



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH GREENCASTLE, PA
“Sharing Christ in Word and Deed”

May 8, 2016 11 am 7th Sunday of Easter

The Rev. William DeHass, Pastor
Ralph Burdick, Assisting Minister
Dale Thatcher, Usher
Deb Miller and Donna Wolfe, Communion Assistants
Music by Sandra Wingert, Phyllis McCullough and Scott Valentine

WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. We encourage you to complete the Welcome envelope located in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. If you are seeking a church home, please speak with the Pastor.
- Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. Our Lord invites to this table all baptized Christians. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation. Come forward and receive bread from the Pastor, dip the bread into the chalice held by the Worship Assistant, then partake of the bread.
- Persons or concerns may be added to today's prayers by filling out a prayer request card located in the pew racks. The prayer cards will be collected during the Scripture Song. .

GATHERING SONG – Above All

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG – We Praise You, O God #870 in ELW

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Let us come into the light,
the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of grace and glory,
**you have brought us through the night of sin
into the light of Jesus' resurrection.**
Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin.
Make us alive in Christ, O God.
Make us new as you make all things new.
Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin,
renew us in grace,
and restore us to living in your holiness,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
Amen.

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne!
The light of the risen Christ
puts flight all evil deeds, washes away sin,
restores innocence to the fallen,
casts out hate, brings peace,
and humbles earthly pride.
Jesus Christ loves you
and † frees you from your sins by his blood.
To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!
Amen.

Let us pray together... **O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Congregation may be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE SONG – Blessed Be the Tie that Binds #656 in ELW

SCRIPTURE READING – John 17:20-26

Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

[Jesus prayed:] “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

MESSAGE FOR THE DAY

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

SONG OF THE DAY – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying/We Are an Offering

NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed
**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers will be offered in petitions ending in "Lord, in your mercy". The congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer"

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words. Please remain standing after this.

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.
Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

The table of life is spread before you.
Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

As you come forward receive the bread from the Pastor and then dip it in the cup held by the Communion Assistant. Then partake of the elements together. You may return to your place by using the side aisle. The Praise Band will be singing during distribution. You are welcome to sing along

COMMUNION SONG -- Beautiful Scandalous Night

PRAYER AND BLESSING

We give you thanks, O God,
that you make your home with us,
bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal.
Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here,
that we may wipe away tears,
tend to those in mourning and pain,
seek the healing of the nations,
and bring to earth the presence of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty,
the blessing of † Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG – How Great Is Our God

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance last Sunday:

8:30 a.m. – 91 (8 visitors and 83 members)

11:00 a.m. – 38 (5 visitors and 33 members)

Offering last Sunday: Regular -\$1690.00.; Benevolence - \$52.00; Building Fund - \$1334.00; Special Appeal - \$32.00

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God in honor of Norra's 5th birthday from Mom, Dad and Ella and in honor of their mothers from Darrell, Jess & Ella & Norra Swart.

IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK:

TODAY - Worship with Service of the Word - 8:30 a.m.

Fellowship time following service

Blood Pressure taken in quiet room

Sunday School for all ages - 10:00 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion - 11:00 a.m.

Monday - AA - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Bible Study 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Christian Ed - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Luther Ridge birthday party - 7:00 p.m.

Council - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday - Choir Practice - 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday - AA 8:00 p.m.

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Worship with Holy Communion - 11:00 a.m.

ET/TELL Olympics at Trinity - 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR MAY is designated for Hospice of the Good Shepard. If you desire to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelope for Special Appeal or use the white envelope in the pew rack and mark it "Special Appeal".

TODAY WE CELEBRATE MOTHER'S DAY - May God's blessings be upon Mothers today and everyday. Thank you to the Trinity Lutheran Church Women who made a donation to Women In Need in honor of all mothers for Mother's Day.

"The Sweetest sounds to mortals given
are heard in Mother, Home and Heaven".

William Goldsmith Brown

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH will be going to Luther Ridge on May 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to entertain the residents and celebrate with those having a birthday in the month of May. If you are interested in participating by reading a poem, singing or playing an instrument, please contact Joyce Berger.

THE HARVEST COMMITTEE is selling Sub Coupons from The Butcher Shoppe in Chambersburg and Kline's Grocery Store in Shady Grove for \$5.00. They are nice to have around to get a quick lunch. Purchase yours today from a member of the Harvest Committee.

