

#### TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1. Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel include no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

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: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



# CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



#### TRINITY U.C.C. VISION STATEMENT:

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

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

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

#### 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.

God is gracious and merciful and trustworthy. Let us join our voices in giving thanks.

The works of God are all around us. Those who share in God's work lack for nothing.

Come, then, as wise and faithful people. Come as a beloved community of the redeemed.

We are amazed that God remembers us. We reach out to the God who cares for us.

Jesus said: I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; you who believe in me shall never thirst.

In company with all who hunger for spiritual food, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the sharing of this life-giving bread.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus said: You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, but we fear the Spirit's power.

Let us confess our slowness to embrace the new life of the Spirit.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: We confess that we resist the force of your Spirit among us; that we are slow to serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Forgive our divisions, and by your Spirit draw us together. Enflame us with a desire to do your will and be your faithful people; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

#### **KYRIE**

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

## ADORATION AND PRAISE

#### **ACT OF PRAISE**

O God, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

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

# COLLECT FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Let us pray the collect together.

May your word feed us in all our times of loss, loneliness, and fear. May we partake of the Bread of Life to our eternal blessing. So fill us with your Spirit that our lives may break into songs of praise. Teach us in all circumstances to give thanks; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

# THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life. Wisdom's food-insight and understanding-is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

#### THE PSALTER

Psalm 34:9-14

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want. The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Which of you desires life and covets many days to enjoy good?

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

#### THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 6:51-58

In John's gospel the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

#### THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON "A Life Filled with Praise and Thanksgiving!" 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

Your generosity, O God, is beyond our deserving. You grant health to our bodies and minds. You surround us with vast resources and with people who love us. You allow us to make decisions about the use of our time and possessions and relationships. Thank you, God, for this opportunity to share with others some of what we have received from you. Help us to use all our gifts as you intend. In the name of 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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. From everlasting to everlasting, you have revealed your mighty presence to us. Have we not heard? Have we not known? In the beginning, you swept across the earth with your Spirit of life and renewal. When we forgot or neglected your truth, you redeemed us and renewed us. From the earth's first gardens to the mountaintop storms, you have spoken to us, and entrusted us to be your people. From laws on tablets to warnings from prophets, you have spoken your truth and renewed your covenant with us, reviving us and reclaiming us through your grace and love. And so, with your people on earth, with all of creation, and with all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn of praise, saying:

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!

Holy are you and blessed is your holy name. In the fullness of time, you sent your son, Jesus Christ, to reveal your powerful love for the world. Healing and teaching, proclaiming and prophesying, welcoming any and all, Christ continues to reveal your presence, renewing our souls even now. Through Christ's powerful love and endless grace, we are invited into your presence, rescued from our sins, and led onto your path of justice and righteousness. In Christ's grace, you renew and reclaim us as your holy people, children of mercy and truth. As children of your covenant of love, sealed by water and the Spirit, welcome now with joy and gratitude, remembering how Jesus shared bread and wine, renewing and reviving the lives of his closest friends, his most faithful disciples, even as they faced their deepest fears and their greatest sins.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

#### THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

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

#### BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

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

The Bread of Life, broken for us.

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

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

#### RESURRECTION ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Wisdom has built her house. May the church be a house of wisdom for all who enter. May we continue to grow and stretch in ways we never thought possible. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Wisdom has mixed her wine. May the harvest season be plentiful this year. We pray for orchards, vineyards, farms, and all of creation. Protect and conserve the earth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

Wisdom has employed her laborers. Be with all who seek adequate employment. Guide our economic and governmental leaders to support the people of our world with fair wages and safe working conditions. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Wisdom has set her table. May this congregation be a welcome table to all who seek the refuge of God. Break down walls and barriers that prevent us from offering a seat at this table to anyone who comes. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Wisdom has invited her guests. Make your presence known to all who feel lost, abandoned, or hurting at this time. Direct your spirit of care to all who seek healing and comfort. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

#### SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Jesus, Bread of Life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

# **CLOSE OF WORSHIP**

#### BENEDICTION

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chancel Flowers are given by Pastor Rankin's family in honor of his 46<sup>th</sup> birthday on Tuesday!

