



***Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 15, 2021***

***Vacation Bible School Sunday***

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

**Prelude**

*Jesus Loves Me* – arr. J. W. Kerr

**\*The Doxology**

**\*Invitation to Confession**

**\*Corporate Confession**

O God,

**you have shown us the way of life  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.**

**We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him,  
our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.  
Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us.**

**We confess the poverty of our worship,  
our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace,  
our hesitating witness for Christ,  
our evasion of responsibilities in our service,  
our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. Amen.**

**\*Word of Pardon**

**\*Hymn of Praise: No. 278 *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken***

**Song of Praise**

**Exodus 15:1-21**

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD,  
saying,

“I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

2 The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation;  
this is my God, and I will praise him,  
my father’s God, and I will exalt him.

3 The LORD is a man of war;  
the LORD is his name.

4 “Pharaoh’s chariots and his host he cast into the sea,  
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

5 The floods covered them;

- they went down into the depths like a stone.
- 6 Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,  
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- 7 In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your  
adversaries;  
you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.
- 8 At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;  
the floods stood up in a heap;  
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
- 9 The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake,  
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.  
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.'
- 10 You blew with your wind; the sea covered them;  
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.
- 11 "Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?  
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,  
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?"
- 12 You stretched out your right hand;  
the earth swallowed them.
- 13 "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you  
have redeemed;  
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.
- 14 The peoples have heard; they tremble;  
pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia.
- 15 Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;  
trembling seizes the leaders of Moab;  
all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.
- 16 Terror and dread fall upon them;  
because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a  
stone,  
till your people, O LORD, pass by,  
till the people pass by whom you have purchased.
- 17 You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,  
the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,  
the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.
- 18 The LORD will reign forever and ever."

19 For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground

in the midst of the sea. <sup>20</sup> Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing. <sup>21</sup> And Miriam sang to them:

“Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.”

**Morning Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer** [using **debts** and **debtors**]

**Vacation Bible School Presentation**

**\*Song of Commitment: No. 461**

***He Leadeth Me!***

**\*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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**Pastor On Vacation** – Pastor Dave begins his annual summer vacation following worship today through September 6. Most of his vacation will be spent here in Berlin enjoying a day-trip here or there. He will leave on August 29 for the House of St. Augustine to enjoy a week of retreat and service as Pastor-in-Residence. Should you need pastoral care in his absence please contact Tom Calvert, Consistory President, to meet your need.

## **Guest Preachers**

**Sunday, August 22 & 29 – The Rev'd Linda Miller Pretz** who is a former Associate Conference Minister of the Penn West Conference.

**Sunday, September 5 – A morning of Music** with Gene Kennedy featuring saxophone and voice. A worship concert to conclude the summer.

**Chancel Choir resumes** rehearsals on Wednesday, September 15 at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Dave has ordered new music that includes accompaniment CD's for the fall. Join us as we sing some new music like "Shut de door, Keep out de Devil!" and more.

**Trinity Bells** will resume on Wednesdays as well at 6:30 p.m.

**Confirmation Classes** – for students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade and above, you are invited to join Pastor Dave on Sunday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. with your parent[s] for an introduction to Confirmation. We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and third Sunday evenings through October 2022 [we will not meet in July and August]. Confirmation will be Reformation Sunday October 2022.

**Rally Sunday** will be Sunday, September 12 and we will present Fletcher Bibles during worship.

## **Holy Trinity Quilters & Knotters**

The number of quilters and knotters has greatly declined since COVID. There is a tremendous need for items to be completed but not enough hands to do it. We are looking for anyone willing to volunteer their time on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. No experience needed!

Blessings, Nita Richards & Carolyn Rastrelli  
HTELC, Secretaries  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

## **Family Update Forms**

In the near future you may be receiving a family update form. We are in the process of updating our records to ensure that we have

the correct information for our congregation. This information assists us in obtaining correct contact information, birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, etc. If you receive one of these forms, we ask that you please either return the form at church, through the mail or by calling the church office. If there are no changes, we would like confirmation of that as well. We appreciate your assistance in this project. Thank you in advance.

**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.

**Save the Date – Sunday, October 31** Trinity will celebrate the dedication of our new Allen Designer Organ with the “designer” Mr. Rudolph Lucente as our Musical Artist. PD is calling this concert “The Reformation of Rudy!” Mr. Lucente is the former director Company and the Music Emporium, Altoona. Please invite your friends to join us in the afternoon [time to be announced] for a joyful sound of music of music for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The concert promises to be of “Spooktacular” proportions! The concert is sponsored by the Allen Organ.

### **VBS Volunteers**

A huge THANK YOU to all the volunteers that made our Vacation Bible School such a success! It could not have been done without you!!!



**Those Remembered in prayer:**

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

**Shut Ins:**

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

**Healing Concerns:**

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Lindsey Stotler Cioci, Pam Crooks, Jane Fisher, Linda Gallick, Dawn Gindlesperger, Kathryn Grimm, Barry Landis, Larry McCullen, Bayley Mull, Glenda Paul Family, Nancy Schrock, Avis Specht, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman

**The Saints In Action**

Next Sunday – August 22nd

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

**Giving From 8/1/2021**

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
<b>General</b>	3717.00	\$2434.93	\$1282.07
<b>Ben</b>	\$245.00	\$213.46	\$31.54
<b>Maint</b>	\$100.00	\$163.46	-\$63.46
<b>Mem</b>	\$50.00		
<b>Total</b>	\$4112.00	\$2811.85	\$1250.15

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$110.00.

**Worship Attendance: 74**

**Sunday School: 17**

## ***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:** Tom Croner, Pam Bush

***The Flowers on the altar*** in honor of our children and grandchildren, Michelle, Paul, Nick, Stew, Kristin, Aaron, Rebecca, Sean, Cathy, Shelby, and Jayden by Reon & Sheron Engleka

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

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

*Church Secretary: Pam Bush*

*Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger*

*Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick*

*Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas*

## ***Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday***

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

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