



*Blessed are you
who weep now*

LUKE 6:21

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory

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.*

HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES are located in the Narthex!

Prayer As You Enter : *Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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.**

Blessings and woes, sorrows and joys—life has called us here.

Bless us, O God, to live in your love.

Saints and sinners, friends and foes—life has called us here.

Bless us, O God, to live in your love.

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.

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

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 sin in the presence of God and one another.

Faithful God, you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts and bring us to new life. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, 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 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Let us pray the collect together.

O Wisdom from on High, grant us your spirit of wisdom and knowledge, that we may hear your word and bear the fruit of its power. Open the eyes of our hearts, that we may discern the hope to which we are called. Set free the spirit within us, that we may share the riches of your glorious, powerful love throughout the world. Mark us with the seal of your Holy Spirit, that we may be your children, walking the paths of blessedness with the saints who have gone before. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALTER

Psalm 149

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.

Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.

Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands, to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

To bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron, to execute on them the judgment decreed.

This is glory for all his faithful ones. Praise the Lord!

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

“Who Are These Saints?” *(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

Pastor Rankin

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, QUESTION #1)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I belong, both body and soul and in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful savior Jesus Christ, who has totally paid for all my sins with his precious blood and completely liberated me from the power of the devil, and who takes care of me so well that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. In fact, everything must work together for my salvation. Besides this, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready to live for him from now on. Amen. (Translated by Dr. Lee Barrett, Lancaster Seminary Professor)

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

O God of the pilgrim's way, we give thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of God's love at work in the world. As we pray, we know that we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses.

Yet even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

We remember with thanksgiving the following members(*), relatives and friends who have entered the Church Triumphant since last November:

Rev. David Gockley*

November 2, 2024

Paul Fogle

November 5, 2024

Friend of Trinity Members

Carole Rice

November 11, 2024

Sister-in-law of Jack & Karen Olley and
Diane Rice

Douglas Shaab*

November 12, 2024

Jack Williams

November 25, 2024

Brother of Autumn Shenk

J. William Butler

December 9, 2024

Brother-in-law of Walt & Betty Tyndall

Donald Nissley

December 13, 2024

Brother-in-law of Jane Starr & Don Miller

Dolores Kurkowski

December 19, 2024

Sister of Pat Seachrist

Rose Heckel

December 20, 2024

Sister of Mid Gockley

Dr. Randall Platon

December 23, 2024

Member of the Trinity AA Group

Patrick Sharkitt
December 29, 2024
Father of Kathy Cooley

Dr. Walter Kreider
January 6, 2025
Brother-in-law of Jane Portser/
Cousin of Shelley Wagner

Briana Stoneburner
January 8, 2025
Friend of Stan & Pat Seachrist

Nancy Musser*
January 10, 2025

Janet Bucher
January 13, 2025
Friend of Trinity Members

Glenn Wible Jr.
January 22, 2025
Nephew of Bob & Marlyn Wible/
Cousin of Lon Wible

Norman Miller
February 13, 2025
Brother of Don Miller

Robert Richards
February 22, 2025
Brother of Jerry Richards

Deanna Rebuck
February 28, 2025
Niece of George Latsha

Pat Miller*
March 12, 2025

Rev. William Swisher, Jr.
May 5, 2025
Friend of Trinity Members

Shirley Wagner
May 12, 2025
Friend of Bud & Kathy McCarty

Tom Riley
May 15, 2025
Friend of Bud & Kathy McCarty

Darryl Myers
May 27, 2025
Nephew of Bob & Marlyn Wible/Cousin of
Lon Wible

Miguel Serrano
May 27, 2025
Son of Gretchen Woerner/Grandson of Ron &
Donna Denlinger

Lois Bowman
June 11, 2025
Mother of Sue Bowman

Virginia (Ginny) Gerhart
July 7, 2025
Friend of Sarah Paulukow

Jeff Sweigart
July 9, 2025
Friend of Dr. Janet Harriger

Naomi Nagy
July 15, 2025
Former member of St. Andrew Church &
Daughter-in-law of Rev. Paul Nagy (Pastor of
Trinity from 1940-43)

Nathaniel Wilcox
July 19, 2025
Granddaughter-in-law's father of Stan & Pat
Seachrist

