING NEIGHBOR**

November saw a whirlwind of "making good happen" at Holy Trinity! The **FAST** (Fun After School at Trinity) program concluded for the year on November19th, having served up fun and snacks to 12 children from the community at no cost to their families. **Snack giveaway at the Catty playground** for the middle schoolers slowed as schedules of the volunteers got busy, but can continue as schedules, weather, and funds/donations of salty snacks permit. Pastor Brian hosted a **free chili fest for the community on Thanksgiving eve**. The Five Loaves Team hosted a by-donation **Pancake Breakfast and bake sale the Saturday before Thanksgiving, with proceeds benefiting the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.** The ever-popular **Warm-up Wednesdays**, serving free soup to our church family and community, merged with weekly **game/karaoke/puzzle nights** the week after Thanksgiving. God, everywhere you turn!

In case you missed the **Halloween hot dog and cocoa giveaway** numbers...an astounding 774 hot dogs, 400 cups of cocoa, 22 gallons of Gatorade, and 3 gallons of water were served up by our large turn-out of volunteers, to a backdrop of music and dancing in HT's parking lot!

A huge thank-you to you, our always generous church family, for coming through once again in meeting our commitment to the annual **Ingathering of gifts** for the individuals served by area agencies. **All donations are needed by Sunday, December 1st. IF YOU TOOK AN ANGEL TO PURCHASE A GIFT FOR A KIDSPEACE RESIDENT, PLEASE SEE OR TEXT DIANE CZAR** (610-739-6006) to get your child's wish list. You're invited to join the Social Ministry **Team on Monday, December 2nd to sort the many gifts...** and **come with us on Thursday, December 5th at 10am for the big sort with our sister churches at Union Lutheran Church in Schnecksville - then stay to hear the speaker from the Warming Station, and to enjoy a delicious lunch together. Let Cheryl Kneis or Diane Czar know if you'd like to participate on either date.** Rides are available to Union Church.

The Five Loaves & Two Fish Team will be looking for volunteers to help with the upcoming **Braised filet Mignon in Wine Dinner on December 14th,** which will benefit PA Wounded Warriors. Talk to Janis Charvala (home phone 610-440-0073) if you'd like to be part of the volunteer crew.

HT's FOOD SHELF...Thank you for your recent donations to the shelf! Individual meals have been flying off the shelf - especially Cup of Soups that can be "cooked" just by adding hot tap water. Some of the people who come to HT's door are homeless have no refrigeration or cooking facilities,or live in a rooming house here they only have access to a microwave at best. To address their specific needs, here are some suggested items: individual microwaveable items that don't need refrigeration (like individual Chef Boy-ar-dee, Cup of Soup, and mac-n-cheese), peanut butter and jelly, crackers, individual servings of fruit that don't need refrigeration, bottled water, and juice boxes. Men's and women's toiletries are also welcome: shampoo, body wash, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant (keep in mind that some of these neighbors are living out of backpacks, so extra-large sizes aren't practical). Can you add one or two items to your cart each time you stop at the store? And if anyone has an extra hand-operated can opener, we have a need for one. Thank you for whatever you can share! Items can be placed on the offering table in the back of the sanctuary.

And, as always, our building's doors continue to welcome well-known and fresh faces seeking emergency assistance, help securing means to become self-sufficient, assistance preventing or resolving or living with homelessness, rides to appointments...or often just a cup of coffee and a listening ear. Cold weather and rising shelter costs make the need for support of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund more critical than ever. Thank you for your continued donations to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

"That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor, that we may live out truth and justice and grace" - verse 2 of our current Kyrie

It's not enough to do nothing...it's time for us to do something! - Matthew West ''Do Something''



The **Angel Tree** is almost bare, but so bright! Thank you for lighting up Christmas with your generosity! **Wish list and angel** tag gifts are needed by THIS SUNDAY, December 1st. *URGENT*: if you took a blue angel tag for gifts for a KidsPeace child, please contact Diane Czar for your child's wish list!!! Apologies for the short notice.

