

YELLOW PAGES

WEEKLY UPDATES *from* HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Council Comments...

At our Church Council meeting this past Tuesday evening, one of our members suggested it would be helpful for us to review – both for ourselves and our congregation – how our communal journey has unfolded in terms of our interim transition. So, by way of reminder...

Our Church Council and Call Committee met a little over a year ago, on June 12, 2024, and together decided to suspend the call process to allow time for us to explore an intentional collaboration with Faith Lutheran Church in Fairlawn. Several of our congregational leaders – including some of the members of both the Church Council and Call Committee - participated in our synod's "Project Isaiah 43" and were inspired by the "new things" that might "spring forth" through collaborative ministry. This joint decision was announced in a special email to our congregation on June 19, 2024. Holy Trinity and Faith both committed to becoming better acquainted through a series of planned activities which ensued. Listening sessions were then held to gain wider input and perspective from other members of the congregations. On June 9, 2025, the two Church Councils met together, along with Pastor Mitch Phillips from our synod staff, to discuss the future of the collaboration based on all we had experienced and learned. While the leaders of both congregations remain interested in how we might partner to enhance our commitment to outreach in the Akron area, both have agreed that we are at different points in our congregational lives which will require dedicated focus in the months to come. You can read more about our Church Council's focus in the special email sent by our President, Diane Chambers, on August 12, 2025. Hard copies of this email are also available at the Welcome Center. Please know we remain excited about the future of Holy Trinity's mission and ministry! Pastor Becki has renewed her commitment to serving as our Interim Pastor while we discern our next steps in serving our neighborhood, community, and world in Jesus' name.

Loads of Laundry

Join us for a couple of hours the last Wednesday of the month at Holland's 24-Hour Laundromat. We pay for the washing and drying of people's clothes and provide all laundry supplies. Plus, we get to meet some incredibly amazing people! Please sign-up at the Welcome Center to help.

Wednesday, August 27 @ 5-7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 24 @ 5-7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 29 @ 5-7 p.m.

Wednesday, November 26 @ 5-7 p.m.

If you have questions or need any additional information, please contact Gregg Loesch or Sandy DeLuca.

This morning we welcome Rev. David Williams to our pulpit! Pastor David is no stranger to Holy Trinity. His late grandparents were members here and his parents were married at Holy Trinity. David's brother Rich Williams and his wife, Amy Indorf, are active members and David's brother Jim and his wife Pam are also members. Pastor David is currently the Senior Pastor of New Goshenhoppen Reformed United Church of Christ in East Greenville, PA.

Holy Trinity Goes to Breakfast Today!

August 24, 2025



We are heading to one of our favorite places, Akron Family Restaurant, 250 W. Market St., Akron! Join us as we gather in the back meeting room for a time of food and fellowship! There is plenty of room, so INVITE a friend to come along!

AUGUST LOVE OFFERING

The Love Offering for the month of August will go to South Street Ministries to support their 2025 Trails N Rails event. Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 20th, and join us for Trails N Rails 2025—a day of connection, celebration, and community as we bike or walk the Towpath Trail and ride the CVSR train. Whether you're a first-time rider or walker or a long-time supporter, your registration fuels the vital work of South Street Ministries, from RICH Kids programs to justice-impacted services and beyond. To register please visit southstreetministries.org.

In Our Prayers...

August 24: Jacquie Wert (member), Deb Ickes (member), Dan Seiberling (member), Le Linder (member), Will Bowers & Family (at the death of his grandmother), Alex Bass (daughter of Darlene Katz).

August 17: Vicki Perkins (friend of the Kimbles), Betty Oberdorfer (member) and Ben Gant (friend of Val Clark).

August 10: Jim Verbridge (Pastor Becki’s husband), Lyle Weiss (friend of Frederica Cohen), Trina Smith (friend of Rachel Cohen), Family of Lois Elswick, Jim Minisall & Family (at the death of his daughter), and Brad Crock & Family (at the death of his grandfather).

August 3: Rick Kimble (member).

The names of those making the request will be printed next to the name of the person being prayed for. We kindly ask those making the request to keep our prayer list coordinators updated as to the status of the person they are requesting prayers for. We would be glad to continue praying for individuals (adding them for another four weeks) upon request. If you have updates or additions to the prayer list, please contact Rachel Núñez, or Pastor Becki Verbridge.



SAVE THE DATE!

**God’s work. Our hands.
Sunday, September 7, 2025**

This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday, 8/24	10:00 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	11:15 a.m.	<i>Holy Trinity Goes to Breakfast</i> Akron Family Restaurant
Tuesday, 8/26	6:30 p.m.	<i>Derbytown</i> - Fellowship Hall
Thursday, 8/28	6:30 p.m.	<i>Akron BHS Chorus</i> - Fellowship Hall
Friday, 8/29	9:00 a.m.	<i>Faith 5 Check-in</i> - Zoom
Sunday, 8/31	10:00 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	11:15 a.m.	<i>Coffee Fellowship</i> - Chapel Lounge

August 24, 2025 Worship Stewards

Assisting Minister: Hayley Phillips
Reader: Amy Indorf
Communion Assistant: Amy Indorf

**Hike & Seek
Saturday, September 9th at 9:00 a.m.**

Cascade Valley Metro Park - Prather Trail
1134 Cuyahoga Street - Akron
Following park entrance to the Nature Play/Open Air Shelter Parking Area.
We will gather in the parking lot by the Open Air Shelter.