



God will
wipe away
every tear
from their eyes

REVELATION 7:17

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Celebrating 175 Years: Honoring Our Heritage, Moving Forward in Faith!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: All Saints celebrate the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

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

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 gather in awe to bring our songs of praise. The Creator of all things has given us life.

We are amazed by the wonders around us. We feel God's presence as we sing together.

We are summoned by One who is just and merciful. The Ruler of all worlds expects us to respond.

How amazing that God chooses us as messengers. We know God is with us as we work for justice.

Jesus invited saints and sinners to dine with him and to be his friends.

Therefore, Jesus invites us, saints and sinners, to this sacred meal, in which we can taste and see, experience and remember the goodness of our God.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Steadfast and faithful God, you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

KYRIE

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

ADORATION AND PRAISE

ACT OF PRAISE

O God, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

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

COLLECT FOR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Let us pray the collect together.

Eternal God, we thank you for all those before us who have kept the faith to the end. We thank you for brave souls of immortal fame, and also for those whose names are remembered only by you. Give us wisdom to understand your will, and courage to live as your people in this day; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

THE PSALTER

Psalm 34:1-10,22

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor soul cried and was heard by the LORD and was saved from every trouble.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.
O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

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.

The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
None of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:1-3

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our only hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON "God's Promises in The Midst of Our Struggles" Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, QUESTION #1)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

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

Amen.

(Translated by Dr. Lee Barrett, Lancaster Seminary Professor)

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

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

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

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

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

Lynn Dull*

November 13, 2022

Emma Grimm

November 14, 2022

Friend of Trinity Members

Doris Leaman*

November 20, 2022

John C. Morley

November 30, 2022

Uncle of Dr. Randall Zachman

Rev. John Smeltzer

December 1, 2022

Seminary Classmate of Rev. Bob Hunsicker

Rev. W. Franklin Lantz*

December 18, 2022

Hilma Slechta

December 16, 2022

Mother of Michael Slechta

Richard King

December 17, 2022

Friend of Stan & Pat Seachrist

Linda Shorts

December 23, 2022

Cousin of George DeLong

Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman

January 7, 2023

College classmate of Rev. Harry Royer

Richard King

January 12, 2023

Friend of Stan & Pat Seachrist

Sally Hillegas*

January 19, 2023

Rev. Richard Gordon

February 14, 2023

Friend of Trinity Members

Gordie Kraft

March 4, 2023

Friend of Trinity Members

Pearl K. Bard

March 14, 2023

Friend of Rohrer Family

Al "Butch" Deutsch

March 19, 2023

Brother-in-law of Tim Geiger

Rev. Richard Fehnel

March 19, 2023

Friend of Trinity Members

Nancy Seachrist

March 23, 2023

Sister-in-law of Stan & Pat Seachrist

Kenneth Dornblaser

March 25, 2023

Friend of Betty Fogle

Rev. John Binkley

April 2, 2023

Friend of Trinity Members

Pat Ressler

April 14, 2023

Friend of Marge Burger & Jodi Keller

Eric Zirkel

April 15, 2023

Brother-in-law of Donna Zirkel

William Toy

April 18, 2023

Brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen

Arbuta "Bonnie" Boothman*

April 21, 2023

Shirley Bare

April 23, 2023

Sister of Janet Sweigart

Donna Dreyer

April 26, 2023

Daughter of Joann Garvin

Scott Sheneman

May 12, 2023

Son-in-law of Rev. Susan Sokolowski

Joan Sleet

May 22, 2023

Sister of Rev. Harry Royer & Donna Zirkel

Bryan Raines

May 27, 2023

Brother-in-law of Rev. Sandy Morris

Barry Moore

June 1, 2023

Brother-in-law of Ron & Donna Denlinger

Larry Haas

June 13, 2023

Friend of Pete & Anita Rohrer

Johnny C. Morley, Jr.

