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The Spirit's coming!

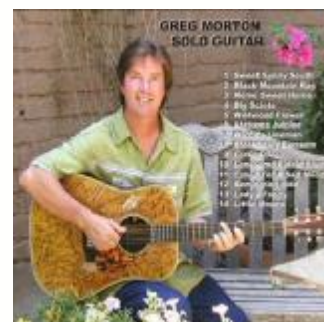
Get your red out to wear to worship
(that's red for the Holy Spirit's fire).
Sunday, May 24 is the Day of Pentecost!

WEDNESDAYNITEALIVE!

BBQ & CONCERT!

GREG MORTON RETURNS FOR A
CONCERT ON THE PATIO!

Please join us for a special evening of *WednesdayNiteAlive!* on May 20. At 6:30 pm, a barbeque will be held in the chapel courtyard with live music by Greg Morton. In 1995, Greg Morton won the Arizona State Guitar Championship. In 2001, 2002, and 2004, Greg won the prestigious TAMMIES Award (Tucson Area Music Awards) for Best Acoustic Guitarist. Greg's band, the "Greg Morton Trio", won the TAMMIES Award for Best Country & Western Band in 2003, and Best Bluegrass Band in 2004.



PASTORAL LETTER

THE NAME

Abbot: The Sunday after Pentecost is Trinity Sunday, a day dedicated to looking at God as Trinity.

Costello: Good. It's about time.

Abbot: Okay, now listen closely. This is important. There is one God.

Costello: One God. That seems easy enough. What do we call this God?

Abbot: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Costello: Now wait minute. You told me there is one God, right?

Abbot: That's right.

Costello: And this God has three names?

Abbot: That's right.

Costello: So which is it?

Abbot: So which is what?

Costello: Which name do you use?

Abbot: The name I told you.

Costello: But you gave me three names!

Abbot: That's right!

Costello: What's right?

Abbot: God---Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Costello: So you have three gods?

Abbot: No, one God.

Costello: So which is it?

Abbot: Which is what?

Costello: Father, Son or Holy Spirit?

Abbot: Yes.

Costello: Yes to what?

Abbot: That's God's name.

Costello: Which God?

Abbot: Our one God.

Costello: But you gave me three names.

Abbot: Three names, one God.

Costello: Why three names, why not just one name?

Abbot: Because they aren't the same.

Costello: But you just told me there is one God.

Abbot: There is! A wonderful mystery, isn't it?

Costello: So which is it?

Abbot: Which is what?

Costello: Which name is the name of your God?

Abbot: I already told you: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Costello: But that is three.

Abbot: Yes, but it is only one God.

Costello: This doesn't make sense!

Abbot: What's the problem?

Costello: You won't tell me which name is the name of God!

Abbot: I told you the name: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Costello: Let me get this straight. There is only one God.

Abbot: Right.

Costello: Is it God the Father?

Abbot: And the Son and the Spirit.

Costello: And God the Father is same as God the Son.

Abbot: No, they are different.

Costello: AHA! So there ARE two!

Abbot: No, just one.

Costello: Well, what about the Spirit?

Abbot: Same thing.

Costello: Can you explain to me how this can be, three in one; separate yet together, all in one God?

Abbot: I think you have already done it yourself.

Costello: I have?

Abbot: Sure---three in one. One God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Costello: It doesn't seem very logical.

Abbot: Sometimes logic isn't the answer. Some things we need to accept by faith.

Costello: Faith?

Abbot: Faith.

Costello: You know, I don't think I am ever going to understand completely. Why don't we just go to a baseball game! Who's on first?

Abbot: Exactly!



WORSHIP


MAY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 3 - Acts 8:26-40; *Psalm 22:25-31*; John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8 (Rev. Jerry Foust preaching)

May 10 - Acts 10:44-48; *Psalm 98*; I John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17 (Rev. Jerry Foust preaching)

May 17 - Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; *Psalm 1*; I John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19 (Rev. Bill Voigt preaching)

 May 24 - Acts 2:1-21; *Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 (Rev. Jerry Foust preaching)

May 31 - Isaiah 6:1-8; *Psalm 29*; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17 (Dr. Harriet Marsh preaching)

Sing-Along



Have you been wanting to sing some of the contemporary worship music found in

our hymnal and songbook? Here's your chance! Please join Lynn Moser and

friends as we learn some praise and worship songs on Wednesday, May 6, at

6:30 in Trinity's sanctuary. Yes, there'll even be drums and guitars!



MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 3, please join us as we celebrate "Music Appreciation Sunday" to express our thanks to all those who give so generously of their time and talents to provide meaningful and uplifting music in our worship services, including singers, bell ringers and other instrumentalists. We will also receive a special offering to support Trinity's Music Enrichment Fund, which helps to cover such costs as hiring the musicians for our cantata presentations and purchasing music.

Thank You Peggy Chamberlain for your excellent work in directing the choir over the last several months. We appreciate you and your willingness to step in during Bruce's absence. Your leadership is a blessing! And welcome back to Bruce, too!

- Administration & Personnel Committee

COMBINED CHOIRS SUNDAY!

The Trinity Choir joined with the choirs from our sister Presbyterian Churches of Christ and Holy Way on April 26 for a rousing rendition of "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" presented by the three choirs! Alleluia! Amen.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WORD OF LIFE

Word of Life began a new study after Easter - AN ODD COUPLE, JONAH & RUTH:

Lessons for Our Fractured World by Carol J. Miller. Jonah shows the original readers of the book, as well as us, what a picture of their bigotry and hatred of foreigners and enemies looks like to God. Ruth shows what life lived in performing deeds of *hesed* (acts of loving kindness) looks like to us and to God. Come explore these concepts in relation to Old Testament times and our time through lively discussion. *We now meet in the Lower Level Lounge (new location!) at 9:00*

"...ON THIS ROCK"

Join Rev. Bill Voigt at **9:00 am** in the **Upper Room West** for a series on **THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE VATICAN**. Past, present and future come alive through DVD's, discussion and lecture. Explore the faith, mystery, scandals, and secrets of this 2000 year old church.

A Southwest breakfast will be served!



THEOLOGY FOR TODAY

For the next several months we will be discussing Robin Meyers book *Saving Jesus from the Church: How to Stop Worshiping Christ and Start Following Jesus*. You can purchase the book on Amazon or Barnes and Nobel. We continue to meet at 11:45 am in the Lower Lounge.

POLO

Parents of Little Ones is now at 9:00 am. on the third Sunday of the month (before worship instead of after). Parents with young children are welcome to join us!

GODLY PLAY

Godly Play is a worship-based learning program for children that invites exploration of core Biblical






stories in an atmosphere of reverence, wonder and prayer. Children's classes end after Pentecost, May 24 for the summer months.

KREAMER'S CRUSADERS

We have a Sunday School class called "Kreamer's Crusaders" for all youth in grades 4th-8th. This class will cover a variety of Bible stories in an open discussion format. We will meet in the Sanctuary for the beginning of worship service and leave before the sermon to go downstairs to the lounge for our class. The class will end around 11:30am.



Wednesday Nite Alive! - May 2015

| Date | 5:00pm Bible Study {Library} | 6:00pm Meditation Service {Chapel} | 6:30pm Discussion Group {Upper Room-West} | 6:30pm Helping Hands (serving) {Upper Room-East} |
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| May 6 | John 15:9-17 | Easter | Praise and Worship (Location: Sanctuary) <i>Lynn Moser and friends</i> | Hygiene packs for women at Casa Paloma Women's Center <i>Kathy Moser</i> |
| May 13 | John 17:6-19 | Easter | A year of service for a lifetime of change <i>Tucson Borderlands Young Adult Volunteers and Alison Wood, new Site Coordinator</i> | Hygiene packs for women at Casa Paloma Women's Center <i>Kathy Moser</i> |
| May 20 | John 15:26-27, John 16:4b-15 | Pentecost | <div>    </div> <p>Year-end BBQ in the Courtyard Music by Greg Morton, guitarist</p> | |

WEDNESDAYNITEALIVE!

On Wednesday, May 13th, come hear about the service experiences the Tucson Borderlands Young Adult Volunteers have had this year, partnering with organizations in the Tucson community and along the AZ-Mexico border. You will also meet and hear from Alison Wood, YAVs new Site Coordinator.

Tucson Borderlands YAV is a mission program of de Cristo Presbytery and the PC(USA).

More information is available at:

www.tucsonborderlandsyav.org/

or presbyterianmission.org/ministries/yav/tucson/

SUMMERFEST PLANS:

Summerfest begins June 3rd. Dinner and movies are on the agenda for five Wednesday evenings. Trinity will host a light supper at 6:00 pm followed by a movie at 6:30.



