



Today salvation has
come to this house

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

REFORMATION SUNDAY

7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: "God loves us all, both big and small," a child's verse declares. We are able to stand tall before God our righteous judge because in the person of Jesus "salvation has come to this house" – to our house today. In Christ Jesus God seeks us out to save us.

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! Though we give thanks for the events of the sixteenth-century Reformation that brought renewal to the church of that time, we pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

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: *Merciful God, gracious and benevolent, through your Son you invite all the world to a meal of mercy. Grant that we may eagerly follow his call, and bring us with all your saints into your life of justice and joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

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.

We have come to affirm our historic faith.

To worship the God of our mothers and fathers.

We have come to remember God's benefits to us the living.

To respond in thanksgiving to the mighty works of God in our lives.

We have come to affirm our trust in the God of all futures.

To whose name be blessing and honor, glory and power forever and ever!

As we come to the table of God's heavenly feast, let us prepare our hearts anew to be in communion with one another and the risen Christ.

We come, ready to partake of bread and cup; ready to commune with one another and with the living God.

Take hold of the life that really is life. Come, take your place at the table.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching him, in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Almighty and Most Merciful God, our heavenly Father, we humble ourselves before you, under a deep sense of our unworthiness and guilt. We have grievously sinned against you, in thought, in word, and in deed. We have come short of your glory. We have broken your commandments, and turned aside every one of us from the way of life. Yet now, O Most Merciful Father, hear us when we call upon you with penitent hearts, and for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us. Pardon our sins. Take away our guilt. And grant us your peace. Purify us, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, from all inward uncleanness, and make us able and willing to serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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)

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 REFORMATION SUNDAY

Let us pray together.

Almighty God, we find ourselves up a tree, seeking to observe you from a distance, while you compel us to come close enough to welcome you into our homes, our work, and our play. Come into our hearts to reorder priorities and save us from ourselves so we may be a blessing to those who need the love you will offer through us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming the righteous will live by faith.

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

THE PSALTER

Psalms 119:137-144

You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right.
You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me because my foes forget your words.
Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts.
Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth.

Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight.

Your decrees are righteous for ever; give me understanding that I may live.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

This letter attributed to Paul begins with a typical salutation, blessing, and words of praise for what God is accomplishing among the recipients. By remaining faithful and growing spiritually during hardship, the Thessalonian Christians have become witnesses to the glory of God.

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Luke 19:1-10

Jesus encounters Zacchaeus, a rich man who is also a lost sinner. Moved by Jesus' acceptance of him, Zacchaeus becomes a model of discipleship. In immediate response to being restored to God's people, Zacchaeus ministers to the poor and seeks reconciliation with those whom he has wronged.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

“The Impossible”

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.

PEOPLE’S OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Almighty God, all that we have is yours. All your children are our brothers and sisters. We are all inheritors of your grace. You have blessed us abundantly. Now bless what we have been moved to share, that our love for one another may increase. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. 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, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made. We thank you for all that sustains life, for all people of faith in every generation who have given themselves to your will, and especially for Jesus Christ, whom you have sent from your own being as our Savior. We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection, and for the calling forth of your church for its mission in the world. Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere.

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.

*(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 gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

Keep your church steadfast in your word, reforming God. Deepen our faith and increase our love in Jesus' name. Further ecumenical dialogue and partnerships and equip us for unified witness and service in the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Come to the aid of the poor, especially those suffering food and water shortages or loss of homes due to natural disasters. Halt the exploitation of the earth's resources and lead us to seek justice and rescue the oppressed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Guide leaders of all nations, almighty God. Heal divisions, build trust, and remove barriers that prevent collaboration and cooperation. Bring neighborhoods, cities, and countries together to work for the common good. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Reveal yourself to all who seek you. Empower the hospitality ministries of this congregation to welcome others to your feast of love. Foster generosity in our stewardship ministries to both our congregation and community. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Save from trouble those who struggle with hunger, homelessness, or addiction. Strengthen the overworked and give hope to those who do not have enough work. Console those who are burdened by illness or grief. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

BENEDICTION



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Denise Pfeiffer** in dedication to all donors and walkers for the CROP Walk.