June 13, 2023

Cousin of Dr. Randall Zachman

Father Alexander Veronis

June 26, 2023

Friend of Trinity

Tom Brooks

June 29, 2023

Friend of Jack and Charlene Cristy

Elizabeth Eaton

July 30, 2023

Friend of Pat & Joan Sensenig

Zytella Buzby

July 16, 2023

Friend of Walt & Betty Tyndall

Anne Elizabeth Leinbach

August 4, 2023

Mother of Chuck Leinbach

Lee Bossert*

August 6, 2023

Eugene Hartenstine*

August 18, 2023

Rev. John Saxton

August 20, 2023

Friend of Rev. Bob & Hedwig Hunsicker

John Amentler

August 31, 2023

Brother-in-law of Marlyn & Bob Wible

Albert Leanza

September 6, 2023

Colleague of Anita Rohrer & Lee Bossert

Peg Rohrer

September 15, 2023

Friend of Autumn & Steve Shenk

Jere Stetter

September 15, 2023

Brother-in-law of Doug & Mary Lou Shaab

Raymond Brian*

September 21, 2023

Dakota Gee

September 22, 2023

Friend of Pat & Joan Sensenig

Rev. Phyllis Baum

September 30, 2023

Former member of Trinity

Judy Barr

October 2, 2023

Friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner

Robert Long
October 5, 2023
Cousin of Betty Fogle

James Michaud
October 7, 2023
Teacher of Sevi Keares

Cheryl Eckman
October 21, 2023
Friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner

Betty Griffith
October 24, 2023
Friend of Pat & Joan Sensenig

THE UNISON PRAYER

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

We worship you night and day, gracious God, in the temple of your universe. So fast is your reality that our minds cannot comprehend, yet your presence is so real that we cannot help but rejoice. You are our refuge and deliverer and our hope for all eternity. May our offerings welcome many to the abundance of your love and move them to join with us in proclaiming, "Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! 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.

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Holy God, the church triumphant gathers around your throne to praise you. We join them in worship and remember your sustaining grace in every generation. Heal our divisions; show us unity in your presence. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy creator, we marvel at your creation revealed in the cycle of seasons, changing landscapes, and the rise and fall of ocean tides. Turn us from selfish consumption and open us to gentle healing of the earth so all creation thrives. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy advocate, we lift grateful hearts for the ability to vote and elect leaders. Grant wisdom to those who will be elected and safety to poll workers. May civic leaders serve the whole community, especially all who are underrepresented or oppressed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy healer, bless the brokenhearted and all who mourn. Send your compassion to all who grieve, grant wholeness to those who are sick, and accompany the dying. Be near to all who need you. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy comforter, we pray for this congregation, that the promise of your new life may be shared and experienced. We pray for the funeral ministry of this congregation, that families and friends seeking your love find it here. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

BENEDICTION

★ CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY ★

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by Denise Huggins celebration of Danielle's birthday on November 2nd and in memory of my wonderful husband and Danielle's Dad Scott, who passed on November 10, 2020.

The Worship Aids are given by John & Sarah Paulukow in celebration of our Wedding Anniversary.

Ministering Today

Pastor/Celebrant	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector/Assistant	Rev. Jack Esbenshade
Money Counters	Ron & Donna Denlinger, Steve Shenk, Paula Dennes, Bob Bistline
Altar Guild	Hedwig Hunsicker, Karen Olley, Sally Rodenberger
Building Trustee	Pat Sensenig
Koinonia	Rankin Family
Ministries	Card Preschool Called to Care Anne Rankin Visitation Noreen Trostle

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Monday	7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 PM Bells
Tuesday	Election Day – No Preschool
Wednesday	7:00 PM – Finance Committee
Thursday	10:00 AM – Mercersburg Study Group 6:00 PM – Cub Scouts 7:00 PM – Executive Com.(Choir Room)
Friday	NO Preschool-Pie Pickup
Saturday	8:00 AM – Men's Breakfast 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 – Worship

