

*We will Love
One
Another
as Christ loves us
and welcome all.*

Transfiguration of Our Lord February 11, 2018

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Pam Illick, Pastor**



Welcome to all – especially visitors!!! **It is no accident that you are here today!** You are an answer to our prayer. We have been praying for you, and believe that God has brought you here because God wants to touch your life.

If you need some help to make your worship with us more accessible, please see an usher for assistance. A transport chair and large print bulletins are available if you have need for them.

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's beloved son. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

Lutherans believe that the bread and wine of Holy Communion are signs given by God that Christ is fully present among us. We invite you to participate in receiving this miraculous presence. If you are unable to receive either the bread or the wine, be assured that even in the words, Christ is present to you. You are welcome to come to the Table to be fed and nurtured with us.

(Communion record cards are available in the pew racks.)

GREETINGS - Take a moment to check in on Facebook! Feel free to share your worship experience via social media, too

PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION

GATHERING

Please stand.

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

☩ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

☩ Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Time for reflection.

Loving God,

C we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

P Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of † Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

*PEACE

We greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C 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.

***GATHERING SONG** *How Good, Lord, to Be Here* (ELW 315)

*GREETING

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.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

PSALM: Psalm 50:1-6

¹The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken;
calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

²**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God shines forth in glory.**

³Our God will come and will not keep silence;
with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.

⁴**God calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of the people.**

⁵“Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with
sacrifice.”

⁶**The heavens declare the rightness of God's cause,
for it is God who is judge.**

Please stand to welcome the Gospel.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9**

Mark's gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus' followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God's glory manifest in the beloved Son.

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P The gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Bury The Alleluia

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Beautiful Savior* (ELW 838)

***APOSTLES' CREED**

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

G 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**

After each petition the congregation will respond:

G hear our prayer.

Please be seated.

MEAL

RECOGNITION UPON COMPLETION OF SERVICE

P Today it is our privilege to give thanks for all the faithful servants who are completing a time of service in the ministry of the Redevelopment Team for this congregation. The work that this group of dedicated people began in 2013 has laid a foundation on which Trinity can build and grow.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. We give thanks for the ways these gifts have been shown forth among us through your servants on the Redevelopment Team. We praise you for shared joys and accomplishments, and we commend our work to you. Grant that we may continue to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

G Amen.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

*OFFERTORY *Please stand.*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



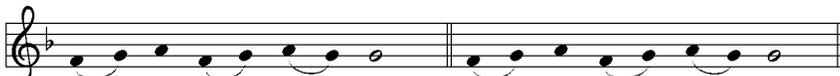
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*OFFERING PRAYER

A Merciful God,

C receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

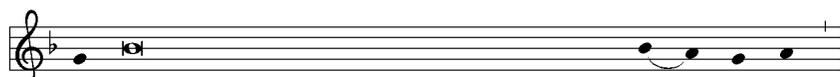


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE



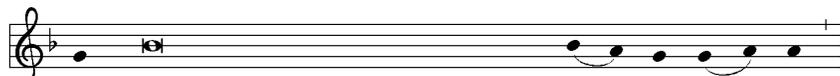
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



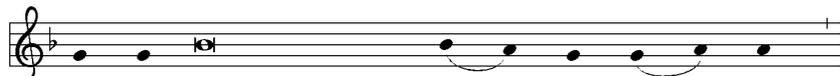
who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glo - ry and love,



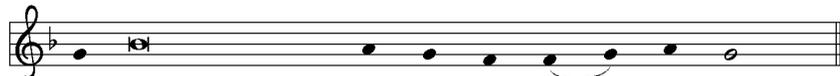
that our darkness should give way to your own bril - liant light.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

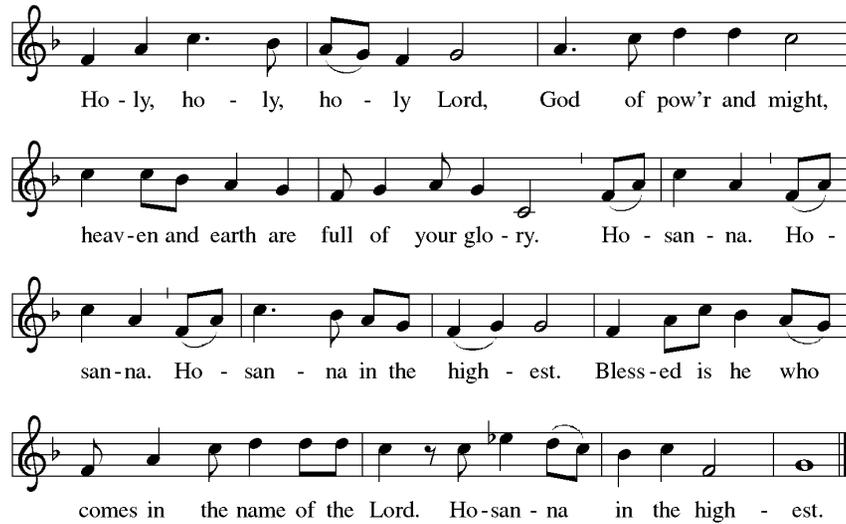


with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P 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 handed over,
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.

*LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C **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

P We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life.

The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE THAT TODAY WE WILL RECEIVE COMMUNION BY INTINCTION.

- **To receive communion**, come up the center aisle at the direction of the ushers. We offer both common cup and individual cups which are filled from the pouring chalice. Cups are available on the table at the head of the aisle. After receiving the bread, proceed to the pouring chalice or the common cup to receive the wine. Return to your seat by the side aisle.
- **If you prefer to receive a blessing**, come forward with your bulletin.
- **If you would like to have communion brought to your seat**, please indicate your wish to one of the ushers, and the pastor will come to you.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

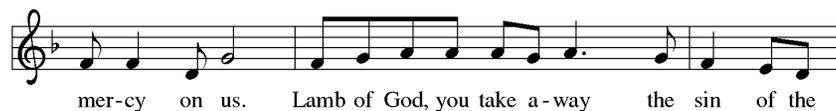
The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

COMMUNION SONG



*TABLE BLESSING *Please stand.*

- ☒ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve us in eternal life.

☒ Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- ☒ O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

☒ Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

- ☒ The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

☒ Amen.

*SENDING SONG *On Our Way Rejoicing* (ELW 537)

*DISMISSAL

- ☒ Go in peace. Share God's message of love through your words and actions with others

☒ We will. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Worship is ended: our service begins.

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Mission Statement of Trinity Lutheran, Rouzerville:

Build, strengthen and increase our faith community to better love and serve God – and the world community – with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Our Vision:

TLC is a flourishing, Spirit-filled, Christ-centered home for all.



The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are placed by Jon Fleagle in honor of his wife, Linda, on her birthday.

The floral arrangement is dedicated to the glory of God and is placed by Judi Rice in honor of her son, Chip, and daughter, Mary Ann, on their birthdays.



– PRAYER AND SUPPORT –

Remember to write the name(s) of persons for whom prayer is needed on the pad in the rear of the church! The names will be included in the Intercessory Prayers this morning. If you forget to put someone's name on the list, there is an opportunity to say the name during the prayers.

Special prayers for: those suffering from addictions, their families, and those who work to help them

College Students: Remember Madi Kreitz in your prayers!

GenNow Disciples: Hailey Sherman, Taylor Sherman, Kellan Stevens, Taylor Kuhs, and Darius Kuhs

– UPCOMING EVENTS –

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to receive annual reports will be TODAY following worship. We thank the folks on the Christian Service committee for planning a light lunch of soup and steamers for our lunch today! Please plan to stay and enjoy the fellowship

LUNCH BUNCH goes out on Sundays after worship for lunch (except on Sundays when we have Coffee & Conversation).. Please join us **next Sunday** at Applebee's for the fellowship as we enjoy lunch together.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: The Worship and Music committee made the decision to have the Ash Wednesday service at 12:30 p.m. on February 14. So many of our folks are not comfortable driving at night, that the committee felt that we should try a daytime service this year.

MARK YOU CALENDAR FOR SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER! Tuesday, February 13, make plans to come and enjoy pancakes for supper and fellowship time!! The food is FREE and so is the fun. Invite your neighbors and people in the community! The first pancake hits the grill at 5:00! We will continue to flip and eat until 7:00.

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual Church Picnic will be on August 5 at Pine Hill Recreation Area. If you would like to be on the Picnic Committee, please contact June Ecker at 717-794-2013.

All items for the **MARCH NEWSLETTER** are due Monday, February 19 at 9 p.m.

- STEWARDSHIP –

Sharing the abundance of God's gifts to us of time, talents and wealth with others

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET: Isaiah 40:31 -- "Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

God entrusts us to be good stewards of all we have, but especially our strength, our vision, our courage, our life-energy. And in using these gifts, we are not alone. Isaiah reminds us that God renews us, fills us with power and focus. How do you "wait" for God's renewal?

KITCHEN RENOVATION FUND:

Help us fill up the pot!! Our goal is \$8,000 for the renovation of the kitchen. Watch the progress on the “coffee pot chart” at the rear of the sanctuary. The current total is approximately \$4,335.

BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES are available on the windowsill near the sanctuary entrance. Please use them to make your Kitchen Renovation Donation! Mark your envelope for the **Kitchen**.



2018 SPONSOR CHARTS for flowers, bulletins and sanctuary lamp candles are available on the **Stewardship Bulletin Board** in the hallway off the narthex. The sanctuary lamp candle sponsor spaces are on the altar candle chart.

- FAITH FORMATION -

LENTEN STUDY: Our church will join with St. Mary's Episcopal, Transfiguration Episcopal and Calvary Episcopal for a study on “Forgiveness” during Lent. We will meet Wednesday evenings at 7:00 based on the following schedule:

- Feb. 21: St. Mary's – The discussion opens with a presentation about the physical impact to our bodies and minds when we are unable to forgive.
- Feb. 28: Transfiguration in BRS
- March 7: Here at Trinity
- March 14: Calvary in Beartown
- March 21: Service of Forgiveness and Healing at Transfiguration
- March 29: Dinner Church for Maundy Thursday here at Trinity

If you would like to come, but driving at night is a problem, please let Pastor Pam know so that we can work out transportation for you! I can take 4 people in my car.

