



Trinity Lutheran Church

“Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ”

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✠ The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost ✠



Sunday, June 17, 2018
Eucharists at 8:30 & 10:00 am

~ Today's Hymns ~

Gathering Hymn: 533 “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

Communion Hymns:

518 “We Eat the Bread of Teaching”

679 “For The Fruit of All Creation”

516 “Almighty God, Your Word is Cast”

Sending Hymn: 550 “On What Has Now Been Sown”

~ Today's Readings ~

The First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

L: A Reading from Ezekiel:

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody: Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

It is a good thing to give thanks | to the LORD,
to sing praise to your name, | O Most High;
to herald your love | in the morning
and your faithful- | ness at night;
on the psaltery, and | on the lyre,
and to the melody | of the harp.

For you have made me glad by your | acts, O LORD;
and I shout for joy because of the works | of your hands.
The righteous shall flourish | like a palm tree,
and shall spread abroad like a ce- | dar of Lebanon.

Those who are planted in the house | of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts | of our God;
they shall still bear fruit | in old age;
they shall be | green and succulent;
that they may show how up- | right the LORD is,
my rock, in whom there is | no injustice.

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

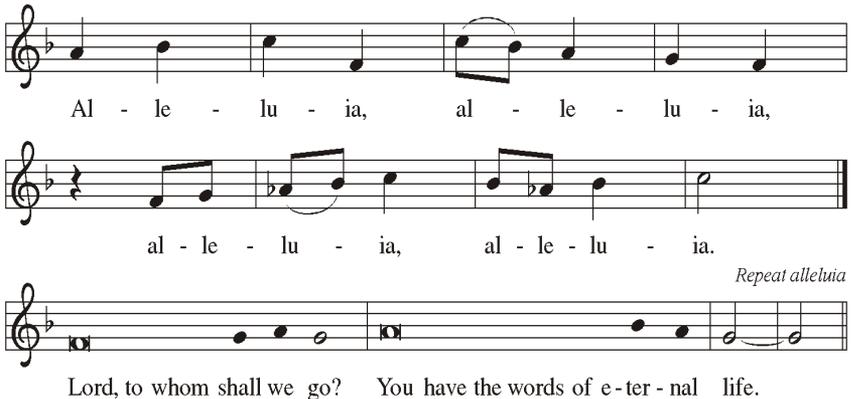
L: A reading from Second Corinthians:

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil... For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Holy Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

D: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

D: He (Jesus) also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

D: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Deacon's Intercessions:

- ✠ We pray for the Church: that the seed of faith planted in the heart of each believer may grow into a bountiful witness of God's reign in the world.
- ✠ ... For bishops, pastors, deacons, and all who serve the Church, that they might share their ministries with fidelity and joy.
- ✠ ... That the Word and Sacraments will nourish and enrich us as we strive to live as faithful disciples of Jesus.
- ✠ We give thanks for new members of Trinity, especially Janet, Toni, Noel, Matt, and Suella: that the Holy Spirit will make us one in lives of faith, fellowship, and service.
- ✠ We pray for the nations of the world, and for all who hold offices of leadership and responsibility: that they may engage in honest dialogue, respect the dignity of all people, and be vigilant in the pursuit of peace.
- ✠ We give thanks for faithful fathers, and we pray for all who care for their sons and daughters and who have shown us a father's love: that they might know the blessings of God's patience, God's love, and God's devotion.
- ✠ We pray for a bountiful harvest: that God will protect those who work in the fields and grant growth to crops so that all may be nourished and sustained by God's gifts.

- ✘ We pray for all who serve and protect us ~ for police, firefighters, emergency medical personnel and members of the military: that God will keep them safe, guide them in their service, and lead them home in safety.
- ✘ We pray for the sick, for those preparing for or recovering from surgery, and for the homebound, especially...: that God will bring healing and strength to their bodies, and peace to their minds.
- ✘ We pray for all who are recovering from volcanoes, earthquakes, floods or wildfires: that God will give them strength, a vision for rebuilding their lives, and strength.
- ✘ We remember those who have died, especially..., and we pray for those who mourn their loss: that they may rest in the Lord, and rise, with Christ and all the Faithful, to the joys of heaven.
- ✘ With joy, we remember the Saints of the Church, and give thanks for their lives of service, especially St Paul the Apostle, St Joseph, the guardian of our Lord and patron of fathers, and St Aloysius, patron of youth: may we be inspired by their witness, and follow them in lives of faith and devotion.