The Worship Aids are given by Rhonda Hartenstine in remembrance of Gene who passed away August 18, 2023.

#### **Ministering Today**

Pastor Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin

**Lector** Jeff Hackenberger

Money Counters Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong, Jodi Keller

Altar Guild Anita Rohrer, Beth Bossert, Hedwig Hunsicker

**Building Trustee** Hank Fox

Ministries Card Elders Called to Care Nancy Enders

Visitation Ken Trauger

#### Happy Birthday!

Monday - Thomas Dennes, Chuck Husted

Tuesday – Don Miller, Pastor Rankin, Bohdi Davis

Wednesday – Kristen Richards

Worship Attendance, August 11

7:45-17 9:30-111

**TOTAL** –128

#### This Week at Trinity Church

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

Today Sunday School Teacher Mtg. after 9:30 service

Monday Parish Post Deadline

7:00 PM – Grief Group

7:00PM—Preschool Board (Choir Room) Thursday

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

9:30 AM – Worship

4:00 PM – Church Picnic

#### PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

#### **MEMBERS**

Ken & Janice Jenkins Rick Mowrer Ron Becker **Betsy Bailey** Betty Fogle Jack Ollev

Kelsev Minnich Burgo Bob & Marlyn Wible Don & Pat Miller

Harry Himelwright Dr. Janet Harriger Joann Peck

Scott & Jane Owens Mary Lou Shaab The Lehman family

Carmen & Jerry Richards George & Ellie Latsha Donna Wolf & Family

Lainie Christensen Stan & Pat Seachrist Sam Minder III

Pastor Harry Rover Rev. Dave & Mid Gocklev Hank Fox

Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser Donna Zirkel Rev. Ken Trauger

Kathleen Sensenig Adams Betty Tyndall and family Michael McDonough Danielle Huggins Holbein Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline Joann & Dawn Garvin

Erika Otthofer Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman **Denise Huggins** 

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman

#### **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

The family of Nancy Patton

The Yanni family (former members of Trinity Church)

The family of Elaine Martin (the Celtic Martins)

Shari Jones (co-worker of Rich Weeber)

Tracy McLaughlin (co-worker of Rich Weeber)

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

Marlene Harlow (friend of Gail Kogut)

Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

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

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

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

Quinn McCarty (grandson of Bud & Kathy McCarty)

Ken Hoshauer (husband of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Kurt Kalbach (brother of Dr. Cathy Houshauer)

Tuyet Nguyen (husband of Pat & Stan Seachrist's granddaughter)

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

**Art Cobb** (nephew of John & Dolly Barr)

The Herr Family (Trinity Preschool Family)

Sharon Brown (sister of Sandy DeLong)

Chris Rice (nephew of Diane Rice & Karen Olley)

Sally & Joe Carrol (friend of Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman)

Kurt McEllhemmey (relative of Betty Tyndall)

David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)

Annette Stork (niece of Pat Sensenig)

Logan Davis (husband of Hillary Bossert-Davis)

Brian & Liz Culp (son and daughter-in-law of Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman)

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

Melby Bush (friend of Joan Sensenig)

Harvey & Dianne Sick (friends of Judy Chapman)

Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)

Roland Anderson and family (friends of John & Kayla Brennan)

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

James Malone & family

Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)

Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig)

The Martin family (Trinity Preschool family)

Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)

Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)

Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)

Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

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

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

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

THE JULY/AUGUST PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building. The deadline for the September Parish Post is Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

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

**VBS MISSION PROJECT:** This year's VBS mission project is Habitat for Humanity. You can donate to the offering by marking the special designation box on your offering envelope with "VBS Mission Offering".

2024 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: September 1, 15, 22, & 29. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are September 22 & 29. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

**SERVERS NEEDED:** We are in need of greeters, ushers, and nursery care volunteers for the 9:30 worship service. Please contact the church office if you are interested in serving as an usher or greeter. Please contact Betty Fogle if you are interested in serving as a nursery attendant (717-471-1026 or <a href="mailto:bettsfog@comcast.net">bettsfog@comcast.net</a>).

