

# The Trinitarian



APRIL 2016

BREWSTER, NEW YORK

## *Pastoral Reflections—Did You Pick the Winner?*

### Did you pick the winner?

By the time this goes to “press,” March madness will be well underway and drawing closer to Final 4 as well as the championship. I don’t watch a lot of basketball regularly (much to the chagrin of a niece or two), but I do get caught up in this madness. I randomly make my picks based on nothing more than whether I like their mascot, their ranking, or location. I figure that I’m not going to win, but it’s fun nonetheless.

We want to pick the winner or be the winner. Much of our culture, media, and the like is based around the prospect of winning, success, and prestige. We don’t want to be losers; we want to be seen as successful.

I recently read a reflection from *Weavings* (an Upper Room publication) call “A Resurrection for Failure” by Jean M. Bloomquist. It got me to reflecting on my own history of “successes and failures.” What was most intriguing is that my greatest learning and growth came out of times of failures rather than success. Failures make me re-examine what I did or didn’t do, what I could change and what I couldn’t, what might work differently, and the like. We don’t automatically learn to shoot for the rim, but through failure, practice, and focus, we grow in our gifts and abilities.

Ms. Bloomquist writes in her reflection: “As we wrestle with failure, we need to remember we are in good company. Jesus failed too. The problem with being on this side of the resurrection is that we often miss the pain and

anguish of the failure that preceded it. In the eyes of the world, Jesus’ life and ministry were most certainly failures. He did not change the hearts of all who heard him, nor did he usher in a visible reign of God on earth. To those who expected a socio-political savior, he failed to liberate Palestine from Roman rule. He even failed to gain the loyalty of his own disciples, who abandoned him and denied any association with him. He died a humiliating, lonely, and painful death, taunted and ridiculed for being who he truly was. And yet ...”

And yet, Christ is Risen Indeed! His life and death were not a failure, but rather sprang forth in a new way, beyond our own understandings of success and failure. Life is not about winning and losing. Faith is not about “getting it right,” but rather being in an ongoing relationship with the One who can bring new life out of what has failed; can transform what was dead into something new. Jesus “wins” as he loses his life for our sake.

The celebration of the resurrection is not about an event in time, but lives lived in an ongoing transformation from death to life, from endings to beginnings, from failures to new possibilities. We “win” because of Christ’s loss and we are called to lose ourselves in order that Christ’s love may continue to abound and transform this world.



Peace in Christ,  
*Pastor Jen*



## Earth Day Service Event Sunday, April 24

Have you been bringing in items for our ongoing Terracycle project? Why not invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers and family to join us?

On Sunday, April 24 (2-4 pm) we will be in the front parking lot to receive these items from the community to recycle, caring for the creation that God has entrusted into our hands.

Pick up a copy of our most recent list, share it with others, and invite them to bring items to Trinity on that day.

See Pastor Jen or Georgina Marek for more information or any questions.

## First Friday Tom Foolery April 1, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

Bring something with an unexpected (but edible 😊) ingredient. Please sign up in the Narthex so we know how many to expect.



*Deb Lyon & Georgina Marek*

## Holy Humor—April 3

Celebrate the joy of the resurrection as we laugh and smile and clap our hands (yes, at church!).

- 😊 Bring your favorite joke to share.
- 😊 Wear mismatched clothing, a costume, or other silly apparel.
- 😊 Come prepared to join in this special celebration of silliness.

## HEALTH TALK

Please join us for the next Trinity Health Talk! Bring a friend!

### WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT THE ZIKA VIRUS

Speaker: Jeanette Baldanza,  
Public Health Nurse with the  
Department of Health

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2-3 PM**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Admission is Free**

**Refreshments Will Be Served**

## Freezin' for a Reason

**Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm**  
**Sycamore Park, Mahopac**

This yearly jump is to help fund research for a cure for Cystic Fibrosis. See Pastor Jen or a member of the Youth Group to register for and/or support the Spirit of Trinity team.

**Thank you** for your generosity in donating candy for the Easter bags for Putnam CAP. We donated a total of 40 bags. As of March 21st, they had given out 31 bags.

Below is a list of some of our ministries and their dates. These are some ways to use the gifts God has given you to serve others.

