



**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**February 12, 2017**  
**Service of the Word**

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



The arms of our loving God are open wide to receive you, for this time of worship and forever. Welcome!

If you are a visitor, please sign the guest register at the rear of the nave and join us for worship again.

We have a transport chair available to members and guests when needed. It is located at the foot of the ramp in the hallway off the narthex.

*In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We, too, are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.*

**GREETINGS**

**PRELUDE AND QUIET MEDITATION**

**GATHERING**

*The assembly stands and faces the font (if you are able).*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

**C** Amen.

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** 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  $\dagger$  Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C** Amen.

### GATHERING SONG *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* (ELW 773)

#### GREETING

**P** Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the promised gifts of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

#### CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord

**C** Amen.

*The assembly is seated.*

#### WORD

##### FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

*The Lord sets before the people of God a clear choice. Life and prosperity will come to the faithful; loss of the land will be the consequence of disobedience. Choosing life entails loving and holding fast to the Lord. Life in God's presence presupposes the promise made to the ancestors.*

**L** A reading from Deuteronomy.

[Moses said to the people:] <sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If 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. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I 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. <sup>19</sup>I 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, <sup>20</sup>loving 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.

℣ The word of the Lord.

☩ Thanks be to God.

### PSALM: Psalm 119:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose way is blameless,  
who follow the teaching of the LORD!

<sup>2</sup>Happy are they who observe your decrees  
and seek you with all their hearts,

<sup>3</sup>who never do any wrong,  
but always walk in your ways.

<sup>4</sup>You laid down your commandments,  
that we should fully keep them.

<sup>5</sup>Oh, that my ways were made so direct  
that I might keep your statutes!

<sup>6</sup>Then I should not be put to shame,  
when I regard all your commandments.

<sup>7</sup>I will thank you with a true heart,  
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

<sup>8</sup>I will keep your statutes;  
do not utterly forsake me.

### SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

*Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are fellow workers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church.*

℣ A reading from 1 Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup>Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup>I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, <sup>3</sup>for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and

behaving according to human inclinations? <sup>4</sup>For when one says, “I belong to Paul,” and another, “I belong to Apollos,” are you not merely human?

<sup>5</sup>What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup>I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup>So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup>The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. <sup>9</sup>For we are God’s servants, working together; you are God’s field, God’s building.

℣ The word of the Lord.

☩ Thanks be to God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Assembly stands.*)

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:21-37

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to embrace standards of righteousness that exceed legal requirements and traditional expectations*

℣ The holy gospel according to Matthew.

☩ Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So when you are

offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

<sup>27</sup>“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ <sup>28</sup>But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup>If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup>And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

<sup>31</sup>“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ <sup>32</sup>But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

<sup>33</sup>“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ <sup>34</sup>But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup>or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup>And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup>Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

*The assembly is seated.*

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## SERMON

*The assembly remains seated for the Hymn of the Day.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY *Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer* (ELW 618)

*The assembly stands.*

## APOSTLES’ CREED

**P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

**C** 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 INTERCESSION

*After each petition the congregation will respond:*

**C** hear our prayer.

**C** Amen.

## PEACE

**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.*

*The assembly is seated.*

## OFFERING

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

## THANK AND TELL

*After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands.*

## CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of  
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

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## THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

**A** God of abundance,

**C** O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**A** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.

*The assembly is seated.*

## PRAYER FOR FISHERS OF PEOPLE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

**P** 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  $\text{H}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**C** Amen.

**SENDING SONG** *The Spirit Sends us Forth to Serve* (ELW 551)

## DISMISSAL

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

**C** We will. Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

*Worship is ended; our service begins.*

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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.



### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

#### **– 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:** The New Hope Homeless Shelter and all who volunteer their time and gifts to minister to God's people.

**College Students:** Remember Madi Kreitz in your prayers!

#### **– UPCOMING EVENTS –**

We urge all to remain next Sunday after worship for our **Annual Meeting** to receive reports from officers and committees. Following the meeting we will move to the social room for a **luncheon**. We will provide subs and drinks. Bring a favorite dish to share. Please sign the reservation sheet on the Trinity News bulletin board in the hallway off the narthex.