June 3rd Movie: *Unconditional*

MEMORIAL GARDEN RENOVATION

A Memorial Garden Task Group has been formed to renovate the Memorial Garden. Their initial meeting was on April 21. The Task Group will be working with professional landscaper, John Harlow, CEO of Harlow Gardens for landscaping and possible expansion ideas. A Meditation Garden with benches, tables and lots of flowers is envisioned. Trinity is blessed with a rich history. The Memorial Garden, dedicated on April 21, 1991, was created to "remind us of the saints who have gone before us and have contributed so much to the faith and life of those of us here today". (Eileen Scott 1932 -2012, Beloved Member)

Please keep the task group in your prayers. Ideas you would like us to consider please send to the church office.



Congregational News

Road Trip to Mt. Graham



On Saturday June 6, John Hill will lead a road trip to Mt. Graham to tour the world's largest telescope -- the Large Binocular Telescope (LBT = 5000 x 8408 binoculars).

We'll leave from Trinity at 10 am and return before 10 pm. 18 miles of the 306 mile round trip are dirt, so a fuel-efficient SUV is the best vehicle. Bring snacks for lunch, and an indoor picnic supper, and plenty of water to drink along the way.

The telescope site is at an altitude of 10500 feet, so persons with cardio/pulmonary issues are advised not to make the trip. The tour doesn't use stairs, but you'll be walking around at altitude for about an hour. The area is wheelchair accessible. An RSVP is required if you want to go: Send the NAMES OF EVERYONE WHO PLANS TO ATTEND to John Hill by NOON ON MONDAY JUNE 1 (jhill@as.arizona.edu).

TRINITY BOOK CLUB

Trinity Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, May 26th in the Lovejoy Library at 7:00 pm.

May's book is *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown – this is a nonfiction book that deals with the University of Washington rowing team who go on to win the 1936 Olympics.



The following are the books that we will be reading for the next four months:

6/23 *Death of a King* by Travis Smiley

7/28 *The Garden of Beasts* by Erik Larson

8/25 *The Other Side of the Ice* by Sprague Theobald

9/22 *Lila* by Marilynne Robinson

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



Through abundant and generous gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing Presbyterians have for many years faithfully heeded God's call to serve people seeking to reclaim and restore their lives. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering received \$4,412.20 at Trinity on Easter Sunday.

The Memories, Hopes and Conversations Team would like to *thank all of you* who participated in the special worship service and gathering on February 15 or in one of the four additional meetings held since then. After the last meeting, there remained approximately 60 members who had not completed the Appreciative Inquiry process, and the committee has been contacting each of these members individually in order to ensure that our Church Information Form is as representative of Trinity's congregation as possible. In the meantime, work has been done to begin collating your responses. The team's goal is to present a listing of the responses along with a summary statement to the Session at its May meeting. Once the Session has given its blessing of the team's efforts, the committee will submit its work to the Committee on Ministry of Presbytery de Cristo for approval. Once that approval is received, Trinity's Session will be free to authorize the Congregational Nominating Committee to begin the process of choosing a Pastor Search Committee. Please continue to pray for the Team as it continues its work, and for the entire pastor search process.

Congregational News

MUSIC APPRECIATION

The Trinity Choir
Dr. Bruce Chamberlain, director
Peggy Chamberlain, substitute director

Soprano
Peggy Chamberlain
Catherine Dimenstein
Charity Everitt
Helen Greer
Pat Hardy
Sata Hessler
Janet Jones
Daphne Madson
Anne McConnell
Jean Thomas
Marian Wald

Alto
Rosalie Goll
Billie Holbrook
Pat Keegstra
Ruth Myers
Angela Seddo
Roberta Westergaard
Emalie Wilka
Shirley Wilka
Karen Wilkison

Tenor
Errol Dimenstein
John Isner
Don Myers
Jim Thomas

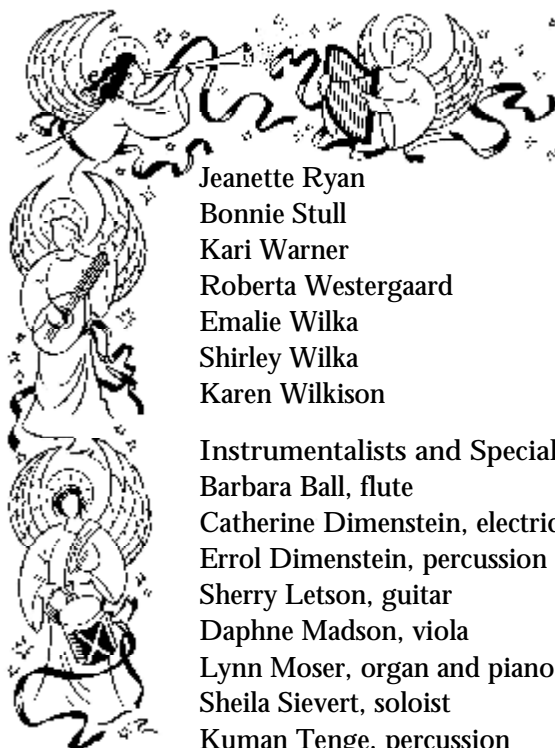
Bass
Dave Croteau
Jim Croxen
Tom Henderson
Carroll Keegstra
Kevin Lopez
Kuman Tenge

