

Trinity Lutheran Church

The Sunday News

May 2, 2021



Fifth Sunday of Easter

Today in Worship: Council of Jerusalem



Visitor Information:

We are delighted to have you join in worship with us today! Please help us to become acquainted by signing our guest book in the rear of the sanctuary.

Welcome to the Lord's Table:

All who gather for worship at Trinity Lutheran Church are welcome to receive communion. There are no barriers to receiving, experiencing, or being reminded of God's grace.

Please pick up your communion elements in the rear of the sanctuary as you enter. Keep this until the appropriate time in worship. The disposable cup holds juice and a wafer is secured on top under a clear seal.

During this unprecedented time, the elements you provide at home are blessed during Trinity's recording of worship and can be received during the appropriate time while watching the service.

For those without access to view the recorded service, our suggestion is to repeat the words of institution, Lord's prayer, and receive the elements at that time.

Children Welcome in Worship:

Children are a welcome part of our community and invited to attend the entire service.

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PW: church47



Order of Worship - Online Service

- ◆ Prelude - *This is My Story* arr. Jan Mulder
- ◆ Announcements
- ◆ Confession and Forgiveness (*projected*)
- ◆ Hymn: *In Christ There is No East Nor West* LBW #359
- ◆ Greeting / Haugen Kyrie (*video*)
- ◆ Prayer of the Day

God of peace, from the beginning of time, your love and faithfulness have been working to overcome human limitations and divisions. Remind us that nothing can separate people from your love. Renew in us the desire to welcome and to serve, and bring us at last to that day where all peoples and nations live in your peace. We pray in the name of the one who binds us together, Jesus Christ our Lord, **C: Amen**

- ◆ Reading: Acts 15:1-18

Then certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. So they were sent on their way by the church, and as they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, they reported the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the believers. When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them. But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, "It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses."

The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "My brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

The whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, "My

brothers, listen to me. Simeon has related how God first looked favorably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written,

'After this I will return,
and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen;
from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up,
so that all other peoples may seek the Lord—
even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called.
Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things known from long ago.'

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

- ◆ Holy Gospel: Luke 2:27-32
P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 2nd chapter
C: Glory to You, O Lord

Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,
"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

P: The Gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to You, O Christ**

- ◆ Sermon
- ◆ Music: *How Beautiful* Twila Paris
(Joy Ide and AnnMarie Feather)
- ◆ The Creed / The Prayer / The Peace
- ◆ Offertory
(A stationary offering plate can be found in the rear of the sanctuary, as it will not be passed during worship. You may also choose to mail envelopes to Trinity or submit on-line by using our APP or going to our website; contact Jackie Rinehart if assistance is needed)
- ◆ Music: *Holy, Holy / Amazing Grace* Spiritual / Newton
(adapted, M. Martine)
- ◆ Offertory Prayer
- ◆ The Great Thanksgiving
- ◆ Communion Prayer/Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Prayer of Thanks for Communion
- ◆ Blessing/Benediction
- ◆ Hymn - *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* LBW #128
- ◆ Dismissal
- ◆ Postlude - *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Robert Hobby

Worship Schedule:

- ◆ Sundays - (now through August 29, 2021)
9:00 AM worship continues in the sanctuary (with reservations)
11:00 AM Worship ONLY at Little Chiques Park (no reservations)
FM transmission available with inclement weather
- ◆ Thursday - 11:30 AM in the sanctuary (with reservations)
Service follows the same format as the upcoming Sunday
- ◆ Full On-line Sunday Worship Continues
(masks and social distancing observed at all Trinity events)



Today in Education:



- ◆ Virtual ROC (*Raised on Christ*) for Preschool through 12th grade can be found on Trinity's social media pages and website.
Contact Michelle Shirk with any questions.
 - ◆ Children & Youth Gatherings:
 - *Sr. High Food for the Soul, May 2nd @ 11:45am at Little Chiques Park
 - *K-5th Grade and families Hike, May 16th @ 1:00 pm at Turkey Hill Overlook Trail (Enola Low Grade Trail for GPS)
 - *Jr. High Lunch with Pastor, May 23rd @ 11:45 am at Little Chiques Park
- (*see Trinity's APP for details and registration)

Stained Glass Window Renovations

The work crew is here and on-site renovations have begun. We are expecting this to be anywhere from a four to nine week project.

