Trinity United Church of Christ 600 Main Street Berlin, Pennsylvania A Place Where Life and Faith Meet!

# Welcome to Trinity Church! Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 15, 2017

This morning we continue to look at several of our core Christian beliefs. The Five "Solas" of the Reformation – "Sola" is the Latin word for **alone.** 

#### The Five "SOLA'S" OF REFORMED FAITH

Sola Deo Gloria – To the Glory of God Alone We are glory reflectors not glory makers!

Solus Christus – In Christ Alone It is Jesus Christ alone who is The Way, The Truth, and the Life!

Sola Scriptura – The Bible Alone It is the story of Scripture that is the story of our lives!

> **Sola Gratia – By Grace Alone** Sola Fide – By Faith Alone

Today we continue with Sola Gratia – Grace Alone! When the Reformers spoke about "grace alone", they were saying that sinners have no claim upon God, none at all; that God owes them nothing but punishment for their sins; and that, if he saves them in spite of their sins, which he does in the case of those who are being saved, it is only because it pleases him to do it and for no other reason! – Dr. James M. Boice

We all need grace! For it is only Christ's grace, not our works, that can give us the love, acceptance and forgiveness we want! Dr. James MacDonald notes that we are designed to be discontent until we meet Jesus. If you are needing a fresh experience of grace in your life – you've come to the right place! This morning hear Jesus saying to you "welcome home – my grace which I give to you is sufficient for what you need!"

The liturgical color for this morning is green. It represents growth. Pastor is wearing his baptism stole as we celebrate God's grace in the gift of baptism for Revere Ogburn this morning.

Prelude
Grace Greater than our Sin

Mrs. Brant, piano arr. Putman

The Light of Christ

Acolyte

The Acolyte brings the Light of Christ into our worship.

The Saints in Action

Terry Luteri

\*Hymn of Praise: No. 292 God of Grace and God of Glory

\*Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Confession

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you.

You constantly call us, but we do not listen.

You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns.

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.
God of grace, as you come to us in mercy,
we repent in spirit and in truth,
admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Silent Confession

The Gospel's Assurance of Pardon

Call to Prayer: No. 465 In His Time

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer [using debts and debtors]

Speaking to the Child Within Us All Jingle Offering Bobbi Robertson

From God's Word

Ephesians 2:1-10 Pew Bible Page 1017

### This is the Word of God for the People of God! Thanks be to God!

Proclamation of God's Word Rev'd Dr. David Alan Williams

The Sola's of Faith – Sola Scriptura

Grace to You!

Baptismal Hymn: Bulletin Page 11 Borning Cry

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Revere Orsen Ogburn
Son of Ruston and Jenna
Brother of Vesper, Truitt, and Callum

Grandparents - Jim & Margie Zorn and Roy & Jean Ogburn

Words of Institution

Scriptural Promises
Presentation

Pastor and Parents

Having heard God's gracious promises to us in Christ, do you desire that Revere be baptized?

We do.

In presenting your child for baptism, you announce your love for Jesus Christ, your eagerness to participate in the life of Christ's body, the church, and your commitment to live as Christ's disciples in the world. With joy, we celebrate together the gift of God's grace in Christ.

Who presents Revere for baptism? **We do.** 

Profession of Faith

Since you are presenting this child for baptism, we ask you, before God and His people, to reject sin and to profess your faith in Jesus Christ. Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of evil that rebel against God?

I renounce them!

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them!

Do you turn to Jesus Christ?

Yes! I trust in him as my Lord and Savior.

Do you intend to be Christ's faithful disciple, trusting His promises, obeying His Word, honoring His church, and showing His love, as long as you live?

Yes, God helping me.

The Apostles' Creed All Professing Christians
I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Covenant Promises

Since you have presented Revere for baptism, I ask you the following questions before God and His people.

Do you promise to instruct *Revere* by word and example, with the help of the Christian community, in the truth of God's Word, and in the way of salvation through Jesus Christ? Do you promise to pray for him and teach him to pray? Do you promise to nurture him within the body of believers, as citizens of Christ's kingdom?

