

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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Newsletter/ Pentecost & Summer 2022

Thank You, With All My Heart!

My heart is filled with joy! Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your **full time** pastor. The Holy Spirit is amazing! It is certainly leading our life together as a family of faith.

I know there is opportunity and hope on the horizon. We began an initiative to reach out to the community, inviting them to worship and asking for prayer requests. (We are including a copy of the flyer in this newsletter. Give the flyers to your neighbors, family, friends, co-workers.) The more we connect with the community and those around us the more hope grows.

Opportunity and hope... I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to have Viktoriya Raufova become our new Director of Music. We certainly have been very well served by Evelyn Oberndorf, Interim Director of Music. A year and a half ago, Evelyn stepped in ready and willing to serve in this capacity as we searched for a new director. Evelyn, thank you for putting your heart and soul into it!

Opportunity and hope... We are now planning for the revitalization of Sunday School. As we become more present in the community, God will provide more opportunities to serve. Intergenerational Sunday School is a glorious opportunity for everyone to come together. I am filled with hope because bringing back Sunday School is a sure sign of good things to come. As the details emerge, we will keep you updated.

Opportunity and hope grow more and more as we open our hearts and place our trust in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

“Cast aside all fear and hiding; hand in hand we dance the round.

God is with us, Christ, abiding, and the Spirit’s gifts abound.

Called by God to holiness, let us boldly serve and bless;

And to hearts that sigh and hunger may our lives dance signs and wonders.” (“Signs and Wonders”, hymn 672, ELW)

Enjoy the rest of the summer! ~Pastor Nancy

WORSHIP LIFE

In Person

We continue to hold in-person worship. As a reminder, for those that cannot attend worship in person, we continue to offer the Zoom/Phone-In option; the information is located on our website at www.htlcnutley.org:

Join Zoom Meeting Video Conferencing:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82552194898>

Phone Call for Voice Only: 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID is: 825 5219 4898

Worship Assistants Needed



Would you like to help in worship? We are in need of Assisting Ministers & Lectors for in-person worship. You

will be scheduled to serve approximately once or twice a month (less if we have enough people scheduled for each position).

Please see Pastor Nancy, a council member, or contact Tina in the office if you are interested.

If you are also interested in assisting with our Zoom (remote) worship, please let us know.

Thank you.

LEARNING OUR FAITH



Intergenerational Sunday School

Starting Sunday, September 11, 2022, we will change our worship time to 10:15am.

Intergenerational Sunday School will begin at 9:00am and will include a light breakfast. More information to follow. When the details are finalized, please look for the sign-up sheet to help with/provide breakfast. You may also contact Tina in the office. Thank you!

Confirmation Boot Camp

Introducing Confirmation Boot Camp -- CBC... It is a more condensed Confirmation program covering four primary areas of Confirmation education. The primary areas of study are Bible, Practical Spirituality, Martin Luther, and Community Service. From beginning to end, CBC is 2 months long and then, upon completion of required assignments, the student would be ready to be confirmed.

Interested? Call OR email the office to let us know:

973-667-0256/

office.htlcnutley@verizon.net

MUSIC & WORSHIP

I'm happy to report that our Worship and Music Committee has been hard at work. Along with all of the recent special music (special thanks to Rod, Penelope, Dale, and Evelyn for their wonderful Independence Day emphasis), our congregation has also continued our participation in musical outreach programs, further strengthening our ties to Agape and nearby communities.

We are THRILLED to announce that the search for our Director of Music has concluded! The Worship and Music committee had a wonderful interview/audition/choir rehearsal with Ms. Viktoriya Raufova, and it is clear our church will benefit greatly from her talents and vibrant personality. Viktoriya will start as Director of Music on August 1! We look forward to working with her in the coming months and years.

There are lots of very exciting plans in the near future, including starting up our Sunday School! We hope you are as excited as we are, and we look forward to sharing more details with you soon.

In His Service, Jeremy Boyer, committee chair

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

Lent & Easter. Thank You!

Thanks to those of you that helped with Lent & Easter Worship. Those who helped in worship, who helped to decorate/undecorate the church for the season, to those that contributed in any way during the Lent and Easter seasons. We could not do it without you!