GERANIUMS FOR PENEKOST SUNDAY - May 15th is Pentecost Sunday and we will be putting red geraniums around the worship space. We are asking members of the congregation to sponsor a geranium which will then be planted around the church that day. These will be purchased from Fisher's Florist at the cost of \$8.00 each. If you are interested in sponsoring one, there are envelopes on the table in the Vestibule to put your name and money or check made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and give to Laura Ellis in the church office. **TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO PLACE ORDER.** We encourage people to wear red to church that day in observance of Pentecost.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION - Please inform the church office of any graduations in your family. We will honor Trinity's graduates on June 5th during worship and we also remember all graduates in the prayers of the church that day. If you have a family member that is graduating and you would like them remembered in the prayers, please call the church office at 597-9348.

WORK DAY AT THE CHURCH - SAVE THE DATE on June 4th beginning at 9:00 a.m. or when you can get there. We will be doing a lot of little projects - clean-up, repair, etc. both inside and outside. If you can, please give a little or a lot that day.

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY - join us on Tuesday May 10th from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. as we continue to study Hymns of Grace. This week we will look at **How Firm a Foundation**. The Group meets in the adult Sunday school room. If you have any questions see Marie Dean or Phyllis McCullough.

Auxiliary News

The SpiriTrust Lutheran Chambersburg Auxiliary will hold its annual Membership Drive during the month of May. Anyone can join with a minimum donation of \$1.00. The Auxiliary provides support for programs of SpiriTrust Lutheran in Franklin and Fulton counties. In 2016, the Auxiliary plans to make donations to SpiriTrust Lutheran Home Care & Hospice, SpiriTrust Lutheran LIFE, SpiriTrust Lutheran Counseling Services, as well as The Inn Endowment Fund and many other important programs and services. If you would like to join the Auxiliary or need more information, please contact your congregational representative.

SUE SNYDER IS DISTRIBUTING ENVELOPES FOR OUR CONGREGATION. COMPLETE AND RETURN TO SUE.

WE ARE CONTINUING TO SAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Ink Cartridges – These are being recycled by Donna to purchase office supplies. There is also a box in the new collection station to deposit your cartridges.

Postage Stamps – The “Stamps for Missions” program is ongoing. One pound of stamps provides a Bible for someone. When you cut them leave about 1 inch around each stamp.

Campbell Soup Labels and General Mills Box Tops for Education.

Old Cell phones and chargers.

Aluminum Tabs - For Ronald McDonald House Charities. Over \$223,000 has been raised since 1996. Thanks for helping to pick up the "tab" for the many families who use our "House that love built" - all at no cost! A new collection station, made by James Thomas, has been placed in the vestibule with separate boxes to deposit these items.

CALLING ALL SINGERS - OLD HOME WEEK 2016 musical - needs people to sing in the adult choir on Sunday, August 7, 2016. There will be two performances. Registration deadline is May 15th. If you are interested in participating in these performances, contact Sandra Wingert at 597-2644. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesday beginning in June from 6:30 to 7:40 p.m. at the Greencastle Antrim High School.

Singers are also needed for the pageant "Our Proud History" to be presented on Tuesday, August 9th and Wednesday, August 10th at 7:30 p.m. each evening. To sing in the pageant choir simply show up at the first rehearsal to be held on Tuesday, June 14th from 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greencastle-Antrim High School.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

May 11 - Luther Ridge Birthdays - 7:00 p.m.

June 4 - Work day at the church - 9:00 a.m.

June 5 - Parish Picnic following second service

June 25 - Make ice cream at church - 8 a.m.

July 8 - Sidewalk Sales - 8 a.m.

July 9 - Sidewalk Sales - 8 a.m.

July 27 - Bible School - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

July 28 - Bible School - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

July 29 - Bible School - 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

July 30 - Bible School - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

August 6 to August 13 - Old Home Week

CHAMBERSBURG CONFERENCE NEWS

WELLNESS TALK

The Wellness Talk for April will be held **Tuesday, May 17th at 1:00pm.** SpiriTrust Lutheran Home Health Physical Therapy will present a talk on walker and wheelchair safety. The talk will take place at the Fleck Center at SpiriTrust LutheranTM, The Village at Luther Ridge, 2998 Luther Drive, Chambersburg. Please R.S.V.P. to 267-1665 if you plan to attend this informative session.

DINNER AT THE RIDGE

Dinner at the Ridge will be held at **12:00PM** at the Fleck Center on **Wednesday, May 11th, 2016.** The cost is \$6.75. The menu for May is Creamed Lettuce, Ham Loaf, Au Gratin Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Rolls/Butter, Assorted Desserts and Beverages. Please call 264-3212 to make your reservation. Deadline for reservations is noon on Thursday, May 5th.