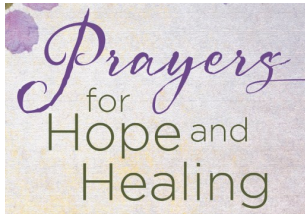




# The Trinity Trumpet

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Trinity Lutheran Church, Pittsburg, OH  
September, 2024



- Holly McEldowney—Cancer
- Kenny Hesler—General health
- Amanda Spahr—Brain issues
- Aiden Snyder—Leukemia returned
- Jerry Higgins—Cancer
- Janet—Hospice
- Jake Angles—Back pain
- Amber
- Gracee
- Peace in Ukraine & People of Ukraine
- Karen Cline—Kidney
- Jody Hesler—Safety
- Brian & Jayne Connair—Cancer
- Bev Zimmer—Health
- Mike Gray—Healing
- Marvin Fourman—Health
- Tyler Morris—Paralyzed from auto accident
- Mary Piel—Health
- Brian Watson—Collapsed lung & surgery
- Patti Troutwine—Recovery at home
- Jeff Spalding—Heart surgery
- Lynn Netzey—Healing & recovery
- Paul Schmitmeyer—Health
- Mary Lou Lewis—Breast cancer
- Mike Goodwin—Cancer
- Jim Brown—Health
- Earlene Morris—Health
- Chris Mumaw—Cancer remission
- Grayson Naff—Batten, Rare childhood disease
- Mary Beth Printz—Health

## Prayer Concerns— Current and ongoing

- Brycelin Troutwine—Health issues
- Eric Snyder—Hospice
- Katherine Jump—Health
- Scott Troutwine—Cancer
- Jeanne Campbell—Cancer
- Jane Baxter—Healing
- Jr. Koos—Health
- Allen Dunevant—Stroke
- Jason Schenck—Cancer
- Israel fighting
- Nancy Dunn—Kidney cancer
- Gene Thompson—Recovery
- Lowell Rhoades—Heart
- Paul Cline—Health
- Deo Furlong
- Allison—Seizures
- Trinity Youth—Growing in their faith
- Craig Thompson
- Jack Bechtol—Health
- Julie Volk—Eyes
- Doug Etter—Colon Cancer
- Melanie Musser—Transition to long term care
- Dennis & Ellen McDonnell—Health
- Jerry E—Health
- David Allen Brumbaugh—Recovery
- Todd McMullen—Cancer
- David Allan—Health/Decisions
- Jeff Sebring—Health
- John Lawhorn—Glaucoma
- Shirley Shouders & Son Tyler—Health
- Joann Carter—Hip
- Steve & Joetta—Emotional strength
- Doug Zimmer—Aortic Aneurysm Surgery
- Kelsey Cheadle—Heart surgery
- Norma Crawford—Aging issues
- Dale Spahr—Healing
- Glenda Case—Health
- David McKibben—Hip replacement and healing from knee pain
- Marge Warner—Health
- Becky McMullen—Back Surgery
- Cynthia Loffer—Health
- Jim Tappen—Cancer
- Linda Darlage—Health
- Lilly Cleveland—Rehab
- Brixton—Health
- Kathy Kathman—Surgery
- Bob Harter—Health
- Barbara Gunter—Sciatica
- Lynn Spahr—Heart
- Marlene Dirksen—Leg & foot pain
- Jake Angles—Recovery from stroke
- Jan Giraro—Chronic pain/Depression
- Cheryl Wade—Surgery recovery
- Anders Family
- Phil Shiverdecker—Health
- Cary Feitsans—Health
- Rob Greenwald—Backhoe accident
- Shirley Hensel—Cancer returned
- Michelle—Health
- David Netzey—Diabetes/Surgery
- Brenda Harleman—ICU Miami Valley
- Glen Wolf—Ill in Germany

*Our sympathy*  
**to the family of  
Edward Trick**

Prayer requests may be emailed at anytime to [trinityprayers@woh.rr.com](mailto:trinityprayers@woh.rr.com) and upon receipt your request will be shared so that many will be praying immediately.

**DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER TRINITY TRUMPET IS SEPTEMBER 24th.**

## Youth & Family Ministry



## SEPTEMBER

**Youth Sunday School** is aimed at pre-K through 6th grade. Marlene Dirksen is our new Sunday School Coordinator. If you would like to make a positive impact on our youth- please see Marlene. I am sure she would love to have you assist with Sunday School.

**Trinity Troops- update-this will now be 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** Our meeting will be on September 8th- right after church service.

**Confirmation Class** Confirmation is for those youth in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Confirmation is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month. Class will resume on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**Acolyte training**-Any youth who wishes to serve as an acolyte - please contact the Pastor or Ms. PJ. Be sure to sign on the acolyte calendar when you serve.

**Adult Sunday School** Come join us for some fellowship prior to church service. Adult Sunday School is from 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

**Special Sunday School offering.** There will be a presentation by Church Funerals Direct on October 6<sup>th</sup> after church service.

**Youth and Family Ministry Meeting**- Meeting on September 9th at 10am. This is a Monday. This meeting is open to all members of Trinity.

**Vacation Bible School**- Mark your calendars- July 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 2025!

**Video/book club**- This is a new group opportunity. Our first endeavor will be to watch "The Chosen". We will then have time for discussion. We will be meeting on the second and fourth Sundays from 6pm-7:30pm. First dates are September 8<sup>th</sup> and September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

*.All things work together for good to them that love God. Romans 8:28*

PJ Musser, (937-626-3295), Youth and Family Ministry Leader (2023-2024)

## UPCOMING

**Church Funerals Direct on Sunday,  
October 6 following the church service.**

### ***Ladies & Gents Luncheon***

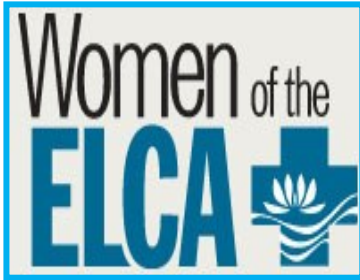
**Thursday, September 19 at 11:30 am  
At Firehouse BBQ & Blues  
400 N. 8th St., Richmond**

*Please contact Linda Baker at 937-545-8410 or  
937-547-0975 if you plan to attend.*

### **PRAYERS & SQUARES QUILTING**

**September 12 & 24 10:00 am**

## SEPTEMBER 2024



Ok Ladies- This marks the start of another WELCA year. The leaves are starting to change. Corn has been harvested. Children are back in school. Bring on Fall with everything pumpkin spice. I know we are gearing up for a great year of fellowship, Bible studies, generosity, and of course fun!

And to start off our Video series we will be taking a glance at Mary, Mother of Jesus. We will discover how she went from a life of comfort to living a life of courage.

### The 2024/2025 Trinity WELCA officers are:

Leader - PJ Musser

Secretary- Julie Kossler

Sunshine-Julie Kossler

Giving Tree- Pat Netzley & Pam Oswalt

Grace Works- Teresa Neitzelt & Kathy Kathman

Co-leader - Marge Warner

Treasurer- Portia Boord

Quilting Chair- Linda Baker/Judy Ulrich

Ladies & Gents - Linda Baker

### Fund Raising Activities

Rada Knife ongoing fund raiser- see Portia. Cleaning Cloths- see Diane Warner

Raffle Hand Towels by Linda

Our next meeting is September 11th at 11:30 am. **NOTE:** This is the second Wednesday of September. Marge Warner will provide snacks.

Jesus loves you and so do I!

PJ- WELCA president at Pittsburg Trinity Lutheran Church 2023/2024



Southern Ohio Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Women of Evangelical  
Lutheran Church in America  
2024 Biennial Convention

AT: St. John's Lutheran Church 248 Wood St, Piqua, OH 45356 937-773-3284

WHEN: Saturday, Sept 28, 2024, Note: One Day Only

8:00 AM Registration

Breakfast & Vendors with Gathering at 8:45

### "Grounded in Love"

*that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with might through his Spirit in the inner man, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.*

*Ephesians 3:16-19*

We will be electing voting members for the 2026 Triennial. Nomination Forms are available from any board member. Also, elections to the Synodical Board will be made. Nomination forms available.

