



Trinity Light

The Monthly Newsletter of Trinity United Methodist Church
Port Clinton, Ohio



"To Know Christ and to Make Him Known"
Pastor Warren Brown

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Parking Lot

April 2024

Wanderings.....

Perfection

Show if hands, who's perfect? Anybody?
.....No hands?

Well, here comes Spring, beautiful days, **perfect** flowers, and the rebirth of life after Easter. Jesus gave his **perfect** life for our salvation. But we are all imperfect, do we deserve it?

We all have imperfections, yet God loves each and every one of us, imperfections and all. Here is a story by an unknown author about an imperfect cracked pot.

An elderly woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which she carried across her neck. One of the pots had a good-sized crack in it while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walks from the stream to the house, the cracked pot always arrived only half full.

For a full two years, this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. "I delivered all the water from the stream while you lost half of your water every trip." The poor cracked pot was ashamed of its imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side water leaks out all the way back to your house. I only deliver half of what the other pot can deliver".

The old woman smiled, "Did you notice that there are only flowers growing on your side of the path,

but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your imperfection, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you and I water them.

For two years, I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table. Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty in my life."

Look around there are God's beautiful imperfections everywhere. Weeds have beautiful flowers, trash can be wonderful art, God's perfect beauty is everywhere. God loves each of us just the way we are. John in his Gospel wrote:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Embrace your imperfections make them into a perfect gift to God and the world.

BY AN ANONYMOUS & IMPERFECT TRINITY MEMBER



You're invited!

A Ladies Style Show and Afternoon Tea will be held at Trinity on Sunday April 7th at 2:00 p.m. The Fabulous Female Boutique will provide lovely clothing, shoes, and jewelry which will be modeled as you sample dainty sandwiches and decadent desserts, and sip specialty teas from your own pretty teacups.



Please, contact the church office to make a reservation by **Monday April 1st**. We can arrange to reserve a table for 8 for you and your friends for a \$10 fee.

Treasurer's Report

Operating costs are up in the first two months of 2024 especially Church Maintenance. Electric up slightly, water steady and gas down. Overall we are holding our own.

Keep in Touch

Remember to let us know if you are in the hospital, in a rehabilitation center or an assisted living facility. We want to keep in touch and give you the support you need, but if we don't know about you, we can't find you. HIPA rules require families to take the initiative with the church. Simply call the church office at 419-732-3161 and let us know.



The Search for 2024 Graduates Begins...

It's that time of year - when Trinity asks for upcoming high school, college, and post-graduate graduation information. Are you - or someone you know - expecting to graduate from high school, college, or earn an advanced degree sometime in 2024? If so, the friends and members of Trinity United Methodist Church want to know!

Graduation recognition forms will be sent to known 2024 graduates soon. If you will be graduating in 2024, please let Lisa Underwood know or leave your information at the church office so a graduation form may be sent to you and you'll be recognized later this Spring 2024 for your achievement. Thanks.



Please, note: If the weather is bad outside, please check channel 11-WTOL or channel 13ABC for closure announcements for Trinity.

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List of people who can drive people to appointments if needed:

David George, 419-261-5423

(not available Wednesdays 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or Thursdays 12:45 p.m. to 2 p.m.)

John Mack - 423-968-9622 (home)

Pat George - 419-350-9700

Dick Highfield - 419-341-6266

(available Monday, Wednesday & Friday afternoons)

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ROMEO will April 25 at 11:30 a.m. The place is to be determined. Watch the bulletin for the announcement.

Let Us Know.....

If you desire to have a pastoral visit, Pastor Warren is willing to fill that need. Anyone wanting to meet with him in the office or have him come to their home should feel free to contact the church office or email him at wbrown71439@woh.rr.com.



**The Dick Parks Memorial Race
At The Rock Returns To Campus
Back at the Rock: May 18, 2024
Registration opens April 1st!**

FLAT ROCK, OH- The 2024 Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock returns to Flat Rock's main campus on May 18, 2024! The event will include the 1-mile walk, 5K event, and the much beloved Inspirational Race. The event will also include the ribbon cutting and dedication of the TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center, a project that has been in the works at Flat Rock since 2020.

Mark your calendars for May 18, 2024 to join the festivities.

Registration will be live in the coming weeks at:

<https://www.flatrockhomes.org/events/race-at-the-rock/>

Make sure to follow Flat Rock Homes across social media @FlatRockHomes for the most up-to-date information.

