The Third Sunday After Pentecost



June 29, 2025 3rd Sunday After Pentecost Student Pastor - Dave Creamer Assisted by — Cora & Lucy Wright

Trinity United Church of Christ 600 Main Street Berlin, Pennsylvania Preludes:

When, In Our Music, Gods Is Glorified Anna Laura Page Faith – Mark Hayes

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

#### **Greeting and Announcements**

Call to worship: From Psalm 77, Recall Gods Mighty Deeds.

Cry aloud to God that he may hear you!

We seek God in the day when we are troubled, we stretch out our hand at night, wanting comfort for our soul.

Call to mind all the deeds of the lord and remember all his wonders.

We will not forget all of Gods Mighty Works and will remember all his mighty deeds.

Gods' way is Holy; Gods way is great.

Our God works wonders, our Gods ways are great, our God redeems his people.

Hymn No.51

**Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah** 

#### **Call to Confession**

Whether we are determined in our faith or struggling on our journey Jesus gives his Grace to all. Let us confess our sins.

#### Confession

Heavenly Father, find in us a willing heart and a determined mind. Bless us with your presence and guide us with your Spirit. Forgive us of our sins and strengthen us in your Will so we will want to sin no more.

#### Silent Confession

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Blessed with the Spirit let us always be led to bear good fruit. So that in Faith we may prosper and be worthy of the Grace we receive. Amen

#### \*The Affirmation of Faith

**The Apostles Creed** 

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 creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Heavenly Father our creator and redeemer we offer you some of our gifts. We pray that our offering is your will, changing lives and securing the faith of our neighbors in your loving kindness. Bless us with your Spirit. Help us to spread its good fruit. Help us to see and know the Spirits will. Bless us with its presence in our lives. We pray that you care for us as only you can. That your loving comfort is with all of those in need. We pray that your healing presence is near to those on our Prayer List, the people and places on our hearts and minds. Heavenly Father we are most thankful for the gift of your Son Jesus Christ. His sacrifice on the cross is our greatest gift, we offer to you the prayer he first taught to us.

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Special Music "The Prayer" Leanne Calvert

#### **Scripture**

#### Old Testament: Second Kings Chapter 2, VS 6-14

- **6** Then Elijah said to him, "Tarry here, I pray you; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. **7** Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.
- **8** Then Elijah took his mantle, and rolled it up, and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.
- **9** When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "I pray you, let me inherit a double share of your spirit."
- **10** And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if you do not see me, it shall not be so."

- **11** And as they still went on and talked, behold, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.
- **12** And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! the chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and rent them in two pieces.
- **13** And he took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan.
- **14** Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other; and Elisha went over.

#### **Epistle:**

#### Galatians Chapter 5 VS 22-26

- **22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- 23 gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law.
- **24** And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
- **26** Let us have no self-conceit, no provoking of one another, no envy of one another.

#### Gospel of Jesus Christ:

#### Luke Chapter 10 VS 1-11

- **1** After this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to come.
- **2** And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.
- **3** Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves.
- **4** Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and salute no one on the road.
- 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!'
- **6** And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you.

- **7** And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages; do not go from house to house.
- **8** Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you;
- **9** heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'
- 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say,
- **11** 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off against you; nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.'

## Message "Don't Let Your Fruit Go Bad" Dave Creamer

\*Hymn No. 43

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness** 

\*Benediction

\*Response – Sung with Dismissal

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace,
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face,

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

#### \*Going Forth

Postlude: Son of God, Eternal Savior – Michael Bukhardt



#### Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces. **Shut Ins:** 

Barb Berkley, Mary Jane Harding, Cynthia Kelly, Debbi Luteri, Lillian Potter, Lois Saylor, Ruth Elaine Whitacre.

