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Trinity Lutkern Church 5th & Chestnut Street Perkasie, Penna, 18944 District 47

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Only two mentionable changes have occurred since the original archives report was submitted. 1) the group decided to add a tradition meeting after each 12 step cycle. 2) In January of 1994 the group voted to go "smokeless" at the church's request. This was one of the last smoking meetings in the immediate area, so the transition was not too difficult.

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