

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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*JUNE 2025*

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION**  
**Sunday, June 8**

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**GARAGE SALE**  
**Saturday, June 14**  
**8am - 2pm**

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**FATHER'S DAY**  
**Sunday, June 15**

*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church*

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Office Hours:  
Monday through Friday  
7:30am-3:30 pm

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### Holy Trinity Staff:

**Pastor:** Juli Lejman-Guy  
**Choir Director:** Robin Whitacre  
**Praise Team Leader:** Jolene Moody  
**Secretary:** Stacy Lake  
**Custodian:** Julie MacKim

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### Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church exists to:  
**HEAL** – Through Word and Sacrament,  
**TEACH** – Through Word and Deed,  
**LOVE** – Through being Sent to Serve,  
In **CHRIST JESUS**

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Please turn in your  
articles for the Trinity  
Trumpet by the third  
Sunday of every  
month.

E-mail  
your articles to  
[htlc.canton@gmail.com](mailto:htlc.canton@gmail.com)

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### Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am – Sanctuary &  
Livestreamed  
(link will be e-mailed)

\*\*bulletins will be  
e-mailed & snail  
mailed to those that  
do not have email

10:00 am – Family Life  
Center

\*\*Holy Communion at  
both services

10:00 am – Sunday  
School

## ROAD TRIP

### Vacation Bible School July 14-18, 2025

This year's VBS will be the week of July 14-18 from 9am-Noon and the theme is "*Road Trip – on the go with God*". Join us for an exciting adventure on the open road, where kids embark on thrilling journeys to fantastic destinations. Led by the Navigator and their adventurous pup, Scout, children will discover that God is always with them. They'll explore timeless stories from the Old and New Testaments, learning how to face challenges and find strength in God's presence.

#### KEY VERSE

The LORD your God is with you wherever you go. (*Joshua 1:9*)

**Volunteers are needed and the sign-up sheet is now posted on the bulletin board in the main entrance.**

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### Upcoming VBS Decorating Workshops!

Do you love to build, paint, cut, sew, and glue? If so, we need your help! All levels of expertise are welcome, and free training is available. Wear your old work clothes and pack a sack lunch. We'll take a lunch break each day at noon.

Please **mark your calendar** to attend one or all of our VBS decorating workshops in the education wing of Holy Trinity on the following days from 10 AM to 2 PM:



Monday, June 16 & 23  
Wednesday, June 18 & 25  
Friday, June 20 & 27





Thank you so very much for sponsoring us in the Hunger Walk! We really appreciate your support.

*Mark & Alice Himes*

To whomever knitted or crocheted the lovely prayer shawl, thank you ever so very much. What a lovely calming color of rose and such a beautiful pattern. I will feel wrapped in love and the love of all of you at Holy Trinity. Thank you so much and may God's blessings abound.

*Pastor Barbara*

Thank you to everyone at HTLC that donated or walked in the 2025 Hunger Walk. The final totals are in, and the walkers raised \$12,010. There are matching funds for the Foodbank grant so the Stark Hunger Walk 2025 raised \$24,020 which will be presented at a ceremony at the Akron Foodbank. Thank you again for helping to do God's work.

*Sincerely, Social Ministry Committee*

Thank you to everyone who participated in Sunday School this year with **special thanks to all of our teachers.**

Adults: Don Carley and David Ross

Preschool: Jeanette Cover

Elementary: Darlene Bailis

Teens: Pastor Juli and Sarah Kebert

## STAMPING GROUP

We will meet on Monday, June 2  
at 6:30pm at Holy Trinity. The cost is \$3.00.

We will NOT meet in July and August.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear friends,

I have 3 roommates who don't talk much – except when they are letting me know that they can see the bottom of their food bowls. So, I listen to Libby. Libby is a wonderful library app that allows one to listen and read borrowed materials day or night.

My loans tend to be eclectic. You might find me listening to the latest Gregg Olsen thriller or a Gill Paul historical fiction set in WW2 Poland or one of Jennifer Chiaverini *Elm Creek Quilts* series. Each month I also try to include a book that is based on leadership or ministry.