The Trinity Ringers
Lynn Moser, director
Lori Gaither
Debbie Hobbs
Janet Jones
Anne McConnell
Kathy Moser



**...sing psalms,
hymns and
spiritual songs
with gratitude
in your hearts
to God.**

Colossians 3:16



Jeanette Ryan
Bonnie Stull
Kari Warner
Roberta Westergaard
Emalie Wilka
Shirley Wilka
Karen Wilkison

Instrumentalists and Special Music

Barbara Ball, flute
Catherine Dimenstein, electric bass
Errol Dimenstein, percussion
Sherry Letson, guitar
Daphne Madson, viola
Lynn Moser, organ and piano
Sheila Sievert, soloist
Kuman Tenge, percussion
Christine Toering, viola
Hannah Toering, violin
Bobby Whipple, soloist
Emalie Wilka, flute

Cantors for Wednesday Nite Alive!

Catherine Dimenstein
Janet Jones
Bobby Whipple

... to watch a sermon at home:

You can view and listen to the past weeks' sermons on YouTube. Go to the Trinity website at www.trintytucson.org. Click on the Worship tab and scroll down to Sermons. Click the one you want to watch.



- ♦ Video recordings of selected full services are available on DVD in the Lovejoy Library.
- ♦ Audio recordings of full services (MP3 files) are available at: <http://abell.as.arizona.edu/~hill/Trinity/>
- ♦ Audio recordings on CD are available on request to John Hill: jhill@as.arizona.edu

SESSION NOTES

Session Notes from April 21, 2015

Except for the lemon cupcakes, delicious bread and a visitor from Presbytery de Cristo's Committee on Ministry, this meeting was pretty uneventful. There were no big momentous decisions to be made. Jim Nelson was our guest. He is the liaison from the Committee on Ministry who will assist the Pastor Nominating Committee that Trinity congregation will elect sometime this summer.

During our Leading Together time Jerry Foust led a discussion about "How To Minister Effectively in Family, Pastoral, Program and Corporate-Sized Churches." Session members have already studied about *Appreciative Inquiry*, *Twelve Keys to an Effective Church* and the life cycles of churches among others ideas. The information that the elders have received will inform members of the Pastor Nominating Committee as they continue Trinity's quest for our next installed pastor.

Actions taken by Session were to restore Marcia Kirmse and Catherine Odell to the active membership roll from the inactive roll. Also, the clerk was tasked to write a letter to Arlie and Jackie Winn asking them to withdraw their request to remove them from the rolls before they transfer to a new church by letter. Arlie and Jackie have moved to Carbondale, CO. Let's all pray that they might become winter "members".

Elders Roberta Westergaard, Lynn Moser, John Hill and Carolyn Maycher reported about the progress compiling the Appreciative Inquiry responses that the congregation produced on February 15, 2015. Sheila Sievert is typing and collating. Session should have a document by May 19, 2015 to approve before it is sent off to the Committee on Ministry for early June approval. Look elsewhere for Lynn Moser's article.

The Deacons held a retreat on April 25 to learn about visitation to parishioners with the Rev. Rachel Scrubus. Worship Committee reports weekly communion until Pentecost on May 24. Administration & Personnel had conversation with Pastor Jerry about Trinity's transition time and his personal life transitions. Christian Education is gearing up for SummerFest with dinners and movies. CE is hop-

ing to acknowledge all the accomplishments of our young people who are graduating and earning honors.

Growth & Outreach is planning for a BIG sign to label Trinity Presbyterian Church along University Blvd. Hope you didn't miss Bucky Lovejoy's update at WNA! about the happenings for the Long Range Development Team. Mission Committee delivered shoes and clothes to the Pasqua Yaqui Head Start Program. They also gave \$1,500 from the Special Mission Fund to Frontera de Cristo to purchase a truck for their Agua Para La Vida program.

