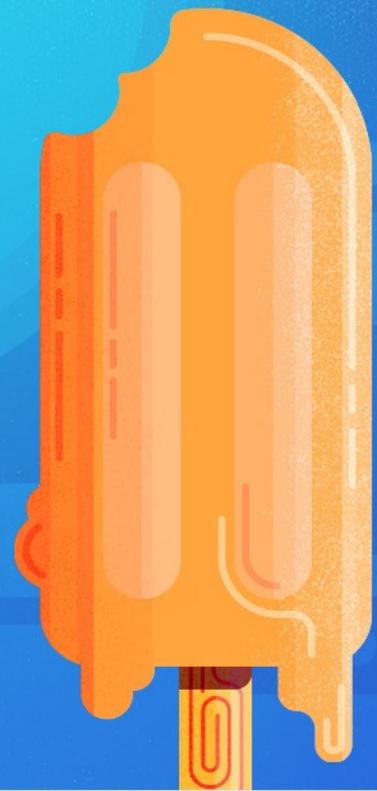


# Trinity *times*

LINDSEY TRINITY CHURCH - MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2020



**Please join us in worship each Sunday via Facebook.**

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# Pastor's Page



## Break Free

There are some things that I can assess pretty simply. Normally, I don't want to get soaking wet in my day clothes. When I see incredibly dark clouds moving in from the west, that's my cue to go inside. I don't want to get mud on my shoes. When I see deep mud on the ground, I go around it. Easy.

My youngest daughter sees things differently. Just yesterday morning I heard rain starting to pelt the side of the house. I did a quick assessment of my daughters and noticed Eowyn was missing. "Has anyone seen Eowyn?"

"She's outside," Abigail said, no surprise in her voice whatsoever. "In this? She'll probably come in." And she did... to get her swimsuit! Then she headed back out again. This time McKenzie joined her. Neither bothered to tell me what they were planning, but I was pretty sure no one had installed a swimming pool in my yard.

I watched as they walked to the lowest point in my brother's yard. He lives next door and there's a place where water pools and thick deep mud remains. Vehicles had churned the mud there for weeks.

My girls met Peyton, their cousin, at the mud. All three of them looked at the mud pit, only momentarily, then in they went- McKenzie and Peyton with just their feet. Eowyn had other ideas. It looked like she was trying to swim. She laughed and giggled as the other girls took globs of mud with their feet and splashed those against any untarnished areas of her body that they could find. Only Eowyn's face and head were left clean. Once she had been nearly fully covered, she jumped out of the mud and for some reason, ran all over the yard like the experience had energized her.

Lucky for me, she showered before her mother got home.

In many ways I feel like dealing with this pandemic is like getting rained on while standing in mud. The rain comes and the mud happens and it's not at all what I was hoping for or expecting. Some of the things I hold most dear in life- public worship, lifting weights at the gym and socializing with friends abruptly stopped, as if stuck knee deep and unable to move. Others have faced far more difficult losses- lives, businesses and jobs. It's hard to see beyond the rain and mud. The frustration of it all makes mornings much harder to celebrate as "wins" are more difficult to find. Many feel like they have lost significant pieces of themselves in the process.

However, there is still a sense that from all of the loss and frustration, something good will emerge- something that will break free from the mud and run energized through the yard. It may be difficult to see at this time. The rain sometimes makes it hard to see clearly, but one thing we know for sure is that God can use even bad times for good. My prayer is that we can maintain hope for beyond these times- for when we will break free once again and with renewed strength run.

Pastor Travis Montgomery

Please join us in worship each Sunday via Facebook.  
Stay tuned for a return date.

These messages are meant to be enjoyed by all  
Christians of all denominations.

To stay connected to Lindsey Trinity while we are practicing social distancing, please visit us at:

- Website: <http://www.lindseytrinity.org/>
- Email: [lindseytrinity@amplex.net](mailto:lindseytrinity@amplex.net)
- <https://www.facebook.com/lindseytrinityumc/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/lindseypraiseteam/>
- <https://www.instagram.com/lindseytrinitychurch/>
- <https://app.easytithes.com/App/Giving/trin231167>

## Office Hours

Our church secretary, Natalie Clark, is taking an extended maternity leave during the pandemic and she is enjoying her time with baby Everett and his big sister Clara. While she is out I am filling in for her in the church office. I will be checking the emails, phone messages and mail on Wednesday's and Saturday's.

God Bless,  
Tammy Jahns  
Substitute Secretary



## Vacation Bible School

*"Home School Style"*

At Lindsey Trinity we've decided to do VBS differently this year because we love kids and want to keep them all healthy and safe.

This summer we will be giving out Vacation Bible School Bags to the kids filled with activities, games, snacks, and Bible stories to enjoy at home.

If you would like to sign up for a **free VBS kit**, please email: [lindseytrinity@amplex.net](mailto:lindseytrinity@amplex.net).

