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Please call us, if you need us!

A prayer from Pastor Chris

Most gracious and loving God, as we continue to live and move and have our being, our being has been readjusted outside our control. As we struggle to look beyond the circumstances we've been cast into, we look to You, asking for the light of Easter to shine upon us, giving us the patience to trust that Your Son embraces us now and will bring us to a renewed hope for tomorrow just as we have a renewed life through the body, blood, and resurrection of Christ Jesus, our risen Lord and Savior.

AMEN †

Please reach out to your family members, fellow church members and neighbors during this time. One phone call may make their day!



The below will have funeral services once we get back to church or are able to safely gather within the community:

Date of death

4/3/2020	Dot Melocheck
4/5/2020	Jean Haag
4/10/2020	Ralph Jaeger
4/11/2020	Dot Hancock
4/11/2020	John Schuster
4/14/2020	Peg Jaeger



RADIO MINISTRY

We invite you to listen on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am on Pottsville AM/FM radio stations: WPPA 1360 AM OR 105.9 FM to listen to our radio ministry. You can also sponsor the radio ministry by calling the church office. \$25 for half sponsorship or \$50 for full sponsorship.

"We are modifying the current format of our Radio Ministry ("The Connecting Link") in hopes that it will help enhance everyone's listening and worshipping experience and enjoyment. Our new format will more closely reflect the worship services that are currently available on Trinity's website. We thank everyone for tuning in and listening to our Radio Ministry services all these years. It has been, and continues to be our privilege to bring them to you."



Shelter from the Storm

When I lived in Oklahoma, I had a friend who "chased" tornados. John tracked the storms carefully through radio contact with other chasers and local radar, trying to keep a safe distance while observing their destructive paths so he could report sudden changes to people in harm's way.

One day a funnel cloud changed course so abruptly John found himself in grave danger. Fortunately, he found shelter and was spared.

John's experience that afternoon makes me think of another destructive path; sin in our lives. The Bible tells us, "Each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to death" (*James 1:14-15*) There's a progression here. What may at first seem harmless can soon spin out of control and wreak havoc. But when temptation threatens, God offers us shelter from the gathering storm. God's Word tells us He would never tempt us and we can blame our choices only on ourselves. But when we "are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that (we) can endure it" (*1 Corinthians 10:13*). As we turn to Him and call on Him for help in the moment of temptation, Jesus gives us the strength we need to overcome.

Christ is our shelter forever. Today's Reading: James 1:12-18

But as for me, how good it is to be near God! I have made the Sovereign Lord my shelter. *Psalm 73:28 NLT*



We are constantly adding content, videos and services to Trinity's website, Facebook page and YouTube channel.

<u>Yearly geraniums:</u> We will not be selling geraniums this year, but the flowers are available for purchase at Lessie's Garden Greenhouse located at the Avenues grounds at 2 Park Street, Pottsville. Hours: Monday thru Friday 8am-4 pm Sat. 8am-2pm and Sun. 12 noon to 4pm or by calling 570-622-7368.



Please continue to **mail** in your **offering** envelopes to the church

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Memorials:

You can mail your memorials by placing in the mail, addressed to the church.

In memory of *Dot Hancock* by Barbara J. Frey.

In memory of *Dot Hancock* by M&T Bank.

In memory of *Dot Hancock* by The Millers

Dave, Denise, Brian & Jill.

In memory of *Dorothy E. Hancock* by Diane E. Artz.

In memory of *Dot Hancock* by Gretchen and Myron Haas.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Denise & Robert Swartz.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Jim & Cathy Carey.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Joan and Herman Graeff.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Carol Chesakis.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Robert & Donna Webb.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Sharon & Larry Haffey.

In memory of *Dottie Hancock* by friends, Cindy, Jan & Peggy.

In memory of *Dorothy Hancock* by Carolyn Wire.

In memory of *Dottie Hancock* by Nancy Weigand.

In memory of *Mabel & Charles (Buddy) Bensinger* by Jim and Cathy Carey.

In memory of Ralph & Peggy Jaeger by Barb Miller.

