



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 9, 2022

Morning Prayer and Sermon
Guest Speaker: Pastor Art Gotjen

Trinity United Church of Christ
600 Main Street
Berlin, Pennsylvania

Prelude

**Celtic Blessing – Jeff Perks
Arioso Grazioso – Robert McIver**

***Welcome**

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here at Trinity United Church of Christ.

***Call to Worship**

Sing to the Lord a new song!

Sing a joyful song of praise.

Let us sing with thankful hearts.

And let us offer him our very lives.

Our hearts are glad because we trust him.

Sing to the Lord a new song!

***Hymn of Praise: 20**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Invocation

God, grace this time of worship with your presence and power.

Seek out each one of us and minister to our special individual needs. Inspire our fellowship and guide our service of others. Fill us with the mind and Spirit of Christ. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination:

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.
Amen**

Timothy 2:8-15

8 Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel,

9 the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered.

10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

11 The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;

12 if we endure, we shall also reign with him;

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.

14 Remind them of this, and charge them before the Lord to avoid disputing about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers.

15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

Luke 17:11-19

11 On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee.

12 And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance

13 and lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.”

14 When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed.

15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice;

16 and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan.

17 Then said Jesus, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?”

18 Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?”

19 And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

Proclamation of God's Word

**“At a Distance They Shouted”
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Prayers and Concerns

Hymn No 440

O for a Heart to Praise My God

The Apostles Creed

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

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

Presentation of the Offering – Singing of the Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creature here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Prayer of Dedication

You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and, You must love your fellowman as yourself. Of all that God has given us, let us give what we can out of love for him and for our neighbor.

Our Lord's Prayer [using *debts* and *debtors*]

Hymn No 488

He Keeps Me

Benediction

As we have worshiped, we have been profoundly conscious of the presence and power of God. He does not let us down when we leave here; he always surrounds and supports us with his love. Go now to live in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

***Dismissal and Blessing**

As we have worshiped, we have been profoundly conscious of the presence and power of God. He does not let us down when we leave here; he always surrounds and supports us with his love. Go now to live in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
~Amen~

Response

Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

***Going Forth**

“Glorious Procession – Carolyn Hamlin”

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Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Lew & Barb Berkley, Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Debbi Luteri, Lois Saylor.

Healing Concerns:

Sally Altfather, Mark Amyot, Jerry & Kay Barnard, Donnie Baxter, Jim Benoit, Carol Boyer, Rhonda Brown, Terry Coslic, Jim Coughenour, Pam Crooks, Larry Custer, John Durst, Alvin Harbaugh, Mary Jane Harding, Andrea (Shaulis) Harris, Larry Hay, Barry Landis, Brenda & Larry Leister, Larry McCullen, Bonnie Murphy, Ed Pritts, Larry Pritts, Nancy Schrock, Avis Specht, Phyllis Stoy, Kelly Tharp, Larry Tinkey, Adeline Vieregge, Robin Walker, Caleb Wedding, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, Gerald Zorn

Prayer List Update

Once again, we are in need of your assistance in updating our prayer list of healing concerns. If you have placed someone on our list, please confirm that they are still in need of prayer or hopefully taken off thanks to God's power of healing and your prayers. Please contact the office to help us with this update.

One Call Now Prayer List

Please remember that we have the ability to request prayer for church members, families, friends and anyone in need of prayer. Never underestimate the power of prayer. One small prayer can change your life or someone's life dramatically. To request prayer calls, simply contact Pam, our secretary at 541-990-0832 or at the office during business hours. If you are not on the one call now

prayer phone receipt list and would like to be, we can do that as well.

The Saints In Action

Today –Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

- 9:00 a.m. – Worship
- 10:10 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:10 a.m. – Sue Coughenour’s Sunday School
- 2:00 p.m. – Paddle Auction – Borough Building
- 2:00 p.m. – Roof Garden Barber Shop Chorus

Next Sunday – Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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Giving From 10/09/2022

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$1744.00	\$2521.38	-\$777.38
Ben	\$80.00	\$213.46	-\$133.46
Maint	\$330.00	\$163.46	\$166.54
Mem	.00		
Total	\$2154.00	\$2898.30	-\$744.30

Worship Attendance: 65

Sunday School: 22

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: Jim Darr (Board), Russ Hillegas (Camera)

Acolyte: Cora Wright

The flowers on the altar are in memory of their parents, Sheman and Anna Berkley and Chalmers and Elizabeth Means, by Lewis and Barbara Berkley.

Special flowers on the altar are in memory of Taylor M Landis by Barb & Bill Landis and brother Drew.

Altar Flowers

For those of you who are unable to pick up the orders that you make for the altar flowers, please make arrangements to have them picked up for you. If you are unable to make arrangements or choose not to, please contact the church office. We will deliver them to our shut ins or Meadowview nursing patients.