Marjorie Derck
July 27, 2025
Sister of George Latsha

W. Christopher Rice
July 28, 2025
Nephew of Jack & Karen Olley and Diane
Rice

Dr. Stephen Gould
August 1, 2025
Friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen

Dr. Philip Billings
August 20, 2025
College Professor of Pastor Rankin

Rosalla Hollenbach
September 4, 2025
Mother of Dr. Rob Hollenbach

Rev. Dr. Charles "Chuck" Maxfield
August 20, 2025
Seminary classmate of Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen

Rolf Morris
September 29, 2025
Brother of Rev. Sandy Morris

Betty Lenker
August 21, 2025
Sister-in-law of Jack & Charlene Cristy

Dolores (Dolly) Teasdale
October 5, 2025
Aunt of Donna Geisler

Gerald Brandt
August 26, 2025
Friend of Stan & Pat Seachrist

Dr. Ike Obioma
October 8, 2025
Friend of Chuck & Sue Husted

Deb Wealand
August 31, 2025
Sister-in-law of Denise Pfeiffer

J. Michael Hoffer
October 21, 2025
Brother-in-law of Kathy Pilsner

Betty Wolfgang
September 3, 2025
Grandmother of Stan & Pat Seachrist's granddaughter

Shirley Gehr
October 23, 2025
Friend of Pat & Stan Seachrist

THE UNISON PRAYER

We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, and now for adding us who celebrate the love of Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, exciting us to love, in anticipation of an eternal reunion. With them we praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Blessed are these gifts when they bring hope to the poor, food to the hungry, and comfort to the sorrowful. May these gifts be blessed, O God, as they become blessings to a world in need. In Christ's name, we pray. 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.

We give you thanks, holy one, almighty and eternal God, always and everywhere, through Jesus Christ, the only one begotten by you for all time, by whom you made the world and all things. We bless you for your continual love and care for every creature. We praise you for forming us in your image and for calling us to be your people. Although we rebelled against your love, you did not abandon us in our sin but sent to us prophets and teachers to lead us into the way of salvation. Above all, we give you thanks for the gift of Jesus, our savior, who is the way, the truth, and the life. In the fullness of time, you came to us and received our nature in the person of Jesus, who in obedience to you, by suffering on the cross, and being raised from the dead, delivered us from the way of sin and death. We thank you for the Holy Spirit who leads us into truth, defends us in adversity, and gathers us from every nation to unite us in one holy church. Therefore, with the entire company of saints in heaven and on earth, we worship and glorify you, God Most Holy.

Holy, 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!

RECEIVING THE GIFTS OF GOD

(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 do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements at the back of the sanctuary and commune in your pew or ask someone near you to have the pastor and assistant come to you in the 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.

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, elders, deacons, and lay leaders. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policies that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office this week. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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 **Denise Huggins**. Happy birthday today to my daughter, Danielle Huggins Holbein. You are a warrior.

The Worship Aids are given by **Terry & Carol Kratz** in thankfulness for all the support we received during Terry's surgery.

The Baptismal Font Flowers are given in memory of Dave Gockley. We miss you from **Ted, Mindy, & Mid**.

Happy Birthday!

Today – Danielle Holbein

Wednesday – Amber Gegg

Thursday – Andrew Cooley

Saturday – Joan Sensenig, Kayce Bair

Ministering Today

Pastor Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin

Lector Rev. Sandy Morris

Money Counters Ron & Donna Denlinger, Denise Pfeiffer, Steve Shenk,
Sue Bowman

Altar Guild Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy, Hedwig Hunsicker,
Nancy Enders

Koinonia Gretchen Leinbach

Building Trustee Steve Gold

Ministries **Card** Trinity Preschool
Called to Care Nancy Enders
Visitation JoAnn Mowrer

Attendance for Sun., October 26	7:45–17	10:30–84	TOTAL – 101
Sunday School	28		

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Monday 7:00 PM – SOT Choir/8:15 PM Bells

Tuesday Election Day

Wednesday Preschool Picture Day
7:00 PM – Executive Committee

Thursday Preschool Picture Day

Saturday 8:00 AM – Men's Breakfast
11 AM-1 PM – Craft Day

8:00 PM – Alanon/AA

Sunday 7:45 AM – Eucharist
9:00 AM – Sunday School
10:00 AM - Koinonia
10:30 AM – Worship
Following Worship – Congregational Meeting