**Putnam CAP**

Listed below are the dates for special donations needed from the congregation along with dates when volunteers are needed to sort, set up, distribute, and break down the donations to Putnam CAP clients. If you are able to volunteer, please call Putnam CAP at 845-278-8021.

*\*\* dates tentative*

School supplies donations accepted at Trinity	August 1-27
School supplies set-up – volunteers needed	August 29
School supplies distribution – volunteers needed	August 30, 31, and September 1
School supplies break-down – volunteers needed	September 2
Thanksgiving food basket donations accepted at Trinity	November 1-13
Thanksgiving food baskets sort and pack – volunteers needed	November 15-17**
Thanksgiving food baskets distribution – volunteers needed	November 21-23
Holiday toy donations accepted at Trinity	December 1-12**
Holiday toy donations sort and set-up – volunteers needed	December 14-16**
Holiday toy distribution – volunteers needed	December 20-22

**Midnight Run**

A Midnight Run event will be held sometime this fall. The date will be determined in the coming months. Begin saving any winter clothing you are thinking of giving away to be used to clothe the homeless. We will also need men’s and women’s underwear.

**Attention Knitters and Crocheters**

Midnight Run and BESP are always in need of hats, scarves, and gloves. If you knit or crochet, please use your spare time and talents to create hats, scarves, and gloves for our Midnight Run and BESP ministries.

**Thank You** ♥

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We have been truly blessed by the spirit of generosity in our church. Your dedication to helping others inspires us. Your generosity with your monetary donations and willingness to donate your time and talent means sacrificing for the sake of God and others. When we give to others so that they may flourish, our hearts grow as well.

Your donations have enabled us to have a meaningful impact not only within our church but also throughout our local community.

Thank you for your donations to Trinity. Your generosity is appreciated and is a blessing to others.

**Joanne Icken**



The **BLOOD DRIVE** on March 8 resulted in: 65 donors registered, 10 deferred, 53 units of whole blood and 24 units of double red cells collected, for a total of 77 units. Thank you to everyone who volunteered time, baked goodies, and especially those to donated. The next Churches of Brewster Blood Drive will be Thursday, June 2, at St Lawrence O’Toole.

**Carol Fendt**

## Faith@Home

Spring has sprung and new life abounds all around us.

- + What signs of new life can you find today?
- + Can you find new life that is growing out of something old or dead looking?
- + What are ways that you can show your thanks to God for these gifts of new life?



### Church Council—Installed March 6, 2016

Barbara Markert, President  
 Lynn Byrnes, Vice-President  
 Debbie Lyon, Secretary  
 Joan Bradley      Don Icken  
 Kathren Devine    Georgina Marek  
 Gary Gerfen      Ralph Rudolph

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On March 13, we welcomed Phil DeRoberts, Brent Hnatow, Krystal Langke, and Gregg & Heidi Morrione and their daughter Bridget as members of Trinity.

### PRAYER CALENDAR

We thank everyone who has made a commitment to pray for the Mission and Ministry of Trinity. If you have not yet picked a specific day to pray for the congregation, check out the calendar in the narthex or contact Pastor Jen to see which days are still available. Praying together as a community of faith is a gift and a blessing to all!

### Off the Shelf

I love going to used book sales (almost as much as a candy store)—you never know what you might chance upon. This month's book is from a recent find called *Speaking of Faith: Why Religion Matters and How to Talk About It* by Krista Tippett. Ms. Tippett is the host of NPR's "On Being" (formerly Speaking of Faith). She explores questions of faith with a variety of people from various faith backgrounds. This book shares her own reflections as well as those gleaned from some of this conversations from her podcast. We are invited to explore with her, our own questions of faith—thinking in terms of how our faith interplays with our daily life. Give it a read and join her journey of faith and exploration.

Pastor Jen

**WELCA**

**Thursday Morning Group**

We will be meeting every week for the next three months for Bible Study, making crafts for this year’s holiday market, and to work on Lutheran World Relief (LWR) projects. Come join us for any or all of these times.