## Attention Men!

If you would like to join the Sunday morning zoom meetings with the men of our church for an uplifting time of devotionals and fellowship, please email Daryl Knipp at [knippd1@amplex.net](mailto:knippd1@amplex.net)



## Attention Seamstresses!

We want to be prepared when we are given the "OK" to return to worship in our church sanctuary. We would like to invite anyone who sews to make masks so that when church starts back up again, we will be able to provide a mask to all who enter.

Our prayer warrior, Sharon Neifer, shared this great idea and she has offered her front porch as a drop off location for supplies or finished masks at :

221 Walnut St. Lindsey, OH  
Thank you Sharon!

**L.E.O.**

**Thursday, June 18th at 11:30**  
we will be meeting at the  
Tackle Box for lunch.

Please call Audine (419-334-3494)  
by Sunday, June 14th for a reservation and let her know if you will need a ride.  
Hope to see ALL of you there.



**American Red Cross**

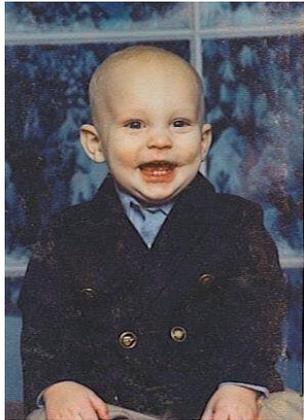
**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

Monday June 8  
12:30 - 6:30

@ Lindsey Trinity Church

# SCHOLARSHIP *winners*

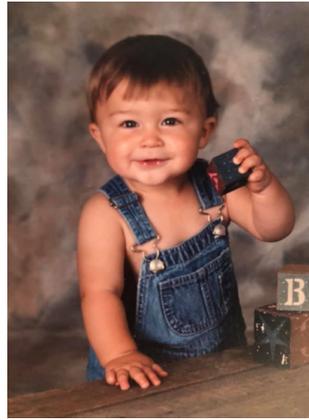
Congratulations to Jake Montgomery and Isaac Smith.



Jake

They each received a \$200.00 Adulting Fund Scholarship from Lindsey Trinity Church. Our church is blessed to have these two young men. They've grown up too fast!

God Bless & Best Wishes



Isaac

I know the PLANS  
I have for you says  
the LORD  
plans to PROSPER  
*and NOT* YOU  
TO HARM  
You  
To Give You  
HOPE And A  
FUTURE  
Jeremiah 29:11



## April Offering Report:

April 2020 offering = \$12,855.00  
April 2019 offering = \$12,406.00  
April 2020 need = \$13,600.00

Thank you to all those who have continued to give during this difficult time.

## Birthdays

- 6-1 Lane Thacker
- 6-5 Randy Eppley
- 6-5 Meredith Parkhurst
- 6-7 Caden Cox
- 6-7 Jim McClure
- 6-8 Adam Thacker
- 6-11 Jeff Eicher
- 6-11 Tammy Jahns
- 6-14 Aubrey Davis
- 6-15 Jack Eppley
- 6-16 Jim Lipstraw
- 6-16 McKenna Thacker
- 6-16 Sarah Zimmerman
- 6-18 Becky Baker
- 6-20 Hailey Sebetto
- 6-20 Ava Smith
- 6-21 David Drukenmiller
- 6-23 Regina Maynard
- 6-24 Sean Connors
- 6-26 Helen Miller
- 6-26 Joyce Pendleton
- 6-27 Mike Eicher
- 6-28 Kristen Lauer
- 6-30 Madelyne Combs

\*\*Email lindseytrinity.org to be added to the birthday & anniversary list\*\*

## Anniversaries

- 6-5 Tom & Jackie Maike
- 6-7 Pete & Jennifer Wagner
- 6-13 Mike Meggit & Tracy Overmyer
- 6-16 Don & Helen Hollis
- 6-19 Dave & Sarah Voelker
- 6-21 Jim & Kelly McClure
- 6-23 Travis & Carol Montgomery
- 6-24 Mark & Cindy Cole
- 6-25 Eric & Tammy Jahns

## Liberty Center

Again this month, I furnished the meal. The menu was: sloppy joes, potato salad, chips, fritos, pickles, fresh fruit, ice cream and brownies. We will see how our steps are going next month to re-enter society.