It has been a year since we shared our favorite memories that took place in Trinity's sanctuary. View them on the bulletin board in the main hallway and pick up a brochure describing our renovation project.



Donations to date: \$78,661 towards the total cost of \$153,000.

Window sponsorships are still available. Contact Jackie Rinehart with any questions.

Gatherings & Events:

- ◆ Wednesday @ 10:00 am; a Zoom Bible Study with Pastor Foltz; Interested? Email— fritzafoltz@gmail.com or faithfoltz@gmail.com
- ◆ Sunday, May 16th @ 11:00 am;
Celebration Sunday for Affirmation of Baptism
- ◆ Sunday, May 23rd @ 11:00 am; **High School Graduate Recognition**
- ◆ Sunday, May 23rd; **Congregational Meeting**
- ◆ **Mark your calendars for VBS 2021!**
Session 1 - June 21st & 22nd;
Session 2 - June 23rd & 24th;
see details under "events" on Trinity's APP or Facebook page. **Volunteers are needed** to help make this program succeed. Please sign-up on Trinity's APP or email - michelle@trinitymountjoy.org



- ◆ Save-the-date for **CHOIR CAMP - August 2nd - 6th;** For students who have completed K-6th Grade; 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM at Trinity; Register on Trinity's APP

Opportunities to Serve:

- ◆ May 15th, 8:30 AM—12 Noon; **The Wittel Farm Growing Project Planting Day;** Volunteers are needed to help plant 7 acres this year.
Register at : <https://www.lutherancamping.org/upcoming-events/>
- ◆ **Little Dresses for Africa (and shorts);** Wednesday, July 14th in Trinity's Fellowship Hall, 9:00am-3:00pm; or, complete at home and bring completed projects to worship July 18th. Donations needed: new pillowcases (standard & king size); 1/4" elastic; wide binding tape; new or gently used t-shirts to make shorts (printed okay); monetary donations accepted for shipping costs
- ◆ Mark you calendar to serve at the **Central PA Food Bank** on Saturday, July 17th, 9:00am-12noon; details coming



The altar flowers are in loving memory of our parents, and our sisters, Margaret, Mary, Nancy and Jean, by Herb and Judy Weller.

The special arrangement is in memory of Skylar Marie Meckes, niece of Don & Jessica Good, and cousin of Benjamin & Jordyn Good.



"Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord."
Psalm 22:30

Who first told you the good news about Jesus? Chances are it was a beloved elder, either a family member or pillar of the church. We receive the wisdom of our ancestors, and then we take on the mantle of responsibility and good stewardship to pass that good news along to future generations.

Stewardship in Worship Today:

Assistant	9:00	11:00
Usher / Greeter		Tom Schulz
Lector Online	Sophia Watson	
Council Member		

Flower Delivery - Open

Food Bank Delivery - Harry Goehring

Our Trinity Staff:



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Prayer List

In Worship this week we will remember the following in prayer...

John Davis - friend of Tullia Hydinger (5/02)
 Pat Solomon - friend of Tullia Hydinger (5/02)
 Dan Solomon - friend of Tullia Hynder (5/02)
 Lucy Bonvissuto - friend of Tullia Hydinger (5/02)
 Franz Foltz* - brother of Freda Martine (5/02)
 Tammy Erb (5/02)
 Noah Morrison (4/25)
 Carol Graden (4/25)
 Millie Day (4/25)
 Mary Jane Geiser - mother of Jennifer Haas (4/25)
 Tommy Grosser (4/25)
 Carter Sweeten* - friend of Carrie Henry (4/25)
 Bonnie Bell (4/25)
 Dorothy Rowland* - mother of Debbie Williams (4/18)
 Ben May - husband of Peggy May (4/18)
 Laura Christian - daughter-in-law of Dave & Sandy Christian (4/11)
 Richard Graden* (4/11)