Irene Germain  
Irene6174@comcast.net  
845-225-4698

**Our meeting dates for April are:**

- April 7, 10 AM – Bible Study lead by Debbie Lyon
- April 14, 10 AM – Craft
- April 21, 10 AM – Craft followed by lunch at Olive Garden in Danbury
- April 28, 10 AM – LWR baby care kits



Lutheran World Relief

**Baby Care Kits**

We ask the congregation to help us by donating items to help with the LWR projects. We need used cotton tee shirts to make baby gowns, used clean cotton or cotton/polyester sheets or tablecloths for the back of quilts; and the following items needed for each baby kit:

- + Two lightweight cotton tee shirts (no onesies)
- + Two long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- + Two receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52 inches square
- + Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- + One jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with hood, or include a baby cap
- + Two pairs of socks
- + One hand towel (dark colors recommended)
- + Two or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz. any brand in original wrapping (no mini or hotel-size bars)
- + Two diaper pins or large safety pins

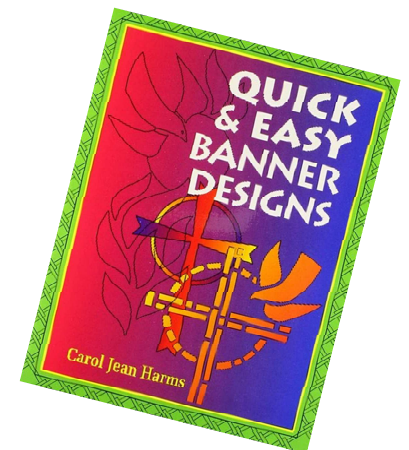
Please bring in any of these item to help us make up the kits.

**Sunday Morning WELCA      Banners for the Church—  
Looking for Quilters and More**

In the early church, the stories of the Bible were taught through stained glass, tapestries, and artwork housed in places of worship. As with the early church our contemporary world is a visual world where what we see impacts our understanding of God.

For our 75th anniversary a banner was created for our sanctuary. Adding another banner would balance the walls making them symmetrical. If you are a quilter, have artistic skills, or just have some ideas on what the next banner design can be, please plan on attending the next WELCA meeting on Sunday, April 17th, after Faith Formation. Along with ideas we will need volunteers to complete this work. If we have many volunteers we can also make smaller banners as decorations during the church seasons.

Coordinators: Joanne Icken, jicken@yahoo.com  
& Heidi Kuhland, CraftierQ@aol.com





## YOUTH GROUP

Thank you to everybody that helped out and participated in **Packing the Pantry**, making it a huge success. We raised over \$1000 in funds and goods!

**Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> is the Freezin' For a Reason** event. Pastor Jen has set up a team. You can join by following this link and clicking "Join our Team":

[http://fightcf.cff.org/site/TR/TeamCF/324\\_Greater\\_Ne w\\_York\\_Westchester?pg=team&fr\\_id=5511&team\\_id=51026](http://fightcf.cff.org/site/TR/TeamCF/324_Greater_Ne_w_York_Westchester?pg=team&fr_id=5511&team_id=51026)

If your 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade child(ren) is interested, please let Albert (tgoblondie@aol.com) and Lauren (ickenlauren@gmail.com) know.

Albert Cuomo, Lauren Icken, and Joy Baggetta

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## Faith Formation for Adults

### SUNDAYS 9:45 AM

Starting April 3, we will be sharing **Stories of Faith** from scripture and beyond. Each week, we will hear a different story, reflecting on their witness. Do you have favorite person of faith that you would like to share and/or learn more about? Let Pastor Jen know.

### WEDNESDAYS 7:00-8:00 PM

"Unbinding the Gospel" book study looks at what is it about the Good News that we are called to live out. Please see Pastor Jen for a book if you are interested in attending. (Does not meet Wednesdays when there is a council meeting)

**FIRST THURSDAY** of each month **Bible Study** at WELCA meetings, 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall—see WELCA article on page 5 for more information



## Sunday School April News

Spring is here! Our 4th graders, Gabriella Duben, Olivia Giacomelli, Jake Meissner, and Cassandra Sciarra are now official communicants at our Lord's table. Thank you to Deb Lyon and Dawn Morello for teaching the communion class. Our annual Lent event was a success thanks to all the teachers and parents! SCS will be continuing until our next event of Promotion Sunday on June 12th. Stay tuned for updates!