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Church Secretary: Pam Bush

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

Virtual Organist: Rick Kimmel

Consistory Elders:

Tom Calvert, President, 814-267-3771

Rus Ogburn, Vice President, 814-267-5650

Alan Brick, 814-267-6628

Consistory Deacons:

Amy Clark, Jean Ann Darr, Ann Slifco

Leanna Coughenour, Gale Hay, John Wisler

Alissa Wright, Debbie Boyer, Gaye Maust

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Church Office Phone: 814-267-3234

Mailing Address: PO Box 86, Berlin, PA 15530

Email: berlinucc@yahoo.com

Website: www.berlinucc.org

Veterans, Families of Veterans & Active Military:

If there are any additions or changes to our Veterans and those currently serving in the military, please contact Sheron Engleka (814-267-4166), no later than October 23rd.

Bethlehem Experience is being held Sunday, December 11, 2022 and planning is underway. They are looking for volunteers to:

- 1) Help with making sets, costumes, painting, etc.
- 2) Serve as actors
- 3) Help with set up and tear down December 10-11
- 4) Help with lighting and sound systems

For more information, contact Joanne Stoltzfus at 814-233-5905 or email her at jks101@verizon.net

Sue Coughenour's Sunday School – Join Us Again Today

Parenting is hard work! Plain and simple. How did you develop your concept of discipline? What are your strengths as a parent? Your weaknesses? Beginning September 11th, Sue Coughenour's Sunday school class will be delving into Dr. Kevin Leman's "*Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours*", a six-week study that helps parents to better grasp disciplining their children in a positive way. These lessons will focus on:

- Developing the courage to do what is best for your kids
- Understanding kids and why they do what they do
- Maintaining authority without being an authoritarian
- How to gain your teenager's love and respect and keep it forever
- Helping kids feel good about themselves for all the right reasons
- Turning everyday hassles into everyday successes

We are opening this class to persons of **all ages** with the hope that we can entice some grandparents to join us to share their experiences as parents. Their insight into parenting is an essential part of making this class a success! So, adults of all

ages are encouraged to join us in the parsonage basement during the Sunday school hour. Hope to see you there!

JB Schrock Playground Update:

The mulch has arrived however the project is currently on hold awaiting the ground leveling by the Borough.

Linda (Clifton) Karchner will update us as soon as the date has been rescheduled. She conveyed much appreciation for our interest in this project.

Today:

Paddle Auction Benefiting JB Schrock Community Park

(Sponsored by Pius Springs Woman's Club)

Sunday, October 9th, 2:00-5:00 p.m., Berlin Borough Building
\$10 per ticket, includes light food and beverages. Additional paddles can be purchased for \$5 each. Tickets available at Cup of Soul, by calling Cindy Flamm (814-233-9045) or see Lori Gindlesperger, Jean Ann Darr, Debbie Boyer, or Barb Landis.
6 Vendors, 50/50, tip boards and basket raffles! Bring quarters for the auction!

Today:

The Roof Garden Barbershop Chorus will present their **fall show on Sunday, October 9 at 2:00 p.m.** at the

Grace United Methodist Church on Felgar Road, Somerset. Guest performers are **Flight 93 Chorus.**

Tickets can be purchased at the door or beforehand from Norman Menhorn ~ 814-267-4073.

The Profile Committee welcomes your thoughts and comments to the questions that were made available for use in formulating our Church Profile. We had a small group in attendance at our gathering on the evening of September 11th, however, some folks, as a result of the survey, indicated that they prefer to respond to the questions in writing. We ask that you please do so, as it is not too late. Copies of the questions are available at the entrances to the sanctuary. Completed questionnaires can be dropped in the offering plates. Please consider participating in this important effort.

We would like to collect any photos that you may want to share of past church activities, or as they occur, going forward. These will be included in our profile to be viewed by potential candidates. Photos can be emailed to Debbie Boyer at djboyer5@gmail.com. Thank you!

A Very Special Thank You:

Every kindness has a part in bringing joy to someone's heart. It's sometimes easy to forget that there are nice people out there doing nice things for others.

Thanks for being such a special reminder.

Dear Church Family,

My family is a close family and when something happens to one of us it effects us all. I am so blessed to be part of my family and part of the church family. I want to thank everyone for cards and prayers that was sent to me.

God Bless each and everyone. Again, Thank you!

Larry Pritts and Family

Do you have a favorite hymn?

If you have a favorite hymn and would like to have it played on the organ, please let us know. Sign up sheets are located at both Vine and Main Street entrances.

Pastoral Care: For those in need of pastoral care please contact Tom Calvert, President of Consistory at 814-267-3771, who will arrange for a pastor to provide comfort and assurance in a time of crisis. If you need **immediate** pastoral care contact Jay Shaffer at 814-483-0398.

