

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predications provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

Welcome all visitors! We welcome all who worship with us. May the joy of Christ's presence and the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and hope! We are honored by your presence and trust that you will join us in the praise and worship of God. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. If you are interested in church membership, please give your name and telephone number to Pastor Rankin.

Welcome to the Eucharist! All who seek to follow Jesus and who seek the gifts Jesus offers us are invited to share in this sacrament of Holy Communion. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.

Prayer As You Enter: Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



TRINITY U.C.C. VISION STATEMENT:

All will know the love of God through the teachings of Jesus!!

Trinity U.C.C. is called by God to:

- --Share God's love with our community
- --Serve God's children
- --Bring healing and wholeness to those in need
- --Share the Gospel in liturgy, music and study

BY YOUR SILENCE OTHERS MAY HEAR THE STILL SMALL VOICE OF GOD!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

CALL TO WORSHIP

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Come, let us present ourselves before God. Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.

Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers. We find strength for living as we praise God.

God grants our petitions and gives us peace. The counsel of our God gladdens our hearts.

In God's presence there is fullness of joy. As we meet together, we are encouraged and comforted.

Jesus invited saints and sinners to dine with him and to be his friends.

Therefore, Jesus invites us, saints and sinners, to this sacred meal, in which we can taste and see, experience and remember the goodness of our God.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sins against God and one another.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins together.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

ADORATION AND PRAISE

ACT OF PRAISE

O God, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Let us pray the collect together.

Source of all wisdom, who in Jesus Christ offers to teach us the way of love, we have asked for signals and signs of your presence and your leading but have often been led astray by our own desires and interpretations. Testify to us now that we may hear your counsel above the clamor of other voices and, hearing, respond as you intend. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Daniel 12:1-3

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

PSALTER Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.

Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 10:11-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Mark 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

"Provoking One Another to Love"
(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

Pastor Rankin

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

We give in the spirit of Jesus, whose whole life was committed to proclaiming your love, gracious God. May our lives give evidence that we understand the care and compassion you have for all people, near and far, rich and poor. Our offerings today are a token of all the gifts we now infest in the work of your realm that is forever, with beginnings among us now. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and for abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We give you thanks that in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to live in our midst, to share in our suffering, and to accept the pain of death at the hands of those whom Jesus loved. We rejoice that in a perfect victory over the grave you raised Christ with power to become sovereign in your realm. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to gather your church by which your work may be done in the world and through which we share the gift of eternal life. With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy your holy name.

Holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God, Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

The Bread of Life, broken for us.

The cup which we share is the cup of the New Covenant written in our hearts and witnessed by Jesus.

The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.

RESURRECTION ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

(Those who wish to come forward will be invited by the pastor. The pastor will serve you the host, saying, "The Body of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" The assistant will present you with the cup, saying, "The Blood of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" Grape juice is in the chalice with the cross and wine is in the other chalice. If you need the pastor and assistant to come to you, please indicate that to someone near you or the pastor. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements in the narthex and commune in your pew. The pastor will offer a blessing everyone has communed. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.)

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

O God, in the washing of water you set us free from the power of sin and death. Unite all the baptized in the covenant you have made with us, as we strive for your justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

By your merciful might you sustain all creation. Stir us from complacency with the harm we inflict on the earth, and urge us to adopt sustainable ways of life that protect and restore our planet. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

With a selfless power you protect all who take refuge in you. As nations rise against nations, defend all who are displaced or affected by war or violence. Empower all people and nations to pursue peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Through the years you have gathered your church and this community for worship, fellowship, formation, and service. Enable us to look beyond the walls of our building to perceive where you are calling us forward. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

In your presence you give fullness of joy. Care for all for whom joy feels distant. Be present with persons experiencing depression, anxiety, addiction or any mental illness. Bring them healing and wholeness. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

By your word and sacraments, O God, you have given us a foretaste of the new heaven and new earth that will be ours forever. Strengthen us in this vision that we might draw others to believe in the hope that is ours, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by Janet Harriger in memory of birthdays of her brother Miles and her mother Dorothy.

The Worship Aids in memory of Donald Huber by his wife and three daughters.

Ministering Today

Pastor Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin

Lector Diane Rice

Money Counters Bud & Kathy McCarty, Jeff Hackenberger, John Shelsky

Altar Guild Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy, Hedwig Hunsicker

Building Trustee Pat Sensenig

Koinonia Gretchen Leinbach

Ministries Card Preschool Called to Care Nancy Enders

Visitation JoAnn Mowrer

This Week at Trinity Church (Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2 p.m.)

11:30-1:00 PM – Preschool Lunch Bunch Monday

7:00 PM - SOT Choir/8:15 PM - Bells

Tuesday 1:00 PM – Prayer Shawl

7:00 PM - Consistory

Wednesday 7:00 PM – Christian Ed.

