



Next Public Forum – TONIGHT, Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. The topic of this forum will be How Safe Firearm Storage Can Reduce Violence. Beth Foringer, coordinator from CeaseFire PA and former co-coordinator of the Western PA BeSmart campaign will share insights into the rise in gun violence, its connection to increased firearm sales, and how safe storage can reduce racial violence. **To register for this Forum, email: office@trinitywexford.org.**

This forum is sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church in conjunction with Faith in Action, consisting of St. Brendan's, Trinity Lutheran Church and the Unitarian Universalist Church of the North Hills.

The Nursery at St. Brendan's will open **Sunday, May 22** for the 10 a.m. service. The nursery is available for all children from 2 months to 4 years old while their parents attend service. Masks are optional for children (parent's choice); volunteers will be masked; social distancing between children will be maintained (3 feet); and all toys and surfaces will be cleaned. There will always be at least two attendants in the nursery.

At this time, we are relying solely on volunteers to staff the nursery. Volunteers who are 16 or older must have their clearances on file at St. Brendan's office. Please email Allison Kline, aaklrn@comcast.net, for information about obtaining clearances. Members who are 13 to 15 years old who wish to help, must volunteer with a parent who has their clearances.

Please sign up for a Sunday in the nursery to offer this service to our families on this link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B4QZWZ3W222eUOe5PHxIRR2rTzllhCVxpurHwwSyp4/edit?usp=sharing>.



Brendan's Boots. The parish hiking group will return to the trail on **Tuesday, May 24**, at Preston Park, a little-known gem in Butler County. Modeled after an English garden, the park features a large pond, meadows, footbridges and woods. Lunch will follow at W. Rick's Taproom. Participants will meet at the church at 9 a.m., then carpool to Preston.

Everyone welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski at twaseleski@comcast.net.

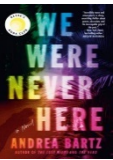


Face masks continue to be required in the Sanctuary and the Narthex. The social hall and small gatherings will be determined by the individuals involved.



If you have **any vases from church flower** deliveries please return them to the church for reuse. We have very few at the moment.

Also, please consider becoming part of our altar guild. We especially need anyone who attends the 10 a.m. service. contact Anelisa Tarrant if you can help or would like further information. The approximately once-a-month schedule can also accommodate "seasonal" participants.



The **St. Brendan's Book Club** meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the church library. Please join us for our next meeting on **June 2nd**, as we discuss "We Were Never Here" by Andrea Bartz. It's a mystery-thriller about two best friends who embark on a backpacking trip in Chile only to meet with deadly consequences. Described as "a nail biting, immersive whirl of a read" you won't want to miss this one! Feel free to contact Chris Botti at shadypatch@msn.com if you would like more info. Thanks!



St. Brendan's will once again participate in the **Pride Parade** on **June 4th**. It begins at noon at the Boulevard of the Allies and Grant Street in downtown Pittsburgh. This a great way to show the community that we are an inclusive faith community and support our LGBTQIA brothers and sisters. A group of us will meet in our parking lot at 10:30 a.m. to carpool. Sign up in the narthex or contact Marilyn 412-427-2715 or mimi15143@yahoo.com.



A huge thank you to all the parishioners who worked so diligently on the Garden of Hope -- from moving it to preparing the soil and planting last Sunday! It was quite a bit of hard work, but now we have our garden planted and ready to grow lots of vegetables to help those in need. For all of those who have signed up for watering and weeding, thank you for helping our garden grow. If you're not sure of the dates you signed up for, please check the [the garden sign up](#) or contact donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com.

For those of you who have volunteered to help harvest, we will be in touch as soon as we have an idea of harvesting dates.



Our Holiday Happening is back! On Saturday, November 19, we will hold our annual Cookie Walk AND this year we are bringing back our vendor tables. If anyone is interested in obtaining a table to sell their craft, please let Donna Aiello know ASAP donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com and she will get you the information.

We will also have a St. Brendan's table; you can donate any homemade items you have for sale, and St. Brendan's will make the profit. It's another way of helping St. Brendan's fundraiser.

Please put this date -- November 19 -- on your calendar for our next Annual Holiday Happenings, including Cookie Walk, vendor sales, soup sales and raffle!

Children's Corner



Growing up, my Grandmother Maud, was not a hugging person. She was not harsh or mean, she just didn't like to hug. But. She had a stuffed donkey, Pedro, and if we were afraid of the dark (like I am) or if there was a storm or something bad was happening, we could hug Pedro. Pedro heard all of my cousins and my secrets and fears and never said a thing.

When my Grandmother died, my mother asked me to go through her things, and I found Pedro. And Pedro moved in with me and continues to hear my secrets and fears. But when my sisters and brothers and cousins asked about Pedro, I would smile and say, "Pedro is safe, don't worry."



One Christmas, my sisters sent me a Donkey Christmas Tree ornament with a note, "We know where Pedro is."

It is a family story, but it is also how we would calm our fears when we stayed with our Grandmother and thunderstorms rolled over her house. We are all afraid at times. It is nothing to be ashamed of; even adults are sometimes afraid. Some of us may be afraid of the dark. Some may be afraid of the thunder and lightning that comes with a storm, or spiders and snakes. Can you think of other things people are often afraid of?

When Jesus told His disciples that He was going to return to His Father, they were afraid. What would happen to them? Jesus knew that His disciples were afraid and comforted them with these words. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. . . I am going away, but I will come back to you again. I will come and get you, so that you will always be with Me."