Weekly Lenten Giving Challenges

Each worship service in lent we provided an idea for giving. We gave to:

Nutley Family Service Bureau Food Pantry
ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response for Ukraine
"Save the Roof"
Jehu Jones Mission
Farmers Against Hunger
ELCA Hunger Appeal

Through your generosity, you also gave:

9 peeps of chicks
2 doses of vaccines for children
1 set of gardening tools
\$91.00 for a "where needed" offering
You also helped beautify our sanctuary by purchasing lilies, tulips & daffodils.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Good Counsel Homes is an organization that supports pregnant women through providing a place to stay before and after giving birth, training for parenting, life skills, work skills, and more.



By donating to Good Counsel,

you'll give a mother and child a new life through the love, care, and Life Skills training they will receive while being a part of our family.

Giving online at www.goodcounselhomes.org.

Also through PayPal.

Or... mail directly to:

Good Counsel, Inc.

600 Meadowlands Parkway, Suite 251

Secaucus, NJ 07094

201.795.0637

Make checks payable to Good Counsel, Inc.

Serving at the Vincent Care Kitchen



Community Care Kitchen
Serving hot meals to the community.

The Kitchen provides nutritious meals to roughly 75 families. Located at Vincent United Methodist Church, 100 Vincent Place,

Nutley. Everyone is welcome to come to the Community Care Kitchen including families and seniors. If you would like more information or would like to help or contribute, contact the Vincent Church Office for more information at (973) 667-5440.

A word of thanks to Ruth & Greg Sekula for providing desserts to the Vincent Care Kitchen!

Nutley Family Service Bureau Pantry

Any Nutley resident who is experiencing food insecurity is eligible for NFSB Pantry enrollment. For more info:

www.Nutleyfamily.org

The Nutley Family Service Bureau Pantry

169 Chestnut Street, Nutley, NJ 07110

Phone: 973-667-1884 Ext. 2

We are currently not taking donations here at church; therefore, please continue to make donations directly to the NFSB pantry. Thank you.



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND



After taking a survey of the building, it has been decided that we need to make

considerable repairs and maintenance to the property. This is to assure that we have a safe and well-maintained building. To make this project work we are asking you to consider donating. "Improvement Fund" envelopes are available; any monies should be notated as a "Capital Improvement Fund." Any questions, please speak to Steve Oberndorf or Ken Geiselmann.

"Thank You" Board

Please see our "Thank You" board in the entryway, for the letters of gratitude received from those we've helped.

Boy Scouts

Once again, Boy Scout Troop 22 (Bloomfield, via Nancy Duhm) held their Annual Talent Show here at Holy Trinity in May. As a "thank you" they donated a large quantity of soaps, sanitizers, trash bags and paper products. A portion of this donation was given to the *Nutley Family Service Bureau*.

WELCA

There will be no more meetings until September. They hope to return in the fall with a dinner get-together. Details to follow later in the summer.

Evelyn Pugaczewski New Address

Please note the new, permanent address for Evelyn Pugaczewski: *Job Haines Home*, 250 Bloomfield Avenue, Apt. 105, Bloomfield, N.J. 07003. Feel free to send her a card if you'd like.

Sally Bayhi New Address

Please note Sally's new address: *Brookdale Senior Living*, 520 Prospect Avenue, Apt. #234, West Orange, N.J. 07052. Feel free to send her a card if you'd like.

KEEP IN PRAYER

Sally, Evelyn, Leona, Miriam, Santimaro Family, Joan Eveleens, Elaine, people of Ukraine, people of Japan, victims of gun violence, Margaret, Ginny, Keith, Suzanne, Natasha, Anna, Elaine & family, Sam, Bob, Brenda, Lois, Tammy, people experiencing weather crises, Mascola men, Miriam, Schmitz men, Targitano men, Penelope, all families & communities celebrating Juneteenth, Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, TX, Memorial Day remembrance, Kathy, Fran, Family of Tommy Ellis & Judy, Chris, Sylvia, PJ, Ingo, Linda's children, Ruth D., Joyce, Family & Congregation of Pastor Arthur Sziemeister, Lissette.

To add someone to the list, please fill out the form in the entryway, notify Pastor Nancy or contact the office. People are kept on the list for 3 months.

There are hard copies of this newsletter available; pick one up during worship or please contact the office if you'd like one.