Attendance for Sun., October 29

TOTAL – 116

Happy Birthday

Today – Amber Gegg

Monday - Andrew Cooley

Wednesday – Joan Sensenig

Thursday – Hans Slechta, Sevi Keares

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman

Ron Becker

Scott & Jane Owens

Sally Rodenberger

Janice Jenkins

Dorothy Fasnacht

Don & Pat Miller

Nancy Patton

Dr. Janet Harriger

The Lehman family

Joann Peck

Harry Himelwright

Donna Wolf & Family

Shelly Family

Mary Lou Shaab

Stan & Pat Seachrist

Donna Zirkel

Carmen & Jerry Richards

Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley

Sam Minder III

Lainie Christensen

Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser

Hank Fox

Charles & Betty Booraem

Betty Tyndall and family

Mary Witmer

Bob & Marlyn Wible

Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline

Erika Otthofer

Kathleen Sensenig Adams

Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman

Dave Trostle

Danielle Huggins Holbein

Joann & Dawn Garvin

John Shelsky

Dr. Blaine Connor

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Mary Mattern Smith (cousin of Anita Rohrer)

Chuck Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

Bob Morris (father of Rev. Sandy Morris)

Deb Olley Heagy (daughter of Jack & Karen Olley)

Donna Esbenshade (wife of Rev. Jack Esbenshade)

The Haverstick Family (friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)

Dr. Phil Bartholomew (friend of Pastor Rankin)

Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)

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

Jaden Allen (nephew of Carol Kratz)

Cindy Commero Cook and family (friend of Sarah Paulukow)

Gina McCarty (daughter-in-law of Bud & Kathy McCarty)

The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)

Jessica Brown (niece of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Janice Zimmerman (sister of Ken Zimmerman)

Larry Gerlach (brother of Dolly Barr)

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

Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)

Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)
James Malone & family
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig),
Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer)
Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer)
The Martin 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 NOVEMBER PARISH POST is available on both floors of the church building.

TRINITY T-SHIRTS: The Anniversary Committee is working with our own Mitch Gibson (from Elizabethtown Sporting Goods) to celebrate our 175th anniversary with Trinity t-shirts. We have already placed one order, but you can still order shirts on the form across from the church office.

KOINONIA/SUNDAYMORNING FELLOWSHIP: 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. **Coffee is always available between 7:45 service and Sunday School.**

PRAYER SHAWL: Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, November 21 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.

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

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on November 12 after the 10:30 a.m. service. The kitchen team will provide a luncheon before the meeting. The agenda will include the presentation and adoption of the 2024 budget and election of lay leaders. **The sign-up sheet is on the table across from the church office!** Copies of the 2024 budget are available on both floors of the building.

The following is the report of the nominating committee (The list in the Parish Post and the October 29 bulletin was not correct. This is the accurate report.):

ELDERS (2023-2026)

Bob Kilgore (1st term)

Karen Olley (2nd term)

DEACONS (2023-2026)

Cherie Cataldi (2nd term)

Vacancy

PRESCHOOL BOARD (2023-2026)

Noreen Trostle (1st term)

Vacancy

CONFERENCE DELEGATES (2023-2026)

Diane Rice (2nd term)

George DeLong (1st term)

Alternates: Donna Geisler, Lon Wible

ASSOCIATION DELEGATES (2023-2026)

Anne Rankin (2nd term)

Donna Geisler (2nd term)

Alternates: Ron Denlinger, Tim Geiger

MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST: The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on November 11 at 8:00 a.m. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office. This is open to the men of Trinity! You can always invite a friend to join you for breakfast!

175th ANNIVERSARY GIFTS: There are extra copies of the historical book, the prayer book and the anniversary pens and magnets on the table across from the church office.

TRINITY PRESCHOOL PIE FUNDRAISER: Pie pickup is Friday, November 10th at 10:30 AM-1:00 PM.



