

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH GREENCASTLE, PA

“Sharing Christ in Word and Deed”

January 31, 2016

11 am

4th Sunday after Epiphany

William W. DeHass, Pastor

Don Swart, Assisting Minister

Thatcher Stevens, Usher

Deb Miller and Donna Wolfe, Communion Assistants

Music by Sandra Wingert, Phyllis McCullough and Rachel Stevenson

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. .

PRESERVICE MUSIC – Shout to the Lord

Verse 1

My Jesus my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus 1

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

*Repeat verse and chorus and do the last
2 lines twice*

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG – I Love to Tell the Story #661 in Evangelical Lutheran Worship

- 1 I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.
- Refrain
I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.
- 2 I love to tell the story:
how pleasant to repeat
- 3 I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long. Refrain
- Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us.

Amen.

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty and loving God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Hear the voice of Jesus: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives.” In the name of † Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

Amen.

Let us pray together... **Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Congregation may be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE SONG – Thy Word

Chorus 1

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Verse 1

When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end

Chorus 1

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Verse 2

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
I will love You to the end

Chorus 1

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

You're the light unto my path

SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 4:1-21

Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission. The people of Nazareth are in awe of Jesus until he tells them that God's healing and love are for all people.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph's son?” He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

MESSAGE FOR THE DAY

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

SONG OF THE DAY – Holy Is the Lord God Almighty

Verse 1

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great how awesome is He

Misc 1

And together we sing
Ev'ryone sing

Misc 2

It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

Misc 1

And together we sing
Ev'ryone sing

Chorus 1

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

Repeat all the above then

Chorus 1

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

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 to the dead.*
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 living 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 the life everlasting. 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

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills
were gathered together to become one bread,
so let your church be gathered together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.
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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son;
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
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.**

Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

**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 one of the cups held by the Communion Assistants. The first cup is wine and the second is grape juice. Then partake of the elements together. You may return to your place by using the side aisle.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG – Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus 1

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Chorus 1

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

PRAYER AND BLESSING

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG – Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty

Chorus 1

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who reigns forevermore

Verse 1

Father in Heaven how we love You
We lift Your Name in all the earth
May Your Kingdom be established
in our praises
As Your people declare
Your mighty works

Chorus 1

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who reigns forevermore

Verse 2

Oh God most Holy we adore you,
We lay our all before your throne
May the fragrance of your presence be
about us
As we purpose to worship you alone

Chorus 1 WITH TAG

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
Who reigns forevermore
Who reigns forevermore
Who reigns forevermore

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SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on January 17:

8:30 a.m. Service – 90 (7 Visitors, 83 Members)

11:00 a.m. Service – 20 (5 Visitors, 15 Members)

Offering on January 17: Regular -\$1612.50.00; Benevolence - \$223.00; Building Fund - \$946.00; Special Appeal- \$26.50; Food Pantry - \$20.00

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by Ed and Nancy Osbaugh.

IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK:

Monday - AA - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Women's Bible Study – 1-2 pm.

Outreach Committee – 7:00 p.m.

Christian Ed. Committee – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday- Choir Practice – 6:45 p.m.

Friday - AA 8:00 p.m.

Sunday - Worship with Holy Communion - 8:30 a.m.

Fellowship time following service

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

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

SPECIAL APPEAL for January is designated for The Franklin County Homeless Shelter and the Cold Weather Drop-In Shelter. 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”.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Each Tuesday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. all women are invited to a six week Bible Study on the book of Mark entitled “Marked for Life”. Plan to join us and feel free to invite a friend. If you have any questions see Marie Dean or Phyllis McCullough.

ANNUAL REPORTS from all the committees of the church are due in the church office as soon as possible. These will be placed in a booklet and distributed to all members of the congregation at the end of the month.

WORSHIP ASISTANTS NEEDED - Worship assistants are needed for the Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, February 10th. If you are planning to attend and can assist in any way, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

The TELL youth group (Ages K-5th grade from ELC and Trinity) will be participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. The Souper Bowl of Caring is youth across the nation working to fight hunger and poverty in their own communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game. The TELL group set a goal of trying to collect 500 cans and \$500 on monetary donations. Donations will be given to the local Food Bank housed at the Presbyterian Church. If you would like to help support the TELL group with this project please bring in any canned food items and deliver them to the display table in the narthex. Monetary donations can be put in the offering plate or given to the church office. Please write food donation/TELL on the memo line. We will be collecting donations through Sunday February 21. Thank you for your support!

E.T. Youth Group (ELC/Trinity Youth) is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Feb 13, 2016 in the Fellowship Hall of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Greencastle, PA . Dinner will be served from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner includes: spaghetti, salad, applesauce, bread, and dessert
Adult: \$7.00 Child 3-12 years of age: \$4.50 Children under 3 years of age: no charge.

Please RSVP by Feb 6 by signing up on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the vestibule or contact Rachelle Gehr.

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING the hurt and pain of a broken relationship or marriage, please consider joining a Separation and Divorce Recovery Support Group. This group meets on Monday evenings 7-8:30 p.m. at The Wholeness Center, 19 South Main Street (on the square) Chambersburg. Sessions begin February 1st and end March 7th. For more information or to register, email Cindy Shoemaker at cshoe0815@gmail.com or call Central Presbyterian Church at 264-4113 and ask for Bertie, church secretary.

THE SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE & SAUSAGE DINNER will be held on February 9. Pancakes & sausage will be served from 5:30-6:30 pm. Please come anytime during that hour and enjoy some food and fellowship as we prepare for the season of Lent.

SOUP AND SPIRIT LENTEN GATHERINGS - On Wednesday evenings in Lent we will have our "Soup and Spirit" gatherings. Beginning February 17 thru March 16th, we will offer a simple meal of soup and bread at 5:30 p.m. (If you need other food for dietary reasons, you are welcome to bring your own food.) Following the meal we will have informal worship service and discussion. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the vestibule.