



***20th Sunday After Pentecost
October 11, 2026***

***Pastor Dave Creamer
Assisted By: Truitt & Callum Ogburn***

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

“Please silence your cell phone”

Preludes: **Come, Join the Dance of the Trinity**
Anna Laura Page
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing- Anna Laura Page

Welcome

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

***Hymn No. 228**

Rejoice, The Lord Is King

Call to Confession

The apostle Paul re-assures us when he says "The Lord is near, do not be anxious about anything. In everything through prayer and humble determination let your requests be known to God. Let us take our prayer of forgiveness to God.

Confession

Gracious and loving God we pray to you. We humble ourselves to you knowing you provide all we have. We ask that you bless us with the Grace of Jesus. Forgiving us of our sins. Help us with your Spirit to remain determined to do your Will.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Rejoice in the Love of Jesus. Let him take from you the guilt and chains that sin holds you down with. Let the Peace of God that surpasses all understanding guard your hearts and comfort your minds. For that we give God the Glory.

*** Response 66**

To God Be The Glory

To God be the glory great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin And opened the Life gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice,

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice! O
come to the Father thru Jesus the Son And give Him the glory
great things He hath done.**

***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

God our provider and sustainer, you call us together to worship you. To celebrate your gifts. To feel your presence. To seek your will in our lives. We give to you, our offering. A part of us that we pray becomes a blessing to many. With our faith we lift up to you our prayer list, the concerns we have, our worries and fears. We ask that you take these things into your divine care. That you bless and watch over the people that watch and care for us. We pray for strength, determination, and compassion for the caregivers. Please be with them in their task. Guide the parents to show wisdom to the young, protect the young and help them to live with humility. Help us all to remain grateful, to know we are

saved by the love of your Son, our redeemer, Jesus Christ. We offer to you the prayer he first gave to us;

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

**The Hebrew Scripture Lesson is from
Isaiah Chapter 25, vs 1-9.**

1 O Lord, thou art my God;
I will exalt thee; I will praise thy name;
for thou hast done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

2 For thou hast made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

3 Therefore strong peoples will glorify thee;
cities of ruthless nations will fear thee.

4 For thou hast been a stronghold to the poor,
a stronghold to the needy in his distress,
a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat;
for the blast of the ruthless is like a storm against a wall,

5 like heat in a dry place.

Thou dost subdue the noise of the aliens;
as heat by the shade of a cloud,
so the song of the ruthless is stilled.

6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a
feast of fat things, a feast of wine on the lees, of fat things full of
marrow, of wine on the lees well refined.

7 And he will destroy on this mountain the covering that is cast
over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

8 He will swallow up death for ever, and the Lord God will wipe
away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will
take away from all the earth; for the Lord has spoken.

9 It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited
for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for
him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

**The Epistle Lesson is from
Paul's Letter to the Philippians Chapter 4, vs 1-9**

- 1 Therefore, my brethren, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.
- 2 I urge my laborers of the gospel to be one in the Lord.
- 3 And I ask you also help these women, for they have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.
- 4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice.
- 5 Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand.
- 6 Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.
- 7 And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- 8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.
- 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ from the Book of Matthew Chapter 22, 1-14.

- 1 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying,
- 2 "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son,
- 3 and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come.
- 4 Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.'
- 5 But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business,
- 6 while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them.
- 7 The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

8 Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy.

9 Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.’

10 And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

11 “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment;

12 and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless.

13 Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’

14 For many are called, but few are chosen.”

***Hymn No. 441**

Take Time to Be Holy

Message

“Turns Out There Is A Dress Code”

Pastor Dave Creamer

***Hymn No. 6**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

***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

Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal- Gilbert Martin

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Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Mary Jane Harding, Cynthia Kelly,
Debbi Luteri, Lillian Potter, Lois Saylor, Audrey Twombly

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Paige Boyer,
Chris Brant, Rhonda Brown, Jeff Calvert, Debbie Chafin, Tim
Clites, Susan Constantino, LaVerne Coslic, Tammy Coughenour,
Pastor Dave Creamer, Eric Custer, Lauren Davis, Tracy Dickey,
Judy DiPasquale, Deneen Eutsey, Linda Gallick, Shirley Gary,
Dennis Griffith, Karen Griffith, John Halverson, Andrea (Shaulis)
Harris, Joe Harris, Michael Harris, Joy Hay (Dwayne), Larry Hay,
Marilyn Heiple, Gary Hillegas, Karen Hittie,
Barry Landis, Wendy Leister, Richard Lilliston, Jim Little,
Nick Lorson, Blair and Phylis Lyons, Judy McCullen,
Larry McCullen, Joyce Miller, Laura Miller, Robert "Lee" Miller,
Tom Nicholson, Carl (Edison) Paul, Easton Pritts, Brian Robb,
James Robb, Brett Sarver, Kayla Sarver, Tammie Saylor,
Nancy Schrock, Curt Shaulis, Missy Shaulis,
Dawn Edmiston-Strasser, Chuck Sullivan, Larry Tinkey,
Lilly Truszka, Barbara and Peter Usher,
Carl & Matthew Walker, Faye Walker,
Robin Walker, Nancy Weighley,
Echo Kincaid Yoder

Update on Lilly Truszka. Since receiving her artificial heart, her actual heart, which was left in place, is actually getting stronger as it has been able to rest. She may be able to come home by Thanksgiving to await the availability of a new heart. Thank you all for your prayers and please continue to pray. God is good.

**If you have any information on anyone on this list, please
contact the office with updates.**

The Saints In Action

TODAY- 20th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday – Trinity Bells 6:30 p.m.