**Jeanette Baldanza, Sunday School Superintendent**

**Assisting Ministers, Readers, and Ushers NEEDED**



Trinity is blessed to have a number of people who enrich our worship services by acting as ushers and assisting ministers—but **we need more help in those areas**. Do you think you might be called to give a little of your time to serve in one of these roles? It's not difficult. It doesn't require a big commitment of time. You come to worship anyway, so why not think about participating in a new way!

Please keep this ministry in your prayers and consider it in your heart. If you have questions about what's involved, speak with Mary Beth Commisso. If you'd like more information, contact Mary Beth Commisso, Dawn Morello, or Pastor Jen.

♪ JOYFUL NOISE ♪  
**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** ♪  
 Meets about **9:20 AM** in  
 Shepherd's Hall  
 with Joy Baggetta



Children in Sunday School (Pre-K through 5th grade) may participate in this group, singing pre-arranged songs for performances at worship services throughout the year. Rehearsals are on Sundays in Shepherd's Hall 9:20 AM-9:45 AM. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex, or just join us. Please contact Joy Baggetta (joy\_baggetta@hotmail.com) for more details.

*Senior Handbells*

Rehearsals are Thursdays at 6:45 PM. Please contact Mary Beth Commisso for more information.

*Senior Choir*

Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:15 PM. Please contact Franklyn Commisso for more information.

*Altar Flowers 2016*

The chart for 2016 is posted in the narthex. Flowers may be taken home after Sunday worship or left to beautify the altar. You may designate the gift as a memorial or thanksgiving gift. Sundays may be shared with other donors, reducing the \$30/week cost. You may also give a general gift to the Flower Fund. Contact Kathie Ruhs at 845-277-8012 or Linda Salinger at 845-277-5345 for more information.

*April Worship Schedule*

Sun, April 3	Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Thu, April 7	Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
Sun, April 10	Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Thu, April 14	Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
Sun, April 17	Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Thu, April 21	Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
Sun, April 24	Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Thu, April 28	Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon

## The Renovation Is in Progress

The renovation of the Fellowship Hall is in progress. Hopefully by the time you read this it will be officially started. One of our wonderful members, Ken Von Bargaen, will be doing the actual job, and it will go through most of April.

Many of our members have already made their donation to help to cover the cost of this much needed renovation. I would like to thank all of you who have stepped forward to help with the cost and especially our WELCA members, who donated \$5,000.00 toward this project. Windows are being sold for \$500.00 each and if you feel you cannot help at that level we are also asking folks to donate at a \$200.00 level and \$100.00 dollar level or whatever level you would like to donate. Just be sure to designate your gift to the Fellowship Hall Renovation.

We will need to replace the blinds on the windows and also do some other smaller renovations in the Hall. So if you would like to contribute that would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to again thank all of you who have helped in this process to renovate this part of OUR Church, especially the youth who, under the leadership of Albert Cuomo, raised \$500.00 through a recent bake sale to support this endeavor. I would also like to thank Sharon Laird, who will be working closely with Ken Von Bargaen to complete this project. If you have any questions, contact me or Sharon. Again we are truly blessed to have all of this support and I am very grateful to all those who have made contributions so far and for Sharon for all her help.

At this time I would like to welcome Laurie Bell and Brent Hnatow, a new member of TLC, to our committee. Their service to TLC is greatly appreciated.

In addition, I would like to thank Joy Baggetta and Lois Lawrence for painting the knee wall in the Shepherd's Hall, and they tell us they have some other surprises for us in the near future. You folks are great!

Spring is just around the corner, so clean up day is fast approaching. More info on time and dates to follow.

Now I would like to thank Pat Wills for ALL her hard work in renting out our space for much-needed funds for our Church. Thanks so much Pat!

God's blessing on all our wonderful volunteers. You are all greatly appreciated.