My book for May was *Unreasonable Hospitality* by Will Guidara. It is a wonderful story of how Will and his business partner grew their restaurant to be the best in the world through hospitality. In it, he challenges the reader to find ways – little ways – to make someone else feel welcomed.

One example was of a group of tourists who were concluding their NY trip. Over dinner at his fine dining restaurant, the guests were discussing the NY hotdog and how they wished they had tried one. Will had one of the servers run to the street vender to make the purchase, had the chef plate and dress the dog, and served it as if it were the special for the day. The guests were delighted. A \$3.00 hotdog became the “legend” they would talk about for years to come.

**“Hospitality is a selfish pleasure.** It brings joy to both the giver and receiver.”

I cannot say thank you enough for the hospitality you have shown me throughout our brief time together. You have welcomed me into your family and for that I am grateful.

- You have worn nametags (even when you may not have wanted to 😊) and shared your stories. I look forward to growing together as I connect your names and your stories.
- You continue to share your hopes and dreams for ministry. I look forward to journeying together as we explore the ways God is calling us to love others.
- You continue to serve and study and grow in ways that are true testaments of your living faith.

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Jesus said to his disciples: "Whenever you go into a town and the people welcome you, eat whatever they serve you..." (Luke 10:8) And that we have done very well!

So thank you from the bottom of my heart. Thank you to: the Call Committee and Council; everyone who has prepared and served food; everyone who has guided me through worship traditions and helped prepare the Installation Service; everyone who has stopped by, offered a greeting, added your favorites to the notecards. And thank you for the welcome gifts, basket and flower arrangement.

Thank you for your radical hospitality! May God continue to bless us on this journey together!

*Pastor Juli*



### SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on June 7 at 10:00 AM in the Library. We will begin a new video series from Max Lucado called "Help Is Here". Max reminds us that our Good Shepherd doesn't just feed us, he leads us. He directs us and keeps us on track. God has commissioned the Holy Spirit to guide us down those winding roads of life. Join us for coffee and fellowship as we learn more about the Holy Spirit!

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on Wednesday, June 4 at 10:00am in the library. We look forward to seeing you!



We will meet on Monday, June 9 at 7:00pm. **We will be trying a new location. We will meet at the Bridge House (5468 Fulton Rd NW) and will collect \$2 per person to pay for the venue.** We will be studying the Book of Joel. Thank you to New Berlin for your hospitality this past year but unfortunately it was just too hard to hear. It will be just our group in the new venue, and you can bring snacks and drinks. All are welcome!!!

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please contact the church office at 330-492-0072 if we have missed your birthday, anniversary, or have the incorrect date.

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS!!!

6/02 - Ellen Wilson  
6/04 - Jason Slatzer  
Chad Sinkovich  
6/05 - Jessica Slater  
Finn Raff  
Marnie Groves  
6/07 - Sonja Hickman  
6/08 - David Ross  
6/10 - Kari Sparkman  
6/11 - Chuck DeGraff  
6/16 - Kevin Beck  
Tom Jingo  
6/23 - Ralph Reisinger  
6/24 - Ian Slater  
Sue Bracken



6/25 - Cheryl Sepanik  
6/27 - Alice Himes  
6/28 - Rick McMichael  
6/29 - Jacob Godwin  
6/30 - Dave Wilkinson

### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES!!!



