



*I will  
praise  
you*

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## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S DAY

### 10:00 A.M. SERVICE

**Today's Theme:** As we celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas, our gospel today confronts us with the death of innocent children at the hands of Herod. The birth of Christ does not remove the power of evil from our world, but its light gives us hope as we walk with all the "holy innocents" of past generations and today who have suffered unjustly. In our gathering around word and meal, God continues to redeem us, lift us up, and carry us as in days of old.

**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:** *O Lord God, you know that cannot place our trust in our own powers. As you protected the infant Jesus, so defend us and all the needy from harm and adversity, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

**PRELUDE**

*Love Came Down At Christmas*

**Murray Bradshaw**

**Sharon Levering**

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

OPENING HYMN

*Another Year is Dawning*

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM & INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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

**Amen. (sung)**

Welcome this new year as the time of God's presence.

God has gifted us with new possibilities.

**God is mindful of our needs and our strengths.**

**We receive the gifts needed for the tasks God gives to us.**

Glory to God in the highest! Come to the table of peace.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

*(SEATED OR KNEELING)*

### SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

### CONFESSION OF SIN

God of life, you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation. Have mercy on us. Where we are self-centered, open our hearts. Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)



## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## ADORATION AND PRAISE

### PRAISE VERSICLE and RESPONSE

Praise the Lord!

**The Lord be praised!**

Let us sing praise to God!

### PRAISE RESPONSE *O Come Let Us Adore Him*

1. O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore  
2. We'll praise His name for - ev - er, We'll praise His name for - ev -

Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord.  
er, We'll praise His name for - ev - er, Christ the Lord.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It features two vocal parts and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are provided below the notes.

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

### COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

God of the prophets, God of our dreams and our waking moments, God of our times of weeping and our days of gladness, lead us, we pray, from all that would destroy the best you have placed within us. Lead us toward those times and places where we can grow in the likeness of Jesus. Help us to discern the warnings and the invitations that come from you so our lives may be a beacon to lead others to fulfillment and joy; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

### LET THE CHILDREN COME

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 63:7-9

*God does not delegate divine intervention to a messenger or an angel. God's own presence brings salvation. The prophet and all who read these words join in celebrating God's gracious deeds. God trusts that God's people will not act falsely.*

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

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 148

### Refrain



Let all praise the name of the Lord,  
praise the name of the Lord. Let all praise the  
name of the Lord, let all praise the name of the Lord.

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**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!**

**Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!**

**Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!**

**Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

**He established them for ever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

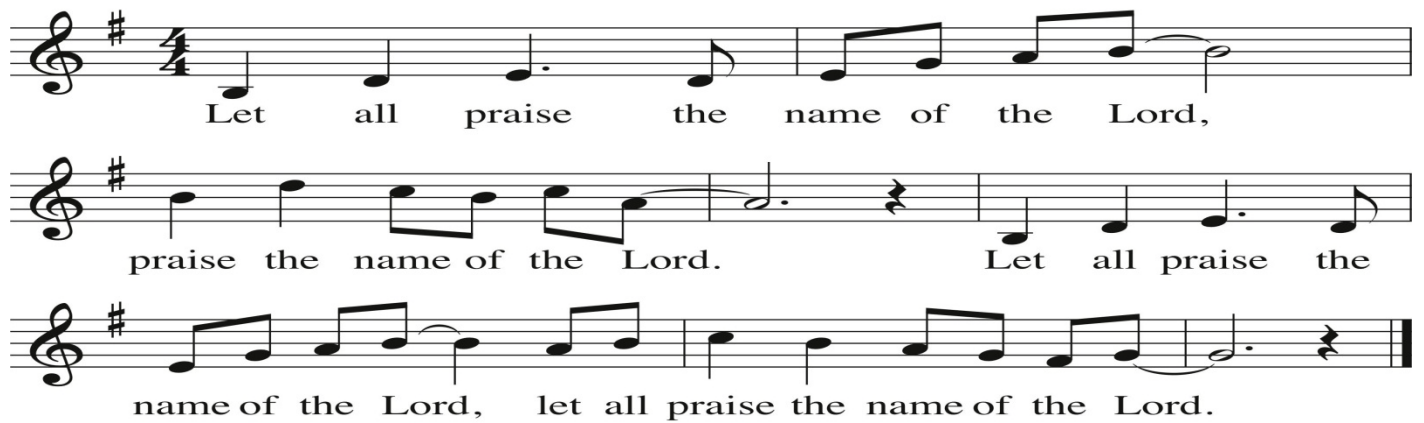
**Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!**