CAN WE HELP YOU WITH YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING? THE DEADLINE FOR OUR DECEMBER SCRIP ORDER IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH. Think holiday meals & gift-giving as well as your usual coffee, gas, prescription, and grocery needs! See Joe after 10:30 worship, or call or text Diane (610-739-6006) to shop SCRIP!

Ya gotta shop anyway...why not use SCRIP cards?!

Arriving soon! 2025 calendars! Extras are available, so see Diane Czar for your wall calendar (\$9) and/or pocket calendar (\$5).

HT's FOOD SHELF...Did you know we have one? We have a number of people that your Pastor and his discretionary fund are helping...but there's another way we can help our neighbors. They often check the shelf in the hallway for needed items, and if you already put things on the shelf, thank you! There are some people who are homeless and have no refrigeration or cooking facilities, or who live in a rooming house where they only have access to a microwave. To address their specific needs, here are some suggested items: individual microwaveable items that don't need refrigeration (like individual Chef Boy-ar-dee and mac-n-cheese), peanut butter and jelly, crackers, individual servings of fruit that don't need refrigeration, bottled water, and juice boxes. Men's and women's toiletries are also welcome: shampoo, body wash, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant (keep in mind that some of these neighbors are living out of backpacks, so extra-large sizes aren't practical). Can you add one or two items to your cart each time you stop at the store? Thank you for whatever you can share!



Community Liaison

#### November 2024

#### Borough Activity:

 Work continues David Bernini to develop a community Art Exhibit with students from Catasauqua Area SD and Innovative Arts Academy. We are hoping to do Displays at the library and perhaps the Borough Hall and Derry Mansion. This will be part of the sister cities project. We are waiting on further paperwork to be completed to further this collaboration.

#### Music Education:

- FAST continues on through the fall. If you are interested in Volunteering, please contact her via email at fasthtmlcatasauqua@gmail.com
- Come the Spring, planning will begin for the annual Summer Music Camp with Catasauqua School District.

#### Community Music/Arts:

- Mosaic Youth Choir will hold their winter concert here at Holy Trinity on Saturday, November 23rd.
- The Community Bell Choir and Community Choir are Performing at the North Catasauqua Tree lighting on December 1st and Catasauqua's Tree lighting on December 8th. They will also be participating in Catasauqua's ecumenical service on November 28th, a performance at the Catty High Rise on December 5th and at Fellowship Manor on December 12th.
- Wednesday Meditations continue with Sound Baths in the Sanctuary every second Wednesday.



#### Holy Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church - Catasauqua PA Treasurer's Report as of October 2024 (Newsletter)

Friday, Nove	mber 22, 2024					Page 1 of 2
Account #	Account Name		Period Activity	Monthly Budget	YTD Balance	Budget YTD
Income						
4.200.100	Plate Offering (Budgeted Income)		26,351.30	18,900.00	201,660.51	203,178.00
4.300.100	Building		15.00		290.00	
4.400.100	Capital Campaign Income		2,215.00		6,442.00	
4.700.000	Benevolence		170.00		2,000.00	
4.800.000	Holidays		0.00		5,074.00	
4.810.000	Wish List Income		0.00		950.00	
4.900.170	World Hunger		0.00		20.00	
4.900.180	Flowers		110.00		(43.50)	
4.905.000	Interest Income		4.39		24.18	
4.910.000	Church and Office Income		0.00		648.16	
		Total Income	\$28,865.69	\$18,900.00	\$217,065.35*	\$203,178.00
Expenses Total	al Pastor					
5.100.110	Pastor's Salary		3,166.66	3,167.00	31,666.60	31,670.00
5.100.300	Supply Pastor's		0.00	42.00	200.00	420.00
5.100.400	Social Security Allowance		427.12	427.00	4,271.20*	4,270.00
5.100.500	Health, Disability, Pension Benefit		3,942.14	4,104.00	39,564.55	41,040.00
5.100.600	Continuing Education		0.00	25.00	0.00	250.00
5.100.700	Housing		2,416.66	2,417.00	24,166.60	24,170.00
2.133.733	110401116	<b>Total Pastor</b>	\$9,952.58	\$10,182.00	\$99,868.95	\$101,820.00
5.200.100	Car Allowance (Pastor)		0.00	92.00	270.01	920.00
5.200.200	Church and Office Expense		1,776.60	458.00	7,528.52*	4,580.00
5.200.300	Service Contracts		572.58	358.00	3,501.52	3,580.00
5.200.400	Secretary Salary		1,250.00	1,250.00	19,791.61*	11,453.00
5.200.500	Secretary Social Security		95.62	48.00	1,514.07*	1,392.00
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5.300.300	Maintenance		447.82	542.00	6,648.23*	5,420.00
5.300.400	Utilities		0.00	1,250.00	0.00	12,500.00
5.300.500	PPL		451.93	0.00	4,453.05*	0.00
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Friday, Nove	mber 22, 2024					Page 2 of 2
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5.300.600	Insurance (Multi-peril & Workmans	Comp)	0.00	708.00	6,524.50	7,080.00
5.400.100	Church Musicians Salary		1,925.00	2,390.00	19,250.00	23,900.00
5.400.200	Church Musicians Social Security		147.27	183.00	1,472.63	1,830.00
5.400.300	Supply Organists/Instruments		0.00	42.00	0.00	420.00
5.400.400	Music and Supplies		54.11	17.00	306.06*	170.00
5.400.500	Instrument Maintenance		0.00	50.00	300.00	500.00
5.500.100	NEP Synod and ELCA		920.00	900.00	9,020.00*	9,000.00
5.600.000	Miscellaneous		0.00	25.00	93.42	250.00
		otal Expenses	\$18,932.64	\$19,533.00	\$198,933.69*	\$195,195.00
		Difference	\$9,933.05	(\$633.00)	\$18,131.66	<b>\$7,983.00</b> * =
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Attendees: Jerry Charvala, Allen Ulrich, Keith Hodge, Pr Brian