Readings for Next Sunday, June 24

The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist

Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80

“To The Glory of God...”

- ✘ The Flowers are sponsored in celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary by Mike & Pat Macchiarolo.
- ✘ The Flowers are sponsored in honor of Susan Casteel’s birthday by her mom, Laverne & brother, David.
- ✘ Our Missionaries are sponsored in honor of Steve & Betsy McElroy’s 21st wedding anniversary by Jim & Linda McElroy.
- ✘ The Sanctuary Lamp is sponsored in memory of Tom Cox by Debbie, Dave & Wendy.

Parishioners and friends are invited to sponsor Altar Flowers (\$30/\$45), Bulletins (\$20), the Sanctuary Lamp (\$5) and our Lutheran Missionary to Tanzania (\$25). Please see the registration sheets in Trinity Hall and feel free to call the Church Office with any questions.

Parish Announcements

~ June 17, 2018 ~

Upcoming Ministries and Events

This Week

- Sunday (17) THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
... 8:30 am ~ Holy Eucharist
... 10:00 am ~ Holy Eucharist
- Tuesday (19) Free Community Dinner: 5:30 pm (JLG)
- Wednesday (20) Holy Eucharist at Colonial Courtyard: 11:00 am

Next Week

- Sunday (24) THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
... 8:30 am ~ Holy Eucharist
... 10:00 am ~ Holy Eucharist
- Tuesday (26) Free Community Dinner: 5:30 pm (Presbyterian)
- Wednesday (27) Pillow-Case Ministry: 1:00 pm (Senior High Classroom)
Adult Nite out: 5:30 pm (Twisted Trout)
- Friday (29) Young Adult Nite Out: 6:00 pm (Klavuhn's home)

SUMMER SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

~ Continuing through Sunday, September 2 ~

Eucharists are celebrated at 8:30 and 10:00 am

We gather in Trinity Hall as the Altar/Nave are under Renovation

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office is open from

~ 8:00 am - Noon and 1:00 - 3:30 pm ~

Please Call or Visit During these Times!

~ *Worship & Music Ministries* ~

Sunday Eucharists on the Move to Trinity Hall!

Through Sunday, September 2...

- ... We're gathering for Sunday Morning Eucharists in Trinity Hall through the summer months, while the renovation of the Altar & Nave is accomplished. While this is a little different for us, we are grateful to have this space which is well-able to accommodate our needs.
- ... We're looking forward to returning to the nave, with a special Celebration of Dedication, on Sunday, September 9, as we kick-off our 250th Anniversary Year.
- ... Thanks again to all the members of the Altar & Nave Renovation Team for the countless hours of planning which they devoted to the project, and to so many parishioners and friends for the generous outpouring of financial support for this once-in-a-lifetime project!

We're on "Summer Schedule"...

Our regular Wednesday Evening gatherings for Vespers, Choir Rehearsals and Bible Study have concluded for the season. We're looking forward to the Fall, when we'll return to our regular schedule of liturgies and activities. Please watch for upcoming announcements later this summer.

Kids Getting Restless?

If your little ones find themselves getting restless and you need to change the setting for a few minutes, feel free to use the nursery room. There is a bathroom for little ones, a changing table, and a few other items that may help them channel some of their excess energy.



~ Children & Youth Ministries ~

Youth Service Dinner & Knoebels Trip

Tuesday August 7-Thursday August 9, 2018; Cost:\$150

All youth, having completed grades 6-12, are invited to take part in an adventure that has just a little bit of everything. We will begin by serving the Free Community Dinner on Tuesday, then enjoy a special lock-in at the Parish House, wake to spend Wednesday at Knoebels Amusement Park, spend the night at a luxurious hotel, and return home with one more special surprise along the way! To register, turn in your medical release form and \$25 deposit to the church office. See Pr. David with any questions.

A Wave of Excitement at This Year's VBS!

