



**Wednesday 4 June 2025 Edition**

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### **COME WORSHIP AT TRINITY THIS WEEKEND**

We invite you to join us at one of our three convenient worship services this weekend: Saturday at 6:30PM, Sunday at 8:15AM or Sunday at 10:45AM.

Please note the offering plate is on the table at the rear of the sanctuary and the continuous communion format remains in place.

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The Stewardship Committee has **designated the June Thank Offering go to help pay for the repair of Trinity's organ**. Our organ needed a new motor and the approximate cost is \$3,600. Please consider contributing to help restore our organ to enhance Trinity's worship services.

### **Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes 5/27/25**

As a service to our congregation, we are now publishing our monthly council meeting minutes in *The Pulse*:

#### **Attendance**

##### **Present**

Pastor Eli

Ken Myers, President 2026

John Ebersole, Vice President 2025

Debbie Garritano, Secretary 2025

Ralph Grove, Treasurer

Lisa Bush 2027

Chris Thompson 2025

Nevin Woodring 2027

Pam Mueller 2026

Dave Mueller 2026

Sharon Kutz 2027

##### **Absent**

Tom Settle, Assistant Treasurer

Adam Counterman 2025

Jim Buchanan 2025

Brenda Adelman 2027

### **Greetings/Devotions**

The meeting was called to order by President, Ken Myers.

The council thanked Ken for all the time he put into getting the organ repaired. It was done very quickly and at a reduced cost because of Ken. Ralph said he will take care of getting the piano tuned.

### **Minutes from last meeting.**

Minutes from the April meeting were read. Pam made a motion to accept the minutes. Sharon seconded the motion. Motion passed. The minutes from the Council meetings will now be on the Pulse and at the back of the sanctuary.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Ralph presented a written Treasurer's report. He said that everything is up to date. He said he got Pastor's Portico bill on a monthly payment plan now. Question was raised about the written report. For the Sunderman Concert, it showed only two of Cindy's students were paid. Was the third student paid? It also didn't show the payment for Raystown Woods. Ralph said that all was paid and would look into why it wasn't on the report. Also, a question was raised about the difference in Jack Kuhn's and JJ Steinbugl's pay. One played only on Saturday and the other two services on Sunday. Lisa made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Pastor Hess' Report**

Pastor presented a written report. Things have been a bit more relaxed since Lent and Easter celebrations are over. She had a wedding, a wedding planning meeting and a funeral. She has made several hospital visits and home visits. Pastor's week vacation was spent in Gettysburg with her family, and it was wonderful! She and Lisa had a planning meeting for VBS which will be August 3-8. We are taking a break from Sunday School, Bible Study, and Prayer Breakfast for the summer.

### **Committee Reports**

**Property** - Adam presented a written report. He took care of the bird's nest at the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance. The leak under the sink by the dishwasher has been repaired. The railing at the alley entrance is going to need replaced in the near future. He is looking into options and pricing. Adam will also fix the plastic that came off the stained glass window. Question was raised about the red door by the alley. It is rusting and needs

replaced. Ken is checking with Joe Luciano about getting glass put into a metal door.

**Worship and Music** – see attached.

**Christian Ed** – met with Pastor to discuss VBS August 3-8.

**Stewardship** – June offering to be used for organ maintenance.

**Old Business** – Ken explained the process he went through to get the organ repaired. He was very disappointed when he called Brent Cogan three times, to come and look at the electrical parts and he never got back to Ken. Ken worked hard to get people to come and look at the organ with Ralph's help. He did get the organ repaired at a reduced cost for the church. He stressed that if anyone has anything to say about how the council is doing things, to please come to him or any council member. Sharon suggested that if we cannot depend on Cogan to be our electrician, then maybe we should get someone else. Dave recommended Doug Lockard.

#### **New Business**

John asked if we could have set office hours at the church. If a repairman needs to come in, we need to be able to tell them when the church will be open. Pastor said she will talk to Cindy and get a set schedule for office hours.

**Other** – Sharon announced that the next Orbit deadline is June 24. Every committee should have some kind of report. Let's get them in!

Dave made a motion to adjourn. John seconded. The meeting was then adjourned. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Garritano

**Next meeting: June 24, 2025 at 7PM**

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Our **regular weekly activities** include the Sewing Group (Mondays 10AM-2PM),

Adult Bible Study (returns in September), the Healthy You Program (Tuesdays 10:30-11AM, Fridays 10-11AM), the Prayer Breakfast group (returns in September) and Sunday School (returns in September).

Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. Faith, fun and fellowship are always in season at Trinity Altoona :)

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