Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 20, 2022



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
EAST BERLIN, PENNSYLVANIA

Trinity's Prayer Concerns

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Edward Yale (Herman)

First Responders and those serving in the

military and healthcare

Refugees

Ukraine and its people

Families of those dying from covid

Friends & Family Prayer List: The prayer list for family & friends has been updated. 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 "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" Michael Burkhardt

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 & FORGIVENESS

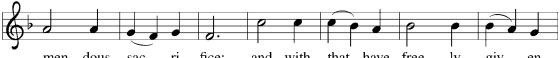
- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*
- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.
- P Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.
- C Amen.



- Lord of glo ry, you have bought us with your life blood
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad ly, free ly,
- 3 Won-drous hon or you have giv en to our hum blest
- 4 Lord of glo ry, you have bought us with your life blood

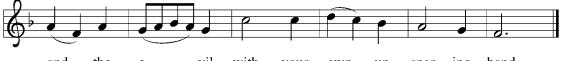


grudg - ing as the price, nev - er for the lost ones that tre sun - shine of of your own. With the your good-ness melt our char - i - ty sen - tence,"You in your own mys - te - rious have grudg - ing the as the price, nev - er for lost ones that tre -



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*APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray
- O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.



LIGHTING OF THE EPIPHANY STAR CANDLE

As children of hope and light, we celebrate Christ's shining light into the world through his life with us. Each week in the Season after Epiphany, we will light a candle, led by a worshiper, in celebration of Christ's Light shining in our dim world. The candle-lighter is invited to share a few words about how they witnessed Christ's light in the world, followed by prayer:

O Christ, our Light, we give you thanks for your birth among us and your illumination of the shadows that cause our faith and security to stumble. Assist us to see your light and to follow where you lead; empower us to witness to moments your light has shined upon us and upon those we love. Help us to reflect your light and your love to everyone we meet; in your holy name we pray. Amen

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Many years after being sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, Joseph reveals himself to them. Now the second-in-command in Egypt, Joseph reassures his brothers that God has used their evil intentions for good to preserve life during a devastating famine, and Joseph forgives them.

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

Psalm: 37:1-11, 39-40

¹Do not be provoked by [|] evildoers; do not be jealous of those [|] who do wrong.

²For they shall soon wither | like the grass,

and like the green grass | fade away.

³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴Take delight | in the LORD,

who shall give you your | heart's desire.

⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust | in the LORD, and see what | God will do.

⁶The LORD will make your vindication as clear | as the light and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait | patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

⁹For evildoers shall | be cut off,

but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

¹⁰In a little while the wicked shall | be no more; even if you search out their place, they will | not be there.

¹¹But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

³⁹But the deliverance of the righteous comes from | you, O LORD; you are their stronghold in | time of trouble.

⁴⁰You, O LORD, will help them and | rescue them; you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in you they seek refuge.

Here ends the Psalm.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

In the Apostles' Creed, we speak of the "resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting." Using the metaphor of a planted seed and the story of Adam, Paul preaches passionately about the mystery of following Christ's perfect life into eternity.

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





*HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.

[Jesus said:] ²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will

not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

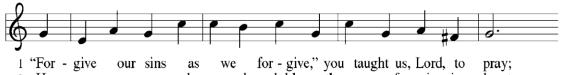
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Katharine Beckman

*HYMN OF THE DAY "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive" ELW 605



- 2 How can your par don reach and bless the un for giv ing heart
- 3 In blaz ing light your cross re veals the truth we dim ly knew: 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent-ment cease;



Text: Rosamond E. Herklots, 1905–1987, alt. Music: St. Anne, William Croft, 1678–1727

*APOSTLES' CREED

Let us profess our faith using the words of the 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 THE PEOPLE

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

You teach us to love our neighbors and enemies alike. Encourage us to follow the leading of your love, especially when it is risky or difficult. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Nurture fields that lie dormant, resting until it is time to bloom again. Bless farmers and all who cultivate fields and urban gardens. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Look upon our world with mercy, and protect all whose lives are marred by war and civil unrest. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your people cry out for mercy. Console hearts that long for healing and strength, patience and resilience, especially those on our prayer lists and those we name before you now, *pause*. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You bind us together into one family. Teach us to forgive one another and to resolve conflicts with humility and patience. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We praise you for the saints who have inherited the fullness of your kingdom. As you have raised them to imperishable and eternal life, sustain us in faith by the promise of resurrection. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ 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

Many thanks for your continued support of and work to sustain all the ministries Christ has called us to here at Trinity. Your gifts of prayer, hard work, donation, and service are what empowers us to care for God's children in this place. Thank, disciples, for doing your part!