The Worship Aids are given by **John and Sarah Paulukow** in memory of the October birthday of Sarah's father, Woodrow W. Barton.

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

Building Trustee: John Shelsky

Lector: Jeff Hackenberger

Altar Guild: Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy

Trinity Bread: Joan Sensenig

Greeters: Charlene Cristy, Karen Olley, Cherie Cataldi

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

Koinonia: Charlene Cristy

Attendance for Sun., October 23 7:45–16 9:30–62 **TOTAL – 78**
Sunday School Attendance 27

Happy Birthday!

Tuesday – Lynn Dull, Marilyn Trauger

Wednesday – Danielle Holbein

Saturday – Amber Gegg

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Today	4:00 PM – Brass Concert 6:00 PM – Confirmation Class
Tuesday	7 AM-2 PM – Peanuts(Deadline for Christmas orders) 7:00 PM – Property Committee
Wednesday	7:00 PM – Parish Life Committee
Thursday	7:00 PM – Lancaster Association Executive Committee
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

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY ON NOVEMBER 6: We will be remembering Trinity members and friends of our congregation who have died since November 7, 2021. If you have a name of a family member or friend that you would like to include in the service, please submit to the church office the name, date of death, and your relationship to the person. **The deadline is October 31.**



PRAYER CONCERNS: The family of Carl Kedl (friends of John & Sarah Paulukow), the family of Jon Ringer (friend of Pastor Chris), Larry Gerlach (brother of Dolly Barr), John Barr, Stan Seachrist, Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley, Hilma Slechta (mother of Mike Slechta), 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, Pat Seachrist, Don & Pat Miller, Sam Minder III, Marlin "Moe" Weaver (brother of Dottie Schadt), 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, Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner), 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), Danielle Huggins Holbein, Mary Witmer, the Martin family, Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards), Monica Williams (friend of Sandy DeLong), Pete & Nora Petrosky (friends of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer), Lynn Dull, 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), Rev. Frank Lantz, 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), Doris Leaman, and the Bonilla-Rodriguez family (friends of Trinity Church)

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

TODAY



QuintEssentially Brass

**Sun., Oct. 30, 2022
Concert 4:00 PM**

Trinity UCC

2340 State St.
East Petersburg, PA
(717) 569-1632

www.TrinityEastPete.org

Public Welcome
*Freewill Offering Benefits
Habitat For Humanity
And
Trinity's Ministry of Music*



Also join us for:

