# **Trinity World Newsletter June 2024**



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#### CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATES

- 1. The church office now has a new Apple desktop computer, replacing our old less reliable one. The old computer, still usable for some tasks, now resides in Pastor Karen's office. :)
- 2. Council approved a full time scholarship for Danyell Coccia, who is pursuing a degree in Nursing, and doing very well while working and maintaining a household! Great job! We also approved a part-time scholarship for Jeffrey Martinez, who is working towards a Master's degree in Education.
- 3. The spring lawn cleanup behind the church was completed by a worker. Bruce hung the black privacy screen on the chain link fence, to block the view of the neighbor's back yard. Now Mike K. can keep that area and the gravel parking lot neat with our weed whacker.
- 4. The two tall cedar trees by our front doors were a point of discussion. Do we trim them or remove them...we agreed they are too large to trim and should be removed, to allow the other shrubbery to fill in. Thankfully, Paul Gatley and Frank Graichen generously offered to do the work themselves to cut down and remove the trees!! Thank you SO much!!

As always, please contact any Council member with your thoughts or questions... Kathy Wood, Sue Gatley, Sarah Barcomb, Gerry Nelson, Dick Kekis, May Klepadlo, and Danyell Coccia





#### Pastor Karen's Korner for June 2024

As the days grow longer and June begins to knock at our doors I think about the days of summer that are drawing closer. My mind begins to go to thoughts about warm summer nights and the smell of the air after a rain storm. I see the flowers that are blooming and the grass that is quickly growing, and growing and growing yet such a beautiful color green. (Yes we need to cut it but it is beautiful) Everything seems to be new and beautiful and I thank God for the beauty of this world and to be able to see it.

Yet as we see the summer in many ways as beautiful and a time to relax, unfortunately for some with the storms and flooding life is not calm and a time to relax but a time to rebuild and salvage anything they can from houses torn down from tornados and floods. Yet as I watch on TV people talking about what they have lost, the message I usually hear is, we are all safe and sound. No one was killed, we can re build. For some though they have lost loved ones and we need to pray for them. Yet for those who have made it, they seem so strong and will with help continue on. This strength, this perseverance is something we all need to try to have in our lives. And with God's help we can have this.

Throughout this month I hope that you have a great beginning to your summer. I hope this time brings you time to relax. I am planning on being on vacation from June 24<sup>th</sup> until the 1<sup>st</sup> of July and I do plan on relaxing some. This summer is a more relaxing time at church with the parade coming up at the end of July and our church picnic and of course services every week. It is a time for family and being outside enjoying what God has given us. I want to close with a poem I found in Fishwrapper.

The sides of the can were shiny and steep, The cream was deep and cold. "O, what's the use," croaked Number 1, "Tis fate; no help's around. "Goodbye, my friends! Goodbye, sad world!" And weeping still, he drowned. But number 2, of sterner stuff, Dog-paddled in surprise, The while he wiped his creamy face And dried his creamy eyes. "I'll swim awhile, at least," he said Or so I've heard he said; "It really wouldn't help the world If one more frog were dead. An hour or two he kicked and swam, Not once he stopped to mutter, But kicked and kicked and swam and kicked, Then hopped out, via butter T.C. Hamlet I hope you like this poem about perseverance and a little frog.

Two frogs fell into a can of cream;

Or so I've heard it told:

Blessing, Pastor Karen

# **Trinity Tidbits**

#### June 2024

Flag Day is a holiday celebrated on June 14 in the United States. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The Flag Resolution stated "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation. [2][3] The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army birthday on this date, as Congress adopted the American continental army after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775. [4][5]

In 1916, <u>President Woodrow Wilson</u> issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day. On August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an <u>Act of Congress</u> however, it is at the president's discretion to officially proclaim the observance.

On June 14,1937, Pennsylvania became the first state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday. New York Consolidated Laws designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.

The week of June 14 (June 09–15, 2024; June 08–14, 2025) is designated as "National Flag Week." During National Flag Week, the president will issue a proclamation "urging the people to observe the day as the anniversary of the adoption on June 14, 1777, by the Continental Congress of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States of America." The flag should also be displayed on all government buildings. Some organizations, such as the towns of <a href="Quincy, Massachusetts">Quincy, Massachusetts</a> and <a href="Quincy, Massachusetts">Dedham, Massachusetts</a>, hold <a href="parades">parades</a> and events in celebration of America's national flag.

Perhaps the oldest continuing Flag Day parade is in <u>Fairfield, Washington</u>. [22] Beginning in 1909 or 1910, Fairfield has held a parade every year since, with the possible exception of 1918 and 2020, and celebrated the "Centennial" parade in 2010, along with some other commemorative events.

<u>Quincy, Massachusetts</u> has had an annual Flag Day parade since 1952 and claims that it "is the longest-running parade of its kind" in the U.S. [24] The largest Flag Day parade had been held annually in <u>Troy, New York</u> until 2017, which based its parade on the Quincy parade and typically draws 50,000 spectators.

The U.S. Flag Code, established by Congress in 1942 states the following guidelines.

If you are hanging your flag vertically, the Union portion with the stars should go on the observer's left. Prevent your flag from touching the ground, floor or water.

If you are hanging other flags vertically with the American flag, put the American flag on the left.

Melody Kiepert Milewski

# **Upcoming Event**

#### June 16th-

Father's Day, recognition of all the fathers.

#### July 27th-

Honor America Days- We will be doing a float again this year, looking for volunteers to help with the float and to be in the parade. Contact Melody if interested.

#### August 25th-

Annual Trinity Picnic, at Melody and Mike Milewski's home again this year. Come to enjoy the food, conversations, crafts and music.

In the Fall, there will many new activities. Stay tuned for updates and enjoy your Summer.

### In February,

Trinity's Tables of Treasures

\*\*Another new event open to the public.

Trinity will be selling, antiques, collectibles, clothing, homemade craft and seasonal items and anything else we can collect between now and then. This event will also offer a bake sale of homemade goodies made from our church family.

I am looking for any items you would like to donate to this sale. I will be happy to pick them up, help you box them up and transport them for you as long as I can fit them in my van. Items may also be left at the church during business hours.

There is plenty of room to store them until the event, so don't wait to donate.

Thank you in advance for any donations that will be made to make this another successful event at Trinity Church.

Melody Kiepert Milewski

## **Art Exhibition**

Art Exhibition that was held in The Lounge, during the months of April and May, raised \$224. Thank you to Linda Fedigan-Hale for allowing us to display her original artwork.

# **Spring Penny Party**

Trinity's third successful Penny Party took place on Sunday May 26, 2024 when we realized a profit of \$700.00.

Thanks to all who attended, donated items and congratulations to all our prize winners.

Below is a photo of the hall before opening to the public, and Felix Colosimo and Carl Barcomb getting the griddle ready for cooking.

Many thanks to all the volunteers to make this such a success, Melody Milewski, Vicki Williams, Cindy Lucas, Michelle and Felix Colosimo, Carl Barcomb, and Elsa Kiepert.





The Sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday



# Congratulations to the Members of our Church Community and their accomplishments.



Madelyn Colomiso, had her original artwork on display at the Expo at the Rome Community Art Center.



Cooper Colomiso received the Paws-itive Award at Ridge Elementary School in Rome, in May.



Brinley Barcomb, had her original artwork selected to be on display at the Expo at the Rome Community Art Center.

Congratulations to Danyell Coccia for being named to the Honors list for the Spring of 2024 at St.Elizabeth College of Nursing.