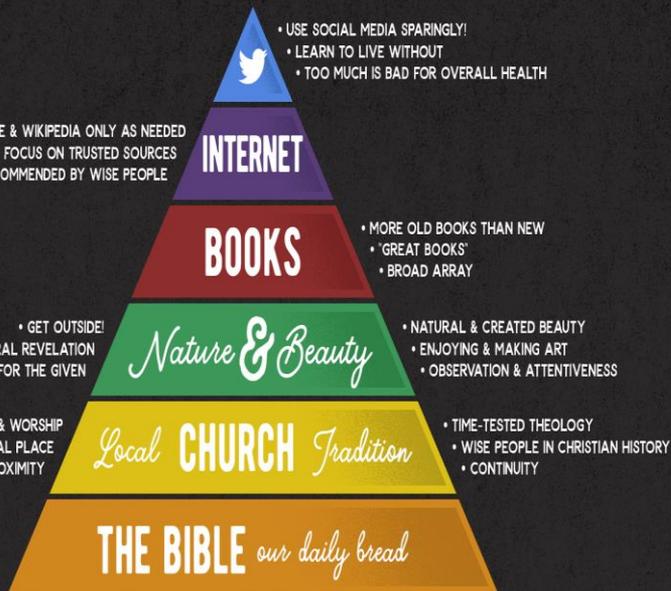


Wisdom Pyramid



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Summer 2021 – Wisdom for Life
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 1, 2021

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Trinity United Church of Christ
600 Main Street
Berlin, Pennsylvania

Prelude

Allison Zimmerman and Ruth Elaine Whitacre

***The Doxology**

***Invitation to Confession**

***Corporate Confession**

Almighty and merciful God,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have
done; and we have done those things which we ought not to
have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare those who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent,
according to your promises declared to the world
in Christ Jesus, our Lord.
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake,
that we may live a holy, just, and humble life
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

***Word of Pardon**

***Hymn of Praise: No. 292**

God of Grace and God of Glory

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer [using debts and debtors]

Ministry of Music

Allison Zimmerman and Ruth Elaine Whitacre

Old Testament Lesson

Ecclesiastes 7:1-13

A good name is better than precious ointment,
and the day of death than the day of birth.
2 It is better to go to the house of mourning
than to go to the house of feasting,
for this is the end of all mankind,
and the living will lay it to heart.

- 3 Sorrow is better than laughter,
for by sadness of face the heart is made glad.
- 4 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning,
but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.
- 5 It is better for a man to hear the rebuke of the wise
than to hear the song of fools.
- 6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot,
so is the laughter of the fools;
this also is vanity.
- 7 Surely oppression drives the wise into madness,
and a bribe corrupts the heart.
- 8 Better is the end of a thing than its beginning,
and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.
- 9 Be not quick in your spirit to become angry,
for anger lodges in the heart of fools.
- 10 Say not, "Why were the former days better than these?"
For it is not from wisdom that you ask this.
- 11 Wisdom is good with an inheritance,
an advantage to those who see the sun.
- 12 For the protection of wisdom is like the protection of money,
and the advantage of knowledge is that wisdom preserves
the life of him who has it.
- 13 Consider the work of God:
who can make straight what he has made crooked?

Preaching of the Word

"PD"

Wisdom and Folly

***Baptism Song**

I Was There At Your Boring Cry

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Kamden William Gindlesperger

Son of Andy and Melissa

Brother of Kylan

The Institution and Scriptural Promise

The Presentation

Having heard God's gracious promises to us in Christ,
do you desire that Kamden be baptized?

We do.

In presenting your child for baptism,
you announce your love for Jesus Christ,
your eagerness to participate in the life of Christ's body,
the church, and your commitment to live as Christ's
disciples in the world.

With joy, we celebrate together the gift of God's grace in
Christ. Who presents Kamden William for baptism?

We do.

The Renunciations

Since you are presenting these children for baptism,
we ask you, before God and his people,
to reject sin and to profess your faith in Jesus Christ.
Do you renounce all evil and powers in the world
that defy God's righteousness and love?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin
that separate you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ
and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his Word and showing his love, to your life's end?

I will, with God's help.

The Apostles' Creed

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

A Covenant Promise

Since you have presented Kamden William for baptism, we ask you the following questions before God and his people.

Do you profess your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and affirm the promises of God made to you and your children in his Word?

We do.

Do you promise to instruct Kamden William by word and example, with the help of the Christian community,

in the truth of God's Word,

and in the way of salvation through Jesus Christ?