*OFFERTORY



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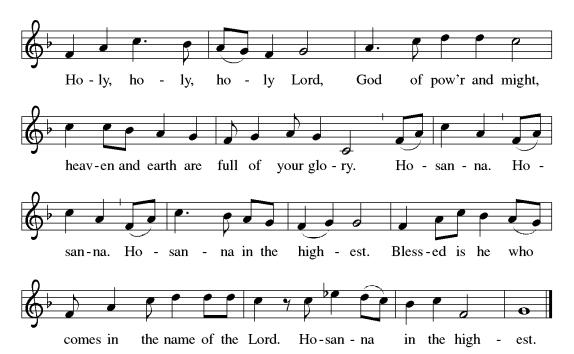
*OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. 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. 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:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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 preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance 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 Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- A Let us pray.
- C We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your blessings. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

- P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.
- C Amen.

*DISMISSAL

- A Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"St. Anne"

Benjamin M. Culli

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Announcements

To Serve God And His Church During The Coming Week

Sunday	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
Sunday	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Monday	6:00p.m.	Zoom Bible Study
Monday	6:30p.m.	Girl Scouts
Wednesday	10:00a.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday	2:00-4:00p.m.	Knotty Knotters
Wednesday	7:00p.m.	Zoom Cocktail Hour
Thursday	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Sunday	9:00a.m.	Worship

Assisting in the Service Today: Assisting Minister: Katharine Beckman; Lector: Greta Haley; Ushers: Lester & Maxine Herman; Altar Guild: Anita Madsen; Hymn Leader: Chris Long.

This morning we offer intentional prayers for those recovering from surgery; those with undiagnosed pain; those who can't make ends meet; everyone on both of our prayer lists; those who seek the Lord; all military, medical, and first-responder personnel; all refugees; and our veterans. For whom else shall we pray?

Souper Bowl Food Drive ends today! There is a collection box in the Narthex. Thank you for all your donations for the Food Pantry.

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

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.

Knotty Knotters will meet from 2:00-4:00pm in the Social Room on Wednesday, February 23. You are welcome to join us!

Zoom Cocktail Hour with Pastor Susan will be held <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>February 23 at 7:00pm</u>. The link will sent in Monday's email.

Zoom Movie Night – February 27 – Pick up your popcorn in church that morning and join via the link (sent in your email) to watch a blockbuster about Noah and the famous Ark. See Pastor Susan for more details!

East Berlin Community Singers will start rehearsals here at Trinity on Sunday evenings beginning February 27.

WELCA will have a Pie Sale March 3rd & 4th. Please sign up for Lemon Sponge, Blueberry or Blueberry Crumb and indicate when you will pick up your order please. The pickup times are Thursday March 3 at 11am to 12 noon. On Friday March 4, pick up times are 11am to 12 noon & 5-6pm. Orders can also be placed by calling Judy Burgard 717-259-9507. Due to increased cost of ingredients, we will charge \$10 per pie. Proceeds raised will be used for WELCA projects which help others in our community. Thank you for your support!

Red Cross Blood Drive will be held <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 15 from 1:00-6:30pm</u>. Please sign-up to donate on the Red Cross website, or by calling the church office.



2022 Weekly Contributions Budget vs. Actual			
<u>Month</u>	<u>Amount</u>		
February Budgeted Income	16,844		
February Actual income	8,940		
Over/(Under)Budgeted Income	(7,904)		

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;

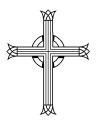
Witness to others by sharing the Gospel;

Celebrate with fellowship;

Return with joy what God has given;

Be active in our community and the Church.

Worship, Serve, Celebrate!



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