

Festival of Reformation Sunday
Trinity United Church of Christ, Berlin, PA
Sunday, October 25, 2020



Morning Prayer and Sermon
The eight o'clock service

Nevertheless, the central affirmation of the Reformation stands: through no merit of ours, but by his mercy, we have been restored to a right relationship with God through the life, death, and resurrection of his beloved Son. This is the Good News, the gospel of Grace. – Brennan Manning

THE PRAISE OF GOD

Music of Preparation

*Call to Worship

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore. Come, let us all worship and bow down together,

**let us kneel together before the LORD, our maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his
pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

—from Psalm 95:6-7; 133, NRSV

*Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly father, merciful and everlasting God, we acknowledge and confess before your divine majesty that we are poor sinners, prone to evil and ever falling short of goodness. We have transgressed your commandments, and are worthy of your anger.

But, O Lord, we repent and are sorry from our hearts that we have so displeased you. We pray that your grace may bring help to our distress.

Be pleased, therefore, to have mercy upon us, O most gracious God and Father. Forgive us all our sins, through the holy sufferings of your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant us now the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Increase these in us each day, that we may repent, that sin may be destroyed in us, and that we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness and a pure life that are pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ. Amen.
---from the Liturgy of the Reformed Church of Zurich, 1525

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the
sea,
- 3 though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah*
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of
God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
- 6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- 7 The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*
- 8 Come, behold the works of the LORD,

- how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- 9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
- 10 “Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”
- 11 The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

Speaking to the Child Within Us All

Allison Zimmerman

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ St. John 8:31-36

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

Proclamation of God’s Word

“PD”

A Monk, A War, A Door, A Hymn

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
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,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Morning Prayer

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

A Word About Trinity Church

*Song

Knowing You, Jesus

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Going Forth

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Pastor Dave will be leaving today following worship for St. Augustine House in Oxford, Michigan for a week with the Lutheran Monks and Brothers to enjoy a retreat week of prayer, worship, and rest. He will return to Berlin on Friday evening.

All Saints Sunday – November 1st – We will remember those saints who have entered Eternal Life since last All Saints Day. We will also remember those who have gone before in years past. If you have someone you would like to have remembered, please let the church office know by

October 28th. The office will be open Monday-Thursday next week from 9:00-1:00.

Secret Pals Program

“Secret Pals” is a program started here at Trinity UCC in 2011. The purpose of this program is to provide a way for adults in our church family to encourage, support and affirm the youth of our congregation. Adult partners will be matched to youth who are a part of our church family, and will send them cards, etc. to affirm and encourage them and let them know that they are an important part of our congregation. Any youth from our church family age 4 through Senior High School can participate.

The program will run from November 2020 through November 2021. Deadline for this program will be October 25, 2020. Applications will be available in the church office or on the bulletin board near the Vine street entrance. If you have any questions please contact Bobbi Robertson, the church office, or Pastor Dave.

There will be a short ceremony November 8th at 9am between church services to reveal the secret pals from this past year.

Chemo Care Kit Construction – HUGS & KISSES and the Trinity Ladies will assemble the Chemo Care Kits on Sunday, November 8 following the 9:30 a.m. service in fellowship hall. Many hands make light work.

Those Remembered in prayer:

God’s guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Evelyn Hillegass, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor, Dirkje Stellingwerf, Charlie Will.

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Terry Coslic, Pam Crooks, Shellby Custer, John Durst, Susan Durst, Wilma Durst, Tony Fertitta, Linda Gallick, Janet Gindlesperger, Lee LaBute, Brenda Leister, Larry McCullen, Bobbi Robertson, Tyler Seifert, Dwight Smith, John Wallace, Harry Watkins, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Eileen LaBute

Last Week's Giving:

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$2675.00	\$2,860.60	-\$185.60
Ben	\$860.00	\$208.27	\$651.73
Maint	\$220.00	\$163.46	\$56.54
Organ	\$45.00		
Total	\$3800.00	\$3,232.33	\$567.67

Thank you for your giving to Trinity Church!

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 Morning Worship

Sound: Jim Darr, Cindy Flamm

Record of Our Faithfulness – Worship: **78**

The Flowers on the altar in loving memory of Richard by Lois Saylor.

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A Place Where Life and Faith Meet!

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

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Psalm 46

EIN FESTE BURG



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er fail - ing;
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be los - ing,
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threaten to un - do us,
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs no thanks to them a - bid - eth;



our help - er He, a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choos - ing.
 we will not fear, for God has willed His truth to tri - umph through us.
 the Spir - it and the gifts are ours thro' Him who with us sid - eth.



For still our an - cient foe does seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are
 You ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is He; LORD Sab - a - oth His
 The prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can -
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so; the bo - dy they may



great, and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 name, from age to age the same; and He must win the bat - tle.
 dure, for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 kill: God's truth a - bid - eth still; His king - dom is for - ev - er.



WORDS: Psalm 46; Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852

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MUSIC: Martin Luther, 1529; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach, 18th cent.

Knowing You

C G/B Am F C F G C G/B Am F C

1. All I once held dear, built my life up - on, all this world re - veres, and
 (2.) heart's de - sire is to know You more, to be found in You, and
 (3.) know the power of Your ris - en life, and to know You in Your

4 Am G C F G C C/E F G C G/B Am F C

wars to own, all I once thought gain I have count - ed loss; Spent and worth - less now, com -
 known as Yours, to pos - sess by faith what I could not earn; All sur - pas - sing gift of
 suf - fer - ings, to be - come like You in Your death, my Lord; So with You to live, and

CHORUS

8 Am G^{sus} G F C F/G G C Am G

-pared to this. Know - ing You, Je - sus, know - ing You, there is no great - er
 right - eous - ness.
 nev - er die.

Knowing You - 2

13 F C/E F/A C/G F 1, 2. C/E F/A

thing. You're my all, You're the best, You're my joy, my right-ous-ness, and I love You, Lord.

17 C/G G 3. C/E F/A C/G F/G C

2. Now my love You, Lord, love You, Lord.
3. Oh to