In-Kind Gifts: We will be collecting gift cards for Lowes and Home Depot to help those in Russells Point who were hit with a tornado this past spring. Pastor Karen Torrez of Galilee Lutheran Church in Russells Point is coordinating.

Lunch will be provided by a local artisan Sandwich shop. Please mark whether you prefer meat or vegetarian.

Registration Fee: \$50.00

Make check payable to: Women of the ELCA

**DEADLINE: SEPT. 9, 2024, WALK-INS WELCOME -LIMITED SANDWICHES AVAILABLE**

See PJ Musser if you plan on attending.



**September, 2024**

**Blood Pressure screenings after worship service when announced.**

## 911 Emergency

### How can I contact the police?

**Call or text 911 for emergency help.** 911 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can call 911 even if you don't have a phone plan or if you run out of minutes. If you do not have service or signal, you will not be able to call 911. **YES\_ YOU CAN EVEN TEXT 911(I was not aware of this).**

**EMERGENCY  
CALL 911**

**Call 311 for non-emergency help.** 311 can give you the contact information for your local police station. Most police stations are open 24/7. You can call, email, or visit your police station for help.

### When should I call 911?

Call 911 when you need immediate help from the police, fire department, or ambulance. An emergency is a situation where a person's life or property is in immediate danger.

Emergency situations include:

- **Fires**
- **Medical emergencies** such as someone having difficulty breathing, chest pain, or loss of consciousness
- **Mental health crises** such as having thoughts of harming yourself or others.
- **Serious crimes** such as gunshots, robbery, domestic violence or sexual assault
- **Car accidents with injuries**

**Tip:** If you accidentally called 911, do not hang up. Stay on the line and explain that your call was a mistake.

**When should I call my police station instead?** You should contact your local police station for help with non-emergency situations. These can include:



- A **crime** that has already happened
- A car accident with no serious injuries
- Suspicious activity
- Lost personal property, such as a wallet
- Get your criminal record
- Request a wellness check to see if someone is okay
- Questions about safety

**What happens when I contact the police?** An operator will pick up the phone and ask you questions to figure out how best to help you. They will ask for:

- Your name
- Your phone number
- Details about the emergency
- the location
- what is happening
- what you need

You **do not have to give** your name, phone number, or address if you want to remain anonymous. You do not have to answer any questions that you don't feel comfortable answering.

An operator may send a police car, fire truck, or ambulance if necessary. The operator will tell you what to do until help arrives. They can give you instructions on things such as providing first aid or CPR.

**Tip:** Calling 911 can be very stressful. Operators are trained to help you. Stay calm and do your best to answer the operator's questions. Do not hang up until the operator tells you to do so.

PJ Musser MSN RN Parish Nurse

***What are  
other safety  
resources?***



Contact	Number
<b>988 Suicide Prevention and Crisis Lifeline</b>	<b>988</b> ( <i>call or text</i> )
<b>Crisis Text Line</b>	<b>741741</b> ( <i>text</i> )
<b>Disaster Distress Helpline</b>	<b>(800) 985-5990</b> ( <i>call or text</i> )
<b>National Child Abuse Hotline</b>	<b>(800) 422-4453</b> ( <i>call or text</i> )
<b>National Domestic Violence Hotline</b>	<b>(800) 799-7233</b> <b>88788</b> ( <i>text START</i> )
<b>National Human Trafficking Hotline</b>	<b>(888) 373-7888</b> ( <i>call</i> ) <b>233733</b> ( <i>text</i> )
<b>National Runaway Safeline</b>	<b>(800) 786-2929</b> ( <i>call or text</i> )
<b>National Sexual Assault Hotline</b>	<b>(800) 656-4673</b> ( <i>call</i> )
<b>SAMHSA National Helpline</b> to find local services	<b>(800) 662-4357</b>
<b>Teen Line</b>	<b>(800) 852-8336</b> ( <i>call</i> ) <b>839863</b> ( <i>text</i> )
<b>LGBT National Hotline</b>	<b>888-843-4564</b> ( <i>call</i> )
<b>Trevor Project</b> for LGBTQ young people	<b>(866) 488-7386</b> ( <i>call</i> ) <b>678678</b> ( <i>text</i> )
<b>Veterans Crisis Line</b>	<b>988</b> ( <i>call and press 1</i> ) <b>838255</b> ( <i>text</i> )