We do, God helping us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Administration The Blessing Song

Welcome

Brothers and sisters, we now receive Revere into Christ's church. I charge you to nurture and love him and to assist him to be Christ's faithful disciple. With joy and thanksgiving, we now welcome you into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support you and to help you know and follow Christ.

#### Offertory

\*Presentation of Gifts: No. 625 **The Doxology** – Old 100<sup>th</sup>

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Song of Dismissal: No. 202 Amazing Grace

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Postlude God of Grace arr. Turner

\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

### + + + + + + + The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams Church Secretary: Cathy Gaudlip Organist: Cynthia Brant Chancel Choir Director: Linda Gallick Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

### Church Office Hours – Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

Church Office Phone: 814-267-3234 Snail Mail: PO Box 86, Berlin, PA 15530

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### **Assisting in Morning Worship**

Acolyte: Alivia Coughenour Nursery: Leanna Coughenour

**Lector:** Marjorie Deaner

**Sound:** Lori Gindlesperger, Lynn Deaner **Greeters:** F- Jessica & Gabriella McKenzie

B- Lewis & Barbara Berkley

Ushers: Larry & Gale Hay Youth Usher: Sierra Glessner

**Chancel Flowers** are given to the glory of God and in honor of her mother Ruth Romesberg's birthday by Larry & Gale Hay.

### Where You May Find. . .

**The Nursery:** On the lower level there is an attended nursery for children ages 5 and under.

#### At the Sanctuary Entrances. . .

Large Print Bulletins
Note Cards
Hearing Amplifiers

Recycling Boxes for Bulletins
These Days – Devotional

Record of Our Faithfulness – Worship: 100 Sunday School: 35

Those Remembered in prayer: God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces, Katie Ansell, Ben Bagnall, Chris Blubaugh, Roy Bucher, Emma Burkell, Grace Buterbaugh, Basil Constantino, Claudine Coughenour, Tammy Coughenour, Pastor Frank Demmy, Dorothy Doyle, John Durst, Bob Glotfelty, Fae Hetrick, Richard Hillegas, Dan Kaufman, Rev. Ralph Landis family, Teresa Lemens, Debbie Luteri, Larry McCullen, Jr., Jack McKenna, Wayne Potter, Mary Sarver, Lois Saylor, Joyce Ditzler Schrock, Darla Shaulis, John Shonko, Michael Sines, Cody Smith, Gary Smith, Linda Smith, Andrea Spano, Izzy Strong, Bob & Carolyn Stutzman, Brenda Swank, Joyce Twombly, Adeline Vieregge, Jodi Walker, Robin Walker, Harry Watkins, Nancy Weighley, those who are shut-in and requiring special care.

**Thank you** Trinity family for the wonderful Installation Service last Sunday! --- +Pastor Dave

Pastor Frank & Pat are moving! If you wish to send them a card or note, their new address is: 100 Ramapo Trail, Unit G4, Allentown PA 18104

Gifts for Living Waters – Each fall our Conference Minister, David Ackerman, has asked the congregations of the Penn West Conference to consider a gift for Living Waters Camp to assist in its financial sustainability. Consistory has approved a gift of \$250 from our Endowment interest income. If you would like to provide a gift to the camp, you are invited to mark your giving envelope "Living Waters" and your gift will be combined with the church gift in late November.

**Trinity Youth Ringers** will practice **October 22nd and 29th** following worship. On **November 5th**, practice will be held during Sunday school and the group will perform during worship. Other **November** practices will follow worship on the **19th** and **26th**.

**HUGS & KISSES will hold a Pot Luck** meal following worship TODAY, **October 15th**. Please plan to join us for a delicious meal!