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

**Young men and women alike, old and young together!**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

**He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord**



## THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 2:10-18

*Through Jesus' suffering and death, the trail to eternal salvation has been blazed for us. We do not fear death, because he has conquered the power of death. Thus Christ, our merciful and faithful high priest, has the final say over the destiny of our lives.*

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

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 2:13-23

*In a dream, Joseph is warned to flee to Egypt to protect the infant Jesus from the jealousy of Herod.*

*Glory be to You, O Lord.*

## THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

*Praise be to You, O Christ.*

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

**SERMON "Praising God for 175 Years and Beyond!" Pastor Rankin**

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## 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

HYMN

*Angels, from the Realms of Glory*  
(PLEASE BE SEATED)

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## PEOPLE'S OFFERING

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*I Wonder As I Wander*  
Traditional Folk Tune


Arr. by Paula Dennes  
(used by permission)



The image shows a musical score for the offertory "I Wonder As I Wander". It consists of three staves of music in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 6/8. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." and ends with "Praise God, all creatures". The second staff continues with "here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host." and ends with "Praise". The third staff begins with "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. This, this is" and ends with a double bar line.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. — Praise God, all crea - tures  
here be - low. Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host. — Praise  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. This, this is

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Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674  
Music: 16th Century English Melody

*GREENSLEEVES*  
87.87 with Refrain

Text and tune adapted by Dean McIntyre, The United Methodist General Board of Discipleship, PO Box 340003, Nashville TN 37203-0003. Telephone 615-340-7073. Website <http://www.umcworship.org>. Email address: [music@gbod.org](mailto:music@gbod.org). Text and tune are public domain.

## OFFERING DEDICATION

Faithful God, when we recount your gracious deeds and praiseworthy acts, we want to imitate them. Because of your mercy and favor and the abundance of your steadfast love, we are moved to respond. Thank you for the gift of life, for all you have entrusted to us, for your watchful care over us, for surrounding us with love when loss and suffering overwhelm us. It is when we give with generous hearts that we begin to understand how much we have been given. Thank you, God. 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Mighty God, Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. In ancient days, you created us in your image to be reflections of your glory. When we fell short and dimmed the brilliance of your light shining through us, you held our hands and walked with us out of the garden into all the corners of the earth. When we are afraid to look upon your glory, you came as a quiet traveler, as a burning bush, and as a pillar of light. You called us to be people of light, to walk no longer in darkness, and always, you light our way. Even when we walk in darkness, you shine your light and offer your grace, awaiting our return to you. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reveal your glory and grace. And so, with your people on earth and all



the angels in heaven, we praise your holy name and join their unending hymn.

## SERAPHIC HYMN

### *Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heav'n and Earth*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of heav'n and earth; An - gels praise You with joy - ful song.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of heav'n and earth; Who has sent us Your on - ly Son.

9  
By Your gift You saved us. We lift our new Ho - san - a.

11  
Praise we with the an - gels now for all now are one.

"Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heav'n and Earth" text by Dina Slechta 2018; tune SICILIAN MARINERS Sicilian Melody, 1794.

*(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.

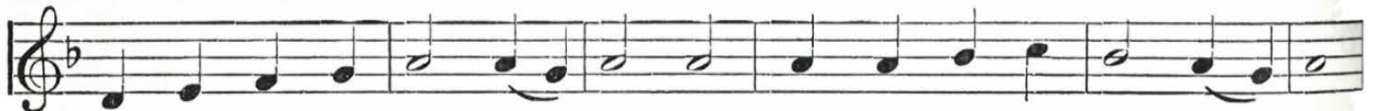
**The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.**

## COMMUNION HYMN *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

*Slowly and with reverence*



1. Let all mor-tal flesh keep si-lence, And with fear and trem-bling stand;  
2. King of kings, yet born of Ma-ry, As of old on earth He stood,



Pon-der noth-ing earth-ly - mind-ed, For with bless-ing in His hand,  
Lord of lords, in hu-man ves-ture—In the bod-y and the blood—



Christ our God to earth de-scend - eth, Our full hom-age to de-mand.  
He will give to all the faith-ful His own self for heavenly food.