Other non-emergency help can be found by dialing:

- **211** or visit [211.org](http://211.org) for local community resources, including food, housing, health, and financial help. 211 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in many languages.
- **311** for information about your city government services including trash, utilities, and public safety.
- **511** or visit for traffic and weather information in your state.

**Tip:** If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, call 711 for help communicating over the phone. If you are in an emergency situation, you should call 911 directly and not call 711.



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## Word from Our Pastor

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*"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will."*

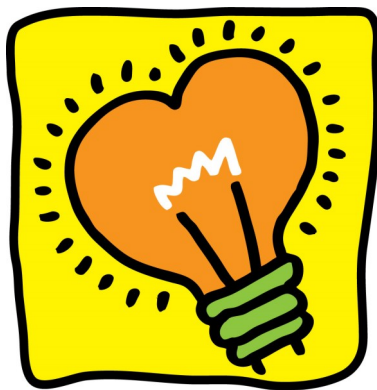
(Ephesians 1:3-5)

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from our brother, Jesus Christ, amen.

My dear Trinity,

I thank you all for your love and prayers always, but especially over these past few weeks. Our family has gone through several life changes in the past months. Melanie is now with her grandma at the Dayspring Nursing Care Center in Fairborn. PJ's mom has also moved in with her. They initially were across the hall from each other, but this past week PJ's mother's room mate moved back to her home and Melanie was able to move into the same room with her Grandma! God is always good and provides what we need. Melanie and Jane are so happy together it truly is a blessing from God. We continue to need your prayers...

I'm especially excited to welcome the fall season this year. As I write this, we're gearing up for the Great Darke County Fair. This year will be bitter-sweet since it's most likely Dean's final year selling water for just \$0.75... The fair is going to miss you Dean, but now you'll have more time to help out with your Church's fall events!!! In other news... **Save the date of October 20<sup>th</sup>** for our annual Fall Festival! We'll need everyone's help in planning and carrying out this fun, fellowship event! Also, I'm already looking ahead to plan for our Advent Schedule. Most folks seemed to enjoy the format we used last year, where we met at 6:30 pm for a light soup supper and watched a video Bible study while we ate. After eating, we discussed the video. I think we'll continue with this format again this year. If you have any preferences on the type or a specific video study, please let me know. Also,



**SERVE  
GOD  
GLADLY**

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It's hard to believe I've been serving with you all for over 11 years! We have come a long way over that time. Some of my first class of Confirmands are married and having babies! The greatest pleasure I get from being your Pastor is the honor and privilege of being a part of your special family times. Weddings, funerals, Baptisms, and all the other special times when God's Blessings are poured out on us help us to understand just how much we are loved by God. We serve a God who has truly blessed us, not just in the heavenly realms as St Paul wrote to the Church in Ephesus, but he blesses us each and every day, right here on earth. He walks with us up to the tops of the mountains and is with us in the Lion's dens as well. I'm so thankful God allows me to do this work on His behalf in this wonderful corner of His Kingdom.

Sorry if I'm rambling, but I tend to get a little sentimental every year around this time... May the God of eternity, continue to bless us in our serving as we proclaim the reign of God every day until He calls us home or until Jesus returns to usher in the Kingdom once and for all times. I pray your summer has been enjoyable and you are ready to return to discover all the ways God is inviting you into a closer walk. May the Lord bless you and keep you. May His face shine upon you and may He give you peace. Amen!

