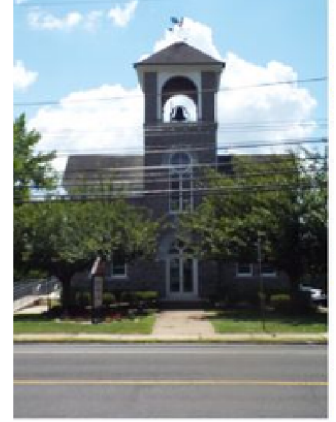


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# THE BELL Newsletter

Dear Friends,



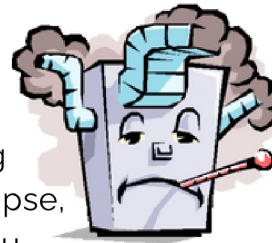
The recent solar eclipse had many people excited, but I have to admit: I missed it! I was busy preparing for Sunday's service and reflecting on the transformative power of Christ's resurrection during this Easter season.

Easter is a time that fills us with hope and joy, inspiring us to live out our faith through loving actions and words. As we embrace this message, I encourage you to consider how we can come together to embody Christ's love within our church community.

One way we can do this is by addressing our church's need to replace our aging boiler before the next heating season. This project will ensure that our church remains a warm and welcoming place for all who seek comfort and spiritual growth.

You'll find more information in this newsletter and shortly also on our website.

I know a new boiler might not be as exciting as a solar eclipse, but I invite you



to pray about how you can support this effort. It's a tangible way to show our love for God and our church family.

Together, with the hope and joy of Easter empowering us, we can strengthen our community and continue growing in faith and service. I'm excited to see how God works through each of us as we unite to meet this need while also finding more and more ways of living out our calling as part of God's beloved community.

In Christian Love,

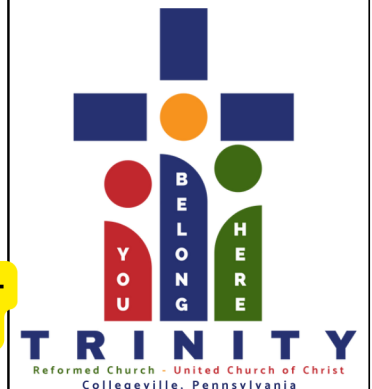
*Pastor Suzanne*

**PURPOSE**  
United in God's love and guided by God's spirit, we exist to faithfully share God's love with all and to serve all

**MISSION**  
Our mission is to embody the love of Christ by welcoming all, actively serving those in need and by inspiring others to join us on our journey. We do this through:  
Worship that balances traditional and progressive theology. Activities that empower people, enrich their lives, and help them grow in their faith.

**VISION**  
Be an inclusive and vibrant community that, through its building, outreach, and missions, serves as a vital resource to the wider community. And where through worship, service and other programming, an ever-increasing number of people explore, find, grow in, and live out their faith.

**Don't forget to check our website for the latest bulletin and our most up-to-date prayer list and please keep our "Care Through Prayer" ministry and its members in your prayers just as they pray for each of us, too.**



## Upcomming Worship

We worship Sundays at 9:30 AM onsite and online.  
Sunday School 2nd & 4th Sunday after worship



- 4/7/24 - Second Sunday of Easter - Acts 4:32-35; Ps 133; 1 Jn 1:1-2:2; Jn 20:19-31
- 4/14/24, Third Sunday of Easter - Acts 3:12-19; Ps 4; 1 Jn 3:1-7; Lk 24:36b-48
- 4/21/24 - Fourth Sunday of Easter - Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23; 1 Jn 3:16-24; Jn 10:11-18
- 4/28/24 - Fifth Sunday of Easter April - Acts 8:26-40; Ps 22:25-31; 1 Jn 4:7-21; Jn 15:1-8
- 5/5/24 - Sixth Sunday of Easter - Acts 10:44-48; Ps 98; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 15:9-17
- 5/12/24- Seventh Sunday of Easter (or Ascension Sunday observed) - Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Ps 1; 1 Jn 5:9-13; Jn 17:6-19 (or Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47 or Ps 93; Eph 1:15-23; Lk 24:44-53)
- 5/19/24 - Day of Pentecost - Acts 2:1-21 or Ezk 37:1-14; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; Rmn 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21; Jn 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
- 5/26/24 - Trinity Sunday - Isaiah 6:1-8; Ps 29; Rmn 8:12-17; Jn 3:1-17



### Financial State

Our financial situation continues to be challenging. In the first two months of 2024 our operating losses are about <\$5,000>. This places our weekly shortfall a little over <\$600> in regular contributions.