It has been another amazing year of VBS here at Trinity. We sang, we celebrated, and we learned about God's goodness in our lives through storytelling, crafts, games, snacks, music, and much more! This year, we had a staggering 85



children registered and over 40 amazing/fearless volunteers.

“THANK YOU!” to each and every volunteer, to everyone who donated items, to all who sent their children, and to everyone who supported this ministry in any way. God has given us many helping hands and together we accomplish the wonderful task of passing on this life giving faith!

~ *Adult & All-Parish Ministries* ~

Pillow-Case Sewing Ministry

Wednesday, June 27; 1:00–4:00 pm

Parishioners and Friends are invited to gather in the Senior High classroom to decorate pillow-cases and small quilts which are sent to hospitalized kids and cancer patients. Come and sew for a few afternoon hours as you are able. Please contact Doris Caldwell (814) 442-7347 with any questions.

Adult Nite Out Fellowship

Wednesday, June 27; 5:30 pm ~ at the Twisted Trout

Wednesday is “Burger Night” at the T.T.! Mark the date now and plan to join with friends of the Parish! Sign up in Trinity Hall...

Young Adult Night (Adults only)

Friday June 29, 2018; 6:00pm

Our Young Adults are excited to get together again at the home of Jason and Jennifer Klavuhn (626 Sycamore Lane, Bedford) on Friday, June 29. We’ll make pizzas, go swimming, and enjoy a relaxed evening together. This evening is just for the adults. Please sign up in Trinity Hall.

Trinity Book Club

Tuesday, July 3; 1:30 pm

The Trinity Book Club will meet on Tuesday, July 3, at 1:30 pm, in the Parish House. We’ll discuss *Founding Mothers* by Cokie Roberts. Please contact the group’s coordinator, Pat Macchiarolo, with any questions (814-977-2436).

Photo Scavenger Hunt & Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, July 18; 6:00 pm

Everyone is invited to another fun and fast paced scavenger hunt at Trinity! We will gather together at 6:00pm, break into teams, and take off into the streets to identify some of the more discreet landmarks around town. There will be a prize for the winning team. And don’t worry...there’s ice-cream enough for everyone! Please sign up in Trinity Hall.

~ Outreach Ministries ~

Camp Sequanota

June's Special Ministry Highlight and Appeal

- ✓ Camp Sequanota offers exciting weeks of camp for children, youth, adults, families, and friends with special limitations. Daily camp activities include Bible studies, swimming, crafts, worship, games, campfires, and visiting the camp store. Special experiences may also include challenge courses, rock climbing, zip-lining, canoeing, sleep-outs, cook-outs, pool-parties, sports, fishing, and much, much more!
- ✓ Please share a financial gift with Camp Sequanota this month, which helps keep the cost of camp a little more affordable. Checks can be made payable to Trinity and note "Camp Sequanota" on the memo line. Special Envelopes have been prepared for this appeal, and are with the Bulletins.
- ✓ Check out the Sequanota web site ~ sequanota.com.



Free Community Dinner ~ Ecumenical Ministry

- ✓ Trinity hosts and coordinates the "Free Community Dinner" ministry which has been serving warm and nutritious meals to neighbors of our community every week since September, 2009!
- ✓ **Thanks! for all the support** which so many parishioners and friends share with this ministry!
- ✓ **Trinity's Youth** will be serving Tuesday, August 7th. A sign-up sheet, for brownies, is posted in Trinity Hall.
- ✓ **THANKS**, to everyone who helped prepare and serve this past Tuesday's dinner - and to all who baked and shared brownies, too!

***American Cancer Society Walk at Friendship Village
Saturday, June 23; 10:00 am***

Parishioners and friends are reminded by our Outreach Ministry Team, of the annual 24 Hour Benefit-Walk, which begins at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 23, at Friendship Village. There are raffles, refreshments, and lots of activities for “walkers” and “Supporters”. For more information about the event, or to get connected with a “Team” please contact Denise Steele (814) 623-7228.