Next Sunday 21st Sunday after Pentecost

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10:10 a.m. Sunday School

VBS Sunday School – Children's Time

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: Bill Landis, Chris King

Ushers: Jean and Shawn Hart

Acolyte / Lector: Truitt and Callum Ogburn

Organ: Jean Ann Darr

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Taylor M. Landis by Bill and Barb Landis and brother Drew.

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Dave Creamer, Pastor

Church Secretaries: Pam Bush, Jean Ann Darr

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

Virtual Organist: Rick Kimmel

Consistory Elders:

Sue Coughenour, 814-233-5413

Jim Darr, 814-483-0957

Allison Zimmerman, 814-267-4324

Consistory Deacons:

Pam Bush, Lori Gindlesperger, Jean Hart, Jeanne Hillegas,

Bill Landis (President) 814-521-6800, Allen Strasser, Amy Saylor,

Carrie Croner, Shawn Hart

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday

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Veterans Sunday – November 8th

If there are any changes or additions to the veterans or those currently in the military, please contact Sheron Engleka at 814-267-4166 by October 25th. Thank you.

Adult Sunday School Update:

In Revelation 2 & 3, Jesus dictated, through John, seven letters to seven pastors in Asia Minor, which is modern day Turkey. While the churches were literal, they each also represented a specific time in church history leading up to Christ' second coming. God had a specific message for each church and each period of church history.

Join the Adult Sunday school class on Sunday, September 20, 2026, as we begin a deep look into these two chapters in Revelation. Adult Sunday school begins at 10:10 am in the Fellowship Hall and all are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Coughenour.

VBS Sunday School

The next VBS Sunday School will be on October 18th, "When life is unfair... God is Good" Come join us for a lot of fun, learning, snacks, games, crafts and more!! Mark your calendars.

Lego Sunday School

This year we will be having a Lego Sunday School lesson on the 4th Sunday of the month. We will be teaching the parables using Legos. There will be singing, games, hands-on activities and a snack. Come join us as we learn about Jesus!

Junior / Senior High Sunday School

Junior / Senior High Sunday School will meet every Sunday. We will be participating in the VBS Sunday School on the 3rd Sunday and the Lego Sunday School on the 4th Sunday of the month. On the other Sundays, we will be studying our faith in Jesus and how to defend it (talk about it to others or apologetics). Please join us as we study how history and science prove Jesus.

Hugs & Kisses

Sunday, October 11th 12 PM- meet at The Alley in Central City for lunch and activities such as a golf simulator, air hockey, and pool tables. Join us for fun and fellowship together!

Friday, November 20th 5 PM- Game Night at the church. H&K will provide pizza and those attending can bring snacks and drinks to share. This is for ALL ages, so bring your favorite board games and join us for fun and fellowship. Watch for a sign-up sheet so we know how much pizza to purchase.

Trinity Ladies

We will be making ham, green beans and potatoes for “Echoes of Our Town” on Saturday, October 17, at 9 a.m. and then on Sunday, October 18, from noon-5 p.m. we will be selling it. If you would like to help in any way, join us on Saturday or sign up to help on Sunday from either 11-2 or 2-5. Please call Jean Hart at 814-442-2200.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 2 at 11:30 a.m. at Cup of Soul. Come join us as we serve the Lord and fellowship together!

Collection From Combined Heritage Sunday Service

Sunday's Loose Offering - \$381.80

Freewill Donation At Meal - \$155.25

Total amount collected for the Berlin Food Pantry \$553.05

Camp Living Waters Workday

Mark your calendars for November 7th at 8:00 a.m. to join everyone at Camp Living Waters workday preparing for the winter season. All assistance is appreciated.

Gingerbread House Contest 🏠

The Pius Spring Women's Club invites you to join our Gingerbread House Contest on November 21st! Individuals, families, friends, businesses, organizations, and groups are welcome to enter. Entry fee is \$25, and entry forms are due November 1st. Prizes will be awarded.

Build it. Decorate it. Enter it. Let the community decide! ❤️ ❤️

Contact Lori Gindlesperger for application, gind1990@verizon.net

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Stoystown will be hosting an Herbal Cold Care class on Thursday, October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. Learn how to make fire cider, an immune boosting tincture, a tea for coughs and congestion and more. Please text Jess Weaver at 814-483-4817 to register or if you have questions.

St. Paul's will also be hosting an Apple Dumpling Social on November 7th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at 6872 Lincoln Hwy, Stoystown. Takeout Soup and Apple Dumplings will be available by preorder only. Quarts of Ham Pot Pie, Vegetable Beef, Chicken Noodle, or Chili for \$9.00. Apple Dumplings 2/\$8.00. Contact Michelle at 814-442-9881 or mkimmel@comcast.net by October 31st to order. Pick up from 2:00-4:00 November 7th.

25th Anniversary Remembrance Closing Ceremony Today

At the Post 9/11 US Armed Forces Memorial at Patriot Park, 6150 Lincoln Highway, Stoystown, PA. The closing ceremony begins at 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. followed by a Sky Lantern Release.

Pastoral Care: For those in need of pastoral care please contact Pastor Dave Creamer at 814-777-2280. If Dave is not available, please contact Tom Croner at 814-442-6740. If neither is available, contact Pam Bush at 541-990-0832.



20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Almighty God,
You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and the farthest
seas.
You welcome us into Your presence with mercy and grace.
Today, we come before You—
humbled by Your love,
grateful for Your forgiveness,
and eager to hear Your Word.
Let our hearts be open, our minds attentive,
and our spirits ready to be renewed.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

**Thank You For Joining Us
& Have A Blessed Week Ahead
God Bless You All**