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Donna Zirkel	Rev. Jack Esbenshade	Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman
Ron & Donna Denlinger	Rev. Dr. Carrie Call	John Shelsky
Janice Jenkins	Mid Gockley	Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman
Rhonda Hartenstine	Joann Peck	Scott & Jane Owens
The Lehman family	Mary Lou Shaab	Carmen & Jerry Richards
Donna Wolf & Family	George & Ellie Latsha	Himelwright Family
Sam Minder III	Lori Daly	Rev. Bob Musser
Pat Seachrist	Erika Otthofer	Danielle Huggins Holbein
Betty Fogle	Betty Tyndall & family	Michael McDonough
Denise Huggins	Don Miller	Bob & Marlyn Wible
Ron Becker	Joann Garvin & Family	Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline
Arlene Hoxworth	Mary Lou Sturgis	Pastor Harry Royer
Hank Fox	Kathleen Sensenig Adams	
Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen		

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family of J. Michael Hoffer (brother-in-law of Kathy Pilsner)
Terry & Carol Kratz
Rev. Dr. Harry & Kathy Covert (former members of Trinity Church)
The Reed Family
Beverly Steele (friend of Joan Cash & Pastor Chris' 2nd grade teacher)
Greg Gable (husband of Rev. Sandy Morris)
Chase Heagy and Family (friend of Andrew Rankin)
Carol Feyock (friend of Carmen & Jerry Richards)
Janet Latsha (sister-in-law of George & Ellie Latsha)
Sherry Kline (former substitute organist at Trinity)
Lynnette Fritz (cousin of Betty Tyndall)
Andrew Hicks (husband of Katie Weeber)
Matthew Davis (brother-in-law of Hillary Bossert-Davis)
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
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)
David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)

James Malone & family

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)

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

OTHER CONCERNS

Victims of Disasters

World Peace

Church World Service & Other Faith-Based Relief Organizations

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

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.

THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES are available on the table in the Narthex.

POINSETTIAS: Forms to order Christmas poinsettias are available on the table outside the office. **The deadline to order is November 16th.** The cost for each poinsettia is \$6.00.

MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST MEETING: The men will be meeting at the Family Fare Restaurant for breakfast on **Saturday, November 8.** This is open to all men of the congregation! You are encouraged to invite other men to the breakfast.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The Knit in God's Love Prayer Shawl will be meeting on **Tuesday, November 18 at 1:00 PM.** They will continue meeting on the third Tuesday of each month. Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

TRINITY PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

A Delicious Way to Raise Money

Our fundraisers are designed to support your success, with a variety of homemade, high-quality baked goods made from fresh, local ingredients. You can feel good about selling them, and they're specially priced so you can raise funds for your organization.



Apple Crumb Pie

10" apple pie with crumb topping and locally grown apples



Shoofly Pie

10" shoofly pie made from Grandma Smucker's famous recipe



Pumpkin Pie

10" pumpkin pie made from our own homegrown pumpkins



**Bird-in-Hand
Bakery & Cafe**



Apple Dumplings

Pack of 2 apple dumplings made from locally grown apples



Pumpkin Bread

20 oz. loaf made from our own homegrown pumpkins



Mini Whoopie Pies

Pack of 12 pumpkin whoopie pies with white filling



Mini Whoopie Pies

Pack of 12 chocolate whoopie pies with white filling

Order Deadline: November 2

Pickup Nov. 14, 10:30-11:45 AM

NAME	PHONE #	Shoo-Fly Pie	Apple Pie	Pumpkin Pie	2 Pk. Apple Dumplings	Pumpkin Bread	Mini Whoopie Pies(12)	Mini Whoopie Pies(12)	Pumpkin	PAID	TOTAL
		\$ 17.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00			
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Trinity Preschool										PICKUP DATE: Friday, Nov. 14, 10:30-11:45 am	

LOOK FOR THE ORDER FORM ON THE TABLE ACROSS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE!



We invite all members to enjoy fellowship and holiday crafts. We have also invited families from the Trinity Preschool and the Scouts. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office!