~ Other Notes and Updates ~

250th Anniversary Photo Directory

- ✓ We are excited to be partnering with Lifetouch Photography to create a new congregational photo directory to celebrate our 250th anniversary. Photos will be taken August 3-4, 7-8 and October 3-4.
- ✓ Please be sure to sign up to have your photo taken during these days, so that you will be included!
- ✓ This allows other parishioners the chance to see who you are, and will also afford you a free 8x10 of your best picture and your own free copy of the photo directory once they are printed.
- ✓ You can register with Rosie Leppert and Beth Hullihen, near the elevator, after liturgies on Sundays through June. And, you can also follow the link, on Trinity’s website, to go on-line and register yourself.
- ✓ Please contact the Church Office or Pr Weinhold if you have any questions!



Loose Coins in the Sunday Offering...

Loose coins which are received in the Sunday Offering are directed to acts of charity, through the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund. This might be a small grocery order or other essential need to help a neighbor address a challenging situation. See Pr Short or Pr Weinhold with any questions. Thanks for your generosity!

The 250th Anniversary Altar & Nave Renovation Project

- ✓ We've hit a milestone this week, with pledges and commitments crossing over \$150,000!
THANK YOU, very much, for your generosity!
- ✓ If you've not done so already, please consider making a pledge and supporting the renovation and improvements. You can share your gifts weekly, monthly or annually over the next 3 years.
- ✓ To see a detailed description of all the aspects of the extensive project, please visit our website
- ✓ We'll gather for our Sunday Liturgies in Trinity Hall, from Sunday, June 17 through September 2, while the contractors are completing the renovations.
- ✓ Thank you, again, for all the support you've shown the Christian Ministries of Trinity through the years, in so many ways!



Goal: \$265,365
To Date:
107 Pledges
\$150,005 (57%)

A Little Help with Watering and Caring for our Flowers, Please...

Parishioners and friends are invited to share in the task of watering the flowers in the pots and gardens around the church. Volunteers are asked to water the plants every-other day (or so), depending on the heat and the rain. The hose and watering can are available at your convenience, 24/7. A sign-up sheet is in Trinity Hall. Contact Judy Smith (977-8588).



Garden of the Resurrection News...

Trinity's Garden of the Resurrection was constructed and dedicated in August of 2014, and is located along the north side of the church, adjacent to the Parish House. Designed exclusively for the interment of cremated remains, the Garden has already received 5 interments and 16 others have made "pre-arrangements". The statue of St Francis, watching serenely over the Garden, in the shadow of the church, was recently replaced, and is a beautiful addition to the space. Please visit the "Garden of the Resurrection" tab on Trinity's website, or contact Pr Short or Pr Weinhold for more information.



*If you've not done so already...
Would you please Consider Naming Trinity
to Receive a Special Legacy Gift from your
Estate? These Gifts will assist those who
follow us to continue to share Faithful and
Meaningful Christian Ministries with the
Families of Trinity and our Bedford
Community!*



~ *2018 Church Council & Ministry Team Notes* ~

President: Kevin Rizzo

Vice-President: Wynn Leppert

Secretary: Tammy Crawford

Treasurer: Jay Cessna

Worship & Music: Jennifer Bailey & Lisa Hagenbuch

Children & Youth: Tammy Crawford & Kevin Rizzo

Adult & All-Parish: Alice Corle & Betsy Littlefield

Outreach: Mary Lorah & Carol Siegfried

Property: Wayne Hullihen & Wynn Leppert

Finance & Stewardship: Jay Cessna & Don Replogle

Upcoming Ministry Team Meetings and More:

- ✓ July 16 (Monday); 6:00 pm ~ Worship & Music Team Meeting
- ✓ July 16 (Monday); 7:00 pm ~ Outreach Team Meeting
- ✓ July 17 (Tuesday); 6:00 pm ~ Children & Youth Ministry Team Meeting
- ✓ July 17 (Tuesday); 7:00 pm ~ Adult & All Parish Ministry Team Mtg
- ✓ July 23 (Monday); 6:00 pm ~ Finance Ministry Team Meeting
- ✓ July 23 (Monday); 7:00 pm ~ Property Ministry Team Meeting
- ✓ August 13 (Monday); 5:15 pm ~ Parish Musicians Mtg (*Jean Bonnet*)
- ✓ August 20 (Monday); 6:30 pm ~ Church Council Meeting
- ✓ August 27 (Monday): 6:00 pm ~ 250th Anniversary Team Meeting
- ✓ October 8 (Monday) 6:00 pm ~ Deacon's Conclave

~ *Worship Attendance & Offerings* ~

Our Worship and Tithes are an out-pouring of our Gratitude in response to the Lord's Gracious Gifts of Life and Salvation.

