

# Trinity Tidings

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Roaring Spring, PA 16673

December 2022/January 2023

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## *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

*AS the song reminds us, it IS that most wonderful time of the year! This year Christmas arrives on a Sunday and we will worship through song at 9:30 AM. Wear your pajamas ~- or, at least, let your children come in their pajamas if they want to and they can bring a gift along to show us.*

*The New Year always is a time of renewal. We are beginning this year using the Wesley Covenant Renewal service, which reminds us of the promises God has made to us and the promises we make to God. Like many resolutions, how often we forget that we are in a covenant relationship with God! Let's start the year off on the right foot by renewing our covenant with God together.*

*A New Year often brings change. Some families are awaiting the arrival of a new grandbaby. Some families are watching as a son or daughter graduate from college and begin working. And, for me, retirement is approaching. I have informed our Bishops that I intend to retire at the end of the Conference year, June 30, 2023.*

*This has nothing to do with the congregation of Trinity - it is a joy to be your pastor. And it has everything to do with you as a congregation - - God has made it clear to me that you now need a pastor who will be here longer than I can stay (there is a mandatory retirement age approaching), someone who can help you take step by faithful step into the vision God gives you for ministry here.*

*We did not anticipate the total shutdown that happened just before I arrived. Now, we need to discern 'what's next' for Trinity. In my experience it can take a year or longer to really get a new ministry up and running or to accomplish other projects. The task of your next pastor will be to keep you moving forward! My task over the next few months - get us moving! Where is God leading us next??*

*Celebrate the Christmas season with joy and have a blessed New Year.*

## Circle of Prayer for December/January

### Churches for the week of December 18 - 24

Fort Loudon UMC, Fort Loudon  
First UMC, Renovo  
Pinecroft UMC, Pinecroft  
Columbia Crossroads UMC, Columbia  
Cross Roads Hunlock Creek UMC, Hunlock Creek  
Larksville UMC, Larksville  
Tatesville UMC, Everett  
Mount Zion UMC, Steelton  
Elimsport UMC, Allenwood  
Shehawken UMC, Starrucca  
Sky Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Windsor, NY

### Churches for the week of December 25 - 31, 2022

Jackson Center UMC, Millerton  
Amberson UMC, Spring Run  
Clarks Green UMC, Clarks Green  
Richfield UMC, Richfield  
Otterbein UMC, Emigsville  
Aldersgate UMC, Mifflintown  
Liverpool UMC, Liverpool  
Antes Fort UMC, Antes Fort  
Greenmount UMC, Glen Rock  
Faith Chapel UMC, Howard

### Churches for the week of January 1 - 7, 2023

Carlisle UMC, Carlisle  
South Montrose Community Church, Montrose  
Slocum UMC, Wapwallopen  
Palestine UMC, Morrisdale  
Shopes UMC, Hummelstown  
Ebenezer UMC, Liberty  
Paxtonville UMC, Paxtonville  
\* Tombody UMC, Tombody - Sierra Leone  
Abrahamsville UMC, Damascus  
East End UMC, Altoona  
CrossWords UMC, Mount Wolf  
Camp Penn Camp & Retreat Center, Waynesboro

### Churches for the week of January 8 - 14

Moscow UMC, Moscow  
Kitchens UMC, Millville  
Mount Zion UMC, Olanta  
Druck Valley UMC, Hellam  
Spring Mills Faith UMC, Spring Mills  
Emmanuel UMC, Enola  
Little Cove UMC, Mercersburg  
Lemasters UMC, Lemasters  
Hannah UMC, Port Matilda  
St. Paul's UMC, Dushore

### Churches for the week of January 15 - 21

Pleasant Gap UMC, Pleasant Gap  
Newburg UMC, Newburg  
First UMC, Old Forge  
Trinity UMC, Danville  
\* Baoma UMC, Baoma - Sierra Leone  
Brookfield UMC, Westfield  
Barts-Centenary UMC, Littlestown  
Spring Run UMC, Spring Run  
Cortez UMC, Jefferson Township  
Grace UMC, Hummelstown  
West Burlington UMC, Troy  
Greene Hills Camp/Retreat Center & RV Park, Alexandria

### Churches for the week of January 22 - 28

McKendree UMC, Airville  
Grace UMC, Philipsburg  
West Fairview UMC, Enola  
Asbury UMC, Scranton  
Warfordsburg UMC, Warfordsburg  
Reedsville UMC, Reedsville  
Trinity UMC, Northumberland  
Christ UMC, Yoe  
Dorranceton UMC, Kingston  
First UMC, Williamsport