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held after the 10:30 service on **November 9**. We will gather for lunch and then conduct the business of the church (2026 budget and election of leaders). The sign-up for the luncheon is on the table across from the church office. **The deadline is TODAY!**

Copies of the 2026 budget are available on the table across from the church office. Here is the slate of nominees from the Nominating Committee:

Unexpired Terms

ELDERS (2024-2027)

Kathy McCarty will be filling this unexpired term.

DEACONS (2024-2027)

2 Vacancies

Class of 2025-2028

ELDERS

George DeLong (first full term); Deb Lichtenwalner (first term)

DEACONS

Lon Wible (first full term); Vacancy

PRESCHOOL BOARD

Beth Bossert (second term); Sarah Paulukow (first term)

LEADERSHP SEMINAR HAS BEEN RESCHDULED: Due to a family member's memorial service on October 11, Myka Kennedy Stephens had to reschedule our leadership seminar. **It will now be on November 15 from 9-11:00 a.m.** The seminar for members of the Consistory and committees/boards will focus on leadership strengths. This seminar is for all members of the Consistory and the committees/boards of Trinity Church. We are opening up the registration for the seminar. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

HARVEST HOME will be on **November 16**. We will collect canned goods at both services for the Lancaster Food Hub (the children will collect the donations at the 10:30 service). The Food Hub needs the following items: Boxes or bags of rice, instant potatoes, soups (low sodium), peanut butter, canned tuna or chicken, and hamburger helper.



TRINITY'S MEALS WITH A MISSION

Nov. 16, 2025

TRINITY WILL AGAIN BE ASSEMBLING MEALS FOR OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND OTHER AT HOME FAMILIES. THE MEAL WILL AGAIN BE THANKSGIVING STYLE! IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP PREPARING THE MEAL OR CAN 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,
717-203-9506

THE VERONIS CROP HUNGER WALK UPDATE

The following people from Trinity Church participated in the CROP Walk on October 19: Sue Bowman, Hedwig Hunsicker, Diane Rice, Karen Olley, Mark Eyer, Kathy McCarty, Rev. Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe, and the Rankin family.

On behalf of the CROP Walk Planning Committee, Pastor Rankin announced that the walk will now be called The Veronis CROP Hunger Walk in memory of Father Veronis and in honor of the Veronis family.

Trinity Church has raised over \$7,000 so far for the CROP Walk. You can still give money to one of our walkers (checks should be made out to CWS/CROP) or online at

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/trinity-east-pete>.

Money is due to Mark & Chris Eyer (our coordinators) by November 2!



“I PROMISE” FORMS are still being accepted! We hope that you will submit the forms to help us plan for our ministry in 2026. Extra forms are available on the table across from the church office!



CLIMATE SUMMIT 2025

SAVE THE DATE!

NOVEMBER 7

Youth Art Show

4 PM - 7 PM

@ St. James Episcopal Church

Anti-Apocalypse Dance Party

8 PM - 10 PM

@ West Art

NOVEMBER 8

3rd Annual Climate Summit

9 AM - 3:30 PM

@ Lancaster County
Convention Center

get free
Climate Summit
tickets here:



for more info: regenall.org/events

TRINITY CHURCH IS ONE OF THE SPONSORS FOR THIS EVENT!!

GRIEF GROUP: The next session will be **November 19 at 1:30 p.m.** We continue to read Francis Weller's *The Wild Edge of Sorrow: Rituals of Renewal and the Sacred work of Grief*. If you would like to participate in the grief group, contact Pastor Chris or the Church office.



It's time to have fun and play Pinochle! Everyone is invited to come on **Thursday, November 20 at 1:00 p.m.** There is a sign-up sheet for the gathering on the table across from the church office. Bring a snack to share. We're happy to teach if you are new to this card game.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT TEMPLE BETH EL

The East Petersburg Interfaith Council is planning a Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 23 at 3:00 p.m. The service will take place at Zion Lutheran Church (corner of Broad and Lemon Streets). Cantor Carol Chesler from Temple Beth El will be the speaker. Rev. Sandy Morris and musicians from Trinity Church will participate in the service.

An offering will be received for the Hempfield Power Packs. Worshippers are also asked to bring the following items for the Power Packs.