1:30 PM – Pinochle Thursday

Friday 11:00 AM—Shaab Memorial Service at DeBord Funeral Home

8:00 PM – Alanon/AA Saturday 7:45 AM – Eucharist Sunday

9:00 AM – Sunday School

10:00 AM – Koinonia 10:30 AM – Eucharist

After 10:30 Service-Meals With A Mission

Rev. Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe, Guest Preacher

Worship Attendance, November 10 7:45-12 10:30-71

TOTAL - 83

Sunday School 19

Happy Birthday!

Today – Megan (Eyer) Good Monday – Stan Seachrist Tuesday – Donna Zirkel Thursday – Diane Minnich Friday – Rev. Bob Bistline Saturday – Naomi Brian

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Rhonda Hartenstine **Janice Jenkins Betsy Bailey**

Betty Fogle Denise Huggins Bob & Marlyn Wible Don & Pat Miller Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman Harry Himelwright Scott & Jane Owens Dr. Janet Harriger Joann Peck

The Lehman family Mary Lou Shaab Carmen & Jerry Richards

Donna Wolf & Family George & Ellie Latsha Lainie Christensen

Sam Minder III Erika Otthofer Hank Fox

Donna Zirkel Danielle Huggins Holbein Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser

Betty Tyndall and family Kathleen Sensenig Adams Michael McDonough

Kelsey Minnich Burgo Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline Rev. Ken & Marilyn Trauger Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman

Joann & Dawn Garvin Ron Becker

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family of Doug Shaab

The family of Rev. David Gockley

The family of Jack Williams (brother of Autumn Shenk)

The family of Dianne Sick (friend of Judy Chapman)

Dan Congelton (friend of Nancy Enders)

Audria Husted (granddaughter of Chuck & Sue Husted)

Cindy Greiman (friend of Betty Fogle)

Alice Palmer (friend of Rhonda Hartenstine)

Carmen Sweigert (friend of Rhonda Hartenstine)

Glenn Wible (nephew of Bob & Marlyn Wible/cousin of Lon Wible)

Diana Landefeld (niece of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christesen) & Joppatowne School

Joe Harriger (brother of Janet Harriger)

Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)

Carol Hooper (sister of Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen)

Marlene Harlow (friend of Gail Kogut)

Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

Kaitlyn, Ben, and Lucy Miller (family of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)

Barbie, Jon, and Will Bundy (family of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)

Rev. Jim Martin (Rev. Dr. Rich & Lanie Christensen's former pastor)

Ken Hoshauer (husband of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Kurt Kalbach (brother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Mary Call (mother of Rev. Dr. Carrie Call)

The Herr Family (Former Trinity Preschool Family)

Sharon Brown (sister of Sandy DeLong)

Chris Rice (nephew of Diane Rice & Karen Olley)

David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)

Annette Stork (niece of Pat Sensenig)

Logan Davis (husband of Hillary Bossert-Davis)

Jean Weglarz (neighbor of Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline)

Melby Bush (friend of Joan Sensenig)

Harvey & Dianne Sick (friends of Judy Chapman)

Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)

John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)

James Malone & family

Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)

Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig)

Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)

Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)

Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)

Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law)

Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

OTHER CONCERNS

Victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton World Peace

THE NOVEMBER PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building.

POINSETTIAS: Forms to order poinsettias are available on the table outside the office. **The deadline to order is TODAY.** The cost for each poinsettia is \$6.00.

THE PRAYER SHAWL will be meeting on November 19 at 1:00 p.m. and will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

DEVOTIONALS: The October-December edition of These Days are available on the table across from the church office or on the lower level by the portico entrance.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1:30 PM Sign-up sheet on table outside office

TRINITY'S MEALS WITH A MISSION—NOVEMBER 24: Trinity will again be assembling meals for our Shut-In members and other at home families. This meal will be the weekend before Thanksgiving - and we are planning a Thanksgiving themed menu. If you are able to help out preparing the meal or are able to deliver the meal, please sign up on the sheets in the Narthex. Hands of all sizes are welcome to help. We will assemble after church until about 1 PM. It shouldn't take more than an hour. Delivery will be immediately following preparation.

If you have any questions, please contact Deb Lichtenwalner at 717-203-9506.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT TEMPLE BETH EL

Cantor Carol Chesler and the members of Temple Beth El (1836 Rohrerstown Road) have invited the area congregations to participate in an Interfaith Ecumenical Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. Clergy in the East Petersburg area will be participating in the service. Ron & Donna Denlinger and Carmen Richard will provide music for the service. The members of Temple Beth El will host a fellowship time after the service.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: We will have a Service of Word & Sacrament on Thanksgiving Eve (November 27) at 7 p.m. We are in need of two greeters and four ushers! Contact the church office if you are willing to help!

