

Summer 2021 – Wisdom for Life Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 11, 2021

Trinity United Church of Christ 600 Main Street Berlin, Pennsylvania

#### Prelude

\*The Doxology

\*Invitation to Confession

## \*Corporate Confession

#### Righteous Father,

We who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness.

We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves.

We beg your forgiveness, then repeat our errors.

We experience your grace, then act defeated.

We rely on your power, but only in hard times.

We have become confused and misguided.

Forgive our every defection.

Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always. Amen.

\*Word of Pardon

\*Hymn of Praise: No. 34

The God of Abraham Praise

#### Old Testament Lesson

**Ecclesiastes 3:9-15** 

<sup>9</sup>What gain has the worker from his toil? <sup>10</sup>I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. <sup>11</sup>He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. <sup>12</sup>I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; <sup>13</sup> also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

<sup>14</sup>I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. <sup>15</sup>That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away.

Pastoral Prayer Summer Hymn Sing

You Pick and We Sing!

**Preaching of the Word** 

"PD"

E-G-0!

Prayer of Intercession
Lord's Prayer [using debts and debtors]

\*Song of Commitment

**Knowing You** 

\*Sung Dismissal and Blessing
Now Unto Him Who Is Able

Now unto Him who is able to keep you from falling.

To make you stand in His presence blameless and with great joy.

To the only God our Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Be the glory, and the majesty, dominion, and authority.

Both now and forevermore, Amen.

Give Him the glory, and the majesty, dominion, and authority. Both now and forevermore, Amen!

\*Going Forth

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**Vacation Bible School** will be August 9<sup>th</sup> through Friday August 13<sup>th</sup> here at Trinity. This year we will be exploring the story of "Moses!" Amy Clark and Jean Hart are serving as directors. We are seeking "helpers" to guide students groups, crafts, music, and food! Please offer your talents to make this a memorable event of summer 2021! We missed out on VBS last year due to COVID-19, we feel safe enough to engage with the children this summer.

**Church Picnic** – Church Picnic in the Grove on July 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 12:30 p.m. We have invited the people of Zion Lutheran to join us so that we might get to know the other congregation that shares our pastor. If you would like to play "Dirty Bingo" at the picnic, please bring a \$5.00 gift to share as a prize for the game.

**Trinity Celebrates 250 Years** of ministry in 2027. We are starting to think about this celebration and how to commemorate this very special anniversary. Would you be willing to work with a team to create a plan for honoring this anniversary? Speak with Pastor of your interest.

Parking on Sunday...A gentle reminder, please only park on the lower 4 parking slots in front of the Market on Sunday morning. We appreciate Scott allowing us to park there. The other Sunday when the Market opened many of the slots nearly up to the entrance were filled with cars from Trinity worshippers. We are welcome to use the lot behind the old bank, you may park behind the church, or on Vine and Fletcher Streets.

**JOIN US** as we are guided through the land of the Bible in a video series with renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan. Filmed on location in the Middle East, it transforms your understanding of God and how the land and culture of the Hebrew people shaped their story. The Adult Sunday School class meets immediately following worship service every Sunday at 10:10, during the regular Sunday School time.

## **Thank You Notes**

Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for your prayers and cards during my recovery. God heard your prayers and my recovery couldn't have gone smoother or more quickly. I'm very grateful to all. – Sue Coughenhourer

Dear Church Family,

Thank you to all who sent me birthday cards. The cards are so pretty, inspirational, uplifting, complimentary and quite a few have 80 in them. I won't forget this birthday. I don't know how I got to 80 so fast. Oh well, it's only a number. Life is what we make it = One day at a time, have a good attitude, and live each day to the fullest. I really appreciated your efforts, kind thoughts and wishes. God bless all of you!

Sincerely,

Ruth Elaine

#### **Giving From 6/27/2021**

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	3,065.00	\$2434.93	\$628.07
Ben	\$200.00	\$213.46	-\$13.46
Maint	\$330.00	\$163.46	\$166.54
Total	\$3595.00	\$2811.85	\$781.15

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$10.00.

Worship Attendance: 81

Sunday School: 18

#### Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

#### Shut Ins:

Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Janet Gindlesperger, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor, Dirkje Stellingwerf.

## **Healing Concerns:**

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Lindsey Stotler Cioci, Tammy Coughenour, Pam Crooks, John Durst, Susan Durst, Wilma Durst, Jane Fisher, Linda Gallick, Kathryn Grimm, Brenda Leister, Larry McCullen, Bayley Mull, Glenda Paul Family, Nancy Schrock, Tyler Seifert, Dwight Smith, Avis Specht, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Eileen LaBute Zeplin, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman

## **The Saints In Action**

Next Sunday – July 18th 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:10 a.m. Sunday School

## **Knowing You**

#### Graham Kendrick

Graham Kendrick



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## The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams Church Secretary: Pam Bush Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

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**Sound System Upgrades** – It is expected that this next week the Music Emporium staff will begin to work on the upgrades for the recording and publication of our Sunday worship experience online [live and available later]. We thank Jim Darr, Dave Miller, Jason Clark, Rus Ogburn, and others for their labor of pulling additional cables to and from the sound board for the additional equipment.

Save the Date – Sunday, October 31 Trinity will celebrate the dedication of our new Allen Designer Organ with the "designer" Mr. Rudolph Lucente as our Musical Artist. PD is calling this concert "The Reformation of Rudy!" Mr. Lucente is the former director of music for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The concert promises to be of "Spooktacular" proportions! The concert is sponsored by the Allen Organ Company and the Music Emporium, Altoona. Please invite your friends to join us in the afternoon [time to be announced] for a joyful sound of music.