ADULT FORUM: We are studying Adam Hamilton's book “The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul.” In the DVD that accompanies the study, he shows the viewers many of the places Paul traveled. Come and join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30! Don't forget to bring your favorite morning beverage!

KID TIME SUNDAY SCHOOL: Last Sunday the kids had a science lesson during Sunday School!!!! They learned about how salt changes water. The new curriculum we are trying is really great! It sure isn't the “old timey” sit-in-a-chair-and-do-paper-and-pencil kind of Sunday School many of us remember. The kids get to experience how the Bible intersects everyday life! They may do science, cook, craft, create games or art or many other ways that incorporate what they are learning. Each Bible story (which is covered for 3-6 weeks) will feature a primary verse that the kids will be asked to memorize. With the variety of activities and fun, it never gets boring!!!

MY FAVORITE HYMN: We will be singing someone's favorite hymn each Sunday beginning with the first Sunday in Lent, February 18. If you have not gotten to complete a “My Favorite Hymn and Why” card, let an usher know. Fill out your card and return it in the offering plate. You **MUST** include your name **AND** the reason this is your favorite hymn!!!

- TELC MISSION WORK FOR NEAR AND FAR -

“NEW NEIGHBOR BASKETS” are now available for pickup at the church any Sunday morning. All you need to do is pick up the basket, deliver it, and have good conversation with your new neighbor. God is sending us out to do a new thing—help us reach out to our community!

MEANDERING MARTIN!! He is ready for any adventure you'd like to take him on! He is waiting patiently in the narthex. Choose either the paper Martin or the wooden Martin, follow the simple instructions, take along a Martin Luther biography to get to know him better, and show our monk the beauties of God's world. He will not protest.

BLESSING BOXES: The boxes on the outside wall beside the church entrance doors are for reaching out to our community with love and kindness. One box will serve as a library and the other as a pantry. It is time to fill them up!! It's easy! Bring what you can and put your donations in the designated box at the rear of the sanctuary and we'll fill the Blessing Boxes as needed. Folks can take what they need and replace it when and if they can. Examples for donations would be any type of book that will fit in the library box. The pantry box will be for non-perishable foods. **DURING THIS TIME OF SEVERE COLD AND FREEZING CONSIDER DONATING THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF ITEMS: boxed mac and cheese, granola bars, cereal, instant oatmeal packets, foil packets of tuna, meals in a cup to which you add water, jerky, and other items that won't be hurt if they freeze.** Anything suitable that will keep well and fit in the box. Let's show people we are a caring congregation.



- February 11-17-

- Sunday 11:45 a.m. - Congregational Meeting
- Sunday 12:15 p.m. - Luncheon
- Tuesday..... 5:00-7:00 p.m. - Pancake Supper
- Wednesday 12:30 p.m. - Ash Wednesday Service
- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies

- February 18-24-

- Sunday 9:30 a.m. - Youth Class & Adult Forum
- Sunday 10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
- Sunday 12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at Applebee's
- Monday..... 9:00 p.m. - March Newsletter Items Due
- Tuesday..... 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast at Parlor House
- Wednesday .. 1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies



- Our Stewardship -

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$502
Year to Date	\$5,126
Attendance Last Sunday - 29	
Does Not Include E-Giving Offerings	

**- Current Income/Expenses -
To November 30**

Income	\$147,861
Expenses	\$113.033
Above reflects \$100,000 bequest and e-giving offerings.	

- SERVING THIS MORNING -

Ministers..... The Disciples of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
(1 Peter 2:4-10)

Pastor Pam Illick Presiding Minister
Earl Duffey Assisting Minister
Terry Eberly Lector
Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice Musicians
Sherri Kayhoe Usher
Melissa Leaper Usher
Carol Snyder Usher
Donna Swauger Usher
Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder Altar Care
Jon Fleagle After-Church Lock-up
Teresa Papoutsis & Ruth Strausbaugh Offering Tellers

- FEBRUARY 18 -

Pastor Pam Illick Presiding Minister
Charles Strausbaugh Assisting Minister
Ruth Strausbaugh Lector
Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice Musicians
Richard Berklite Usher
Al Bingman Usher
Adrian Kuhs Usher
Braeden and Kellen Stevens Usher
Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder Altar Care
Jon Fleagle After-Church Lock-up
Sally Berklite & June Ecker Offering Tellers

Six Marks of Discipleship
Daily Prayer
Weekly Worship
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- Our Mission -

The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rouzerville, Pennsylvania is to build, strengthen, and increase our faith community to better love and serve God – and the world community – with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



- Our Vision -

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is a flourishing, Spirit-filled, Christ-centered home for all.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.