Summer Camp Registration Open

Registration for Summer Camp is now open. You can find more information and sign-up at:

www.eastohiocamps.org

There is a Resurrection Egg Hunt and Camp Preview Day on Saturday, April 27th 2024 from 2-6 p.m. at Camp Wanake. Egg Hunt Registration is at 2 p.m. Egg Hunt, Prizes, and Snacks 2:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Camp Preview Day from 4 pm-6 pm.



**Recycle!
Reduce!
Reuse!**

April Birthdays

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| 1 Amy Evans | 16 Lucas Evans |
| 4 Troy Shaler | 18 Melissa McBride |
| Logan Strausbaugh | Carla Rickel |
| 5 Debbie Gordon | 19 Courtney Earhart |
| 6 Olivia Eickert | 21 Kristin Gordon |
| Nikolaus Fontana | Lynn Jones |
| 7 Cassandra Botti | 22 Jack Tyson |
| 9 John M. Gibson | 23 Jared Rhode |
| Elijah Ramsey | 25 Matthew Rhode |
| 10 Carrigan Rickel | David Sorg, Jr. |
| 11 Brenda Fisher | 27 John Wallrabenstein |
| 13 Margaret Baker | 29 Kelly (Highfield) Dave |
| Karen Hull | Peg Watkins |
| 15 Robert Liske | 30 Walter Eaton |
| Timothy McLean | Katie Brink |

April Anniversaries

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| 6 | Jeff & Susan Smith |
| 13 | Kevin & Peggy Sneider |
| 24 | Tom & Dawn Chapman |
| | Chris & Nancy Hannon |
| 30 | Scott & Terri Jones |

Life Line Screening

Life Line Screening will be at Trinity in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 4, 2024. There are 4 screenings: Carotid Artery disease, Peripheral Arterial disease, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Atrial Fibrillation. You need to register for the testing by calling 1-800-679-5191 or go online: LLSA.SOCIAL/HC

**Kroger Rewards
Are you enrolled?**

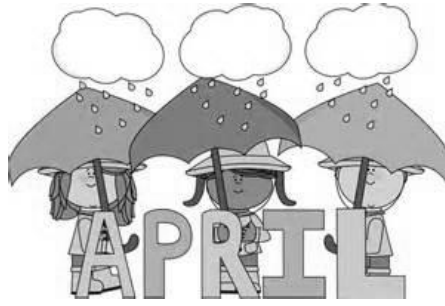
Thanks to all of the members of Trinity United Methodist Church who have taken the time to enroll in the Kroger's Community Rewards Program. Every time you have your Kroger Plus card scanned, our church automatically receives a 1% rebate on your purchases.

Be sure to check your cash register receipt every time you shop to make sure that Trinity United Methodist Church is listed as your community rewards recipient. This procedure takes some time, but it is doable. Go to their website to get things started.

Trinity United Methodist Church welcomes and supports all who desire to worship, study, and grow in discipleship with Christ, including those of any race, gender, gender identity, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic position, because we believe that all people are children of God, and that the church should be a safe place for all people.

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**Deadline for
 May 2024 Newsletter
 April 15, 2024**

*Please, submit articles promptly to
 martgene80@gmail.com*



Port Clinton Trinity United Methodist Church

April 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 Easter Sunday	1 Office closed	2 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness	3	4 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	5 10:00 a.m. Handmaidens	6
7 10:30 a.m. Worship In sanctuary & Parking Lot 2:00 p.m. Ladies Tea	8  Solar Eclipse	9 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness 6:30 p.m. SPRC Meeting	10 1:00 p.m. Sarah Ladies	11 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	12 10:00 a.m. Handmaidens	13
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21 10:30 a.m. Worship In sanctuary & Parking Lot	22 Earth Day	23 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness	24	25 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	26 10:00 a.m. Handmaidens	27
28 10:30 a.m. Worship In sanctuary & Parking Lot	29	30 3:30 p.m. Ladies Fitness	Have you talked to God today?			

Worship 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Parking Lot
 Ladies Fitness Fellowship Hall - Tuesdays & Thursdays - 3:30 p.m.
 Handmaidens - every Friday at 10:00 a.m.
 Chancel Choir - Thursdays - 7:00 p.m.
 Every Third Sunday is food collection for St. Vincent de Paul

COMING EVENTS:

- Sun. Apr. 7 Service of Holy Communion
Ladies Tea & Fashion Show - 2:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall
- Mon. Apr. 8 **Solar Eclipse**
- Tues. Apr. 9 SPRC Meeting 6:30 p.m.- Narthex
- Wed. Apr. 10 Sarah Ladies - 1:00 p.m. - Youth Room
- Thu. Apr. 25 ROMEO - 11:30 a.m. - where TBA - check the bulletin