16 oz peanut butter

Box of macaroni and cheese (no cups)

Canned fruit

Canned vegetable – corn or green beans



AMERICAN MUSIC THEATER CHRISTMAS SHOW

We have reserved seats for the American Music Theater Christmas Show on Saturday, December 6th. The cost to see the show is Adults \$43, students \$22. A sign-up sheet is available for you to reserve your seat. For more information, speak to Jeff Hackenberger.



LBC String Orchestra and Art Song Concert

Doris Hall-Gulati, Director

Sunday, November 2, 2025, 3:00 pm

2025/26

Highland Presbyterian Church

500 East Roseville Road
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Highland is conveniently located off
Oregon Pike just north of US Route 30.

Head north on Oregon Pike, turn right on
East Roseville Road, then right into the
Highland parking lot.



Lancaster Heritage Chorale

Barry Sawyer, Director

Sunday, December 14, 2025, 3:00 pm

2025 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. We have openings for worship aids (November 16 & 30) and chancel flowers (December 28). Look for the charts and the forms on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please submit the forms to Carol! **The 2026 charts are on the bulletin board in the Narthex!**

COPIES OF THE FALL NEWSLETTER OF THE U.C.C. HOMES are available on the table across from the church office!

You are invited to enjoy the following activities sponsored by the Lutheran Camping Corporation. Speak with Anne Rankin for more information!

2025 Lutheran Camping Corporation Events

Annual Quilt Auction at Nawakwa - November 2, 2025

Dinner Church at The Wittel Farm - November 2, 2025

Tuesday Morning Work Day at Nawakwa! at Nawakwa - November 4, 2025

Women's Craft Retreat at Nawakwa - November 7 - 9, 2025

Tuesday Morning Work Day at Nawakwa! at Nawakwa - December 2, 2025

Advent Day Apart at The Wittel Farm - December 6, 2025

Advent/Christmas in the Barn at The Wittel Farm - December 21, 2025

Winter Youth Retreat at Kirchenwald - January 2 - 4, 2026

Always check LutheranCamping.org for the most updated calendar!



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Advent Gathering

Saturday, November 29

8:30 – 11:00 AM

We will prepare Trinity Church for the Advent/Christmas season on November 29. **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. Watch for more information in the weekly bulletins! Sign-up sheet for this program is on the table outside the office.

SPECIAL COMMEMORATIONS IN THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Monday, November 3: Martin de Porres, renewer of society, died in 1639
Martin was the son of a Spanish knight and Ana Velazquez, a freed Black woman from Panama. Martin apprenticed himself to a barber-surgeon in Lima, Peru, and was known for his work as a healer. Martin was a lay brother in the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) and engaged in many charitable works. He was a gardener as well as a counselor to those who sought him out. He was noted for his care of all the poor, regardless of race. His own religious community described him as the "father of charity." His work included the founding of an orphanage, a hospital, and a clinic for dogs and cats. He is recognized as an advocate for Christian charity and interracial justice.

Friday, November 7: John Christian Frederick Heyer, died in 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died in 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died in 1918;
Three missionaries are commemorated on this date. Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. Ordained in 1820, he established Sunday schools and taught at Gettysburg College and Seminary. Heyer became a missionary in the Andhra region of India. During a break in his mission work he received the MD degree from what would later be Johns Hopkins University.

Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg (ZEEG-en-balg) was a missionary to the Tamils of Tranquebar on the southeast coast of India. The first convert to Christianity was baptized about ten months after Ziegenbalg began preaching. His missionary work was opposed by the local Hindus and also by Danish authorities in that area. Ziegenbalg was imprisoned for his work on a charge of converting the natives. Today the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church carries on his work.

Ludwig Ingwer Nommensen was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. In the early 1860s he went to Sumatra to serve as a Lutheran missionary. His work was among the Batak people, who had previously not seen Christian missionaries. Though he encountered some initial difficulties, the missions began to succeed following the conversion of several tribal chiefs. Nommensen translated the scriptures into Batak while honoring much of the native culture.

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷“As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

Psalm 149**SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23**

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness

of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Next Sunday's Readings: Job 19:23-27a; Psalm 17:1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38.

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