**Submitted by Ken Mongold  
Chairperson, Property Committee**

### THERE IS A NEW LIST OF ITEMS THAT TRINITY NOW RECYCLES FOR CASH!

#### WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING CEREAL BAGS—

both plastic cereal bags and plastic cereal bag liners! We also continue to send in shampoo bottles, old cell phones, used-up toothpaste tubes, plastic #6 cups, and many other items. Please pick up a new green list from the narthex table—stick it on your fridge or inside your bathroom medicine cabinet to remind you of what you can empty, bring in, and deposit in the labeled containers in the coat closet upstairs.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO EMPTY CONTAINERS.**



### SEE PAGE 2 FOR A SPECIAL EARTH DAY COLLECTION ON APRIL 24TH

For more information, please contact council member Georgina Marek.



**YEAR TO DATE BUDGET REPORT  
(through February 29, 2016)**

**GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Category	Actual	
<b>INCOME</b>		
Contributions	\$27,431	
Other Income	\$4,263	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$31,694</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Benevolence	\$1,000	
Pastoral	\$17,621	
Education	\$911	
Worship & Music	\$3,102	
Administration	\$8,159	
Property	\$6,157	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$36,950</b>	
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>(\$5,256)</b>	
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCES</b>		
(includes \$25,000 in prior-year loans)		
<b>January 1, 2016 balance</b>	\$13,765	
<b>Current balance</b>	\$9,727	
<b>MORTGAGE FUND</b>		
<b>Contributions</b>	<b>Payments</b>	<b>Variance</b>
\$7,272.00	(\$7,132.00)	\$140.00

**COMMENTS**

**MORTGAGE FUND—**

Contributions are \$140 ahead of payments.

**MONTHLY INCOME—**February income was \$2,661 less than expenses.

**YEAR-TO-DATE\*—**Expenses were \$5,256 more than income for the year.

Don't forget that you can go to our webpage [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org) to make a one-time or recurring gift Visit Trinity's website and click on the "Offering" button, set up an account or "profile," and follow the instructions to complete your donation amount and frequency. Questions? Please contact Stephanie Lyons after church or email her at [lyonss1@comcast.net](mailto:lyonss1@comcast.net).

Also, if you use Amazon to make purchases, go through their [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) site and designate Trinity Lutheran Church, Brewster NY as your charity. We will receive a small percentage.

**Thank you for your generosity and support!**

Putting some FUN back into FUNdraising!

**PAINT & SIP EVENT**

to benefit Trinity

**Friday, April 8, 2016, 5:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall**

Online registration:

<http://www.artonthevinellc.com/events/westchester/>

Go to April 8 and click on the Trinity Lutheran Church Fundraiser. You can also enter Art on the Vine New York in your browser search, go to April 8, and click on the Trinity Lutheran Church Fundraiser.

5:30 pm gather and socialize; 6-8 painting; 8-8:30 socialize; \$50 per participant  
Cheese and crackers will be served; cold beverages available for purchase

**RSVP: Monday, March 28**

Contact: Lois Lawrence  
[Lawrence.lois@gmail.com](mailto:Lawrence.lois@gmail.com)  
845-490-2763



**RECURRING OR ONE-TIME GIFT GIVING ONLINE**

*Memorial Gifts*

We are grateful for contributions to the Memorial Fund.

A Christian memorial gift is a contribution of money or property to some Christian cause in loving memory of a relative or friend. We give such memorial gifts on the occasion of a loved one's being called to Eternity, on an anniversary of the "Gift of Life," or on the remembrance or celebration of an event in the life of the departed one. Such gifts, given lovingly, honor the Living Lord, Jesus Christ. If you would like to contribute a monetary memorial gift to Trinity, there are forms available on the credenza in the Narthex. If you are interested in sponsoring an item, please contact the office for a list of suggested gifts.