In Christ's Love,

Pr Mel





**HELP  
WANTED**

We need you!

Looking for a motivated individual or individuals who can assist our congregation with organizing our carry-ins and other activities that will serve food.

Contact PJ at  
937-626-3295

## President's Perspective...

*NEXT COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 18th.*

Observed the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers. The holiday is rooted in the late nineteenth century, when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to recognize the many contributions workers have made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being.

Before it was a federal holiday, Labor Day was recognized by labor activists and individual states. After municipal ordinances were passed in 1885 and 1886, a movement developed to secure state legislation. New York was the first state to introduce a bill, but Oregon was the first to pass a law recognizing Labor Day, on February 21, 1887. During 1887, four more states – Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York – passed laws creating a Labor Day holiday. By the end of the decade Connecticut, Nebraska and Pennsylvania had followed suit. By 1894, 23 more states had adopted the holiday, and on June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday.

The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883.

By 1894, 23 more states had adopted the holiday, and on June 28, 1894, President Grover Cleveland signed a law making the first Monday in September of each year a national holiday.





# September Celebrations



## ***Birthdays***

4 Emily Campbell  
8 Linda Baker  
10 Susan Harter  
12 Leah Witters  
13 Zachary Long  
16 Trevor Shelley

17 Bev Erdmann  
Brent Shofner  
Mollie Watson  
19 Sanny Schneider  
Stephanie Burrell

20 Hunter Rich  
21 David Dornbusch  
24 Paul Erdmann  
29 Patty Sackett



## ***Anniversaries***



3 David & Joyce Hofacker  
4 Michael & Lori Mehaffie  
6 Brandon & Katy Groff  
8 Harold & Debra Harleman  
10 John & Janessa Erdmann  
13 Brian & Jennifer Baker  
14 Charles & Peggy Didier

18 Trevor & Alexis Musser  
21 Kerry & Stephanie Vanatta  
22 Barry & Judy Ulrich  
23 Mark & Roxanne Groff  
24 Neville & Sandra Hughert  
28 Mel & PJ Musser  
30 Eric & Sheila Campbell



## ***Baptisms***



1 Sandra Hughert  
2 Abigail Bond  
Bryce Robinson  
Morgan Taylor  
4 Brian Baker  
Joshua Snider  
7 Maddie Stacy

13 Beckett Schmitmeyer  
18 Susan Harter  
19 Cody Troutwine  
Jordan Mattox  
20 Noah Mehaffie  
21 Bradey Hesler  
22 Angelo Morelli

24 Joshua Kossler  
Mark Coppess  
26 Deb Sease  
28 Jeremy Netzey  
30 Cassandra Creech  
Katelynn Burrell-Troutwine



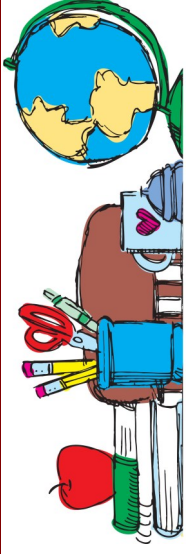
## **SEPTEMBER 2024**



SEPTEMBER	
READERS	
1	Linda Baker
8	Kathy Kathman
15	Mark Oswalt
22	Lexie Angles
29	Larry Harter

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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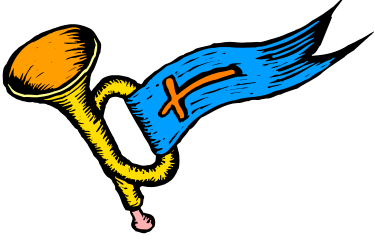
# SEPTEMBER



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# TRINITY TRUMPET

## September, 2024



## SAVE THE DATE

- September 8 & 22—Video/Book Club  
At Trinity 6—7:30 pm
- September 18—10:30 am—GRCC  
Soup Kitchen
- September 28—8 AM—WELCA  
Biennial Convention at St. John's  
Lutheran Church in Piqua
- October 6—Church Funerals Direct  
following worship service

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