



“YOU CANNOT SERVE
GOD AND **MONEY.**”

LUKE 16:13, ESV

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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 18, 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

What a Beautiful Name

***Confession**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn of Praise**

Holy God, We Praise Your Name
(ELW #414) vs.1,2,4

- 1 Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim,
all in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
"Holy, holy, holy Lord!"
- 4 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim you
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

***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: **God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”
⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Psalm 113

**¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;
praise the name of the LORD.**

²Let the name of the LORD be blessed,
from this time forth forevermore.

**³From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the name of the LORD be praised.**

⁴The LORD is high above all nations;
God's glory above the heavens.

**⁵Who is like the LORD our God,
who sits enthroned on high,**

⁶but stoops to behold
the heavens and the earth?

**⁷The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,**

⁸enthroning them with the rulers,
with the rulers of the people.

**⁹The LORD makes the woman of a childless house
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time.⁷For this I was appointed a herald and a apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Gospel Acclamation



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

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one

and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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**

Let Justice Flow Like Streams (ELW #717)

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| 1 Let justice flow like streams
of sparkling water, pure,
enabling growth, refreshing life,
abundant, cleansing, sure. | 2 Let righteousness roll on
as others' cares we heed,
an ever-flowing stream of faith
translated into deed. |
| 3 So may God's plumb line, straight,
define our measure true,
and justice, right, and peace pervade
this world our whole life through. | |

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

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***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**

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **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**

Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

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.)

God and Man at Table are Sat Down

Jesus, Name Above All Names

Blessed Be Your Name

***Table Blessing**

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

***Post Communion Prayer**

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

***Benediction**

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand w/ I Need Thee Every Hour*

(ELW 773)

Words on screen

***Dismissal:**

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

A BIG THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO JOINED OUR CHOIR TODAY!

We are hoping to have a choir to lead our worship on the third Sunday of each month. Anyone who wants to be a part is welcome to meet in the sanctuary choir loft at 9:15 AM. Music and a seat will be provided and we will familiarize ourselves with music for the service that day as well as looking ahead at future music. There is no plan to do special choral anthems at this point, but to have a choir as the worship leaders once a month like we have one singer per week now. If you have questions please don't hesitate to call or talk to Sandra Wingert.

SERVING TRINITY TODAY

Director of Music – Sandra Wingert
Assisting Minister – Scott Valentine
Communion Assistants – Mary Thomas, Carol Swart, Rob Marsh
Communion Cups – Josie Thomas
Singer – Choir
Usher – Darrell Swart
IT Ministry – IT Team
Communion Preparers – Don and Carol Swart
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: Carolyn Clark and Lisa Peters; Dave, Debbie, Logan and Connor Cline; Gladys Coble; Kevin and Nanette Dagliano.