



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, PA



We want to be a congregation who continues:
Trusting God
Loving and Connecting with God and one another
Reaching out to all God's children

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 4, 2022 10:15 AM

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Mission – *To Share Christ in Word and Deed*
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WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. If you are seeking a church home, please contact the Pastor.
- Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. All are welcome to the table. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation.
- Masks covering nose and mouth are strongly recommended during the service.
- The Worship Service will be available on You Tube, Facebook and the Website after the service. It is being recorded through Facebook Live.
- Congregational responses are in bold.

** Please stand*

Welcome, Announcements, Opening Prayer

Call to Worship / Prelude

Great Is the Lord Almighty

***Dialog**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

for in your wisdom you have formed us.

You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You set free those who are bound.

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You raise up those whose courage falters.

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You provide for our every need.

Accept our grateful praises.

You have called us from all peoples.

We rejoice and bless your name forever.

You bless your people with peace.

We bless you and praise your loving grace.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

for in your wisdom you have formed us.

***Gathering Hymn of Praise**

My Savior, My God (CCLI #2823825)

1 I am not skilled to understand
What God has willed what God has planned
I only know at His right hand
Stands One who is my Savior

2 I take Him at His word and deed
Christ died to save me this I read
And in my heart I find a need
Of Him to be my Savior

Pre-Chorus

That He would leave His place on high
And come for sinful man to die
You count it strange so once did I
Before I knew my Savior

Chorus

My Savior loves, my Savior lives
My Savior's always there for me
My God He was, my God He is
My God He's always gonna be
REPEAT

3 Yes living dying let me bring
My strength my solace from this spring
That He who lives to be my King
Once died to be my Savior

Pre-Chorus

Chorus 2 times

Ending

My Savior lives, my Savior loves
My Savior lives, my Savior loves, my Savior lives

***Greeting:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

***Prayer of the Day:** We pray together: **Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalm 112

**¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

**³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due
season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.**

⁴It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

**⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus
our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of
your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the
sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we
may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your
love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your
duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as
an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for
my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my
imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both
to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted
to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my
imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in
order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps
this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have
him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—
especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome
me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my
account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing
about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit
from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I
am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

*Gospel Acclamation



*The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the Fourteenth Chapter Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Time of Silence: *At our best Trinity is passionate about God. We respond to God’s love becoming still, closing our eyes and opening our heart spaces to God’s presence.*

***Hymn of the Day**

Spirit of God, Descent Upon My Heart (ELW #800)

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; 3 Have you not bid me love you, God
wean it from earth, through all its and King;
pulses move; all, all your own, soul, heart, and
stoop to my weakness, strength to me strength, and mind?
impart, I see your cross; there teach my heart
and make me love you as I ought to to cling.
love. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me
find!
- 2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, 4 Teach me to love you as your angels
no sudden rending of the veil of clay, love,
no angel visitant, no op'ning skies; one holy passion filling all my frame:
but take the dimness of my soul away. the baptism of the heav'n-descended
dove,
my heart an altar, and your love the
flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780-1860

***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 power of 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 the Church** - *(Each petition ends with "God of grace," The Congregation responds "hear our prayer.)*

***Sign of Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(If you are joining us on Facebook, please share Christ's peace with one another in the comments.)

MEAL

Today we will be receiving communion as we traditionally did pre-Covid. For those still wishing to use prepackaged communion, please come forward with everyone in your row and take the prepackaged kit, open and the pastor will say the blessing for you. Eat, drink and return to your seat. If you prefer to remain seated for communion you may. Pastor will give instructions to you prior to communing the assistants.

***Offertory**

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

***Dialogue**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Preface**

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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, heav'n 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.

***Words of Institution**

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, Jesus 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.

***Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Our Savior taught us:

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.

***Invitation to Communion**

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

Come to the banquet.

Pew Communion: *Those who wish to commune from their seats using the prepackaged kits please open them now. Take and eat and drink, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.*

Assistants Commune

Communion

The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

Communion Hymns: (Words to Communion Hymns are on the screen.)

The Wonderful Cross

*Near the Cross
Worthy is the Lamb*

***Table Blessing**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

***Post Communion Prayer**

Life-giving God, **through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

SENDING

***Benediction**

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, **and** show you the path of life this day and always. Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

One Pure and Holy Passion (CCLI #2823825)

Give me one pure and holy passion
Give me one magnificent obsession
Jesus, give me one glorious ambition for my life
To know and follow hard after You

Chorus

To know and follow hard after You
To grow as Your disciple in the truth
This world is empty pale and poor
Compared to knowing You my Lord
Lead me on and I will run after You

Ending

Lead me on and I will run after You
Lead me on and I will run after You

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***Dismissal:**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

SERVING TRINITY TODAY

Director of Music – Sandra Wingert

Assisting Minister – Dave Wolfe

Communion Assistants – Wendy Hall, Robin Witmer-Kline, Donna Wolfe

Communion Cups – Josie Thomas

Singer – Scott Valentine

Usher – Charlie Ford

IT Ministry – IT Team

Communion Preparers – Charlie and Beth Ford

Media Shout – Ivan Wingert

TODAY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Gust and Mimi Barbuzanes, Carolyn Clark, Gladys Coble, Sue Deardorff, Terry and Laura Ellis, Betsy Fisher, Shirley Freeman, Nancy Freshman, Ray and Ginger Shriver, Minerva Trimmer, Bud Wolfe.

Each week we also remember four families of our congregation: Dave, Stacy, Sarah and Abigail Wolfe; Chuck and Sue Wunderlich; Keith and Pam Arnold; Gust and Mimi Barbuzanes.