

*Trinity United Church of Christ, Berlin, Pennsylvania*  
*Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost - November 15, 2020*  
*The Worship of God at 8 and 9:30 o'clock*

**PRAISE**

**Music of Gathering**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before Him and are slow to acknowledge His rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim Him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**\*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**

**St. Matthew 25:14-30**

<sup>14</sup>“For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants<sup>3</sup> and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents,<sup>4</sup> to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.’ <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant.<sup>5</sup> You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of

your master.’ <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.’ <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’ <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

**Blessing of the Chemo-Care Kits**

**Proclamation of God’s Word**

**“PD”**

***One Bag, Two Bag, Five Bag  
People***

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**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 hades.  
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 quick 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.

**Morning Prayer**  
**Our Savior's Prayer** [using debts and debtors]

**The Saints in Action**

**\*Hymn** *Are Ye Able*

**\*Sung Dismissal with 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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**This Week at Trinity**

**Christmas Decorating Team begins their work!**

**Wednesday**  
**6:30 p.m. Trinity Handbell Rehearsal**

**Friday**  
**6:30 p.m. Raising of the Christmas Tree**

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### **Adopt-A-Family for Christmas**

Trinity Church has been asked to "Adopt 14" Children this Christmas Season. Gifts for this important ministry may be marked on your offering envelope. Trinity will be working with Santa's Workshop in this endeavor. We will be responsible for the practical needs of each child while the Workshop will provide the toy/game/ etc. Gifts will be received through December 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Christmas Decorating at Trinity**

Christmas Decorating begins this week at Trinity. Simple wreaths where we usually see them and the "giant" Christmas Tree. If you would like to help with this speak with Nancy Bittner, Ann Slifco or Jim Darr.

### **The New Allen Organ**

Following worship on December 6<sup>th</sup> the pipe façade of the organ case will be removed so that the pipes may be painted by Karl Brick, Sr., and Dean Brick. The pipes will be returned to the façade following the installation of the new organ.

Here is the latest picture of the new organ console construction:



## Community Events in Berlin

**Community Thanksgiving Service** at Berlin Brethren Church on Sunday, November 22 at 7 p.m. The service will be live streamed and can be found here at youtube:  
<https://youtu.be/NhP3cmLyrHE>

**Walk Through Bethlehem** will be at the Borough Lot on Sunday, November 29 beginning at 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

### Annual Congregational Meeting – December 6<sup>th</sup> – 9 a.m.

The Consistory calls for the Annual Meeting of the Trinity Church for December 6 at 9 a.m. in the sanctuary. The following matters are on the agenda at this time:

1. Election of Consistory Members. Slate Proposed:  
Thomas Calvert  
Deborah Boyer  
Gaye Maust  
Amy Clark
2. Recommendation to hire S&S Paving to replace the parking area between the church and parsonage at a cost of \$19,500.00. Funds to be taken from Bequest Interest Account.
3. Approval of the General, Benevolence, and Building Maintenance Budgets.
4. Affirm Ministry Sharing with Zion Lutheran on an ongoing basis.

### Important Dates Upcoming:

**November 29 – First Sunday of Advent**  
**December 6 – Second Sunday of Advent – Communion**  
**Annual Congregational Meeting – 9 a.m.**  
**December 20 – Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**December 24 – Christmas Eve**  
5:00 p.m. Family Service with Light  
10:40 p.m. Festive Organ Prelude  
11:00 p.m. Festival Service with Light

**Christmas Eve at Trinity** – we will have two services [5 and 11] at Trinity this year with one significant change – for Candlelighting we will be using LED Candles that will be taken home with the participant following worship.

### Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

### Shut Ins:

Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Evelyn Hillegass, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor, Dirkje Stellingwerf, Charlie Will.

### Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Pam Bush, Hunter Cornell, Terry Coslic, Pam Crooks, Shellby Custer, John Durst, Susan Durst, Wilma Durst, Bryan Emerick, Tony Fertitta, Linda Gallick, Janet Gindlesperger, Lee LaBute, Brenda Leister, Larry McCullen, Dalton & Julie Paul, Bobbi Robertson, Tyler Seifert, Dwight Smith, John Wallace, Harry Watkins, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Eileen LaBute Zeplin.

### Last Week's Giving:

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
<b>General</b>	\$2,825.00	\$2,860.60	-\$34.40
<b>Ben</b>	\$397.00	\$208.27	\$188.73
<b>Maint</b>	\$180.00	\$163.46	\$16.54
<b>Organ</b>	\$5,305.00		
<b>Total</b>	\$8,707.00	\$3,232.33	\$170.87

Thank you for your giving to Trinity Church!

### Thank you Hugs & Kisses.....

Thank you so very much for the Pink Ribbon Wreath! I love it and love you all! I really appreciate it! You are the best!

Love, Bobbi Robertson

### Where You May Find . . .

**The Nursery:** is on the lower level for children and their parent. A big screen TV is mounted in the room so that you may watch the service.

### At the Sanctuary Entrances. . .

Large Print Bulletins                      Hearing Amplifiers  
Recycling Boxes for Bulletins  
These Days – Devotional

**Assisting in Morning Worship**

**Sound:** Tyler Gindlesperger, Alan Brick

**Record of Our Faithfulness –** Worship: 90

**The Flowers on the altar in** memory of Devon & June Landis, Larry Landis & Helen Landis Frye by Barry Landis.

**Trinity United Church of Christ**

**600 Main Street**

**Berlin, Pennsylvania**

**A Place Where Life and Faith Meet!**

**The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by**

*Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams*

*Secretary: Pam Bush*

*Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick*

*Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas*

*Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger*

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## Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down:  
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry trou - bled breast;  
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy life re - ceive;  
 4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be:

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown:  
 let us all in thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest:  
 sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.  
 let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;  
 take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;  
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,  
 changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, 'til in heav'n we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 End of faith, as its Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 'til we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

HYMNS FOR YOUTH  
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# Are Ye Able

Beacon Hill, 8. 7. 8. 7., with Refrain

BARL MARLATT, B. 1892

HARRY S. MASON, B. 1881

1. "Are ye a - ble," said the Mas - ter, "To be cru - ci - fied with me?"  
2. "Are ye a - ble to re - mem - ber When a thief lifts up his eyes,  
3. "Are ye a - ble, when the shad - ows Close a - round you with the sod,  
4. "Are ye a - ble?" still the Mas - ter Whis - pers down e - ter - ni - ty,

"Yea," the stur - dy dream - ers an - swered, "To the death we fol - low Thee."  
That his par - doned soul is wor - thy Of a place in Par - a - dise?"  
To be - lieve that spir - it tri - umphs, To com - mend your soul to God?"  
And he - ro - ic spir - its an - swer, Now, as then, in Gal - i - lee,

REFRAIN

Lord, we are a - ble: Our spir - its are Thine. Re - mold them,

make us, Like Thee, di - vine. Thy guid - ing ra - diance A - bove us shall

be A bea - con to God To love and loy - al - ty. A - MEN.

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