These words helped his disciples feel better and they are still a comfort for us today. Jesus asked God to send the Holy Spirit to comfort His disciples until the day when He returned. That includes you and me! What a wonderful gift Jesus has given us: peace of mind and heart. Whenever we are in the dark or in the storms of life, Jesus is with us.

**Peace,
Mother Julie**

We celebrate April anniversaries:



2 Thaddeus Popovich	5 Wesley Bell	7 Rob Chappo	12 Terry Dezort
14 Sheila Bigelow	15 James Christenson	21 Gary Basehore	22 Nikki Konley
25 Joan Beatrous	26 Reese Long	27 Duke Aretz	27 Sharon Hlawati
30 Amy Boyd	30 Dean Peters	30 Charlotte Pierce	

We celebrate April Wedding Anniversaries.



11 Emmalynne & Michael Waseleski	17 Sheila Bigelow & James Roche
18 Julia & Michael Wick	25 Connie & Richard Weichel
27 Chris & Roger Botti	30 Kate & Keith Heston

Evening Prayer and Taize services: The last Wednesday Taize service will be **Wednesday May 25**. Due to attendance attrition, these services will no longer be offered. In the fall, if there is interest and commitment, we will consider offering these services again. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Darrell at johnsdj31@verizon.net or 412-337-3041.



May Ministry Calendar 2022

Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Nursery	Hospitality
May 15 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Linda Limberis 2 nd Kate Heston P Donna Aiello	Ellen Groves Libby Juel	Kathy Miller Dave Miller	Eric Helmsen Kate Heston	Cameron Grosh	n/a	Volunteer needed
May 18 Wednesday 7:00 pm	TBD	Darrell Johnson	~	~	~	~	~
May 22 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Sunday, 4th	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st (Children) 2 nd (Children) P (Children)	Joan Klinefelter Anelisa Tarrant	Annemarie Malbon John Appledorn	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Mary Bertucci	Allison Kline Avery Kline	Volunteer needed
May 25 Wednesday 7:00 pm	TBD	Darrell Johnson	~	~	~	~	~
May 29 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Ann Vinski 2 nd Annemarie Malbon P Marilyn Mulvihill	Dotti Antonucci Tammy Spoonhoward	Allison Baierl Joyce Donadee	Mike Wick Donna Aiello	Kate Heston	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

June Ministry Calendar 2022

Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Nursery	Hospitality
June 5 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 st Marilyn Mulvihill 2 nd Dean Peters P John Appledorn	Ellen Groves Dotti Antonucci	Donna Aiello Susan Shields	Eric Helmsen Donna Aiello	Ruth Horton	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
June 12 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ellen Groves 1 st Alan Schneider 2 nd Tony Turo P Dean Peters	Sylvia Affleck Janice Moore	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston John Appledorn	Donna Aiello	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
June 19 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Linda Limberis 2 nd Tim Austin P Kate Heston	Dottie Antonucci Phoebe Juel	Dean Peters Wesley Bell	Allyson Baierl Mike Wick	John Appledorn Neil Galone	Allison Kline Avery Kline	Volunteer needed
June 26 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Sunday, 4th	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st (Children) 2 nd (Children) P (Children)	Kathy Miller Libby Juel	Kathy Miller Dave Miller	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Cameron Grosh	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed



ST. BRENDAN'S MISSION

Jesus said, "I have come to give life – life in all its fullness." John 10:10.
Our mission is the realization of fullness through:
the worship of God; service to the world;
active concern for each other;
and education to expand mind and spirit.

VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: Cameron Grosh
Co-Jr. Wardens: Donna Aiello & Ruth Horton
Adult Formation: John Appledorn
Audio-Visual Technology: Sean Sweeney
Communication: Sean Sweeney
Finance: Mary Bertucci
Fundraising: Kate Heston & Lauren Ramakrishna
Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston
Newcomers: Kate Heston
Outreach: Donna Aiello
Secretary/Clerk: Lauren Ramakrishna
Worship: Neil Galone
Treasurer: Roger Botti
Assistant Treasurer: Ellen Groves

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolytes: Anelisa Tarrant
Altar Guild: Anelisa Tarrant
Flower Ministry: Libby Juel
Sylvia Affleck
Scheduler: Kelli Cerra
Usher: Eric Helmsen

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Kevin Boyd
Book Club: Chris Botti
Book Discussion Club: Julie Smith
Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski
Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl
Carol Meese
Kathy Miller
Dinner Group: Janice Moore
Finance Chair: Mary Bertucci
Green Thumb Gang: Dan Moore
Historian: Ellen Groves
Holiday Arts & Crafts & Cookie Walk: TBD
Memorial Garden: John Appledorn
Merry Meal Makers (M&M's): Saundy Waseleski
Reiki Ministry: Melanie Popovich
Rental: Marilyn Mulvihill
Scholarship: Allison Kline
Ann Vinski
Mike Wick
Sticks & Strings: Joni Reis
Debbie Jennings
Web Site: Kelli Cerra

OUTREACH MINISTRY LEADERS

Adopt-A-Highway: Tom Waseleski
CRIES Advocacy: Ellen Groves
ESL: Tim Austin
Joyce Donadee
Garden of Hope: Annemarie Malbon
Justice Ministry: Ginny Volponi
Miryam's: Julia Wick
North Hills Food Banks: Ruth Horton & Donna Aiello
Spirituality: Donna Aiello

ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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