Property Committee upgraded the choir loft restrooms and is working on organizing the parking lot. They are also working to refurbish the Memorial Garden. Treasurer Leone Mohney and the Stewardship & Finance Committee reported a shortfall of only \$556.14 as of April 21, 2015. This committee is also asking that committees record their expenses in their meeting minutes.

Session members prayed for congregants and our church in transition. They ask for your prayers as they lead us into the future.

Janet D. Hooper, Clerk of Session



LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT TEAM

The LRDT is alive and well. We are waiting for the Developers to find a tenant for the new building. CESL is at the top of the list and they are in meetings with their bosses at the U of A to finalize their requirements. Hopefully, once that happens they will enter into a Letter of Intent and things will begin to move.

Here is a brief timeline of what has happened in the life of the LRDT:

January 2009 – First Clearness Conversation

Early 2011 – Request For Proposal (RFP) is sent out.

Fall 2011 – Selected Paulus-Dorman-Bourn as Developers.

May 2013 – Congregation approves partial sale of land to make project work.

July 2014 – CESL comes to the table.

The LRDT continues to meet and review the progress of not only the CESL possibility, but also any other inquiries that come to the Developers.



Mission News



SANDWICH MAKING for the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen will be on the second Sunday, May 10th and May 31. Please join us after worship to make 600 sandwiches for the homeless.

Please join us for simple service projects to benefit our community on the second and last Sunday of May as “Helping Hands reaches out beyond Wednesday”. We will be making sandwiches for the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen.



Working Together in Love!

**Please join us on
Sundays, May 10
& 31!**

MISSION COMMITTEE

Representatives deliver clothing and shoes to the Pasqua Yaqui Head Start Program

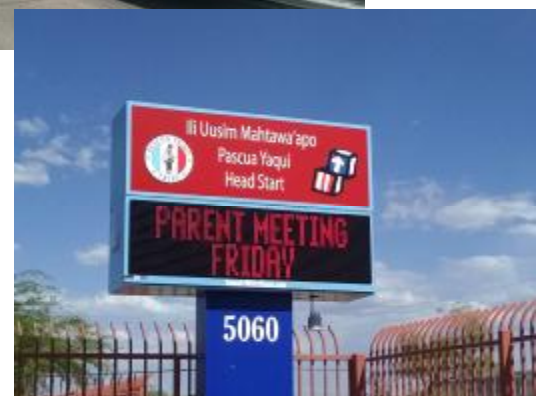
Alice Smedley and Sheila Sievert delivered clothing and shoes to the Pasqua Yaqui Head Start program April 20. The items were collected in December as part of the Christmas Cantina. Plans were made for the Mission Committee as a whole to deliver the items but scheduling conflicts prevented that from happening earlier this year.

Vivian Lopez met with Alice & Sheila and gave them a tour of the facility. Ms. Lopez is a Family Engagement Coordinator who works with tribe families on case management, nutrition and clothing.

Currently the Head Start program has 141 three and four year old students, 90 will be graduating to

Kindergarten soon. Most of the children are transported to and from their homes by bus to the center. Students are at the center Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm and breakfast and lunch are served. There is also a summer program for the students at the center that is managed by another tribe group.

As members of the Mission Committee, Alice & Sheila asked about current projects that may need funding. Ms. Lopez said that a Pre-Head Start program is in the planning stages that would work with pregnant women and infants on nutrition and developmental skills. The center also has a nurse on staff and her office needs to be remodeled. More information will be gathered to see if Trinity can help with either of these projects.



Trinity Women



Trinity Presbyterian Women (TPW) Circles will hold a joint meeting on Tuesday, May 12 at 10:00 am for the final Bible Study in *"Reconciling Paul"* in Fellowship Hall. We will then go out to lunch after the meeting. Join us for the Bible Study, the lunch or both.

TPW will not meet in June, July or August, resuming in September using the new Horizon's Bible study, *"Come to the Waters"*. There will be a planning meeting during the summer at a time to be scheduled.

Ryan's Bears will meet on May 19 at 9:30 am in the Lower Level Lounge. We have had generous gifts of flannel and fleece to make up bears. We need cutters, stitchers and stuffers. Come join us making bears for Christmas. The bears go to Our Family Services, Primavera and Foster children services.