Together we can overcome this negative if we all increase our weekly contribution. Nevertheless, be assured that we will continue to follow our mission to engage the community and to do good work.

Thank you for all you do.

**CAR WASH**

Be ready for a spiritual Car Wash in June! We'll be raising money for our Warm Hearts Campaign to pay for new boilers. Be sure to bring all your cars to Trinity Collegeville on June 29th between 11AM and 2PM. And leave with a sparkling clean vehicle!

MISSION NEWS (from Linda Augustine)

There is an ongoing need for donations of food and household cleaning supplies for St. James Outreach House. Please help local families with these necessities by placing them in the donation baskets in the church foyer, or in the outside bin in the west side stairwell.

In May we will begin our summer-long collection drive for back-to-school items. Backpacks are always in short supply, so please consider donating one this year.

4n September we will hold another CROP Hunger Walk to raise funds for Church World Service and for St. James Outreach House, and in November we will begin collecting

gifts for the teens at Bethany Children's Home.

Let the Spirit move you to join us in one or more of these giving efforts!



*Invite friend* & IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO FIND SPIRITUAL PEACE AND FULFILLMENT, TELL THEM ABOUT US. WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.



# WARM HEARTS CAMPAIGN

Help Trinity Stay Warm This Winter!

Our current heating system is failing and needs to be replaced. We have until October '24 to make this much-needed upgrade.

Your tax-deductible gift will provide a new, energy-efficient heating system that will save 17-30% in heating costs.

May the warmth of your generous heart, create a comfortable, safe, and welcoming church for all.



Donate today! Use the QR code and select the Warm Hearts Campaign from the menu of options. Thank You!

Questions? Email: [Impactfund@collegeville.church](mailto:Impactfund@collegeville.church)

**JUNE 25-27, 2024**

**VBS  
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**Pensylvania Southeast Conference  
United Church of Christ**

The PSEC 2024 Spring Annual Meeting will be part of the

**"Together We Are Stronger"**

Keystone UCC Conferences Meeting held June 7-9, 2024 at The Penn Stater Hotel & Conference Center in State College

Join all four Pennsylvania UCC Conferences for a weekend of discernment of our four conferences coming together as one. Including workshops, worship, fellowship and relationship building.

Each conference will hold its own business session Saturday morning. More info at <https://psec.org/annual-meeting-2024>

## TRINITY NEEDS YOU...

.....to bring in your Redner's receipts! Please consider participating in Redner's Save-A-Tape Program. This is a great way to support Trinity at no extra cost to you. All you need to do is bring in your Redner's receipts and drop them off in the plastic bin marked "Redner's Receipts" in the church vestibule. Trinity receives a 1% rebate, calculated from the Today's 1% Save-A-Tape Total" line on your Redner's sales receipt. Please be aware of the following:

- Customers should use their Redner's Rewards /1% Save-A-Tape card for purchases. This will be noted on the bottom of the receipt.
- Please do not use a highlighter marker on the receipts. It can erase the totals.
- Receipts must be dated within three years prior to the date of submission.
- Receipts from fuel purchases at Redner's Quick Shoppes are not considered.

We have received many receipts where the bottom has been cut off, eliminating the Save-A-Tape total. These receipts are invalid. Please do not cut off any portion and submit the whole receipt.

Thank you,

Lorraine Citrone





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## WE ARE HIRING

We are looking for :

- Choir Accompanist/Director
- Administrative Assistant

Please spread the word. More information  
is available on our website.

For now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.  
The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:11-12

## Flower Sale

Trinity is holding a flower sale!  
There will be choices of 10"  
hanging baskets, 12"  
convertible containers (for  
hanging or placement), and  
flats of bedding flowers.  
Detailed information, and an  
order form will be in the  
weekly bulletin at church and  
posted online on our website  
at [www.Collegeville.church](http://www.Collegeville.church)!  
Orders Due May 5th and pick-  
up will be on May 12th.

Questions? Email us at  
[plantsale@collegeville.church](mailto:plantsale@collegeville.church)

## Church Flowers

Our sanctuary is adorned  
with beautiful flowers each  
week. If you would like to  
sponsor fresh flower  
arrangements in honor of a  
loved one, please email  
[flowers@collegeville.church](mailto:flowers@collegeville.church)  
with a desired date and we  
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