

### ***Membership Classes***

If you are interested in becoming a part of the Trinity family, a new membership class will be starting Sunday, May 1 at 9 a.m. in the Primary Room. Please register by emailing Pastor René by Wednesday, April 20 at [pastorrene@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:pastorrene@trinityspringfield.org).

### ***Holy Week Opportunities***

#### **Maundy Thursday Dinner Church with Holy Communion – April 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Come to Trinity's Maundy/Holy Thursday celebration as we remember Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples with our own light supper, a light worship experience and Holy communion. It will be an informal gathering so come as you are. We will be in Asbury Hall. If you plan to come, let Rob know at [directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org) so we can count you for dinner. We hope to see you there.

#### **Good Friday Events and Experiences – April 15**

**Lenten Lunch Returns 11:30-1:00 p.m. in Asbury Hall.** We will be serving tuna or egg salad sandwiches \$4.00, clam chowder or vegetable soup \$3.50, coffee or tea .50, and of course, homemade pie \$2.50 a slice. Lobster Rolls are \$12.00 and are available only by preordering. Call or text Arlene at 413-782-9021 **by today, April 10.** Proceeds will go towards local Missions.

**12:30-1:00pm** – Lenten Midday Service in the Chapel

**7:00 p.m.** - Good Friday Evening Service in the Sanctuary.

#### **Holy Saturday, April 16 at Noon– All Are Invited**

We will have our Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Potluck Lunch in Asbury Hall & the front lawn. We will start with a potluck lunch in Asbury Hall and then head outside for an Easter Egg Hunt! If you'd like to bring an item for the potluck, please let Rob know by emailing him at [directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org).

#### **Easter Sunday – April 17**

Pancake Breakfast – 8:30 a.m.- 10:00 a.m. Asbury Hall. All are invited to celebrate the risen Christ with a delicious pancake breakfast. (Trinity follows safety and sanitary protocols with serving.) There will be gluten-free options. If you would like to help in preparing, serving, clean-up, be part of the breakfast team, or are willing to donate an electric griddle (three are needed) please speak to or e-mail Vera at [worship@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:worship@trinityspringfield.org) or Scott Woodward at [swoody0233@gmail.com](mailto:swoody0233@gmail.com). All donations will go to UMCOR/Ukraine.

**Trinity's Easter Service will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.** This time of worship celebrating the resurrection of Jesus will include special participation by the Dance/Movement Choir, the Chancel Choir, Choristers, Chamberettes, Handbell Choir, brass, and percussion. An Easter sermon, special children's message and a few additional surprises will make up the service! Worship will conclude with everyone bringing carnations to the foot of the cross and then joyfully singing the "Hallelujah Chorus." Come and celebrate as we remember that God's grace is good enough.

#### ***Fellowship Hour Snacks Needed***

If you are able, we are in need of snacks on Sundays after worship in Asbury Hall. Please bring them to the kitchen on Sunday mornings before worship. Thank you.

## **THE BAPTISM OF ELI DAVID BENGEL**

### **INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION**

#### **RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH**

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin? **We do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? **We do.**

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? **We do.**

Will you nurture **Eli David** in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself, to profess their faith openly, and to lead a Christian life? **We will.**

*Pastor René addresses the congregation. The congregation responds:*

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Eli David now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news  
and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround Eli David with a community of love and forgiveness,  
that he may grow in his trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will  
pray for him, that he may be a true disciple  
who walks in the way that leads to life.**

*Pastor addresses all, and the congregation joins the parents and in responding:*

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit**

## THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Eternal God, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah, you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

**All: Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.**

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

**All: Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and those who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, he may share in his final victory.

**All: All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.**

## BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

**Eli David Bengel**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
The Holy Spirit work within you,  
that being born through water and the Spirit,  
you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*A lighted baptismal candle is presented to the parents, saying:*

**Eli David Bengel**, may one day "your light shine so that others, seeing your good works, glorify your Father in heaven."  
*Devon and Morgan*, I invite you to light this candle each year on the anniversary of Eli's baptism as a reminder of the grace of God offered through his baptism.  
Now it is our joy to welcome Eli David Bengel to our community of faith.

**Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.**

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## Welcome to Worship!

**WELCOME!** We are glad that you are here! If you have any questions, ask one of the ushers. They can be found near the rear entrance of the sanctuary. Large-print Bibles and hymnals, and hearing devices are available from any usher. Following the worship service, we invite you to join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment in Asbury Hall.

### NEW TO TRINITY CHURCH?

*We would love to reach out to you! Scan the QR code with your phone's camera app and a staff member will contact you. Welcome to Trinity.*

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### SUNDAY MORNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

**The Children's Table** offers coloring pages and other materials to help children feel welcome and comfortable in church. The table is located in the rear of the sanctuary. Please return supplies to the table after the service.

**Trinity's Nursery** is open, under the caring direction of Shaylee Geier, every Sunday from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., for children ages birth to 4. The nursery is located on the lower level of the building. An usher can direct you.

**Trinity Offers Christian Education Classes for All Ages at 9 a.m. on Sunday Mornings: LIGHT@9** (Learning in God's House Together at 9 a.m.), for age 4 years -through grade 5, **usually meets** downstairs in Vincent Hall. Our youth classes meet upstairs, middle school in the Youth Room and high school in the classroom down from the church office. Our adult class meets in the Hale Room, downstairs.

**Chapel Kids** is a worship service designed for children ages 7–12. It is offered during the worship service, **Sundays, September to May except the first Sunday of the month which is Communion Sunday and Easter Sunday. It begins at the beginning of the middle hymn, and ends after the benediction.** Chapel Kids is located in the chapel, which is on the same level as the sanctuary, and can be reached by going through the side door on the right of the sanctuary.

**Sunday Afternoon Programming:** If you would like to join any of these activities, please reach out to Michael Carney: [mcarneymusic361@gmail.com](mailto:mcarneymusic361@gmail.com), Rob Powell: [directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org), or Amelia Hays-Rivest: [amelia@dramastudio.org](mailto:amelia@dramastudio.org) for more information. All are welcome!

12-12:45 p.m. Dance/Movement Choir  
12:50-1:40 p.m. Choristers  
12:50-1:40 p.m. Youth Fellowship  
1:45-2:30 p.m. Chamberettes  
2:30-3:20 p.m. Youth Bells

*This church is committed to providing a safe place for our children & youth.*

**Our Safe Sanctuaries Policy** requires that parents (or an adult they have designated) bring & pick-up their children 5<sup>th</sup> gr. & under from church-sponsored programs. Please escort your child to/from the restrooms during worship. Thank you.

**Wi-Fi Guest network password:** TrinityGuest7476!

**Want to learn more?** Scan the QR code with your smart phone.



**Attendance Sunday, April 3: Adults 129, Children 21, Total 150**