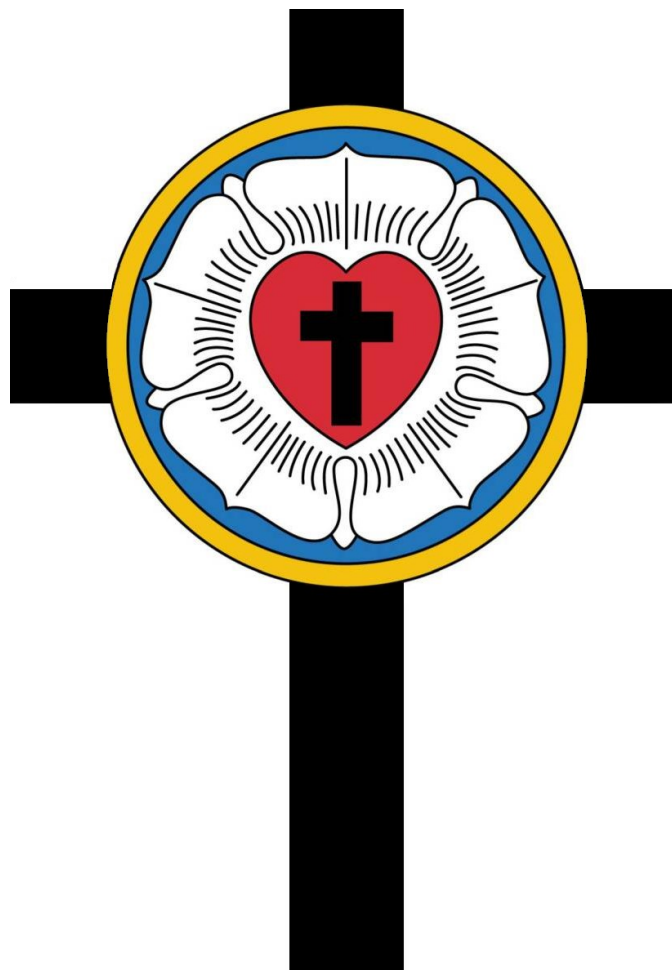
In the coming weeks, please remember the following in your prayers...

Shawn Erb - husband of Jill Hoffines-Erb (3/28)
 Janet Lawrence - mother of Jason Lawrence (3/28)
 Steven Barraclough (3/28)
 Scott Noon (3/28)
 Jackson Mowery - friend of Scott Everhart 3/28)
 Jean Lowe - mother of Gail Goodhart (3/21)
 Ian Leiby - grandson of Ray & Diane Leiby (3/7)
 Wendy Pepkowski (3/7)
 Gloria Feather (3/7)
 Gary Storm - father of Tracy Cyr (3/7)
 Keith Smith* - brother of Carol Miller
 Linda Fulford* - sister of Gloria Zimmerman
 Gary Kiehl* - brother of Gloria Zimmerman

*Listed for Long Term Prayers

NOTE: Prayer requests will remain on Sunday's listing for four (4) weeks. Following that period, names will be moved to the lower listing for an additional four (4) weeks.

If you have a prayer request for the church prayer, or a specific prayer request for the staff, please send them to Elayne Olson (elayne@trinitymountjoy.org).



Attendance and Engagement Report

4/25				4/25			
Thurs. AM	9	9:00 AM	44	Facebook	211	Website	142
Youth	—	11:00 AM	62	Instagram	61	Youtube	205
4/18				4/18			
Thurs. AM	9	9:00 AM	30	Facebook	552	Website	236
Youth	4	11:00 AM	91	Instagram	84	Youtube	201

Weekly Giving	YTD Giving	Income Needed to Meet Expenses	
\$10,371	\$160,799	\$169,723	4/25
\$21,323	\$151,214	\$157,884	4/18

Building Debt Reduction

4/25	\$588	YTD	\$11,479
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YTD Debt Balance

As of 12/31/2020	\$305,382	Owed to Endowment Fund
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YTD Designated Giving

Mount Joy Helping Services	1100	Checks should be made payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church". Place a note on the "memo" line if designated for funds beyond your regular giving. On-line giving is available by using the QR code, Trinity's APP or our website.
World Hunger	85	
Habitat for Humanity	85	
Rocky Boy Indian Reservation	40	
Water Street Mission	20	
Souper Bowl of Caring	1340	
LWR Disaster Relief	180	
Comfort Stitchers	200	
Easter Egg Hunt	624	
Central PA Food Bank	500	
Rise Against Hunger	399	
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Guatemala Well/Servant Heart Ministry	5,467	
Stained Glass Renovation	78,661	