*(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.**)*

## SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

*I do not presume to come to your Table, Lord Jesus, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your great mercy. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you, Lord, have promised always to have mercy. Therefore, I ask you to have mercy upon me and to enable me to receive your real life and presence through this Sacrament of Holy*

*Communion. Fill all of us with the gift of your Holy Spirit so that we may grow in love for you and for each other. Cleanse us of all sin. Increase our love for you and all your people. Enable us to know that you are here and that you invite us to enter into a deeper and fuller union with you, our Lord and our God. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### **SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST**

*I bow before you, Lord Jesus, in awe and wonder. You have blessed me with the gift of your life and presence. I am not worthy, but you invite me to come to be washed, loved, and empowered. For this great gift, I thank you with my whole being. As you live in me, mold me and transform me so that I may be a sign of your presence and a vessel through which your love touches the persons I encounter. May my heart and soul and all my words and actions give glory and praise to you, my Savior and my Redeemer. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*(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.

With wonder and thanksgiving for Christ's coming into the world, we pray for the church, the life of the earth, and the whole human family.

Merciful God, broaden the church's hospitality and welcome. Open our hearts to any in need of refuge and help, especially those who are persecuted. Prosper the work of Church World Service. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, restore the health of the soil, the seas, and the air. Increase the joy and praise of all living things. In the coming year strengthen local, national, and international efforts to prevent further harm to the environment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Liberating God, deliver your people from cruel oppression. Increase justice in every nation and keep the dream of freedom alive. In this new year bring the blessing of peace and put an end to violent conflict throughout the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Uplifting God, raise all who are bowed down by trouble and need, especially individuals and families living in poverty. Protect and nurture all children. Sustain those who parent, teach, and care for the young. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Abiding God, accompany this congregation in the coming year as we celebrate 175 years of ministry in the East Petersburg community and around the world. Increase our love for one another and the neighbors we serve. Enrich our worship and deepen our faith. Sustain all who minister in your name. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

### SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## CLOSE OF WORSHIP

CLOSING HYMN

*At Thy Feet*

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BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

POSTLUDE

*Dix*

Wayne L. Wold

Sharon Levering



**CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY**



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Joan Cash** in memory of C.L. Fountain.

The Worship Aids are given by **Betty Tyndall** in honor to all those who have contributed shawls, lap blankets, scarves, hats and pocket prayer cloths to our prayer shawl ministry.

**Money Counters:** Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, Jeff Hackenberger, John Shelsky

**Building Trustee:** Mike Wagner

**Trinity Bread:** Charlene Cristy

**Altar Guild:** Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy     **Lector:** Jeff Hackenberger

**Greeters:** Charlene Cristy, Karen Olley, Cherie Cataldi



**Ushers:** Steve Shenk, Dave Connor, Charlene Cristy, Scott Summers, Theodore Slechta, Zach Baynard, Karen Olley, Kathy McCarty

**Today we welcome back Sharon Levering as our guest organist.** She enjoys reading and working as a supply organist at various churches in Lancaster County. She also volunteers at the Historic Ephrata Cloister and is a singer with the Wheatland Chorale and Musical Associates, as well as a singer with the Ladies Chorus at Landis Homes Retirement Community. Sharon resides in Ephrata with her husband, Lamar.

**Thank you to Paula Dennes** for sharing her musical gifts with us today!

<b>Attendance for Sat., Christmas Eve</b>	<b>2:30-52</b>	<b>6:30-77</b>	<b>10:30-20</b>
	<b>TOTAL-149</b>		

<b>Attendance for Sun., Dec. 25</b>	<b>28</b>
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### **Happy Birthday!**

Today – Joan Cash, Pat Seachrist

Wednesday – Mary Ann Bradley

Friday – Koen Miller, Nancy Musser

Saturday – Shelby DeLong, Harry Himelwright, Delaney Minder

### **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

OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday 7:00 PM – Lancaster Association Mtg.

Friday Secretary on Vacation thru Wednesday (1/11)