This Past Week ~ through June 15

Attendance: 196

Tithes & Offerings: \$8,004.00

Year to Date: \$138,461.00

Thank You for Supporting the Ministries of Trinity with such Generosity!





Please contact the Church Office to have family members and/or friends included in the Prayers at Sunday Liturgies and on the Parish Prayer List. And, be sure to notify Pr Weinhold or Pr Short if you would appreciate visitations and prayers during hospitalizations or extended home-bound recuperations.

For The Church...

- ✦ Our Bishops, Pastors and Deacons in Christ, and all who labor for the Gospel.
- ✦ Parishioner and friends who serve on our Church Council and Ministry Teams.

For Our Nation and All Peoples Of Creation...

- ✦ Those who hold public office.
- ✦ Police Officers, Fire-Fighters, Healthcare Workers, and Military Personnel.
- ✦ The Homeless and the Hungry, and those who care for their needs.
- ✦ The ministries of Camp Sequanota, especially the children, youth, and summer counselors and staff.

✦ ***For New Members of Trinity...***

... Janet Bowser, Toni Jackson, Noel Gardner, Matt O'Dellick, and Suella Pensinger

✦ ***For Parishioners, Family Members & Friends In Special Need...***

... Juanita Kerr, Howard Atkinson, Ann Bittner, Becky Bortz, Harry Clark, Fred & Connie Claycomb, Steve Cornell, Betty Hoover, Ray Jennings, Laura Morse, Rodney "Pete" Moser, Patricia Oakes, Suella Pensinger, Chuck Replogle, Peg Roadman
... (6/17) Bobby Englebach (Frances Leibfreid's friend), Marian Lippert (Gretchen Fleischer's sister), Bonnie Schnably (Joe's cousin)
... (6/10) ~ Tauris Davis (Tammy Crawford's father), Kim Reitz (Pr. David's friend)
... (6/3) ~ Rhett Barnes (Lori Dunkle's friend)

For Those Who Have Died and Those Who Mourn...

Anna Kuchemba (6/6 Alice Corle's mother), Jamie Hershberger (6/3 Lisa Hagenbuch's friend), Ruth Wilson (5/19), Bill Rogers (5/16 Betty Estep-Frailey's son-in-law), Frances Defibaugh (5/16 Liz Speicher & Becky Toth's sister), Harry Ritchey (5/12 Wendy Cox's friend), Ruth Hoppe (5/6), Walter "Hank" Robinette (5/4 Arlene Fluke's brother), Barbara Arnold (4/23), Michael Caro (4/18 Marlene Seese & Bill Smouse's friend), Arthur Coleman (4/18 Marie Doyle's brother).



Serving Today ~ Sunday, June 17

	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
Greeters	Wayne & Beth Hullihen	Rick & Judy Smith
Ushers	Dan Wakefield & Dan Kerr Craig Hess	Mike & Melinda Feaster Joe & Nanette Schnably
Acolytes	Emmi Hagenbuch	Tyler Dunkle
Lector	Lisa Hagenbuch	Tammy Crawford
Deacon	Don Replogle	Lori Dunkle
Altar Guild	Judy Slick & Diane Cogan	Carol Siegfried Shirley Nycum

Serving Next Sunday, June 24

	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
Greeters	Craig & Tammie Hess	Ryan & Rachel Papuga
Ushers	Marlene Seese & Jeremy Vent Wayne Hullihen Fred Claycomb	Jeff & Nancy Saxman Dave & Sharon Wertz
Acolytes	Allison Seager	Luke Davidson
Lector	Erick Seager	Linda McElroy
Deacon	Diane Cogan	Guy Mellott
Altar Guild	Lisa Hagenbuch & Sara Snyder	Judy Smith & Barb Short

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Through The Month of June...

June Offering Stewards:

Wayne Hullihen &
Wynn Leppert

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June Property Steward:

Jeremy Vent

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June Recycling Stewards:

Guy Mellott