#### **Healing Concerns:**

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Jim Benoit, Brad Bowers, Paige Boyer, Chris Brant, Father Elijah Bremer, Rhonda Brown, Ray Coleman, Susan Constantino,

Tammy Coughenour, Renee Croushore, Eric Custer,
Tracy Dickey, Wilma Durst, Nancy Gindlesperger,
Marlene Gotchen, Dennis Griffith, Karen Griffith, Andrea (Shaulis)
Harris, Joe Harris, Michael Harris, Joy Hay (Dwayne), Kris Hay,
Larry Hay, Marilyn Heiple, Gary Hillegas, Barry Landis,
Brenda Leister, Jim Little, Blair and Phylis Lyons, Judy McCullen,
Larry McCullen, Joyce Miller, Laura Miller, Robert "Lee" Miller,
Carl (Edison) Paul, Doris Paul, Kathy Picking, Brian Robb, James
Robb, Brett Sarver, Tammie Saylor, Nancy Schrock, Curt Shaulis,
Missy Shaulis, Phyllis Stoy, Dawn Edmiston-Strasser, Larry
Tinkey, Robin Walker, Nancy Weighley, Gerald Zorn

#### The Saints In Action

Today- 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:10 a.m. Sunday School
Next Sunday – 4th Sunday after Pentecost & Holy Communion
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:10 a.m. Sunday School

#### **Giving From 06/22/2025**

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$1925.01	\$3155.58	-\$1230.57
Ben	\$265.00	\$182.69	\$82.31
Maint	\$350.00	\$163.46	\$186.54
Mem			
Total	\$2540.01	\$3501.73	-\$961.72

Not included in Benevolence were Donations to Food Pantry of \$20.

**Worship Attendance: 68** 

**Sunday School: 8** 

#### 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: Cohen Clark, Jim Darr

Ushers: Allison Zimmerman and Bill Landis

Acolytes: Cora and Lucy Wright

Organ: Nancy Bittner

Flowers on the altar are given in memory of her parents, Virgil & Harriet Vaughan, her brother, Virgil Vaughan, Jr., and Daniel

Deaner by Bob & Colleen Glotfelty.

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

Dave Creamer, Student Pastor
Church Secretary: Pam Bush, Jean Ann Darr
Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger
Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick
Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas
Virtual Organist: Rick Kimmel

#### **Consistory Elders:**

Sheron Engleka, 814-267-4166 Jim Darr, 814-483-0957 Allison Zimmerman, 814-267-4324

#### **Consistory Deacons:**

Pam Bush, Tom Croner (President) 814-442-6740, Amanda Custer, Lori Gindlesperger, Jean Hart, Jeanne Hillegas, Bill Landis, Julie Petro, Allen Strasser

### 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: <u>berlinucc@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>www.berlinucc.org</u>

#### **Pictorial Committee**

Church Pictorial

We're creating a new church pictorial directory and want everyone to be included!

Photo sessions are:

Sunday, July 20th - 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 27th - 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 29th - 5:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

Don't miss your chance to be part of our church family album! If you have not yet registered for a photo session, please call: Lori Gindlesperger, 814-279-4709, as soon as possible.

Thank you for helping us build a beautiful pictorial!

We are pleased to include a special section in the upcoming church pictorial honoring our Veterans. If you would like to have a photo included, please submit it to the church office or to Lori Gindlesperger no later than **August 15**, **2025**. All submitted photos will be returned.

Additionally, we are collecting high-quality candid photographs from church events and activities that took place during **2024–2025**.

#### Hugs & Kisses

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cornhole Tournament TODAY!!!

June 29th, 5:00 p.m. FOR ALL AGES!

H&K will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a covered dish and a lawn chain and join in the fun! Sign up at the Vine St entrance so we have a count for meat.

#### **Sunday School**

Tom Calvert resumed the summer series from last year while giving Sue Coughenour a much-needed break. It is the continuation of the Ray Vander Laan's "That the World May Know" DVD #12 Walking with God in the Desert. It's about Experiencing Living Water When Life is Tough.

#### Card Shower - Ruth Elaine Whitacre

Our dear Ruth Elaine will be turning 84 on June 30<sup>th</sup>! Let's make her day by showering her with birthday wishes. Her address is 166 Siemon Dr.# 203, Somerset PA 15501.

#### Berlin, PA Annual Community Day Saturday, July 19, 2025, | 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Back and better than ever! Join us for a day filled with **fun**, **fellowship**, **and community spirit** at this year's **Berlin Community Day** on Main Street.

We're currently seeking:

- ~ Craft, direct sales, rummage sale, and food vendors
- ~ Organizations willing to sponsor family-friendly activities
- ~ Donated baskets for our basket raffle (All proceeds help cover event expenses like insurance, music, and facilities.)