Prayer-

- Pointing/cracks, fellowship Hall windows. Cement work anticipated to start next week.
- Dave Spieker- to replace remaining ballast lights in basement storage room as they burn out. That room emptied out last week.
- Social windows to be washed next week. Pastor's neighbor will volunteer. If not done by spring- we should get quotes to have professionally done.
- Macadam chips in parking lot still keeping eye on them.
- refinish floors in nave. 2025 to be done again.
- Inspected rain strips in sidewalk- Will reinspect in winter 2024.
- Pipe extender for flat roof. Keith climbed up and look at this. He is looking at mushroom caps to keep out leaves and debris.
- Drain cleaning beginning of December
- Lights in chancel arrived. Pat and Lester will install.
- Boy Scouts took room at bottom of steps.
- Air Professionals quote to fix boiler- door in repair happening this wek
- Audio/video upgrade proposal approved by 80% of team. \$1,400.00. Tv purchased, must install brackets for speakers. May need wiring and audio connectors. Check on ceiling mounts for 86" tv.
- Do we want to support projects:
- 2. Accessible bathroom in robing room/sacristy ----- \$56,000 Concern was expressed as to the layout of bathrooms and a request will be submitted to have a drawing outlining the project scope. Al will contact plumber. Will give updated wishes to plumber.
- 3. Removal of pews, restain floor, reattach pews at greater distance for room between pews. Or, switch to single chairs? (approximately \$7,000.00). We move to remove pews and go to chairs. This we pass to Worship and Music.
- Vote determination- Team is overall in support of these projects. They are waiting for clarification before a firm vote.
- Carpets on office level of church. Need to wait until chair lift elevator options are discussed.
- Call Adams to get quote for outside door glass panels.
- Water station to be determined after Finance discussion on funds

\*\*NEXT MEETING: Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:00. Please come and join team if able!!!!

# Braised Filet Mignon in Win e Dinner

Sat. December 14, 2024

4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00 Seating

Braised Filet Mignon in Wine, Crème Fraiche Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Garden Salad, Roll/Butter and Chocolate Mousse Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea, Water

### **By Donation**

All Proceeds to benefit Pa Wounded Warriors

Contact: Lynn-610 264-2026 for reservations

Reservation Deadline: Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024

(ONLY 100 seatings available—Eat-in Only)



Holy Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church

604 4th Street Catasauqua, Pa Come join us at the Holy Trinity of Catasauqua for some Cookies & Caroling in the Community room



# December 1st at 9:15am



