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# Trinity Tidings

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## Sermon Series:



June 5<sup>th</sup>

Pentecost

June 12th

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy:  
Don't Fake It

June 19th

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy:  
The Power of  
Mentors

June 26th

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy:  
Don't Lose Heart

## SUMMER

### NOTES:

#### VBS

July 31<sup>st</sup> —

August 4<sup>th</sup>

Crew Leaders  
and Set Up Team  
Needed Watch  
out for a list of  
supplies and  
volunteer sign-up  
sheets.

#### Worship at

Turnow Pond:

August 14<sup>th</sup> at  
10:00 AM

## Co-Workers In Christ

Greetings Church!

Hard to believe that the summer is here already! There's lots going on at Trinity! My family welcomed a new child. Building projects for the air conditioning, boiler system, and lights are all under way. Soon we'll be having Vacation Bible School and filling the church with children ready to learn about God's love.

In many ways, we continue to lay the foundation so that the faith of this generation is passed down to the next. In the Epistle of 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy we see that this passing on of faith was vital to the early church. Paul finds himself imprisoned and on trial, he fears his time of ministry will soon be coming to an end. What does he do? He spends his time pouring into Timothy, a young person who he has brought on with him as a co-worker in Christ. Paul could see that churches that he had planted were already losing their direction and being pulled away by many false teachers. In Timothy, Paul sees an opportunity to establish a new leader to keep the followers of Jesus from going astray.

*"I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also."*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1:3-5

Paul talks about the God his ancestor's served, who was known to Timothy's mother and grandmother. Timothy's faith journey had began generations before he was born, and now he was given the task of being a caretaker of this knowledge into the future.

Much of our mission right now at Trinity is being caretakers of the faith for the next generation. We've been blessed with many children who will need a strong church to be raised in. We have enjoyed this building for many years and now is the time to make improvements to assure it's use for another 50 years. For many in our congregation this means, quite literally, joining the work of faith began by their grandparents and parents, just as Timothy did. With sincere faith today, we focus on this mission. We go forward not just because air conditioning and heat is nice to have, not just because VBS and Sunday School are fun ways to spend our time, but because we believe in the life changing power of Jesus Christ that carries into eternity.

*But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:14-15*

*Pastor Ryan Shields*

## Council Minutes: April

The Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston Church Council met on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7 pm. Luke Sutter, President, called meeting to order, and Pastor Ryan opened with prayer. Those in attendance were as follows: Luke Sutter, Ashley Gahler, Connie Gahler, Rebecca Rife, Michael Sager, Jim Laughlin, Brice Gahler, Brianne Perry, Pastor Ryan and Church Secretary Mary Muntz, Nate Diekman, Sam Sutter and Janene Lattimore were present. On call for the beginning of the meeting was Roger Sheehan.

Meeting began by reviewing building maintenance project in detail with all members and consultant, Roger Sheehan on call. The project is to include installing air conditioning, electrical update work with new lighting in sanctuary, and replacing the broken boiler system.

IPS Service from Rossford was chosen as best company to complete project based on our scope and needs with a subcontract made with Laibe Electric for all electrical work

Air conditioning includes AC installation in the sanctuary, hall, and kitchen

One pew in balcony would need shortened or removed for sanctuary installation cover into the cry room

Electrical work done by Laibe electric

Upgrade electric to be able handle new AC requirements

New panel in basement for sanctuary units

Use current panels for hall and kitchen

Install new can lights in sanctuary

Boiler system would be replaced with removal and disposal of old boiler system

Quote from Ohler and Holzhauser also reviewed and compared to IPS quote

After extensively reviewing the plan for the building maintenance project and choice of IPS as our service provider, a motion was made by first Jim Laughlin, and second Michael Sager to propose building maintenance project and be voted on by congregation at the scheduled congregational meeting on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am. MC.

### **Reports:**

**Recording Secretary:** Meeting minutes from March meeting were read prior to the meeting by members. Motion to accept the minutes was made by first Rebecca Rife, second by Janene Lattimore, MC.

**Secretary Report:** Reviewed Mary's written report

**Financial Report:** Mary reviewed balance sheets.

Motion to approve financial secretary report first by Brice Gahler second by Michael Sager, MC.