6/01 - Don & Shelly Carley  
6/07 - Bob & MaryAnn Rodgers  
6/10 - Zeth & Nicole Boord  
Bruce & Marcia Patterson  
6/11 - Craig & Ann Godwin  
6/13 - Rodney & Penny Buckridge  
Michael & Gretchen Leckie-Ewing  
6/14 - Gary & Carla Ohman  
6/15 - Dennis & Elaine Jensen  
6/17 - Roger & Cheryl McClure  
Dominic & Brianna Bower  
6/18 - Mark & Jean Pitocco  
6/27 - Ron & Shirley Slagle



## WORSHIP IN JUNE

### Sunday, June 1 – 7 Easter

Acts 16:16-34  
 Psalm 97  
 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21  
 John 17:20-26

### Sunday, June 8 – Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21  
 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
 Romans 8:14-17  
 John 14:8-17, 25-27

### Sunday, June 15 – Holy Trinity

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31  
 Psalm 8  
 Romans 5:1-5  
 John 16:12-15

### Sunday, June 22 – 2 Pentecost

Isaiah 65:1-9  
 Psalm 22:19-28  
 Galatians 3:23-29  
 Luke 8:26-39



### Sunday, June 29 – 3 Pentecost

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21  
 Psalm 16  
 Galatians 5:1, 13-25  
 Luke 9:51-62



## HOSPITALIZATIONS

Due to privacy laws, hospitals do not inform churches or pastors of admissions without the patient's permission. Even with permission, the message is often not shared. If you or a loved one are hospitalized and wish to be visited or added to the prayer requests, please contact the church office at 330-492-0072.



We extend our congratulations to our 2025 graduates!

#### High School

Crystal Fast – Glenoak

#### College

Kristopher Gibson – Stark State  
 Associate in Computer Science & Engineering



HTLC's annual garage sale will be Saturday, June 14 from 8am-2pm. Items for the sale may be dropped off Monday, June 9 thru Thursday, June 12 from 9am-3pm, and the evenings of Wednesday, June 11 and Thursday, June 12 from 5-7pm. Cookie donations can be dropped off during these times. **We will NOT accept any items dropped off Friday or Saturday.**

We do NOT accept large appliances, TVs, upholstered furniture, computers, or mattresses.

Proceeds from this year's sale will benefit Light after Loss and Christian Children's Home of Ohio.

**We still need youth & adult volunteers to help sort & price every day.**

If you have questions, please contact Laurie Soliday (330-284-5502) or catch her before the 10 am Sunday service.

*Thank You for supporting this Holy Trinity Fundraiser!*



## JUNE FOCUS: Habitat for Humanity

**We build strength, stability, self-reliance, and shelter.**

At Habitat for Humanity East Central Ohio, we:

- BUILD new homes
- RESTORE existing homes
- REPAIR homes with critical issues
- DECONSTRUCT properties
- TEAR down blighted properties

Because everyone deserves a decent place to call home.

While the need for decent, affordable housing grows, Habitat has grown to complete projects of all sorts, all to ensure that families and individuals have a safe and comfortable place to call home. So, while we are known for building new homes, we also do so much more.

Visit [www.habitatco.org](http://www.habitatco.org) for more information on Habitat. To contribute, make checks payable to Holy Trinity and mark "Habitat for Humanity" in the memo.



## COUNCIL NOTES

May 13, 2025

Devotions were based on Psalm 133:1: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! This is a call to work together with respect and collaboration. Strive to engage in open communication and listen to and support each other. This is a good reminder for all.

Council welcomed Pastor Juli Lejman-Guy to her first meeting as our new Pastor and noted that she has hit the ground running! And, we bid a fond farewell to Susie Thomson and offered thanks for her six years of service on Council, along with our gratitude that she will remain active in the various ministries of the church.

Spring has arrived, and with it comes the need to address issues that are important to keep our building and property in good condition in order to foster a welcoming environment. Property Chairman Paul Feaser II is currently working on several projects, including painting to be done soon on the moldings, trim, doors and door frames; repair of exterior gutters and trim; recruitment of volunteers to help prune, weed and mulch; and repair of the mower. The most significant issue is that after noting recent windstorm damage to the roof on the old section of the Sanctuary, it was determined that the roof needs to be replaced. All options are being researched, and we will keep members advised. Additionally, we are in the process of researching various options for renewal of our insurance coverage effective June 1<sup>st</sup>.

