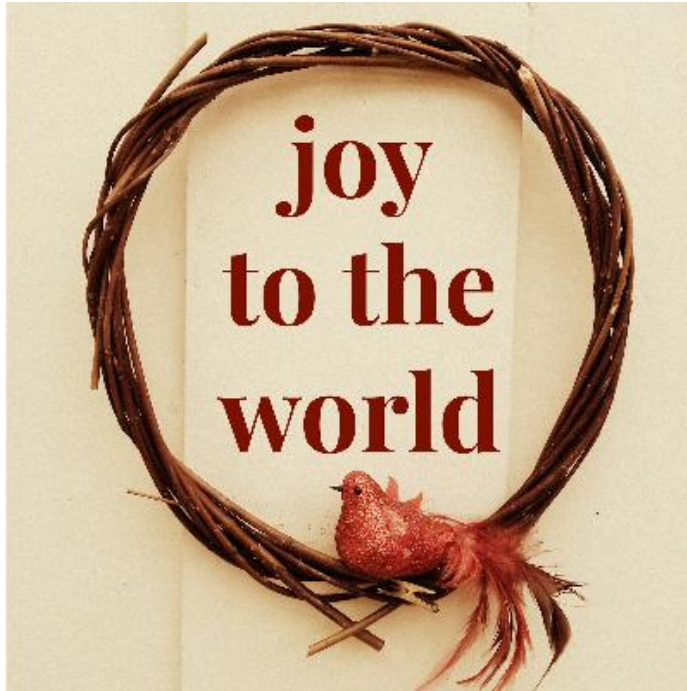


Second Sunday of Christmas

January 2, 2022



**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
EAST BERLIN, PENNSYLVANIA**

Trinity's Prayer Concerns

Louise Boyer
Sandy Boyer
Skip Boyer
Mark Deputy

Sandy Emig & Family
Pixie Henry
Family of Itoe Hoak

Dona Lerew
Pr. Terry McCarthy
Barb Mummert

Wayne Mummert
Noah Rinehart
Logan Siekerman
Kim Smith

Trinity's Homebound Members

Esther Baker

Flo Jones

Louise Eisenhart

Dottie Mae Eisenhart
Phyllis Spahr

Other Family & Friends:

Heather Artz (Bonnie Boyer)
Seville Brown (Livingston)
Valerie Bushey (Bob King)
Susan Caler (Noelle Kline)
Joan Cave (Pr. Terry McCarthy)
Gail Campbell (Pam Eisenhart)
Alan DeGroft (Karen Sheaffer)
Ada Eaton (Karen Sheaffer)
Marley Gross Jr. (Kay Hinkle)
Clifford Hafer (Shelly Livingston)
Family of Janet Harlos (Pr. Susan)
Joann Hinkle (Judy Burgard)
Family of Virgene Hinkle (Kay Hinkle)
Crystal Hoover (Joyce Wolf)
Brittany Horst (Manzullo)
Tom Hyers (Noelle Kline)
Connie Jacobs (Kay Hinkle)
Mike Jacobs (Bonnie Boyer)
Emily Joyner & Family (Ruthann Bowen)
Dolores Kmetz (Judy Burgard)
Lynn Kotula (Susan Smith)
Nancy Lewis (Bonnie Boyer)
Frank & Judy (Manzullo)



Donna & Joe Linn (Bonnie Boyer)
Ruth Lusk (Bonnie Shue)
Bill McCord (Wanda Crackett)
Irene Mutai (Shelly Livingston)
Bill Pelc (Kay Hinkle)
Sandra Quier (Ali Long)
Denny Shade (Jen McSherry)
Joanne Shatlock (Becky Rinehart)
Kathy Sitler & Family (Kathy Kuhn)
Barb Smith (Noelle Kline)
Leiba Smith (Eva Boyer)
Stephanie Smith (Kim Smith)
Jane Webb (Becky Rinehart)
Carol Weiser (Kay Hinkle)
Everly Grace Williams (Hoffman)
Linda Williams (Wanda Crackett)
Rick Williams (Kay Hinkle)
Dale Wolf (Anita Madsen)
Donna Wynn (Chris & Ali Long)
Russ Wynn (Chris & Ali Long)
Edward Yale (Herman)
Missionaries kidnapped in Haiti
Children of Afghanistan
First Responders and those serving in the military and healthcare

