



FIFTH SUNDAY *After Pentecost*

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July 10, 2022

Morning Prayer and Sermon

Trinity United Church of Christ
600 Main Street
Berlin, Pennsylvania

Prelude

**I Need Thee Every Hour – Jason Payne
Nearer, Still Nearer – Jason Payne**

***Call to Worship**

God of salvation, we lift our souls to you.

**The paths of the Holy One are steadfast love and
faithfulness.**

In trust, we wait on you to speak, to reveal, to send.

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faithfulness.**

Lead us in your truth with mercy and righteousness.

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faithfulness.**

***Hymn of Praise: No. 60**

Morning Has Broken

Confession of Sin

*Seeing that we have a great High Priest
who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God,
let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest
confidence, that we may receive mercy for our failures
and grace to help in the hour of need.
In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.*

—based on Hebrews 4:14, 16

Silence – Private Prayers of Confession

God of Mercy,

**We confess today that we, like the prophet Amos, struggle to
accept our call to be prophetic.**

We have infinite excuses for why you shouldn't use us.

**We are afraid to speak truth to power, to speak of humility to
egotistical systems.**

**Hiding behind our occupational identities, we deny that we
are all called to share the good news.**

When we feel ill-prepared, grant us assurance.

When we feel unworthy, remind us of the image of God that resides in each of us.

When we struggle to know what words to speak, what moves to make, keep us in sync with your Holy Spirit, letting you guide all we do.

Give us the courage to be prophets in a world where more grace, Peace, and love are desperately needed.

Amen.

Word of Pardon

The Righteous One remains near to you and delights in prospering the fruit of your bodies, your soul, and your acts. The way of God is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away.

The Psalter

Psalm 82

1 God has taken his place in the divine council;
in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

**2 “How long will you judge unjustly
and show partiality to the wicked? *Selah***

3 Give justice to the weak and the fatherless;
maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.

**4 Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”**

5 They have neither knowledge nor understanding,
they walk about in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

**6 I say, “You are gods,
sons of the Most High, all of you;**

7 nevertheless, you shall die like men,
and fall like any prince.”

**8 Arise, O God, judge the earth;
for to thee belong all the nations!**

***Praise: No. 293**

Rise Up O Church of God

+++ Amos 7:7-17 +++

7He showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said,

8"A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them;

9the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

10Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.

11For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

12And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there;

13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

14 Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees,

15and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

16"Now therefore hear the word of the LORD.

You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

17Therefore thus says the LORD:

'Your wife shall be a harlot in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.' "

+++ Colossians 1:1-14 +++

- 1** Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ at Colossae:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.
3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you,
4 because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love which you have for all the saints,
5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel
6 which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—so among yourselves, from the day you heard and understood the grace of God in truth,
7 as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf
8 and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.
9 And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
10 to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.
11 May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy,
12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.
13 He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

25 And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

26 He said to him, “What is written in the law? How do you read?”

27 And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”

28 And he said to him, “You have answered right; do this, and you will live.”

29 But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

30 Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

33 But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion,

34 and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’

36 Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?”

37 He said, “The one who showed mercy on him.” And Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

The Word of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to 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.**

Morning Prayer

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

*Hymn: No. 569 *Battle Hymn of the Republic – Battle Hymn*

*Dismissal and Blessing

*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 Festive Trumpet Tune – David German

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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, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor.

Healing Concerns:

Sally Altfather, Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Jim Benoit, Lewis Berkley, Carol Boyer, Lois Boburchock, Rhonda Brown, Terry Coslic, Jim Coughenour, Pam Crooks, Larry Custer, Dana Dawson, John Durst, Alvin Harbaugh, Mary Jane Harding, Andrea (Shaulis) Harris, Larry Hay, Linda Johnson, Barry Landis, Terry Luteri, Holby McClucas, Jennifer Miller, Bob Murphy, Bonnie Murphy, Nancy Schrock, Avis Specht, Kelly Tharp, Larry Tinkey, Adeline Vieregge, Robin Walker, Caleb Wedding, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman, Gerald Zorn

The Saints In Action

Today – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. – Worship

10:10 a.m. – Sunday School

5:30 p.m. – Young Adult Campire

Next Sunday – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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Giving From 06/26/2022

| | Rec | Budget | Over/Under |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| General | \$2272.00 | \$2521.38 | -\$249.38 |
| Ben | \$245.00 | \$213.46 | \$31.54 |
| Maint | \$80.00 | \$163.46 | -\$83.46 |
| Mem | | | |
| Total | \$2597.00 | \$2898.30 | -\$301.30 |

Benevolence includes Food Pantry \$25

Worship Attendance: 165

Giving From 07/03/2022

| | Rec | Budget | Over/Under |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| General | \$2093.00 | \$2521.38 | -\$249.38 |
| Ben | \$130.00 | \$213.46 | -\$31.54 |
| Maint | \$275.00 | \$163.46 | \$83.46 |
| Mem | | | |
| Total | \$2498.00 | \$2898.30 | -\$301.30 |

Benevolence includes Food Pantry \$15

Worship Attendance: 45

Sunday School: 6

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

Recycling Boxes for Bulletins

Hearing Amplifiers

These Days – Devotional

Assisting in Worship

Sound: Pam Bush Board, Russ Hillegass Camera

Acolyte: Cohen Clark, Colton Clark

The Flowers on the altar in memory of Leland & Louise Witt by Tamara & Dan Forgan

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

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday

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

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Croner Education Loan Fund – The Croner Education Fund is now accepting applications from our college students to provide no interest loans for the academic year 2022-2023. An application may be requested from the church office and must be completed by July 15th for consideration by the Croner Education Committee.

This is the last week!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL “Concrete Cranes” will be held at the **Berlin Brethren Church** this week ~ **July 11-July 15th** for **4 yrs. to 5th grade**. To register your child ~ you may go to the church website: berlinbrethrenchurch.org or you may register your child when you bring them. Contact the church office 814-267-3863 for further information.

TODAY: Sue Coughenour’s Young Adult Sunday school class will be meeting for a fellowship campfire on July 10th at 5:30 pm at the home of Jason and Amy Clark. We welcome anyone who would like to join us - kids are welcome to attend as well. Just

bring a side dish to share, your own hotdogs and buns, your own drinks, and a lawn chair. We will enjoy food, fun and a fireside devotion and chat. This is a great way to connect and meet new people in our church. Please RSVP to Sue Coughenour at (814) 233-5413 so we have an idea of how many to expect.

One Call and Prayer Requests: Your prayer requests may be directed to Pam Bush, our office secretary. If you are not able to reach her during office hours, her cell phone number is 541-990-0832.

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.

Trinity Summer Picnic will be Sunday, July 31st at The Grove. Please RSVP with your name and number attending. Please complete this form and return it to either Kathy Spangler or the church office by **July 14th** so we have an idea of how many people to expect! We are also looking for volunteers to transport chicken, drinks, tableware, etc., out to the grove. Please let us know if you can help.

Church Picnic RSVP
Berlin Community Grove
July 31, 2022 12:00 pm

Name(s): _____

Number Attending: _____

Place in offering plate or
hand in form at the door
when you leave church
RSVP by July 3rd