As always, Council noted how blessed we are at Holy Trinity to have members who so selflessly share their time, talents and treasures to support the various ministries and duties necessary to keep our church what was recently referred to as a place of "radical hospitality"! Thanks to all.



### SENIOR ACTIVITY (60 years and over)

Join us for an ice cream social and game on Saturday, June 21 at 1:00pm in the

FLC. Please bring your favorite topping to share. Ice Cream will be provided. Sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday, June 15.



## 2025 Budget Update

	INCOME	EXPENSES	REMAINDER
APRIL	\$28,833.99	\$37,788.24	(\$8,954.25)
YEAR TO DATE	\$107,194.97	\$110,157.12	(\$2,962.15)

\*\*\*This includes moving expenses for Pastor Juli & parsonage tree trimming

\$34,800 (monthly amount needed to meet 2025 expenses of \$417,600)  
Thank you for your faithful support of our many ministries!

The following groups will be taking a SUMMER BREAK:

**WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**ADULT MARANATHA SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**CHOIR**

**MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP**

They will resume in September.

Watch bulletins & newsletters for startup dates.

Holy Trinity is looking for people to provide music in June, July, and August. If you or someone you know would be willing to share your talents at 8:30am worship, please sign your name by the available date you would like on the board in the choir room. If you need accompaniment, please mark on the board or tell Robin Whitacre.



### CROCHET/KNITTING GROUP



We will meet on Thursday, June 26, from 5:30-7:00pm in the Conference Room.

# JUNE WORSHIP SERVERS

Date	Service Time	Lector	Comm. Assistant	Sound/Live Stream/Slides
June 1	8:30 AM	Linda Allende	Paul Feaser	Sound: Bruce Patterson Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Linda Ramsell	Joanne Murray	Laurie Soliday
June 8	8:30 AM	Jan Whitacre	Carolyn Perlog	Sound: Bruce Patterson Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Gretchen Leckie-Ewing	Linda Ramsell	Matt Halvorson
June 15	8:30 AM	Larry Robenstine	Ken Groves	Sound: Bruce Patterson Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Kari Sparkman	Joanne Murray	Jay Moody
June 22	8:30 AM	Robin Whitacre	Mark Himes	Sound: Bruce Patterson Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Gretchen Leckie-Ewing	Linda Ramsell	Chad Sinkovich
June 29	8:30 AM	Trudi VanOrman	Howard VanOrman	Sound: Bruce Patterson Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Kari Sparkman	Joanne Murray	Matt Halvorson

# JUNE 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM	<b>2</b> 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sassy Scissors  6:30 p.m. Stamping Group	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>5</b> 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sassy Scissors  4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark	<b>6</b> Noon AA Meeting	<b>7</b> 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
<b>8</b> 8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM  <b>Pentecost</b> Graduate Recognition	<b>9</b> 9:00am-3:00pm Drop off, pricing & sorting  7:00 p.m. Bible & Brews	<b>10</b> 9:00am-3:00pm Drop off, pricing & sorting 11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting 6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group	<b>11</b> 9:00am-3:00pm Drop off, pricing & sorting  5:00-7:00 p.m. Drop Off	<b>12</b> 9:00am-3:00pm Drop off, pricing & sorting  4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark  5:00-7:00 p.m. Drop Off	<b>13</b> Noon AA Meeting	<b>14</b> 8:00am-2:00pm 
<b>15</b> 8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM  <b>Happy Father's Day!!</b>	<b>16</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop	<b>17</b> 11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark  6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group	<b>18</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop	<b>19</b> 4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark	<b>20</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop  Noon AA Meeting	<b>21</b> 1:00 p.m. Senior Activity
<b>22</b> 8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM	<b>23</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop	<b>24</b> 11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark  6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group	<b>25</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop	<b>26</b> 4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark  5:30-7:00p.m. Crochet/Knitting	<b>27</b> 10:00am-2:00pm VBS Workshop  Noon AA Meeting	<b>28</b> 11:00am-7:00pm FLC Rental
<b>29</b> 8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM	<b>30</b>					