#### Highlights include:

- 🞉 KIDS Korner
- Community Vendors & Yard Sales
- Live Music on the Diamond
- Basket Raffle

NEW this year: Porta potties & large trash cans in convenient spots!

Don't miss our float in the Fireman's Block Party Parade! Interested vendors, please contact Tracey Koontz at 814-442-9821

Trinity will have a table with dressing, gravy and baked goods at the front entrance. Anyone wishing to donate baked goods can contact Jean Hart or any H&K member.

**Hospice** is currently looking for volunteers in our area. Our Mission Statement: Our Hospice services are designed to provide comfort care as well as spiritual and emotional support for people in the final phase of a terminal illness. If interested, please refer to the poster at the back door entrance for more information.

#### **Blood Drive**

Berlin Community Veteran's Home Association of Berlin Social Hall – 419 Meadow St., Berlin Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Berlin Community Bible School**

Hello, I'm Connie Jandik and I'm one of the coordinators for the Berlin Community Bible School. The work has begun for this year's VBS. We would like to invite you and your children to participate. How you ask?

- 1. Talk to your kid's ministry leader and your congregation about attending.
- 2. Volunteer we can use any help you can give us.
- 3. We would like a pastor or youth leader to be present every night each taking a night to pray and interact with the kids.
- 4. Financially between the parade candy and flyer and VBS it adds up fast.
- 5. PRAYER IS ALWAYS A MUST, NEVER TOO MANY

The dates this year are July 21-25 at the Berlin Community Grove. If you have any questions, please call me at 814-267-3047, call or text 814-442-0365 or email: <a href="mailto:crjandik@gmail.com">crjandik@gmail.com</a>. Thank you.

#### **Living Waters Summer Camp**

**Week Two** – registration deadline: Friday June 27<sup>th</sup> July 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, Jr/Sr High Camp, Grades 6-12 July 6<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup>, Grandparents and Me Camp, Children ages 3-8 July 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>, Fishing Camp, Ages 9-17

You can find additional information on the Living Waters website at <u>livingwaterscamp.org</u> or applications are available at the church office.

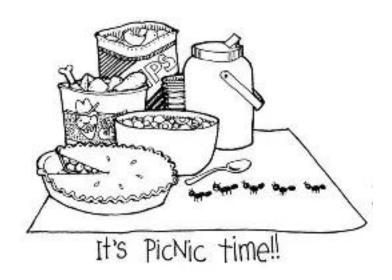
Funds are available for any related fees for attendees.

Cleaning closets this summer? Kids growing too fast? Pius Springs Woman's Club will be hosting a "Back to School Swap" in August. Please donate gently used clothing, shoes and/or backpacks for our kids. Children's sizes 4T to 16 will be accepted as well as adult sizes. Please note that clothing should be clean and ready-to-wear. Clothing will be targeted to children in grades K - 12. Backpacks will also be accepted. The "swap" will be held in August, and all are invited to participate. A collection bin will be available at the Vine Street entrance.

#### Attention All Members of Congregation

We appreciate your participation in our announcements and worship services. We just would like to request that if you have an announcement, please request a microphone from the sound desk so that the live stream and the rest of the congregation can hear you. Your announcements, presentations and participation are important for us all.

**Pastoral Care:** For those in need of pastoral care please contact Tom Croner President of Consistory at 814-442-6740, who will arrange for a pastor to provide comfort and assurance in a time of crisis. If you need **immediate** pastoral care, contact Dave Creamer, Student Pastor for Trinity at 814-777-2280. If Dave is not available, please contact Jay Shaffer at 814-483-0398.



#### Church Picnic RSVP – July 13<sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m. Community Grove

Please let us know if you plan to attend so we know how much chicken to order. This is potluck however, we provide chicken, drinks and tableware and you provide a covered dish. Either complete this form or feel free to contact the church office to let us know you are coming!

#### YES, I PLAN TO ATTEND THE CHURCH PICNIC

#### **NUMBER ATTENDING:**



Heavenly Father, as we begin this new week, we come before You with a heart full of gratitude for the gift of life. Grant us the strength and courage to face the challenges that lie ahead. Guide our steps and help us make wise decisions in all that we do. May Your wisdom illuminate our path, and Your love fill our heart. Bless this week with Your presence, and may it be a week of growth, positivity, and accomplishment. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

# Thank You for Joining Us & Have A Blessed Week Ahead