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Supporting at risk children and elders with the love and services they deserve is one of the greatest gifts of kindness you can share.

Through your support, the Global Ministries Child and Elder Sponsorship Program partners with agencies and churches all over the world to provide services that create opportunities and affirm dignity.

Please consider making a life changing difference for both you and a child or elder.

Child Sponsorship Opportunities—The Child Sponsorship program works closely with partner organizations that have long-established links with the UCC and Disciples. Collaborating with partners, your gifts to Child Sponsorship provide food, basic health care, clothing and in some cases housing, school fees, uniforms, books and training.

Elder Sponsorship Opportunities—Global Ministries Elder Sponsorship centers assist elders who have no place to live and no family to care for them. Your sponsorship of an elder helps provide shelter, medicine, and meals. Elders are given the opportunity to live out their lives in dignity and solace in an environment where they feel loved and cared for.

For more information on these Global Ministries Programs, please use the following web address: http://www.globalministries.org/child_sponsorship

Getting to Know :

Trinity United Church of Christ

17 N. Centre Ave., Leesport, PA 19533



Trinity United Church of Christ dates back to February 1867 when citizens of Leesport met to design building plans for Reformed and Lutheran denominations to worship. The five building committee members reported in March 1867 that they had \$3,631 donated to begin construction which subsequently started in July of the same year with a corner stone laying ceremony. Having no formal congregation, the members of the building committee served as the foremen of the project. The church was incorporated November 7, 1867 as 'The Trinity German Reformed and

Evangelical Church of Leesport.' In 2017, the Trinity UCC congregation will hold a 150th Anniversary celebration.

Present day, the Trinity United Church of Christ of Leesport is led by Pastor Deborah Schwartz. In addition to weekly services, worship is held each first Saturday of the month at 5 pm. The Saturday services are open for anyone who cannot attend worship on Sunday morning or for those who appreciate a more informal experience. Trinity UCC members frequently hold game day events on Sunday afternoons in the winter and local hiking trips during the summer which are open to the community.

Trinity UCC sanctuary houses weekly Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Girl Scouts, and Weight Watchers meetings. Congregation members frequently give of their time volunteering for local community events such as Relay for Life, Leesport Community Days and the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry.



Prayers are requested for Trinity United Church of Christ in Leesport and Rev. Deborah P. Schwartz.