Do you promise to pray for *him* and teach *him* to pray?

Do you promise to nurture *him*

within the body of believers, as citizens of Christ's kingdom?

We do, God helping us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Act of Baptism

Blessing of the Children – *The Blessing Song*

Congregational Commitment & Welcome

Brothers and sisters,
we now receive Kamden William into Christ's church.
I charge you to nurture and love *him*
and to assist *him* to be Christ's faithful disciple.

**With joy and thanksgiving,
we now welcome you into Christ's church;
for we are all one in Christ.**

**We promise to love, encourage, and support you
and to help you know and follow Christ.**

***Song of Commitment**

In Christ Alone

***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 Thursday August 12th 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. ***"Please note that this is one day less than previously scheduled"***.

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.

Save the Date – Sunday, October 31 Trinity will celebrate the dedication of our new Allen Designer Organ with the “designer” Mr. Rudolph Lucente as our Musical Artist. PD is calling this concert “The Reformation of Rudy!” Mr. Lucente is the former director Company and the Music Emporium, Altoona. Please invite your friends to join us in the afternoon [time to be announced] for a joyful sound of music of music for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The concert promises to be of “Spooktacular” proportions! The concert is sponsored by the Allen Organ

Holy Trinity Quilters & Knotters

The number of quilters and knotters has greatly declined since COVID. There is a tremendous need for items to be completed but not enough hands to do it. We are looking for anyone willing to volunteer their time on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. A delicious lunch is part of the package. No experience needed!

Blessings, Nita Richards & Carolyn Rastrelli
HTELC, Secretaries
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Those Remembered in prayer:

God’s guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

The Family and Friends of Lucas Daniel Hayman in their sorrow.

Shut Ins:

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

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Lindsey Stotler Cioci, Tammy Coughenour, Pam Crooks, Jane Fisher, Linda Gallick, Kathryn Grimm, Barry Landis, Larry McCullen, Bayley Mull, Glenda Paul Family, Nancy Schrock, Tyler Seifert Family, Dwight Smith, Avis Specht, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, John Will, Karen Will, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman

The Saints In Action

Next Sunday – August 8th

9:00 a.m. Worship / Holy Communion

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Giving From 7/25/2021

| | Rec | Budget | Over/Under |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| General | 2821.00 | \$2434.93 | \$386.07 |
| Ben | \$170.00 | \$213.46 | -\$43.46 |
| Maint | \$182.00 | \$163.46 | \$18.54 |
| Total | \$3173.00 | \$2811.85 | \$361.15 |

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$20.00.

Worship Attendance: 83

Sunday School: 16

I Was There To Hear Your Borneing Cry

I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are
 When you heard the won-der of the Word, I was there to cheer you
 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no long - er

old. I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un -
 on. You were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord to whom you now be -
 young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com - plete what I've be -

fine
 fold. I was there when you were but a child _____ with a
 long. If you find some-one to share your time _____ and you
 gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in _____ and you

faith to suit you well; _____ in a blaze of light you
 join your hearts as one, _____ I'll be there to make your
 shut your wea - ry eyes, _____ I'll be there as I have

D.C. (vs. 1) al fine

wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell. *rit.*
 vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
 al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

♩ = 60

A \flat E \flat A \flat B \flat E \flat /G A \flat E \flat /G Fm 7 A \flat /B \flat

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, ful - ness of God in help - less
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in

4 E \flat A \flat E \flat A \flat B \flat E \flat /G

song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id Ground, firm through the
 babe! This gift of love and right - eous - ness, scorned by the
 slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious Day, up from the
 me; From life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com -

7 A \flat E \flat /G Fm 7 A \flat /B \flat E \flat E \flat /G A \flat E \flat /G

fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
 ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Je - sus
 grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
 -mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of

10 B^b_{sus} B^b E^b/G A^b Cm⁷ B^b_{sus} B^b A^b E^b A^b

peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease. My Com-fort- er, my All in
 died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was
 -ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am His and He is
 man, can ev - er pluck me from His hand; Till He re - turns or calls me

14 B^b E^b/G A^b E^b/G Fm⁷ A^b/B^b E^b

All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

17 B^bm⁷ Fm⁷ E^b E^b_{sus} E^b

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

Recycling Boxes for Bulletins

Hearing Amplifiers

These Days – Devotional

Assisting in Worship

Sound: Tom Croner, Chris King

The Flowers on the altar in memory of loved one by Ed and Shirley Reed

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams

Church Secretary: Pam Bush

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas

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