ADVENT GATHERING ON NOVEMBER 30



We will prepare Trinity Church for the Advent/Christmas season on November 30. The gathering will begin with light breakfast at 8:30 a.m. After breakfast, we will decorate the church for the season. Our time will conclude with a brief service in the sanctuary.

All help in making this happen is greatly appreciated as we decorate our church for the season. Sign-up sheet is on the table across from the office.





AMERICAN MUSIC THEATER CHRISTMAS SHOW

We have reserved seats for the American Music Theater Christmas Show on Saturday, December 14th. The cost to see the show is Adults \$43, students \$22. To reserve your seat use the sign-up sheet on the table outside the office. For more information, speak to Jeff Hackenberger.

GRIEF GROUP: Since the first grief group ended in September, Pastor Rankin would like to form another group(s) beginning soon. If you are interested in this small group, look for the sign-up sheet across from the church office. Contact Pastor Rankin if you have any questions.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SUPPORT: We recently heard a presentation by Donna Geisler and Dr. Bill Lovett about their medical mission work in the Dominican Republic. The Board of Deacons decided that the Undesignated Funds from the recent Our Gifts to Others offering will support this mission project.

KOINONIA/SUNDAYMORNING FELLOWSHIP: We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments. The drinks/coffee will be taken care of for you! The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen counter. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes. Coffee is always available between 7:45 service and Sunday School.

"I PROMISE" FORMS are still being accepted! We hope that you will submit the forms to help us plan for our ministry in 2025. Extra forms are available on the table across from the church office!

SERVERS NEEDED: We are in need of greeters, ushers, and nursery care volunteers for the 10:30 worship service. Please contact the church office if you are interested in serving as an usher or greeter. Please contact Betty Fogle if you are interested in serving as a nursery attendant (717-471-1026 or bettsfog@comcast.net).

LANCASTER ASSOCIATION'S HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PROJECT:

The Lancaster Association Mission & Ministry Committee (Diane Rice is a member of the committee) is looking for volunteers to partner with the Lancaster-Lebanon Habitat for Humanity.

- 1. Providing some folks to volunteer at Habitat's newly constructed ReStore home improvement store and donation center on Manheim Pike. This would involve teams to help with the store purchases and stocking of incoming items. They are looking for volunteers for Wednesday, November 20. Speak with Pastor Chris if you are interested.
- 2. Providing teams to assist with some future construction finishing projects at a site in Lebanon County that is being built. **This would be done in the spring!**

WHITE GIFT SUNDAY ON DECEMBER 8



As in years past, we will share our blessings with others by bringing (unwrapped) Christmas gifts to the service. This is our special time of sharing our gifts with residents of Ephrata Manor and Bethany Home.

The residents are very appreciative of our caring and both homes are requesting gift card suggestions to better meet needs and interests.

Ephrata Manor (United Church of Christ Home)requests: Gift cards: Amazon, Dollar Tree, Wal-Mart, VISA/MC, Giant Food Stores, or CVS.

Bethany Home requests:

Low cut socks: men and women • Pajamas • men's athletic shorts: sizes sm-xl • waterproof mattress cover - twinXL • comforters • unisex comforters • baking sheets & pans • fabric paint • paint pens • paintbrushes • washi tape • scratch art paper • calligraphy pens and inks • rubber stamps & inkpads

Gifts Cards: Lowes, Home Depot, Michaels, Wal-Mart, Target, Amazon, Wawa, Turkey Hill, Giant, McDonald's & Domino's Pizza.

Please include Trinity U.C.C Church and address and/or individual along with your card.

Gifts will be received at both services on December 8. The children will collect them during the 10:30 service. Thank You!



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2024 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: November 24, December 8, 15 & 29. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are December 24 & 29. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

TRINITY PRESCHOOL COLLECTION

Trinity's Preschool is again looking for some help from the congregation! We are very thankful for your continued support. Here's the list of items needed!

Magnetic Bingo Chips Stickers (Any kind!) Dry Erase markers (Wide and skinny) Cotton Balls Aluminum Foil

Donated items can be placed in the box near the church office!!!



Concert/Desserts

Featuring Trinity Church Musicians

Sunday, December 8, 2024 Concert – 2:00 PM

Desserts Following The Concert

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TAKE-OUT AND CURBSIDE AT THE ABOVE NUMBERS

Before you pay your bill, please mention Trinity United Church of Christ and 10% of your bill will be donated to Trinity.

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Psalm 16

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. 12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [15And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶"This is the covenant that I will make with

them

after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," ¹⁷he also adds.

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. 24And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."