**Pastor Report:** Reviewed Pastor Ryan's written report

Pastor Ryan will be off for four weeks following the birth of his son

Paternity leave arrangements are set for Sunday services

### **Committee Reports:**

**Worship Team:** No update

#### **EFY- Branching Out and Thrive**

Two candidates will be interviewed in the near future for position of Youth Leader

There will be no Sunday school or children's church Easter Sunday or April 24<sup>th</sup> due to the Chicken BBQ

VBS team meeting on 4/12

**Mission:** Confirmation class food drive

#### **Trustee Report**

Jim got final quote to install new doors with purchase of hardware and hardware installation

Total of \$6800 to install; this does not include the doors being painted

Nate got quote from Capital Doors for two new doors

Total cost for installation and completion of door project is \$20,000

Door project tabled until May meeting

Melvin Rife's family would like to donate and plant a tree in his memory

Motion to accept gift from the family of Melvin Rife first by Michael Sager, second by Nate Diekman, MC.

**Pastoral Relations Committee:** No update

**Church and Ministry:** no update

**2030 Team:** Air Conditioning Project

Youth Leader

**Old Business:** none currently

**New Business:** none at this time

Motion to adjourn meeting by first Connie Gahler, second by Nate Diekman.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm by Luke Sutter. Respectfully submitted, Ashley Gahler, Recording Secretary.

**Council meets  
at the Church  
monthly on the  
2nd Monday at  
7:00 pm**

## Congregational Meeting Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston, Ohio April 16, 2022, 9:05am

Moderator: Luke Sutter

Present: a quorum of the congregation was present

Purpose: Propose maintenance update plan including air conditioning installation, electrical updates with new lighting in sanctuary, and replacement of boiler system in hall

Call to order: Luke Sutter called meeting to order at 9:05am

**Business:**

- Luke reviewed, in detail, the scope of project
- Consultant, Roger Sheehan, has overseen and directed project
- IPS Service from Rossford was chosen as best company to complete project based on our scope and needs with a subcontract made with Laibe Electric for all electrical work
- Air conditioning includes AC installation in the sanctuary, hall, and kitchen
  - 2 five-ton cooling units in attic
  - Condensing units outside on north side of building
- Electrical work done by Laibe electric
  - Upgrade electric to be able handle new AC requirements
  - New panel in basement for sanctuary units
  - Use current panels for hall and kitchen
- Install new can lights in sanctuary
- Boiler system would be replaced with removal and disposal of old boiler system
  - Large discount given by IPS to do in conjunction with AC
  - An anonymous donor has specifically made donation to be used for air conditioning

<u>Where Funds are coming from</u>	<u>Amount of funds</u>
Donation from member	\$189,500
AC fund (prior donations)	\$15,540
General Church Funds	\$67,334
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>\$272, 374</b>

\*\$67,334= total amount needed to complete project (includes \$15,000 contingency fund that is not expected to be needed)

Motion by Mike Diekman to approve proposal for AC installation, electrical updates, and boiler system replacement, second by Michael Sager. MC.

Pastor Ryan closed the meeting in prayer. Meeting adjourned at 10:02am.

Respectfully submitted by Ashley Gahler, recording secretary.

*AC / Boiler Update: Work has begun in the sanctuary & attic space. Soon the work crew will move to the fellowship hall area for that portion of the project.*



## General Operating Fund Report (Council approved 5/09/22)

Beginning Balance 04/01/2022	\$14,366.36
Offering/Income	\$15,853.99
Expenses	\$10,014.57
Transfers	\$(1,918.26)
Balance 04/30/2022	\$18,287.52



# Mission SPOTLIGHT

The Mission Spotlight for June is The Zion Light Food Pantry. To give toward their support in June mark your donation "Mission Spotlight".

*Thank you*



Trinity UCC, We at the OHHS Choirs are very grateful for your generous donation of \$200 to our Music Boosters

program, as well as the kind hospitality we received at your church. We're happy to have performed for you! Once again, thank you so much for your support of our Oak Harbor Choirs.

Sincerely,  
Jericho Richardson,  
Secretary/Treasurer of OHHS Choirs



## Vacation Bible School

July 31 - August 4, 2022

6:00 to 8:15 pm

Come for a week of Celebrating God's Greatness! Register on the church website at [www.trinityelliston.org](http://www.trinityelliston.org)

Crew Leaders and Set Up Crew are needed.

