

hope

If you only carry one thing throughout your entire life, let it be hope. Let it be hope that better things are always ahead. Let it be hope that you can get through even the toughest of times. Let it be hope that you are stronger than any challenge that comes your way. Let it be hope that you are exactly where you are meant to be right now, and that you are on the path to where you are meant to be... Because during these times, hope will be the very thing that carries you through.

- Nikki Banas

**Sixth Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day
May 9, 2021**

***Trinity United Church of Christ
600 Main Street
Berlin, Pennsylvania***

Music of Preparation *Prelude & Fugue in C Major* – J. S. Bach

***Easter Hymn: No. 213**

Because He Lives

***Apostolic Greeting**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Morning Prayer

Our Savior's Prayer [using debts and debtors]

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Epistle of John

1 John 2:28-29

²⁸ And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. ²⁹ If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

Blessing and Dismissal of Children to Sunday School

***Gospel Acclamation: No. 233**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

***The Gospel**

St. John 15:9-17

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants,¹ for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my

name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷ These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

***The Apostles' Creed**

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old & New Testaments.

Do you believe in God?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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.

Do you believe in the Holy Ghost?

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Saints in Action

Proclamation of God's Word

“PD”

Deep Hope

***Hymn of Dismissal: No. 406**

My Hope Is in the Lord!

***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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The Saints In Action

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Handbells

Next Sunday – Seventh Sunday of Easter – Music Sunday

8:00 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

Graduating Seniors – We will honor our graduating Seniors [High School and College] on Sunday, June 6th at the 9:30 a.m. service. If you have or know of a “graduating senior” please call the church office to provide the information. A gift will be given that day to those whom we recognize here at Trinity.

Croner Education Loan Fund – Applications are now available for all college students who would like to seek a “low” interest loan from the Croner Education Fund. Applications will be due to the church office by June 30th for the coming academic year. Funds will be disbursed directly to your educational institution.

Trinity Music Sunday with the Trinity Bells will be Sunday, May 16th at both services. A musical message for the day.

Vacation Bible School will be June 14-18 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.

Children’s Clearances – The Church Office sent out letters requesting updated Children’s Clearances. If you received a letter, please fulfill the request as soon as possible. For those helping with VBS if you are not sure if you have a current

clearance, please call the church office. Pam has all of the information. THANK YOU!

Penn West Annual Meeting – June 12 from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. Our own Tom Croner will complete his two-year term as moderator that day. Tom has the distinction of being the ZOOM Moderator of the Conference. There have been no in person meetings of the Conference during his term, all meetings have been conducted by ZOOM. We are seeking 1 person to “attend” via ZOOM for this meeting. The church will cover the costs of registration of \$20.00. Please speak with Pastor Dave or Tom Calvert if you are willing to serve.

Church Picnic – What do you think about having our annual Church Picnic in the Grove on July 18th. Let Tom Calvert or one of the HUGS & KISSES moms know your opinion.

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.

Thank you from Lewis Berkley. Please extend my thanks for all the cards & best wishes celebrating my 90th birthday. You people are truly awesome!

Giving From 4/25/2021

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$2645.00	\$2434.93	\$210.07
Ben	\$168.00	\$213.46	-\$45.46
Maint	\$125.00	\$163.46	-\$38.46
Total	\$2938.00	\$2811.85	\$126.15

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$10

Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

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

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Lindsey Stotler Cioci, Pam Crooks, John Durst, Susan Durst, Wilma Durst, Eric Emerick, Jane Fisher, Linda Gallick, Janet Gindlesperger, Kathryn Grimm, Brenda Leister, Larry McCullen, Bayley Mull, Nancy Schrock, Tyler Seifert, Dwight Smith, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman.

Once again, we ask that you contact us if someone needs to be removed from the list or information updated. Thank you for your assistance.

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 Worship

Sound: Tom Croner, Jim Darr

The Flowers on the altar in Memory of ours Parents: JB and Betty McCullar and Wayne and Ann Darr by Jim & Jean Ann Darr

Additional Flower Basket is in memory of the Zimmerman Family by Allison Zimmerman

Plant on the altar is in honor of the mothers in our family: Judy T. McCullen, Cynthia L. McCullen-Janicki, Martha Tamblyn and Shirley McCullen by Larry McCullen.

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