In memory of Ralph & Peggy Jaeger by Larry & Sharon Haffey.

In memory of Ralph & Peggy Jaeger by Fred & Mary Ann Bausch.

In memory of Ralph & Peggy Jaeger by Naomi Ost.

In memory of *Mike Wanchick*, *Jr*. by Ms. Pauline Dudeck.

In memory of *Mike Wanchick, Jr.* by Ann B. Maas (Deborah's Bunco Group).

In memory of *Michael Wanchick, Jr.* by Mary Ellen & Daniel O'Donnell.

In memory of *Ruthie Ebling* on her Birthday 4/26 by Linda Shollenberger.

In memory of Mabel & John Yaag by Carolyn Watters.



Prayer List

<u>Members of Trinity</u> –Nick Angelo, Paul Ashembrier, Mickie Bair, Judi Barton, Gloria Bechtel, Jody Brossman, Judy Cappel, Sam and Joan Carroll, Joel Ebling, Mark Gauntlett, Barbara Gentile, Louise Gradwell, Larry Haffey, Scott Haffey, Pat Haluska, Larry & Peggy Hassler, Bruce Heckman, Robert Heffner, Paula Kriner, Kim Leiby, Jim Miller, Adam Morrow, Ray Moyer, Pamela Purcell, Marilyn Reed, Jill Schaeffer, Peg Schappell, Kay Shaw, Carolyn Spiess, Colin Studlack, Frances Thomas, Jason Thomas, Judy Thomas, Barbara Wagner, Dolores Wagner

Family Members/Friends – Sharon Alfonso, Michelle Ambrose, Jessica Archibald, Inez Aurand, Carol Baldwin, Beverly Banovatz, Donna Bast, Kathy Bauers, David Bechtel, Ed Bensinger, Olivia Bensinger, Dan Biscoe, Kevin Bogan, Ron Boris, Rose Brehony, Kristel Brennan, Patricia Bressler, Doug Broughton, Jason Castaneda, Bruce Chattin, Mike Cloud, Pat Connor, Pete Connors, Irene Conway, Robert Craig, Jessica Croley, Megan Dasch, Hayden Daubert, Alice Davis, Ethel Davis, Ray Dee, Mike Dempsey, Patricia Derlunas & Family, Sarah Donlin, Diane Donovan, Robert Doughtery, Jim Driscol, Nick & Nicholas Dubb, Joanie Eagan, Bruce Ernst, Danielle Ebert, Jessie and Jamie Ebert, Marilee Ebert, Gaylene Ebling, Tracey Ebling, Scarlett Ecckers, Jamie Edwards, Virginia Ehrich, Mary Eiler, Erin Emmick, Michelle and Peggy Evans, Vince Fabiani, Nolan Ferhat, Grace Flynn, Kayden Frederick, Kathy Fronza, Daniel Fuentes, Elaine Gayman, Judy Genovese, Donna George, Kim Gerthoffer, Kathleen Gradwell, Tina Guise, Tim Guise, Josh Guthrie, Gemma Haas, Joe Halko & Family, John Hannaway, Nancy Hart, Joie Hartnet, Psmurfisa Herndez, Rita Hinchey, Rosalind Hosler, John Housknecht, Helen Hufnagle, Sandy Huntzinger, Agnes Jaglas, Tom Jefferson, Becky Jordan, Lauren Kelly, Edwin Kindred, Sr., Phyllis Knoll, Shirley Koury, Sue Kraft, Chrissy Kull, Chris Larsen, Butch Lasco, Phil Lasco, Maria Lusia Leary, Christina Lee, Jaden Leiby, Kathy Lengle, Robert "Oscar" Leskin, Bernadette Lord, David Lord, Helen Love, Sister Jo Magdalinski, Thelma Mansfield, Melissa Martin, Linda Marx, Mona Marzullo, Amanda Mason, Harper Masland, John Matz, Gladys Maurer, Debra McBride, Jeanne McClure, Diane McCully, Helen McGeever, Lenny and Karen McHugh, Kathy McGee, Joe McNulty, Sandy Mendini, Nadine Merrigan, Alethia Meyer, Peggy Meyer, Lisa M. Mikula, Ariel Miller, Laura Miller, Carol A. Mills, Madeline Miscannon, Helene Moore, Janice Moore, Patrick Moore, Darron Moyer, Colleen Murphy, Virginia O'Brian, Tom Palewicz, Rob Parano, Maureen Pavlick, Stephanie Phan, Joe Phillips, Irene Post, John Potlunas, Karen Prettie, Kathy Pritchard, Kayleigh Pronio, Joe Rady, Dayne Readinger, Joe & Mary Jane Reed, Colleen Rothharpt, Bob Reinmiller, Christine Ridge, John Roberts, Tina Robinson, Mary Lou Roeder, Charles (Chuck) Rushannon, Amy Schade, Cheryl Scharff, Anne Schock, Frank Schuettler, Jennifer Schultz, Jack Schwenk, Shawn Seidl, Rosemary Shustack, Aldyn Socks, Allen and Jack Spotts, Lindsay Spotts, Karen Engel Sterling, Jessica Stewart, Ken Stolarick, Sawyer Sullivan, Brian Symons, Skip Tyson, Tristen Uffre, Joan Urenko, Karen Urban, Gloria Uzick, John Uzick, Bob Voskuhl, Rol Walters, Mark Wolfgang, Joan Woodward, Nancy Woodward, George Yarnell, Connor Joel Yob, Kathleen & Joseph Young, Marge Yourshaw, Tony Zampella