*We remember in prayer those who are*

**In the hospital, ill, recuperating from surgery, or undergoing medical treatment:**

Brigitte, Lee, Augie Autieri, Tamara Bagen, Lisa Bagnati, Joan Baum, Kitty, Barbara Jean Bennet, Patricia Berwind, Joe Bettcher, Nicole Bettcher, Michael Boyd, William Brown, Lilly Browne, Wendy Bucaj, Betty Buckmaster, Gail Cardella, Diana Carrano, Tamara Casablanca, Christine, Colleen, Erin Conroy, Helen Conte, Jon Cope, Linda Cowen, Ben Dalecki, Karen Delduco, Kathren Devine, Dilynn, Dominic, Gert Donovan, Wayne Farber, Kristin Foley, Christine Gallagher, George Gilleo, Barbara Goos, Eleanor Greene, Alexandra Grimaldi, Eric Halbekath Sr, Thomas Ingate, Joe, JoAnn Johnston, Kelly Kern, Sally Kindt, Dick Kittle, Bob Koenig, George Kramer, Matthew Kromar, Jean Lamberston, Pr Sandy Leifster, Judy Lutz, Raymond Maglio, Meg, Michael, Beth Maley, Hedy McCloskey, Dan McGill, Ziggy Mignanelli, Oliver Milton, Michael Montana, Karen Myerwold, John Noone, Pr. Paul Nordeen, Bob Obuck, Pr Garry Patrylo Jr, Ed Ranieri, Muriel Rapp, Elain Rigo, Nicholas Rogan, Ronnie, Larry Ruhs, Marilyn Schoeller, George Schwarz, Sharon, James Sorge, Phyllis Sorge, Joe Stark, Meyer Steinhardt, Curt Stiles, Walter Straub, Michael Stringer, Meranda Sue, Grace Tadler, Michelle Tessier, Teddi Tom, Tony, John Torlish, Mary Torlish, Greg V., Vicki, Henry Von Bargaen, Katherine Waldvogel, Alex Wallace, Mary Ann Wilk, Jessica Wilkson, Gina, Cele, Marv, Arthur, Jeff

**Wrestling with long-term health issues:** Moshen Alameldin, Morgan Andren, Judy B, Malcolm Beal Sr, Amanda Beneway, Gloria Bretone, Neal Brundage, Janet Canor, Tony Cardella, Dorothy Cordell, Deena Cox, Nancy Cuomo, Tom Curran, Glen DiSanto, Al Eberhardt, Priscilla Elz,

Donna Ficara, Jim Fiore, Mollie Fitzpatrick, Gary Foster, Margaret Fowler, Amanda George, Catherine Henneforth, Sue Kaufman, Raymond Kiernan, Janet Kniffin, Ryan Lee, Allen McCaslin, Reneé McElroy, Thaine Manske, George Miller, Tanya Murgai, Regina Paulson, Katie Ray, Betty Rodda, Rosaleen, Riley Rushia, Otto Schmid, Sindy, Sally Sheets, Zack Small, Michael Smith, Audrey Stone, Kenneth Strawn, Kathy Sullivan, Josephine Talley, Kaeli Tretera, Gina Venezia, Glenn Wagner, Walt, Elizabeth Waugh, Cecilia Winters, Stephanie, Donna, Richard Yessian

**Facing life's challenges:** Kim Andren, Daniel Baggetta, the Banuelos/Cable/Lyon family, Wanda & Cliff, Della Arndt, the Bueti family, Eleanor Byrnes, Catherine, Lillian Eberhardt, Jeannie Graham, Terry Gregori, Larry Hampson, Frank Hastie, Logan Keane, Nicola Kenny, Matt, Bill & Debbie Logan, Anita Luhrs, Mary Jane McMahan, Ryan, Mariela Ramirez & family, Isabel Ranieri, Sue Rodriguez, Twila Skeels, Alex Smith, Barbara Sparkes, Katelyn Stufano, Kristen Sullivan, Michael Talarico, Morgan Watt, Jennifer West, Helga Whalen, Dave, Lisa, Jaimie Zeola

**Remembering the life of:** Mike Miller

**Serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Caitney, Dylan Cumpston, Adam Elliott, Phillip Gerhardt, Ron Hansen Jr., Dylan Kinsella, Pr Anthony Stephens, Alyssa Torlish, Adam Vieux, Jessica Woodall, all those in the service of our country, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan, and their chaplains

**Restricted to home/nursing home:** Marge Christie, Gerrit Franssen, Marian Langlois, Horatio Massatti, Virginia Mead, Marge Popham, Sylvia Rieg, Scott Werner

**Attending seminary:** Dawn Morello

**Partnership Ministries:** The Northwest Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; the Brewster Soup Kitchen (Brewster 1st Baptist Church) and Brewster Food Pantry (St. Andrew's Episcopal), Brewster Ecumenical Service Partnership (BESP); local small business owners in challenging economic times