In Christ's Love,  
Audine Leeper



Jake Montgomery

“There are many ways that God has blessed me through Lindsey Trinity UMC. One way is all of the relationships that I have developed with the people of Lindsey Trinity. There are two very special people that I have developed a relationship with since I became a part of Lindsey Trinity. One of my relationships is with Glenn Baker and the other is Tim Arnold. My relationship with Glenn is one I will always care about and treasure, it's one of the most meaningful relationships I have. Also my relationship with Tim is a very important one. Tim has always been a cheerful, passionate, and generous guy, who is always there for me and I know I can count on. He accepted my request to be my mentor during my confirmation time. I also was confirmed at this church. The confirmation classes were very meaningful and I learned more about the Lord and being a Christian. Another way I am blessed by Lindsey Trinity is that it is a great church for the youth. I have been a part of the youth group and participated in their lock ins. They have wonderful leaders for the youth group and have many fun activities. Overall Lindsey Trinity is a great fellowship and during this epidemic, I have missed going to church every Sunday. I miss having the interactions with the wonderful people that are a part of our church. For the many reasons I described above, Lindsey Trinity feels like home to me. I have been truly blessed by this church during my most impressionable years and am so grateful to have had the experiences I have had. I will miss Lindsey Trinity while I am in the Marines but I know I can always come and visit when I am home. Thank you, Lindsey Trinity.”

Jake Montgomery

# CONGRATS CLASS OF 2020



Isaac Smith

“Lindsey Trinity United Methodist Church has always been a very special place to me. Growing up in the church, God has been able to bless me in several ways through the past 18 years. It is this church where I was baptized, confirmed, and now a member. I’ve participated in many church groups and activities including: Children’s Church, Kids Choir, Kids Club, Big Club, Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, Youth Acolyte Program, church campouts, and Youth Fellowship. I cannot tell you where the time has gone, but I can say I will never regret doing any of these things.

I have been truly blessed by being a part of our church’s Youth Fellowship (YF) since sixth grade. I have always had lots of fun at the annual Box Village and “Lock In.” My favorite part has definitely been the opportunity to go on several mission trips as part of the Appalachian Service Project (ASP) teams sponsored by our church. On these trips, we are able to go do God’s work in communities that are less fortunate. We are able to spread His word and make a difference in other people’s lives just as much as they make a difference in ours. Through these trips, I have learned many great things but the biggest one I can take away is the service to others. I thank Tim Arnold and Eric Jahns for all of the opportunities they have given me and all that they have taught me as part of YF. Some of my life long best friends are the ones I was able to go through YF with in this church.

The members of our church are like a family to me. Everyone is very close and cares deeply for one another. For these reasons and many others, I really look forward to coming to church. God has blessed me by being part of such a great church family. Whatever direction life decides to take me in this next chapter, Lindsey Trinity will always hold a special place in my heart and be home. “

Isaac Smith

# PRAYER

## FOOD PANTRY



The Sandusky County Food Pantry is in desperate need of so many things. Unfortunately, they are overwhelmed with people who are in need. Please pray for all of those who are relying on the Food Pantry right now. Pray also for guidance about contributing to the Food Pantry.

For those of you who are interested in dropping food off at the Food Pantry, the address is:

129 Bidwell Avenue  
Fremont, OH 43420  
(at the rear of the Share and Care building)

Open Monday - Thursday from 12 - 2:30 pm.

Thank you for all that you do to care for and serve others!

Missions Committee

## Lindsey Women's Prays! Walk



Join us for the Lindsey Prays Walk on June 27, at 8:00 a.m.

Our prayer group will be walking individually around Lindsey as we pray to lift up the health and safety of each and every person in our community. We read from the Stonecroft devotional prior to every walk. If you would like to receive the devotionals, please email your request to [lindseytrinity@amplex.net](mailto:lindseytrinity@amplex.net).

If you see us out walking and have prayer needs, please don't hesitate to ask for specific prayers.

All are welcome to participate!



## Prayer List

Please keep these people in prayer. If you would like to add someone, or join our prayer chain, please email: [cate.knipp@gmail.com](mailto:cate.knipp@gmail.com).

If you would us to remove someone's name from the list, please email [lindseytrinity@amplex.net](mailto:lindseytrinity@amplex.net).

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Jerry Beard  
Dennis Blackwell  
Chris Bloom  
Rich Bloom  
Julie Bloom  
Dan Brubaker  
Shawn Carter  
Steve Chacon  
Chris Charles  
Lorraine Chavez  
Sean Connors  
Tim Curry  
Liz Doust  
Jack Eppley  
Randy Eppley

Dick Fahle  
Family of  
Wes Farhbach  
Jim Freeman  
Ken Gahler  
Brian Geller  
Nathan Giles  
The family of Dwight  
Gnepper  
Lisa Haas  
Carlene Held  
Nilene Imke's mom  
Gladys Kuehne  
Dan Linder  
Carolyn Lipstraw  
Kathy Longanbach

Sara & Alex  
Mersing  
Steven Metheny  
Dave Miller  
Becky Minick  
Mark & Erika Montgomery  
Sharon Neifer  
Smokie Overmyer  
Joyce Pendleton  
Aja Pope  
Dale Reiter  
Eileen Rogers  
Family of John Roth  
Family of Pat Roth  
Lynn Salyer

Matt Sanders  
Walt Sanders  
Jim Scharer  
Sandy Schneider  
Howard Schroeder  
Connie Schott  
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Patti Tucker  
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