Operation Christmas Child is under way, "Jingle Sundays," will continue through October. Children will collect change, after children's time, to help cover the cost of shoebox items and shipping costs. Please, remember to bring your change for this worthy cause! We will place boxes at the entrances for donated items, as well shoe boxes. If you would like to pack your own, there will be shoeboxes and brochures at each entrance. If you've knitted a doll in the past or would like to make other items, that would be great! Monetary donations are also appreciated. Just mark your envelope "Operation Christmas Child" and place in the offering plate. All donated items, money and packed shoe boxes are due no later than Sunday, October 29th. We will hold our "Packing Party" after worship on November 5th. It's always a fun time and a light Subway lunch will be provided. Feel free to bring a snack, dessert or drink. If you have any questions please see or contact Missy Miller (233-5946) or Amanda Custer (267-6347).

**Trinity Ladies** will meet **October 17th** at 6 PM. We'll make toys to pack in the OCC boxes. Crochet needles and yarn are needed. We invite those who are experienced in crocheting to join in the fun. Those wishing to learn, we will have a demonstrator to teach some basic stitches. Other projects will also be going on, so please don't think we've forgotten the rest of you. Please come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and serving the Lord!

New Sunday School Study – Sue Coughenour will lead a new Young Adult Study entitled "The Good and Beautiful God" beginning October 22nd. In the study we'll discover how well our ideas about God and how He works in our lives match up to what Jesus himself, revealed about God. Class will meet at 9 AM in the parsonage basement and is open to anyone wishing a deeper relationship with God. Contact Sue at 267-3332 or <a href="mailto:suecough@hotmail.com">suecough@hotmail.com</a> prior to October 22, so materials may be ordered.

Ladies Exercise Group – Each Tuesday, beginning October 24 from 5:30-6:30 PM at Three Seasons Community Church. The 45 minute exercise class will be led by an exercise instructor and will be followed by a brief devotional. Ladies of all ages and abilities are welcome. Bring a towel or mat, bottle of water, and \$5/person to cover cost of instructor. Contact April Logue, 267-5072, or Joanne Stoltzfus, 233-5905 if you have questions.

**500th Anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 Thesis**, The start of the Protestant Reformation – Members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church invite you to celebrate with them on **October 29**, for a free-will offering dinner at 5:30 PM, followed by a service of hymn singing.

**Secret Pals sign-up** for the November 2017 through November 2018 year is under way. Children and adults may **sign up now through October 31** by completing a registration form, found in your October newsletter, or in the pamphlet racks at each Sanctuary entrance. Contact Bobbi Robertson if you have any questions.

**The Fall Youth Rally** will be held at Camp Living Waters from November 10-12th. The church will pay the attendance fee for any youth in grade 6-12 who is a member or regular attender. Registration forms are due in the church office **no later than Sunday, October 29th.** Call or email the church office for a registration form.

All Saints Sunday – November 5: We will give thanks for those "saints" who have entered the Church Triumphant since November 1, 2016. A letter has been sent to families whose loved one was a member of Trinity inviting them to be with us in worship to remember them. If you have lost a loved one who was not buried from Trinity but you would like to have them remembered that day, please call the office to have their name included to be read that morning. For those who wish to remember a loved one who has been part of the "communion of the saints" longer than a year, you are invited to have their name included in a special list printed in the bulletin as Pastor will conclude the list by saying, "we remember those saints who have gone before us and we treasure the legacy and memory of their lives and give thanks that they dwell secure in Jesus Christ." All Saints Sunday will be a festive and joyful celebration.

If anyone is interested in helping with Operation Christmas Child by volunteering at the Baltimore Processing Center, there are a few dates to consider, Friday November 24th, Friday December 1st and Saturday December 9th. You must be 13 years of age or older. If anyone is interested please see Renee Gindlesperger, Missy Miller or Amanda Custer for more information. Please inquire as soon as possible because space is limited.

Trinity Ladies: Scherenschnitte, means "scissor cuts" in German, it is the art of paper cutting design. Learn more during our meeting on Tuesday November 21 at 7 PM. Missy Miller will give a demonstration and then let you try your hand at the ancient art form of paper cutting. Cost is \$12 which includes all materials. Sign up by November 12th, on the bulletin board near the elevator entrance. Additional artwork will be on display. Contact Missy with questions at 233-5946. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome!

#### I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry



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