Friends & Family Prayer List: The prayer list for family & friends has been updated. Any names submitted will be kept for 4 weeks unless a longer period is requested. Please let Bonnie Boyer bonnie0879@verizon.net or the secretary@trinitylutheraneb.org know if you need to have someone added to the list.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Joy to the World”

John Fergunson

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children who are present for in-person worship may come to the front of the sanctuary for a time of faithful learning. The Children’s Time takes place early in the service to accommodate those who are energetic and squirmy while worshiping online via the livestream.

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who sends the word with angels, who is made flesh among all peoples, and who breathes peace on all the earth.

C **Amen.**

P In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C **we confess our sin before you. We replace compassion with competition. We seek what is mighty while ignoring the meek. We are quick to anger but slow to forgive. We have not put on love in harmony with you. Wrap us in the grace of your powerful Word. Swaddle our hearts with your peace, that all we do, in word or deed, may reflect your love born among us. Amen.**

P I bring you good news of great joy for all people: God has come among us in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord. ☩ In Christ your sins are forgiven and you are clothed in peace.

C **Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN

"Joy to the World"

ELW 267



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the



ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -



room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
plains re - peat the sound-ing joy, re - peat the sound-ing
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Music: ANTIOCH, English melody, 18th cent.; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

* APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our incarnate Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”* ELW 288



- 1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
- 2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
- 3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Text: Medieval Latin carol; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866
 Music: IN DULCI JUBILO, German carol, 14th cent.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray

C **Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:7-14

God promises to bring Israel back to its land from the most remote parts of exile. In Zion Israel will rejoice over God's gift of food and livestock. Young women will express their joy in dancing; God will give gladness instead of sorrow.

⁷Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel."

⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

¹¹For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. ¹²They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

¹³Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. ¹⁴I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

L Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

Psalm: 147:12-20

- ¹²Worship the LORD, ¹O Jerusalem;
praise your ¹God, O Zion,
¹³**who has strengthened the bars ¹of your gates
and has blessed your children within you.**
¹⁴God has established peace ¹on your borders
and satisfies you with the ¹finest wheat.
¹⁵**God sends out a command ¹to the earth,
a word that runs ¹very swiftly.**
¹⁶God gives ¹snow like wool,
scattering ¹frost like ashes.
¹⁷**God scatters ¹hail like bread crumbs.
Who can stand against God's cold?**
¹⁸The LORD sends forth the ¹word and melts them;
the wind blows, and the ¹waters flow.
¹⁹**God declares the ¹word to Jacob,
statutes and judgments to Israel.**
²⁰The LORD has not done so to any ¹other nation;
they do not know God's judgments. ¹Hallelujah!

Here ends the Psalm.

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 1:3-14

In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made know as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.

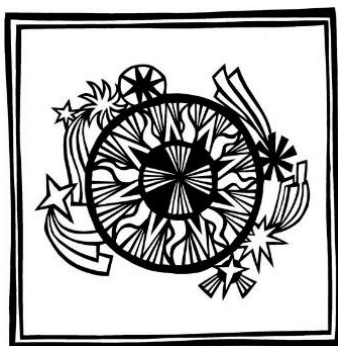
³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of

his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

L Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



***HOLY GOSPEL: John 1:1-18**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John begins his gospel with this prologue: a hymn to the Word through whom all things were created. This Word became flesh and brought grace and truth to the world.

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") ¹⁶From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Rev. Jan Mills

***HYMN OF THE DAY** “*Let Our Gladness Have No End*” ELW 291



1 Let our glad - ness have no end, Hal - le - lu - jah!
2 Proph-e - sies in days of old, Hal - le - lu - jah!
3 See the love - liest bloom - ing rose, Hal - le - lu - jah!
4 In - to flesh is made the Word, Hal - le - lu - jah!



for to earth did Christ de - scend. Hal - le - lu - jah!
God has sent the one fore - told. Hal - le - lu - jah!
from the branch of Jes - se grows. Hal - le - lu - jah!
our true ref - uge and our Lord. Hal - le - lu - jah!