**TRINITY LUNCH BUNCH:** The Parish Life Committee is sponsoring another lunch gathering for church members and friends on September 22 at Loxley's (500 Centerville Rd). The luncheon will begin around 12:30 p.m. Look for the sign-up sheet across from the church office. **The deadline to sign-up is September 15!!!** Contact Denise Pfeifer for more information.

THE 2024 CONCERT SPONSOR FORMS are available on the table across from the church office.

THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES are available in the information racks on both floors of the church building!

THE MEN OF TRINITY BREAKFAST will meet for breakfast on September 21 at 8:00 AM at Family Fare Restaurant. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office! This is open to all men of the congregation!



# Trinity Preschool FUNDRAISER

FUNDRAISER Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> 6 - 9 PM

1991 Miller Road East Petersburg, PA 17520 717.569.0009

Support the Trinity Preschool while enjoying Son's

delicious ice cream/Italian ice!

**PRESCHOOL NEEDS:** Please help support our preschool by bringing all supplies that you signed up for to church and place in box near table outside office. Thank you!

TRINITY PRESCHOOL SUB COUPONS We have 8 coupons left! The cost is \$8 per coupon. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office. Make checks payable to Trinity Preschool and put in the white box outside the church office.

**TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C.**: The Christian Education Committee is planning to sponsor a trip to Washington D.C. on October 26. We are hoping to visit the National Cathedral and the other museums. We don't have any details yet on the cost, but we are asking you to sign-up if you are interested at this point. The sign-up sheet is on the table across from the church office. **For more information, speak to Sue Bowman or Pastor Rankin.** 

**PRAYER SHAWL:** The Prayer Shawl will resume meeting on September 17 at 1:00 p.m. and will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.



# AUGUST 25, 4:00-6:30 PM

Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office!



East Petersburg Parade

The annual East Petersburg Day Parade will follow the 5K at 10AM and lead families, friends and neighbors to East Petersburg Community Park for an amazing day filled with live music, jugglers, rides, games, and food!

The Parish Life Committee will be organizing a float for this year's parade. We will need people to ride on the float, so watch for more information in the worship bulletins and the September Parish Post!!!

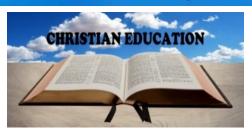
#### RALLY DAY AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS INFORMATION!!!

Our fall worship schedule (7:45 and 10:30), will begin on September 8 (Rally Day)

Sunday School 9:00 AM Koinonia at 10:00 AM



There will be a special Rally Day program at 9:00 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Donna Geisler and her brother-in-law, Dr. Bill Lovett, will speak about their recent mission trip to the Dominican Republic.



- 1. The Children's Class will meet in the lower classroom and will be using the Spark lectionary based curriculum. These Sunday school lessons connect kids with Bible stories heard in worship. The Bible story have lessons that are packed with activities, interactive games, and creative crafts.
- 2. Adult/Youth Bible Class will be studying *Christianity and World Religions* by Adam Hamilton. In examining Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism, and Christianity, Hamilton urges us as Christians to build bridges with others so that we might grow in our faith, seek peace in our world, love our neighbors, and find positive ways to share the gospel. The class will meet in Isenberg Hall and will be led by Sue Bowman and Pastor Rankin. There will be opportunities for the youth to have breakout sessions during the class.
- 3. The Wired Word (Christian Issues Today) Adult Class will meet in the Choir Room. Each week they will have a Bible study lesson linked to the latest headlines and current events using appropriate scriptures. Students can opt in or out of receiving the lesson by email before Sunday. To opt in before the first session, contact Diane Rice with your email address.

# Mt. Gretna Bible Festival 2024 Season

# ALL PROGRAMS ARE IN THE HISTORIC TABERNACLE THIRD ST & GLOSSBRENNER AVE Parking at Mt. Gretna Fire Co.

Handicapped Parking at Mt. Gretna United Methodist Church Parking Lot
PARKING AT THE MT. GRETNA ROLLER RINK - in DEFINED AREAS ONLY!!!!
Roller Rink Parking on the following dates August 18, 25, 2024

Sunday, August 18, 2024 - Susquehanna Chorale - 7 p.m. One of the premier choral groups in the nation makes its traditional late summer appearance. Directed by Linda Tedford. Freewill Offering will be received.

