

EQUAL, THAT THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR
CREATOR WITH CERTAIN INALIENABLE
RIGHTS, AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY
AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, THAT
TO SECURE THESE RIGHTS GOVERNMENTS
ARE INSTITUTED AMONG MEN. WE...
SOLEMNLY PUBLISH AND DECLARE, THAT

THE (TRUE) PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS:

Virtue, not Pleasure



BREAKPOINT

***Summer 2021 – Wisdom for Life
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Independence Day
July 4, 2021***

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

Prelude

A Patriotic Celebration

***The Doxology**

***Invitation to Confession**

---based on 2 Chronicles 7:13-14

***Corporate Confession**

O God,

You have indeed been good to us.

You have prospered our land.

You have opened Your heart to us in love.

You have forgiven our sins and adopted us as Your children.

But now our country is in turmoil.

We no longer have confidence in our leaders.

Our citizens are in revolt.

Our men and women are spilling their blood in foreign wars.

People are turning away from You and are being ensnared by strange doctrines and godless philosophies.

We know that You have not turned away from us.

You touch with joy and peace the hearts that are open to You.

You stand ready to show Your salvation to all who will trust in You.

As we speak to You in faith,

You respond in loving concern.

You will give us what is good and will prosper us with gifts from Your hand.

You are holy and just.

You love Your children and will guide them in Your course for their lives.

Renew our faith, O God.

Forgive us our many failures and infidelities.

May our land continue to be a place where we can be free to love and serve you. Amen.

---Written by Leslie F. Brandt based on Psalm 85

***Word of Pardon**

*Patriotic Hymns

No. 570 – *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* [Verses 1 & 4]

No. 572 – *America, the Beautiful* [Verse 1]

No. 573 – *God of Our Fathers* [Verses 1 & 4]

Old Testament Lesson

¹² I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴ I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind.

¹⁵ What is crooked cannot be made straight,
and what is lacking cannot be counted.

¹⁶ I said in my heart, "I have acquired great wisdom, surpassing all who were over Jerusalem before me, and my heart has had great experience of wisdom and knowledge." ¹⁷ And I applied my heart to know wisdom and to know madness and folly. I perceived that this also is but a striving after wind.

¹⁸ For in much wisdom is much vexation,
and he who increases knowledge increases sorrow.

Pastoral Prayer

Preaching of the Word

"PD"

Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness!

Prayer of Intercession

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

*Song of Commitment

Knowing You

*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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Vacation Bible School will be August 9th through Friday August 13th here at Trinity. This year we will be exploring the story of “Moses!” Amy Clark and Jean Hart are serving as directors. We are seeking “helpers” to guide students groups, crafts, music, and food! Please offer your talents to make this a memorable event of summer 2021! We missed out on VBS last year due to COVID-19, we feel safe enough to engage with the children this summer.

Church Picnic –Church Picnic in the Grove on July 18th beginning at 12:30 p.m. We have invited the people of Zion Lutheran to join us so that we might get to know the other congregation that shares our pastor.

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.

Parking on Sunday. . .A gentle reminder, please only park on the lower 4 parking slots in front of the Market on Sunday morning. We appreciate Scott allowing us to park there. The other Sunday when the Market opened many of the slots nearly up to the entrance were filled with cars from Trinity worshippers. We are welcome to use the lot behind the old bank, you may park behind the church, or on Vine and Fletcher Streets.

JOIN US as we are guided through the land of the Bible in a video series with renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan. Filmed on location in the Middle East, it transforms your understanding of God and how the land and culture of the Hebrew people shaped their story. The Adult Sunday School class meets immediately following worship service every Sunday at 10:10, during the regular Sunday School time.

Tom Calvert

Giving From 6/27/2021

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$1834.00	\$2434.93	-\$600.93
Ben	\$99.00	\$213.46	-\$114.46
Maint	\$137.00	\$163.46	-\$26.46
Total	\$2070.00	\$2811.85	-\$741.85

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$20.

Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

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

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Lindsey Stotler Cioci, Sue Coughenour, Tammy Coughenour, Pam Crooks, John Durst, Susan Durst, Wilma Durst, Jane Fisher, Linda Gallick, Janet Gindlesperger, Kathryn Grimm, Brenda Leister, Larry McCullen, Bayley Mull, Glenda Paul Family, Nancy Schrock, Tyler Seifert, Dwight Smith, Avis Specht, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Eileen LaBute Zeplin, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman

The Saints In Action

Next Sunday – July 11th

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Last Week's Attendance: 71

Knowing You

Graham Kendrick

Graham Kendrick



All I once held dear, built my
heart's de - sire is to
know the power of Your

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life up - on, all this world re - veres, and
know You more, to be found in You, and
ris - en life, and to know You in Your

4



wars to own, all I once thought gain I have
known as Yours, to pos - sess by faith what I
suf - fer - ings, to be - come like You in Your

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count - ed loss; Spent and worth - less now, com -
could not earn; All sur - pas - sing gift of
death, my Lord; So with You to live, and

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pared to this. Know - ing You, Je - sus,
right - eous - ness.
nev - er die.

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: Tyler Gindlesperger, Gay Maust

The Flowers on the altar in memory of her parents, Virgil & Harriet Vaughan, her brother, Virgil Vaughan, Jr. and Daniel Deaner by Bob & Colleen Glotfelty.

Special Flowers: In honor of the 4th anniversary of Rev'd. Dr. David A. Williams being called as Pastor for Berlin TUCC by Larry & Judy McCullen.

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams

Church Secretary: Pam Bush

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

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