DATES

Thursday, November 16-1:30 PM

Friday, December 15-7:00 PM

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Greeter /Ushers Needed



If you would like to volunteer as a Greeter/Usher for the 10:30 a.m. service please contact the church office. We recently had some vacancies as ushers, so we are in need of help!!!
We are looking for a greeter coordinator that will recruit new people to serve and create a schedule. Contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz.



Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 7:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services. Please contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz if you are willing to volunteer!

2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: November 26, December 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31. 2024 Flower Chart is now up on the bulletin board in the Narthex. 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.



PEANUT FELLOWSHIP

We need help. We start at 7:00 AM & end at 2:00 PM.
Anytime you can help would be greatly appreciated. Great fellowship and potluck lunch. Peanuts will be \$6.00 per lb. Please pay by cash or check. You can place your orders at church or call Pat Seachrist at 717-392-1427.

Christmas orders must be placed by November 1st.
Schedule: Nov. 14, 28, and Dec. 5.
Hope to see you there!

Sue Husted, Pat Seachrist, & Shelley Wagner

“I PROMISE” FORMS are still being accepted! We hope that you will submit the forms to help us plan for our ministry in 2024. Extra forms are available on the table across from the church office!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

[Annual Quilt Auction](#) at Nawakwa - November 5, 2023

[Women's Craft Retreat](#) at Nawakwa - November 10 - 12, 2023

[Advent Day Apart](#) at The Wittel Farm - December 9, 2023

[Advent/Christmas in the Barn](#) at The Wittel Farm - December 17, 2023

[Winter Youth Retreat](#) at Kirchenwald - January 5 - 7, 2024

HARVEST HOME SUNDAY

—Nancy Enders & Paula Dennes

We will celebrate HARVEST HOME SUNDAY on November 19. 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.

CROP HUNGER WALK UPDATE: Thank you to everyone who has already supported the walkers from Trinity Church! **As of November 2, we raised \$11,515!!** You can still support the CROP Hunger Walk by giving money to Mark & Chris Eyer or Pastor Rankin or donate online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/trinity-east-pete>



Parish Resource Center


ADDRESS
 2160 Lincoln Hwy
 East, #18
 (See below for various routes)


PHONE
 (717) 295-1113


EMAIL
 info@parishresour
 cecenter.org



Succession Planning
 November 9th, 7-8:30pm

Led By
 Kristen Krista
 Major Gifts Director

ZOOM ONLY




THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



**TRINITY PRESCHOOL
SUB SALE**

We would like to thank you for supporting our fund raiser. When you redeem your coupon at S. Clyde Weaver you get to choose from at least seven sub varieties:

**Sweet Bologna · Ham · Italian · Turkey
Roast Beef · Chicken Salad · Tuna Salad**

The above is a list of what you can order at Weavers

Locations: 5253 Main Street, East Petersburg, PA/ 1509 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA /Lancaster Central Market

Each Sub Redemption Certificate: \$8.00

* Please note you have to go to Weaver's location to order & pickup Subs.

BREAD OPTIONS:
white sub roll • bread • tortilla wrap

CHOICE OF YOUR CONDIMENTS:
mayonnaise • mustard • creamy horseradish • olive oil • vinegar

CHEESE OF YOUR CHOICE:
American • Provolone • Swiss

YOUR CHOICES OF VEGETABLES:
lettuce • tomatoes • onions • marinated onions • sweet peppers
banana peppers • hot peppers • black olives • pickles
salt • pepper • herb mix • Parmesan

NAME	PHONE	QUANTITY	TOTAL	PAID (Please check)
Please make checks payable to: TRINITY PRESCHOOL				

17 sub certificates are left!



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Concert/Desserts

Featuring
Trinity Church Musicians

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Concert – 6:00 PM

Desserts Following The Concert

*Freewill Offering Benefits
Schreiber Center For Pediatric Development
and Trinity Music Ministry*



FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Psalm 34:1-10, 22**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3**

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Next Sunday’s Readings: Amos 5:18-24 or Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 70 or Wisdom 6:17-20; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13.

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