Thanksgiving Eve Service
Nov. 23rd 7:00 PM

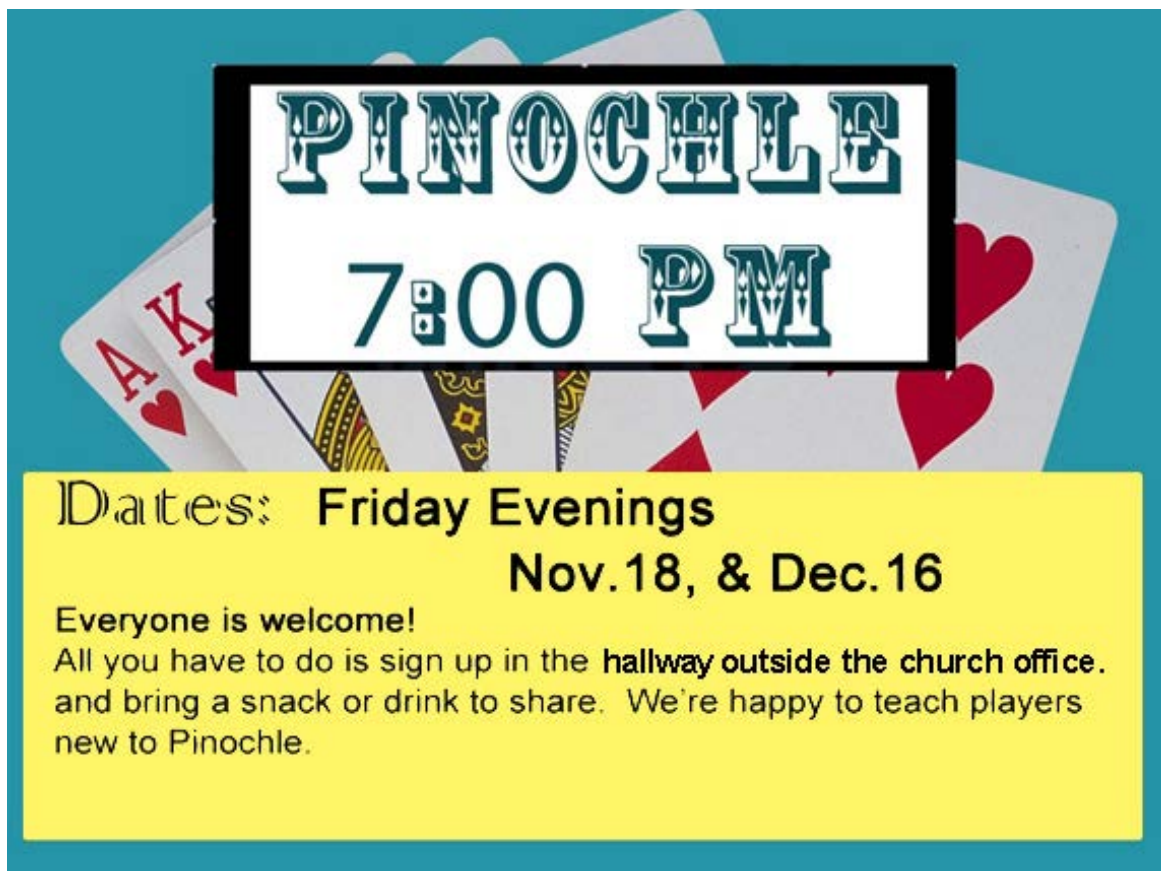
Christmas Concert
Dec. 4th 6:00 PM
Followed By Desserts



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.

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.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, November 15th in the Choir Room 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.



Dates: Friday Evenings
Nov.18, & Dec.16

Everyone is welcome!

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

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 are in need of a few more ushers to complete our teams.

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.

HARVEST HOME SUNDAY will be celebrated on November 13. We will collect canned goods for the Lancaster Food Hub. Please bring your donations to place in the Sanctuary during the service. Currently, the Food Hub needs the following donations:

Boxes or bags of rice, instant potatoes, soups, stuffing, hamburger helper meals, canned meats, vegetables and fruits.

PEANUT FELLOWSHIP has resumed from 7 AM to 2 PM with a potluck lunch. The peanuts will cost \$6 a pound. Please call Pat Seachrist (717-392-1427) to order peanuts. We need help with this project. Futures dates for the Peanut Fellowship are: November 1, 15 & 29. The order deadline for Christmas is Tuesday, November 1. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

2022 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS

Contact Carol in the church office to sign-up for chancel flowers and worship aids for 2022. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Upcoming dates for chancel flowers are: December 24. Upcoming dates for worship aids are: November 6, 27, December 11 & 25.

NEW NURSERY COORDINATOR: Betty Fogle has agreed to serve as our nursery coordinator. If you are interested in providing nursery care for children during worship, please contact Betty.

CROP MONEY: Trinity has raised over \$6,000 for the CROP Walk and the Consistory has approved an additional \$5,000 from our Hunger Ministries Fund.