<u>Shut-Ins</u> – Merle Amos, Snowy Blankenhorn, Leah Brokhoff, Betty Charowsky, Earlamay Downing, Jacques Ebling, Dorothy Heiser, Dolores Hoffman, Mary Leary, Bob Pauzer, Pat Phillips, Terry Pugh, Nancy Schriner, Paul Schriner, Dorothy Thomas, Ann Tihansky, Beatrice Walsh, Darlene & Richard Zeller

<u>Nursing Home/Personal Care Residents</u> – Betty Beury, Peter Boltz, Joseph Culley, Faye Davis, Louise Dicus, Carolyn Falls, Hope Fisher, Tom Fredericks, Larue Hahn, Barbara Heffner, Leona Hochgertel, Alda Howells, Dianna Hutton, Kathryn Johnson, Edna Laubenstine, Nancy Mahall, Jean Neithamer, Claude Schaeffer, Dorothy Schaeffer, Grace Schuettler, Anna Stinner

<u>Military Personnel</u> – Brett Allison, Jacob Barton, Jason Beach, Audrey Burke, Christopher Butler, Tim Campbell, Andrew Clancey, Ian Conrad, Ryan Devaney, Jeff and Katie Dittmar, Noah Elison, Brian and Joshua Fetterman, Joshua Fredericks, Jason and Kevin Gregory, Sean Grube, Seth Grube, Joshua Hager, Marc Jones, Aaron Lesher, Edward Mady, Tom McMurtrie, Christopher Menchefsky, Ryan Miller, Ashton Muncy, Allison Ney, John Nomland, Aaron Oswald, Eddie Padinski, Kevin Potts, Larry Reedy, Zachary Reichert, Michael and Stephen Reier, Steven Sleva, Nicholas Starner, Matthew Tobin, Richard Torpe y, Jr., Jamie Watt

<u>For those that mourn:</u> Families and friends of *Diann Galvin, Bill Mason, Dot Melochick, Jean Haag, Ralph & Peggy Jaeger, Dot Hancock and John Schuster.*

Updates/additions to the prayer list, please email: jmiller@tlcpottsville.onmicrosoft.com

TLC Senior Travelers-All trips have been canceled for this year.

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Have you taken the 2020 U.S. Census? Responding to the census is safe, easy, and important.

Census data informs how billions of dollars in federal funds are distributed to local communities like ours for services and supports like hospitals, schools, emergency services, and business development. You can learn more at www.2020census.gov.

IMPORTANT! The official U.S. Census will NEVER ask you for your social security number, bank or credit card numbers, money or donations, or anything related to political parties. Stay safe online and on the phone and don't share those details with callers.