**Servants of the Church:** Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, and the Churchwide staff; Bishop Robert Rimbo of the Metropolitan New York Synod and staff; Pastor Jennifer Boyd, Deacons Charles Germain, Jr. and Dorothy Kafalas; Minister of Music Franklyn Commisso; Council members; Sunday School teachers, and worship leaders

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS:** To add a name to Trinity's prayer list, please complete a request form located in the pew and place it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Names are usually listed for four weeks. Wednesday is the deadline for including names in the following Sunday's printed list. **Please contact Amy in the church office [trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) if a person should be moved to a different area of concern or removed.**



Give thanks. Give life.

[www.organdonor.gov](http://www.organdonor.gov)

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Bryanna Grillo 4/2	Alyssa Monahan 4/22
Charlie Larocchia 4/3	Charlie Germain 4/24
Cassandra Eng 4/4	Anna Rae Lutz 4/25
Daniel Baggetta 4/5	Loretta Christiano 4/27
Nancy Knapp 4/5	Wyatt Torlish 4/27
Tatiana Bettcher 4/7	Mary Beth Commisso 4/28
Eric Halbekath Jr 4/9	June Daniel 4/28
Katherine Harlin 4/9	Jennifer McNamara 4/28
Jonathan Sciarra 4/10	Rosanna Tempel 4/28
Joanne Halbekath 4/12	Pat Wills 4/28
Clarissa Cuomo 4/13	Maysen Edmondson 4/29
Tyler O'Toole 4/13	
Ariana Dzibela 4/14	
Diana Callahan 4/15	
David Wilson 4/15	
Ryan Loftus 4/16	
Sharon Laird 4/20	

**APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

Fred & Pam Carlson 4/11
Don & Joanne Icken 4/16
Nancy & Randy Knapp 4/26
Chris & Sandy Sciarra 4/26

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary in April and aren't on this list? Please contact the church office with the complete month-day-year information.

**PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATIVE ANNUAL FORUM  
FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016**

**8-9 AM Registration & Refreshments**

**9-11 AM Town Hall Meeting**

Putnam Hospital Center, 670 Stoneleigh Rd, Carmel  
Wagner Cancer Pavilion Entrance  
to Michael T. Weber Auditorium

To register to speak or for more information, please call Medley Broege, Putnam County Office for People with Disabilities, 845-808-1641 x 46019 or email her at [medley.broege@putnamcountyny.gov](mailto:medley.broege@putnamcountyny.gov)

**YOGA AT TRINITY**

Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:00 AM AND Thursday nights 7:30-8:45 pm. Just bring a yoga mat and an open mind! All abilities welcome. Cost: Suggested donation of \$10. Donations exceeding \$10 will be donated back to Trinity. Contact Cyndi Bertone, RYT, at 279-8240 for more info.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS?** Please let the church office know your new mailing or email address and/or phone number. Thanks!

**DOCUMENTING THE PAST****Oral History Project**

The Southeast Museum's Oral History Project is looking for longtime residents to share their stories. Stories will be aired on local public access TV.

This project will consist of interviews with longtime Putnam residents. Topics of interest include but are not limited to railroad, reservoir, schooling, military service, local businesses/industries, Boy and Girl Scouts, fire and police departments, and everyday life.

If you are interested in participating in this free program, please email us at [info@southeastmuseum.org](mailto:info@southeastmuseum.org) or call 845-279-7500.

**PLANNING AN EVENT?**

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## APRIL 2016

**Sunday Services**  
**8:30 & 10:45 a.m.**

**Spoken Word Worship**  
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## ✠ APRIL HIGHLIGHTS ✠

**Fri, April 1** First Friday Tom Foolery Potluck, 6:00 PM

**Sun, April 3** Holy Humor Sunday

Health Talk on Zika Virus, 2:00 PM

**Fri, April 8** Paint & Sip Event, 6:00 PM

**Sat, April 9** Freezin' for a Reason, 3:00 PM, Mahopac

**Sun, April 24** Youth Group tidying Ellis Cemetery

**Ongoing** Renovation of Fellowship Hall Windows

*Remember to see the full April calendar enclosed as well*



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