Sunday, August 25, 2024 - QuintEssentially Brass - 7 p.m. This quintet with engaging personalities and sparkling instrumental performances ends another season. Freewill Offering will be received. Sponsored by Arthur Funk and Sons

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE LANCASTER CROP WALK: Trinity Church was recently recognized as being 34<sup>th</sup> in the U.S. to raise funds for the 2023 CROP Walk!! Also, the Lancaster CROP Walk was recognized for being ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in the U.S. and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Pennsylvania for the 2023 CROP Walk! Pastor Rankin continues to serve as the Lancaster CROP Walk Coordinator!

There are two important dates to remember:

- 1. Saturday, September 29---CROP Walk Rally at the Church World Service office in Lancaster (10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.)
- 2. Sunday, October 20 at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. Registration begins at 1 p.m. and a program follows at 1:30 p.m. The walk will begin at 2 p.m.

Mark & Chris Eyer are once again serving as the coordinators for Trinity Church. The following people from Trinity have already signed up for the walk: Mark & Chris Eyer, Diane Rice, Nancy Enders, and the Rankin family.

You can register for the walk on the table across from the church office or at <a href="https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/trinity-east-pete">https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/trinity-east-pete</a>



Date: September 26 @ 1:30 PM

### Everyone is welcome!

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

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# Calling all Singers and Ringers 2024-2025 Season Starts

September 9, 7:00 - 8:00 PM SOT Choir September 16, 8:15 - 8:45 PM Canticle Ringers

> \*New Singers and Ringers Welcome Contact Michael or Dina Slechta

# Harvest Home Worship Service at Old Zion German Reformed Church

On Sunday, September 8, 2024, at 3:00 p.m., Old Zion German Reformed Church, Brickerville, will conduct an annual anniversary service. The service provides an opportunity to reflect on Old Zion's rich history and faith traditions. This year's theme will be "Harvest Home," and will draw on excerpts from a late 19<sup>th</sup> Century liturgy of the Reformed Church entitled "Golden Sheaves." For the last several hundred years, Protestant churches have celebrated and given thanks for abundant harvests. In many rural churches, whose congregations were comprised of farm families and businesses supporting agriculture, the Harvest Home celebrations were a highlight each year.

Rev. William LaSalle will portray the Rev. Frederick C. Hullhorst, who served as the minister at Old Zion, Bethany, and Jerusalem Church in Penryn from 1896 to 1902. The worship service will include music and hymns from the period and will feature the choir from nearby Brickerville United Lutheran Church, which has had a long-standing relationship with Old Zion Church. J.P. Welliver, Director of Music at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Penryn, will play the historical pump organ at Old Zion as part of the service. A free-will offering will be collected during the service and donated to Ephrata Area Social Services and Warwick Community Chest. In addition, Scott Hartz will display a variety of antique and period farm implements.

Please join us for an afternoon of faith, music, history, and fellowship. Refreshments will be served after the service. Old Zion German Reformed Church is located near Brickerville at 187 Reifsnyder Rd.

Please visit our website www.oldzionchurch.org

#### **Directions**

From Lititz – take Route 501 North of Lititz, turn right at the light at Brubaker Valley Road, and turn left on Reifsnyder Road

From Ephrata – take Route 322 west of Ephrata, turn left on Reifsnyder Road as you enter Brickerville



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#### VOTED BEST DINER IN LANCASTER COUNTY 11 YEARS IN A ROW

(Lancaster Newspaper Readers' Choice Awards)- 2021
TAKE-OUT AND CURBSIDE AT THE ABOVE NUMBERS

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

#### FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, 4"You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, <sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

#### Psalm 34:9-14

#### SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, 16 making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

[Jesus said,] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" 53So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; 55 for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. 56Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. 58This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."