



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 24, 2022

Morning Prayer and Sermon
Guest Speaker: Rocky Ohler

Trinity United Church of Christ
600 Main Street
Berlin, Pennsylvania

Prelude

When Morning Gilds the Skies – Jason Payne
The Power of the Cross
with When I Survey the
Wondrous Cross – Jason
Payne

***Call to Worship**

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

***Hymn of Praise: No. 424**

Tell Me the Old, Old Story

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father: We confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Silence – Private Prayers of Confession

Eternal and Glorious God,

You are merciful, kind, and forgiving. You hear us when we confess to You. We admit we do not focus on You with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength. A day devoted to You is rarely attempted. We neglect to rest our hearts and minds

in You, for we keep going in our power and never stop. We do not attend to Your Word, for we live by the words and idols of our age. We fail to worship with Your people, for we give priority to many other commitments. Forgive our sin and help us to walk in Your ways to the honor of Your name.

Word of Pardon

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Special Music

Please welcome: **Dave Breen – Trumpet Soloist**

Proclamation of God’s Word Guest Speaker – Rocky Ohler

Genesis 12:1-9

- 1 Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.
- 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.
- 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves.”
- 4 So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.
- 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions which they had gathered, and the persons that they had gotten in Haran; and they set

- forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan,
- 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land.
 - 7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.
 - 8 Thence he removed to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.
 - 9 And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

- 1 Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our assembling to meet him, we beg you, brethren,
- 2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or excited, either by spirit or by word, or by letter purporting to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- 3 Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of perdition,
- 4 who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.
- 5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you this?
- 6 And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time.
- 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.
- 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, and the Lord Jesus will slay him with the breath of his mouth and destroy him by his appearing and his coming.
- 9 The coming of the lawless one by the activity of Satan will be with all power and with pretended signs and wonders,
- 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are to perish, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

11 Therefore God sends upon them a strong delusion, to make them believe what is false,

12 so that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Luke 12:4-12

4 “I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5 But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has power to cast into hell; yes, I tell you, fear him!

6 Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God.

7 Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

8 “And I tell you, every one who acknowledges me before men, the Son of man also will acknowledge before the angels of God;

9 but he who denies me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

10 And every one who speaks a word against the Son of man will be forgiven; but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven.

11 And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be anxious how or what you are to answer or what you are to say;

12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say.”

The Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 425

In the Garden

“A Glimpse of Heaven”

Rocky Ohler

The Psalter

Psalms 33:1-9

1 Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous!
Praise befits the upright.

2 Praise the LORD with the lyre,

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

3 Sing to him a new song,
play skilfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**4 For the word of the LORD is upright;
and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

5 He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

**6 By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
and all their host by the breath of his mouth.**

7 He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle;
he put the deeps in storehouses.

**8 Let all the earth fear the LORD,
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!**

9 For he spoke, and it came to be;
he commanded, and it stood forth.

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. 304**

Lift High the Cross

***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**

Trumpet Tune – Jeff Perks

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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

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.

The Saints In Action

Today – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. – Worship

10:10 a.m. – Sunday School

Next Sunday – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. – Worship – Guest Speaker, Carl Jackson

10:10 a.m. – Sunday School

Giving From 07/17/2022

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$2560.00	\$2521.38	\$38.62
Ben	\$260.00	\$213.46	\$46.54
Maint	\$65.00	\$163.46	-\$98.46
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Total	\$2885.00	\$2898.30	-\$13.30

Benevolence includes Food Pantry \$15

Worship Attendance: 70

Sunday School: 13

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: Gaye Maust (Board), Tyler Gindlesperger (Camera)

Acolyte: Lily Countryman

The Flowers on the altar in appreciation of the TUCC of Berlin and the love they show to each other and to the community as a whole. ~Anonymous~

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

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday

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

Church Office Phone: 814-267-3234

Snail Mail: PO Box 86, Berlin, PA 15530

Email: berlinucc@yahoo.com

Website: www.berlinucc.org

Office Hours this week: Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00-1:00 and Thursday 12:00-4:00

Card Shower for Lewis & Barb Berkley:

Michele Romesberg has informed us that Lewis and Barb Berkley will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on August 3rd! They are holding a card show for them throughout the month of July! Please send them a card or note on this momentous occasion to 1430 Salco Rd., Berlin PA 15530

JB Schrock Community Park in full swing:

Our directors, Kristi Tataleba and Kylie Spataro, have had over 200 weekly visitors [many are "repeat customers" who enjoy stopping by multiple times per week] as they have shared with the kids about Camping, Trees/Plants, Dinosaurs, Farms & Animals, and Concrete & Cranes. The upcoming themes are:

- 7/18 Oceans/Water Fun
- 7/25 All About You
- 8/1 Colors/Nutrition
- 8/8 Space/Weather/Earth
- 8/15 Our Community

Each Tuesday & Thursday, from noon - 1:00 pm, at the playground, the "Summer Youth Cafe" offers a free lunch for kids, ages 2-18. No paperwork is required.

We also have several fundraisers happening this summer!

- Kovals' Pizzas & Hoagies - Orders & money due by July 22. Pickup at the Playground July 30, from 10 am - noon. Place orders at the Playground during the Summer Program or leave a message at our Google Voice Mail # (814) 299-9774.
- J B Schrock LOGO t-shirts!! Kids' sizes \$15 each; Adult sizes [Sm - XL] \$20 each, 2X \$21 each, 3X \$22 each. Purchase at the Playground during Summer Program hours.
- Playground Birthday Party on September 10th with an Old-fashioned Cake Walk, a Basket Raffle, and the Wheel of Sweets [Candy Sale]. More details will be coming, but mark your calendar now!

We are super-excited to announce that on August 11, our mulch that we have been doing fundraising for the last several years will be arriving! After much research, discussion, and planning, we chose a non-toxic, pre-consumer rubber mulch that will not degrade and will not generate chemical fumes into the air around our community children. **THAT BRINGS US TO A REQUEST!** After the mulch is delivered, we will need LOTS of volunteers to help us install it! Installation will be happening Friday, August 12 & Saturday, August 13, from 9 am - 4 pm both days. If you or your organization would like to help with the manual labor either of those days, please leave a message at our Google Voice Mail # (814) 299-9774 or stop by the Playground from 9-3 on Mon - Fri & let the directors know. Note: The Playground will be closed to ALL traffic during the delivery/installation of the mulch.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for the J B Schrock Community Park!
Linda Karchner, President

Pastor Dave's Memory Quilt

If you would like to sign a quilt square for Pastor Dave's quilt, please do so by July 31st. I will be picking up the squares then. Thank you for making the quilt so special. They are located on a table at the Vine Street entrance.

Jean Hart

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

Church Picnic

Remember our church picnic is July 31st!!!! **We are still looking for some assistance to get food out to the Grove** from the church. Please contact Kathy Spangler at 814-267-3535 if you can help!

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



**Thank you Rocky Ohler for joining us today
And sharing scripture and “Your Story”**

**“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”
~Helen Keller~**

“With God’s help we can do so much more.”