Refrain



On this day God gave us Christ, the Son, to



save us; Christ, the Son, to save us.

Text: Bohemian carol, 15th cent.; tr. unknown

Music: NARODIL SE KRISTUS PÁN, Bohemian carol, 15th cent.

COUNCIL INSTALLATION

MARK BOYER

STEPH HALEY

RICK MADSEN

JAY SMITH

SHERRY BROWN

BOB KING

LISA MILLER

SUE CLAUSER

DONA LEREW

KAREN SHEAFFER

***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 THE PEOPLE**

Joining our voices with the heavenly host and Christians throughout time and space, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

You make yourself known in the gift of language in diverse forms. Draw our attention to you and each other through sign, braille, and technology as well as standard speech. Make your church a place where all methods of communication are celebrated and all are heard. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Creating God, the sun greets us anew each morning. Thank you for waking us up today to witness and share your abundance. Awaken us always to your wisdom and deepen our care for your natural world. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Emmanuel, in your name we are assured that you are with us. Train nations and peoples to honor and respect one another, especially those whose names and identities have been mistreated, neglected, or oppressed. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You adopt us as your beloved ones. Accompany parents and children navigating the adoption process, especially those in the foster system. Sustain those struggling with infertility or pregnancy loss. Tenderly embrace all in need, especially those on our prayer lists and those we name before you now, *pause for silent prayer.* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You journey with us through change. Guide those assuming new roles in this congregation or making transitions in their families, workplaces, or communities. As the seasons and the calendar change, equip us for unexpected challenges. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks for all who modeled lives of loving service. Lead us in your grace until, with all your saints, we enter the fullness of your glory.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us, we commend these prayers to you, confident of your grace and love made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of the incarnate Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us take a few moments to share a sign of Christ's Peace with one another.

OFFERING

Thank you, children of God, for all the ways you minister to one another and to the world through your giving, prayers, and service here at Trinity! Your active ministry here makes a difference to all those around us, and so many who are far away. Indeed, it makes a difference to God – we follow Jesus' command to love when we do the ministry we're called to do. Thank you!

*OFFERTORY



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing?
3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas - ant, king, to own him.



Whom an - gels greet with an-thems sweet while shep-herds watch are keep - ing?
The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; let lov - ing hearts en-throne him.



This, this is Christ the king, whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing;
Raise, raise the song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mar - y!
joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y!

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

*OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Good and loving God, we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have blessed us with your gifts, let them be blessing for others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

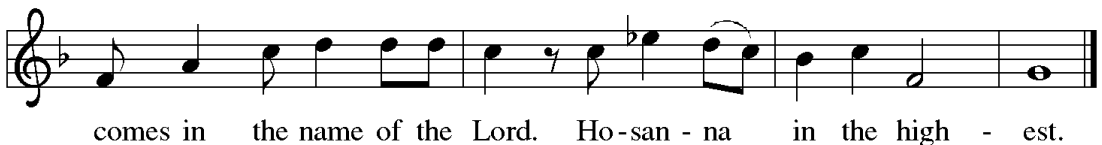
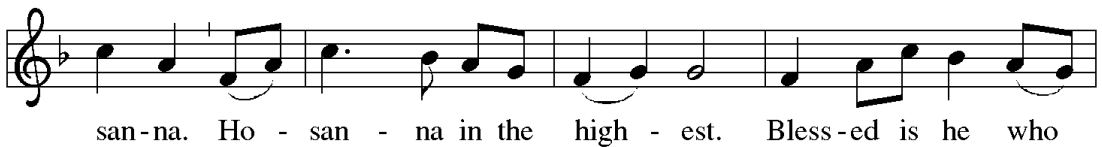
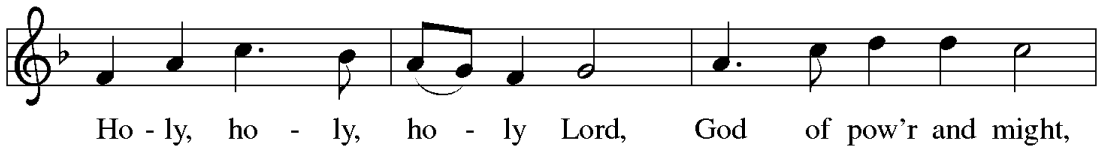
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P 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. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. 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:



***EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy God, Creator of all and Source of life, at the birth of time your word brought light into the world. In the fullness of time, you sent your Word, born of Mary, to shine in our darkness and to make us your daughters and sons.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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**

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready!