Saturday 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA

Sunday 7:45 AM – Eucharist

9:00 AM – Sunday School

10:00 AM - Koinonia

10:30 AM – Eucharist

Undecorating after worship

**THE JANUARY PARISH POST** is available on both floors of the church building. **There is one correction to the Parish Post....**Shelley Wagner's birthday (January 31) is missing from the birthday list.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on January 2.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** The family of Rev. Frank Lantz, the family of Hilma Slechta (mother of Michael Slechta), the family of Dolly Rebuck (great-aunt of Kayla Brennan), the Bucher family (friends of Pastor Chris), Deb Lichtenwalner, Jodi Keller, George DeLong, Dave Trostle, Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner), Summerlyn Burger (granddaughter of Marge Burger), Danielle Huggins Holbein, Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens), Joann Peck, Mary Lou Shaab, Stan & Pat Seachrist, Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley, Donna Nesbitt (neighbor of John & Sarah Paulukow), Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel), Jane Portser, Tom Wolf (son of Donna Wolf), Judie Bistline, Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig), David and Brenda Haverstick (friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner), Jeannie & Bill Toy (sister & brother-in-law of Lainie Christensen) Carmen Richards, Donna Zirkel, Don & Pat Miller, Sam Minder III, Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser, Dick & Tillie King (friends of Stan & Pat Seachrist), Robin McComsey (neighbor of Himelwrights), Rylan Brent (relative of Chuck & Sue Husted), Hank Fox, Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman, Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer), Bob Kilgore, the Lehman family, Judy Barr (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner), Joann Garvin, Rev. Phyllis Baum, Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer), Rev. Paul Eyer (former pastor of St. Luke's), Mary Witmer, the Martin family, Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards), Monica Williams (friend of Sandy DeLong), 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), Nancy Patton, Mike & Judy Barr (friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner), Phyllis Zimmerman, Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards), John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law), Carl Roth (Gretchen Leinbach's brother), Lainie Christensen, Sandra Englert (niece of Betty Tyndall), Charles & Betty Booraem, Betty Tyndall and family, Dorothy Fasnacht, Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law), Bob & Marlyn Wible, Barry Moore (Donna & Ron Denlinger's brother-in-law), Judy Wisniewski (sister of Chuck Husted), and the Bonilla-Rodriguez family (friends of Trinity Church)

## CHURCH UNDECORATING SCHEDULED

Please plan to stay after the 10:30a.m. service on Sunday, January 8 to help remove and pack up Christmas decorations from the exterior and interiors of the church. Thank you in advance for your assistance in packing up decorations in preparation for next year! Contact a member of the Parish Life Committee (Anne Rankin, Kayla Brennan, Denise Pfeifer, Cherie Cataldi, Jeff Hackenberger, and Rachel Baynard) for more information.

**CAROL KRATZ WILL BE ON VACATION JANUARY 6-11.** You can reach Pastor Chris in the church office or on his cell phone.

**MEN OF TRINITY BREAKFAST:** The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on January 14 at 8:00 a.m. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

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

A flyer for a Pinochle event. The background is teal with a pattern of playing cards. The text is white and yellow. The word 'PINOCHLE' is in a large, stylized font in the center. Below it, the time '1:30 PM' is written. On either side, the words 'EVERYONE IS WELCOME!' are written in a bold, sans-serif font. At the bottom, a yellow box contains the date 'Thursday January 12' and a short paragraph of text.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

**PINOCHLE**

**1:30 PM**

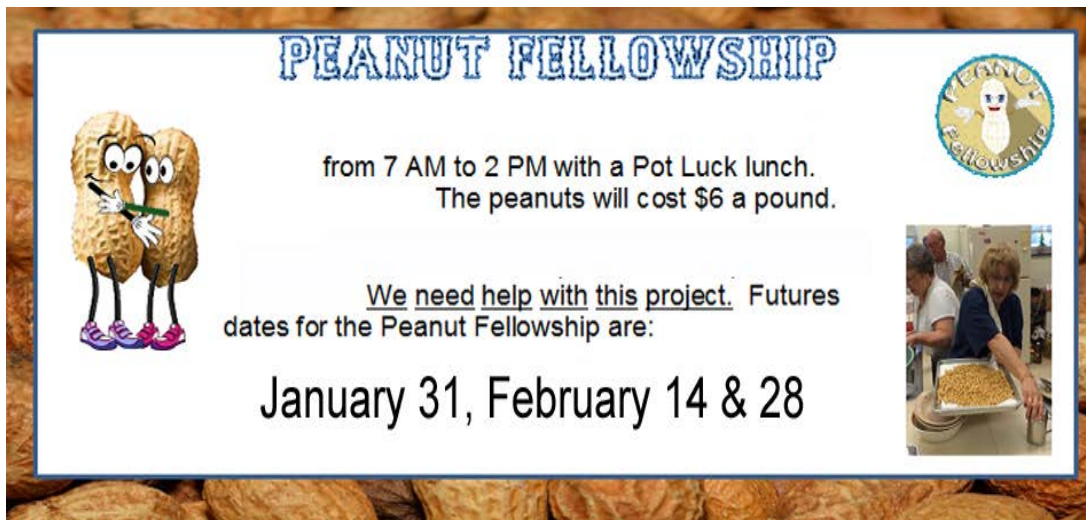
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Date **Thursday**  
**January 12**

All you have to do is sign up in the hallway near church office and bring a snack or drink to share. We're happy to teach players new to Pinochle.