### Churches for the week of January 29 - February 4

Trinity UMC, Dalmatia  
East Salem UMC, Thompsontown  
Emanuel UMC, Loganville  
Shirleysburg UMC, Shirleysburg  
Farragut UMC, Montoursville  
Crever Memorial UMC, Petersburg  
Hop Bottom UMC, Hop Bottom  
Mount Hope UMC, Newville  
The Beacon: A UMC, Hughesville Wesley UMC, Selinsgrove  
Mount Asbury Camp & Retreat Center, Newville

## Christmas Season

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service: December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM

Christmas Day Service: December 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM



**Poinsettias have been ordered at Roots in the Cove. They will be delivered to the church on Friday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will display the flowers on Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning. If you ordered a poinsettia you may take your flower/s after church on Sunday.**

**Walking Tacos**

# MANNA

Wednesday, December 28th

12:00-1:00

Hostess: Kate Muthler



We are asking for donations of cookies or brownies.  
Sign up sheet on the table.



Sunday, January 1: Morning Worship ~ Wesley Covenant Renewal Service

Tuesday, January 3: 6 PM ~ Women's Fellowship

Wednesday, January 4: 10:30 AM, Bible Study

Tuesday, January 10: 6 PM, Men's Fellowship

Pastor's vacation: I will be going with a group to New Zealand and Australia, January 10 – 27 – a trip delayed a year by COVID. While I am going, Pastor Calvin Miller from the Claysburg UMC will be on call for any pastoral needs. Pastor Miller can be reached at 814-470-2713 or by email at [cmiller@susumc.org](mailto:cmiller@susumc.org)

Saturday, January 14: 5-6 PM, Manna

Tuesday, January 24: 7 PM, Administrative Council meets

"In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

**"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game,  
help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat."**



Since then, more than \$170 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation's largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need."

This year I am challenging Trinity UMC to a Soup-Off on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.

Do you have a favorite soup recipe? Or, perhaps, a recipe you have been wanting to try?

Here is your chance to bring a family favorite or try something new.

We are looking for several different kinds of soup so that everyone who attends can try a variety of soups and vote for their favorite. Sign-up to provide a crock pot of soup. Bring it in on Sunday morning and at about 11:45 we will plan to begin serving. You serve your soup or ask someone to do that.

For only \$5 you can sample all the soups! The money collected will be used to tackle hunger in our community, which is the goal of the Souper Bowl of Caring program. After the event, we simply tell them how much we collected.

**Get out those recipe books and start planning now!!**

**Join us for a time of feasting and fellowship.**

**Whose soup will win the prize???**

**January Birthdates:**

**5. Phil Keith**

**7. Dusty Bassler, Candace Holt**

**10. Alta Wineland**

**11. Lindsey Hoffner**

**18. Doris Ferry**

**22. Heidi Hoffner**

**25. Jay Ebersole**

**28. Bob Musselman**

**29. Andy Bassler**

**30. Roger Bowers, Tom Crawford**



**No January Anniversaries**

Please let Lisa know when your anniversary or birthdate is or if your information is incorrect so she can update her files.

Email: [tumcsecretary@atlanticbbn.net](mailto:tumcsecretary@atlanticbbn.net) or  
Call: (814)224-2815 ext. 102

**OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS:** Linda Acker, Jim Bassler, Stefania Bellotto (Italy), Charles Bollman, Judy Bowers, Roger and Kay Bowser, Tanna Byler, Steve Chelobovic (Liver cancer), Tom Crawford, Lorie Davis, Helen & Thom Deily, Don Dick, Cathy Eckly, Lori Emeigh, Bud Evans, Harry Felton, Doris Ferry, Luke Francisco, Mike Galbraith, Ione Hammaker, Bob Harpster Family, Hospital Staff, Norm Hostetter, Bob Huffman, Ruth Imler, Bob Lape, Marilyn Marsden, Barbara Meader (Ralph's sister), Don Mingle, Barbara Mingle, Bob & Doris Musselman, Barry & Connie Musselman, Ron & Pat Muthler, Dee Rodland, Gary Shank, Margie Stamm, Bob & Dorothy VanNatta, Claudia Weise, Samantha Lynn Weitzel, Sarah Myers Zeek, Sarah (Brain cancer)

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*Worship each Sunday at 9:30a.m.;*

*Sunday School 10:45a.m.*

Rev. Evelyn Madison, pastor

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