Watch for a list of needed supplies and volunteer sign-up sheets



### Continue in prayer for the following:

Dorothy Clarke - Gerda Neumann, mother of Dorothy Clarke, passed away quietly in her sleep on Monday May 16, 2022. She was 9 days shy of her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. She is now reunited with her grandson Andy. Many thanks to everyone who has asked about her welfare for the last 4 years. It is appreciated.

Bella Hall - healing from broken ankle

Don Weaver recovering at Riverview from hip replacement surgery.

Jen Laughlin recovering at home from knee surgery. She is non-weight bearing until sometime in June.

Matt Muntz (husband of our Admin./Treasurer) who is having rotator cuff surgery on 5/26/22.

### Those with long-term health concerns:

Deanna Vizi,  
Riley & Ren Baumert,  
Patty Crozier,  
Joel Marquart,  
Holly Shields

### Those battling cancer:

Emily Burcin,  
Sean Hall,  
Jackie Pelton  
Dustin Schmidt,  
Logan Murphy (2 year old battling Leukemia. Currently cycling through 24 hour chemo doses. Pray for family time as it is very difficult for them to be separated)



A Tulip Tree has been planted in the southwest corner of the church yard in memory of Melvin Reif. This was a gift from Melvin's family & we are grateful.

### **Watch the Service Online**

We have created a direct link on our website for our weekly services! If Facebook would happen to have any issues, please use this link to find the service online:  
<http://www.trinityelliston.org/livestream.html>

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



### **Evan Hoeft**

Son of Marty & Kristi Hoeft  
 Evan is graduating from Genoa High School  
 He plans to continue his education at  
 Huntington University where he will play  
 soccer.

Evan's celebration will be Sunday, June 12th  
 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at  
 Allen Township Park,  
 4791 N Genoa Clay Center Road, Martin, OH  
 43445

### **Dylan Mahaney**

Son of Rhonda Mahaney.  
 Graduating from Oak Harbor High School  
 Dylan was a four year bass drum player in band.  
 He will be attending Owens in the fall for  
 digital animation

Dylan's celebration will be Sunday, June 5th  
 starting at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall  
 at Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston.  
 Church members are welcome.



### **Allison Schroeder**

Daughter of Cheri Schroeder  
 & Sister of Lance Schroeder  
 Allison is graduating from Owens Community  
 College Radiography Program  
 She will be employed at Flower Hospital

### **Seth Thomas Witt**

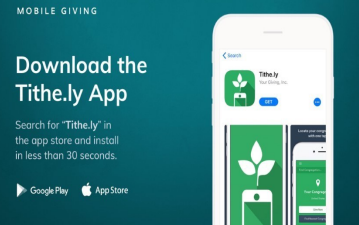
Son of Brad & Connie Witt  
 Seth will be graduating from Genoa High School.  
 His future plans are to major in mathematics/  
 engineering



Congratulations to each one! We pray you feel the hand of God guiding you as you continue your studies and build your career!

May He grant your heart's desires and make all your plans succeed.

Psalm 20:4



Giving to your local church using [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) is super easy! We offer a number of different ways to give to your church, as listed below:

### #1 - Give on your Church Website

The recommended way to give is to go through your church's website. They likely have a section titled "Giving" or "Online Giving" where you can give using the Tithe.ly platform. If they do not have that, you can use one of the methods listed below.

### #2 - Give Online

If you're on a computer (or any device with an internet connection), you can easily give to your church by heading to [Tithe.ly/Give](https://www.tithe.ly/Give). Once there, search for your church, and fill in the giving form.

### #3 - Give in App

Want to give to your church using the convenience of your smartphone? No problem! Download the Tithe.ly App from the [App Store](https://www.tithe.ly) (iPhone) or [Google Play Store](https://www.tithe.ly) (Android). Once you've downloaded the app, create an account or log in, locate your church and tap "Give Now" to complete your gift!

**There's a place for you here!**

**All classes are on a break  
for summer. See you back  
in class September 11th!**



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**Sunday School**  
**9:00 am**  
Nursery through  
Adult Classes

**Sunday Worship**  
**10:00 am**  
Nursery & Kids'  
Church Available



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