## KNIT IN GOD'S LOVE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 PM. They 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.



**PEANUT FELLOWSHIP**

from 7 AM to 2 PM with a Pot Luck lunch.  
The peanuts will cost \$6 a pound.

We need help with this project. Futures  
dates for the Peanut Fellowship are:

**January 31, February 14 & 28**

The poster features a cartoon peanut character on the left, a circular logo with a peanut character on the top right, and a photograph of people at a table with a large bowl of peanuts on the bottom right.

**2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are available on the table across from the church office. Please help us by delivering envelopes to some of our homebound members!

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:** We are looking for worship volunteers on Sunday mornings. Contact the church office to sign-up!

**Greeters:** To welcome worshippers at the door for the second service.

**Ushers:** We have returned to passing the offering plate during the second service. We especially need ushers because some people have stepped down!

**Lectors:** Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 7:45 a.m. and/or 10:30 a.m. services.

## 2022 CELEBRATION

Join us after the 10:30 service on January 29 for a luncheon and celebration of our ministry in 2022. The Parish Life Committee is planning a short program as we look back over the past year in our annual reports and through a video slideshow. Look for more details about the luncheon in the bulletins. A sign-up sheet will soon be available on the table across from the church office.



## 2022 ANNUAL REPORTS

The 2022 annual reports are due to the church office by January 15!



**KOINONIA:** We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments and drinks/coffee. The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen coordinator. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes.

### **CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY**

The Evangelism Committee is revitalizing the Called to Care ministry this month. Meals will be provided for members after they have returned home from the hospital or during other critical moments. Transportation to medical appointments is also available. Anne Rankin will be the coordinator for January and February.



*News from the Parish Life Committee*  
**Dutch Apple Dinner Theater**

**Saturday, March 11**  
**11:30 AM Lunch/1 PM Show**

Trinity is going to Dutch Apple Dinner Theater to see "Sister Act". The Dinner and show, which includes all tips and fees is \$66.93. Children ages 3-12 are \$23.28 per child; students ages 13-18 are \$28.13 per student. Youth ministry funds will be used to pay for children & youth! Don't miss out on this exciting production.

We have ordered 32 tickets. Look for the sign-up sheet across from the church office. **The deadline to order tickets is February 9<sup>th</sup>.** Speak to a member of the Parish Life Committee for more information (Kayla Brennan, Anne Rankin, Cherie Cataldi, Denise Pfeiffer, Jeff Hackenberger, and Rachel Baynard).

### **2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS:**

Upcoming dates for chancel flowers are: January 15 & 22. Upcoming dates for worship aids are: January 15 & 22. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Contact Carol and look for charts for 2023 dates.



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Highland is conveniently located off Oregon Pike just north of Route 30.

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






**Deux Voix**  
 Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 7:00 pm

Formed in 2014, Deux Voix ("two voices") has amassed a sterling reputation with national and international acclaim. In their mission to expand the world of trumpet and organ, musicians Stephen Langham and Justin Distad are constantly adapting works from other genres and instrumentations.




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**Becoming Your Best Self: Introduction to the Enneagram**

HYBRID CONTEMPLATIVE

February 25, 2023  
 9:00 am - 4:00 pm



**BECOMING YOUR BEST SELF: INTRO TO THE ENNEAGRAM**

ELLEN KANAGY, LCSW    RHONDA MYERS, LPC

**Resiliency for Volunteers**

ZOOM ONLY VOLUNTEER

February 27, 2023  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

**RESILIENCY FOR VOLUNTEERS**






ANDREA CRILL    ROB FENNIMORE    LESLEY HUFF

**Using Volunteer Skills in the Real World**

ZOOM ONLY VOLUNTEER

February 9, 2023  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

**USING VOLUNTEER SKILLS IN THE REAL WORLD**






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**The Path Between Us: Enneagram Conference with Suzanne Stabile**

IN PERSON ONLY CONTEMPLATIVE

March 24, 2023 - March 25, 2023  
 6:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**The Path Between Us Conference**  
 An Enneagram and Healthy Relationships Conference

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March 24 6-9 pm  
 March 25 9am - 5pm



**Suzanne Stabile**  
 Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA

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**JANUARY 1, 2023**

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**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY**

**FIRST LESSON. Isaiah 63:7-9**

I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us, and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely"; and he became their savior in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

**SECOND LESSON. Hebrews 2:10-18**

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me." Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

**GOSPEL. Matthew 2:13-23**

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more." When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

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