Thanks be to God!

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We are all invited to the Lord's Table; please make yourself at home. The pastor will offer direction for the distribution of the sacrament. Please note the following elements are available: pre-blessed, sealed wafer and grape juice packages, wheat wafers, gluten-free wafers, poured grape juice, poured wine. You are welcome to visit and remain at the chancel rail during the meal as you wish.

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our incarnate Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

C **Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

P The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus, the Word made flesh.

C **Amen.**

***DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ our Savior.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Let Our Gladness Have No End"

John A. Behnke

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Announcements

To Serve God And His Church During The Coming Week

Sunday.....	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
Sunday.....	10:30a.m.	Drive-through Communion
Sunday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Monday.....	6:00p.m.	Bible Study
Monday.....	6:30p.m.	Girl Scouts
Tuesday.....	7:00p.m.	WELCA Meeting
Wednesday.....	10:00a.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday.....	2:00-4:00p.m.	Knotty Knotters
Wednesday.....	4:00-6:00p.m.	Food Pantry
Wednesday.....	6:30p.m.	Learning & Youth Meeting
Thursday.....	8:30a.m.	Cleaning Crew #1
Thursday.....	10:00a.m.	Worship & Music Meeting
Thursday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Thursday.....	7:00p.m.	Zoom Cocktail Hour
Sunday.....	9:00a.m.	Worship & Baptism

Welcome Reverend Jan Mills who is serving as our Supply Pastor today.

Assisting in the Service Today: Assisting Minister: Charlie Hoffman; Lector: Sam Haley; Ushers: Jay & Sue Smith; Altar Guild: Ruthann Bowen.

This morning we offer intentional prayers for those who are grieving; those who are isolated; those who suffer depression; those going through transition; everyone on both of our prayer lists; those who are homeless; all military, medical, and first-responder personnel; all refugees; and our veterans. For whom else shall we pray?

Drive-through Communion will be offered THIS MORNING at 10:30am at the back of the church. Anyone wishing to receive communion safely from their car is invited to drive to the back parking lot after the service. Pastor will arrive masked with individually wrapped communion kits.

Bible Study will be held Monday evening at 6:00pm via Zoom. Watch your email for the link. See Pastor Susan for details and please consider joining in. It's a great group!

WELCA Meeting - Let's start 2022 off with a meeting on Tuesday, January 4 at 7 PM at Trinity. We are hoping to have one or both of the local young ladies involved in giving donated items to the homeless in Harrisburg, come and speak on the project and its results.

Wednesday's at 10am Prayer Service will be held in the chapel and will also be available live on Trinity's Facebook Fellowship Group page.

Food Pantry will be held Wednesday, January 5 from 4:00-6:00pm.

Learning & Youth Committee will meet Wednesday, January 5 at 6:30pm.



2021 Weekly Contributions	
Budget vs. Actual	
<u>Month</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December Budgeted Income	17,808
December Actual Income	15,208
Over/(Under) Budgeted Income	(2,599)

***Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
East Berlin, Pennsylvania***

Our Mission: We are a family of Christian disciples committed to making Christ known while loving and serving God and neighbors.

Our Vision: To fulfill our mission, we will:

Worship through liturgy, music, prayer & Sacraments;

Teach God's Word and nurture spiritual growth;

Serve and provide for those in need;

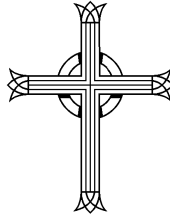
Witness to others by sharing the Gospel;

Celebrate with fellowship;

Return with joy what God has given;

Be active in our community and the Church.

Worship, Serve, Celebrate!



Worship: Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

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