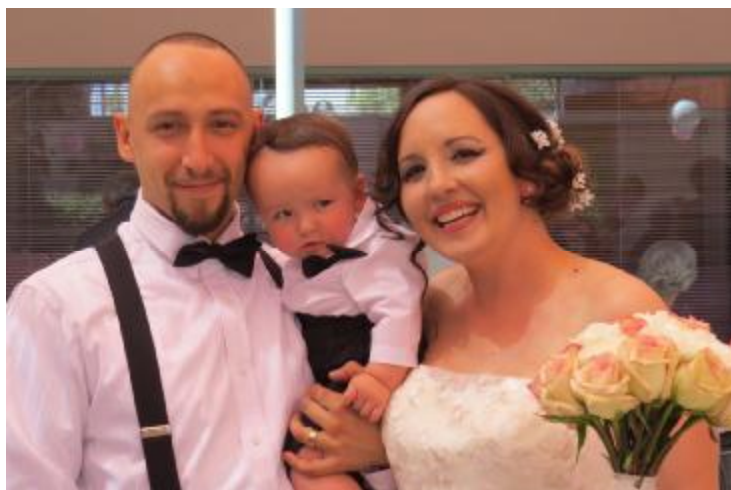
Ruth Myers
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Congratulations



On March 28, a wedding was held in the Sanctuary. The bride, Laurel (McCray) and Jesse Corona, had a reception in the courtyard following the wedding.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Emelia Maycher (Tucson High) and Daniel Seddo (Empire High) who will graduate in May. Emelia will pursue a Biological Sciences field as well as Art at Pima Community College and then on to the U of A. Daniel will attend the U of A in Computer Science.

Christine Toering (Grand Champion Senior Rabbit Showman) received several tributes at the Pima County Fair. Christine's rabbit won Best 4 Class Rabbit and Best in Show.



Trinity Milestones



Memorials

May Birthdays

In Memory of Art Gratias by Leone Mohney
In Memory of Bob Maurer by Imogene Moser and Don & Ruth Myers
In Honor of Maxine Abraham by Leone Mohney
In Honor of Marilee Kelsey by Leone Mohney
In Honor of Verneta Steadman by Leone Mohney

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| 3 Jessica Roggow | 16 Carl Sosna |
| 6 Celeste Dzakpa | 18 Allyn Spence |
| 9 Susan Chambers-Casteloes | 19 Peace Tenge |
| Turner Miller | 21 Lynn Moser |
| 11 Ann Walker | 23 Jane Uhle |
| 12 Emily Koop | 26 Jason DePizzo |
| 14 Steve Barlow | 28 Elijah Harper |
| 15 Mary Zellar | 29 Leone Mohney |
| | Liz Strong |
| | 31 James Madson |

Baptism

Lorelai Buscemi-Rappeport daughter of Rebecca Buscemi and Jacob Rapoport, granddaughter of Claire Stewart and great granddaughter of Melinda Arnold was baptized on Easter Sunday.



June Birthdays (1—10)

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 George Greenleaf - 96 | 8 Thomas Dean |
| Elsie Herendeen - 91 | 9 Nancy Howard |
| 2 Barbara Ball | 10 Carolynn Carter |

May Anniversaries

5 Tom & Vade Henderson
 6 Bob & Bev Bechtel
 29 Errol & Catherine Dimenstein

Remembrance

Trinity member, Bob Maurer passed into life eternal on April 12. No service is planned at this time.

Have a Blessed Mother's Day!

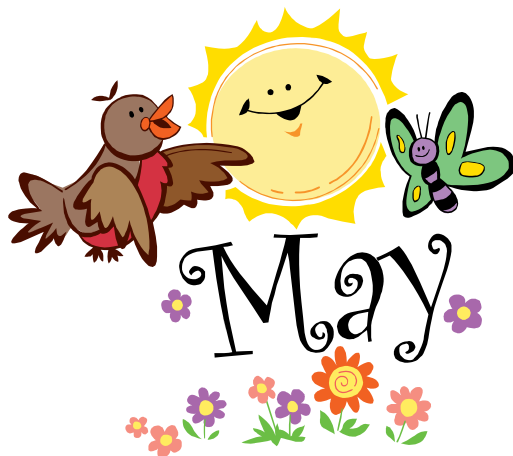
Please note that the VISION for June and July are combined. Please think ahead to activities and events for both months and submit them to the office. Thank You!

Deadline for the June/July, 2015 VISION

Thursday, May 21

Please submit typewritten articles to the church office or to:
office@trinitytucson.org





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GREG MORTON RETURNS FOR
 A CONCERT ON THE PATIO!



May 10



Day of Pentecost
May 24



BBQ & CONCERT
May 20