You can still support our walkers by giving them money or going online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/trinity-east-pete>

Walkers: please return your money to Pastor Chris or Mark & Chris Eyer!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES:

Here is information about the various classes:

1. The Young Children's Class (5 years old and younger) will meet in the nursery on the second floor by the elevator.
2. The Primary Children's Class (1st-6th grades) will meet in the lower classroom and will be using the Seasons of the Spirit lectionary based curriculum.
3. The Middle/High School Class will be meeting with the adult class and use the youth study of *The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Faith* by Adam Hamilton. There will be opportunities for a youth breakout session during the classes.
4. The Adult Class will meet in Isenberg Hall and will be using *The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Faith* by Adam Hamilton.

NEW MEMBERS: Are you interested in joining Trinity U.C.C.? Do you know of someone looking for a church home? Please speak to Pastor Chris about joining our congregation.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on November 13 after the 10:30 a.m. service. The Consistory is planning to have a luncheon prior to the meeting. The agenda will include the presentation and adoption of the 2023 budget, election of lay leaders, and recognition of 50 year members.

The following is the report of the nominating committee:

ELDERS (2022-2025)

Donna Denlinger (Extension of 1 year)

Sally Rodenberger (1st term)

DEACONS (2022-2025)

Rev. Bob Bistline (1st term)

Ron Denlinger (1st term)

PRESCHOOL BOARD (2022-2025)

Beth Bossert (1st term)

Karen Olley (2nd term)

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 - many 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



Apple Dumplings
Pack of 2 apple dumplings made
from locally grown apples



Apple Cake
52 oz. cake made from
locally grown apples



Pumpkin Bread
20 oz. loaf made from our own
homegrown pumpkins



Whoopie Pies
Pack of 6 chocolate whoopie
pies with white filling



Mini Whoopie Pies
Pack of 12 either **Original** or
Variety(original, red velvet & pumpkin)

NOTE DEADLINE



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

2715 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505 • Bird-in-Hand.com

Order Deadline: **Tuesday, November 1** Pickup: **Friday, November 11**
10:30 AM

Sign-up sheet in the hallway across from the church office or call the church office to order.

PARISH RESOURCE CENTER

Resiliency for Volunteers

*Oct 24, 7:00 - 8:30pm
Webinar*

*Andrea Grill, Lesley Huff,
Rob Fennimore*

We are constantly working through difficult situations and the resulting emotions in our families, volunteer work, and workplaces. Learn from our panel of experts about how they build and maintain their personal and professional resilience, to help you find your own resilience and hope.

Situations discussed will include: switching the “job” on and off; not being frozen by overwhelming situations; handling disappointment, frustration, and hurt that may arise in relationships with others; accepting when others make choices you don’t agree with.

Hidden Barriers to Housing

*Nov 1, 7:00 - 8:30pm
Webinar*

Mike McKenna

Housing may seem straightforward, but there are many hurdles to renting or purchasing a home. This workshop will help you discover the hidden barriers that can plague people, resulting in unfair limitations in their search for housing.

We will discuss practical ways to ally with your neighbors and friends to expand their options and overcome barriers that they may face. Learn about big-picture changes that can be made to dismantle structural obstacles in our community and allow everyone to flourish.

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Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster

Wednesday, December 7, 2022, 7:00 pm

MCCL creates exceptional music that represents the diversity of the global church across time. They serve over 100 children and youth representing 45 congregations, 35 schools, and 10 denominations. In addition to local concerts, they tour every summer.

Caleb Kreider is a member of the Mennonite Children's Choir

Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

Person(s) ordering Poinsettia(s)

Please order: _____ Poinsettia(s) @ \$5.50 each Total amount due \$_____

Designation as you would like to have it appear in the bulletin.

Example:

Given by _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Other _____

Give plant to a shut-in member ☐ Yes ☐ No

The last date to order is November 20, 2022. Give order forms and payment to Dan Otthofer, or place in the offering in envelope marked Poinsettia or give to church office. If paying by check, please make it payable to Trinity United Church of Christ and mark Poinsettia in memo line. Thank you.

OCTOBER 30, 2022

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

PROPER 26

FIRST LESSON. Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

SECOND LESSON. 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL. Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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