**HELP WANTED:** Our congregation will be participating in the Greater Waynesboro Chamber of Commerce Community Business Expo on Saturday February 18 from 7-11 a.m. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to help plan, set up, staff, and take down for this event. It is a great event for our Redevelopment efforts, and it will take us all to work together to make it happen. Contact Pastor Pam so that the planning can begin! What are your ideas?



**Lunch Bunch** goes out on Sundays after worship for lunch (except on Sundays when we have Coffee & Conversation). Join us today at Café del Sol. We invite all to be with us for this time of fellowship as we enjoy a meal together.

Join us for our next **Church Breakfast** on Tuesday, February 21, 9 a.m. at Parlor House Restaurant. Preregistration is not necessary. Just drop in and enjoy the food and fellowship.

We are trying to get together a group to see the **Easter production titled "One Voice"** at Christian Life Assembly in Camp Hill for the 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday April 8 Tickets go very fast so we need to know if we can have enough people to make the journey. The cost is \$16.00 per ticket. If any children aged 5 to 18 want to go the cost would be \$11.00 No one under the age of 5 is permitted. We will car pool to the church from Trinity and stop for supper on the way back. Some in our congregation have been there before and have enjoyed the performances. The performances are professional and just as good as Sight and Sound or any other live show in the area. Please let Judi Rice know if you are interested in going. She will purchase the tickets for our group.

#### **– FAITH FORMATION –**

**Faith Study:** *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat* You are invited to go for a walk. God has invited lots of people throughout time to walk: Moses leading the people out of Egypt, the disciples on the walk to Emmaus, and perhaps the most famous walk of all time: Peter's walk on the water. God continues to call us, just like Peter, to step out in faith and walk on the water. The 6 sessions of this course will help you learn the skills of water-walking: discerning God's call, transcending fear, risking faith, managing failure, and trusting God. Come on! Step out of the boat and join us!!! The **Tuesday Night Group** will continue with Session 3 on Tuesday, February 21 at 7 p.m. and the **Brown Bag Lunch Group** will continue on Wednesday, February 22 at 1 p.m.

**Children's Sunday School** - every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Social Room!! Open to all children.

**Adult Forum** meets at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday in the first floor meeting room. Our current topic of discussion is the book *Bad Girls of the Bible*. Join us and find out who they were and what they did.

**= STEWARDSHIP –**

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

We need **plastic icing tubs** for the distribution of altar flowers after the service. Please place on the counter in the altar room.

Don't forget to drop off your **Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education**, as well as your **all-occasion cards** for St. Jude's' recycled card program, in the appropriate container at the back of our worship area. We will soon be sending another shipment of cards to St. Jude's.

**New Flower, Bulletin and Candle Sponsor Charts Available:** Are you thinking of a way to honor a loved one's birthday, anniversary, accomplishment, baptismal anniversary, or to just say, "I love you?? Is there a special person whose life you would like to memorialize? Sponsoring flowers, bulletins and/or candles is a great way to do that! Check out the bulletin board in the hallway off the narthex for more information. The charts for 2017 are now posted.

**– TELC MISSION WORK FOR NEAR AND FAR –**

Trinity's **Encourager Ministry** provides encouragement and outreach to our faith community. If you know of someone who could use a card, phone call, etc., let one of the members of the Evangelism Committee know. Contacts are made for special occasions/accomplishments in our lives such as an anniversary, new baby, baptism, first communion, confirmation, get well, graduation, retirement, sympathy, thinking of you, volunteer, wedding, etc. Members are Earl Duffey, Charlotte Kuhs, Sondra Musser, Judi Rice, and Donna Swauger.

**"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!

**Thursday in the Subway** at Walmart is every Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:00. Pastor Pam is available to anyone who is seeking prayer or someone to talk to. The invitation extends to our people here at TELC to stop by too. Please pray that this ministry will help TELC to take Jesus into the world.

## *Alleluia!*

During the month of February, you have the opportunity to help decorate our sanctuary with "Alleluias." Every time you hear the word "Alleluia" or "Hallelujah" take a "Hallelujah/Alleluia" to put up on the wall. (We will have blue painter's tape so that we don't damage the walls!). After worship, put your slips up!

On Sunday, February 26, which is both the Transfiguration of Our Lord and the last Sunday before Lent begins, we will take all the "Hallelujah/Alleluia" slips down and "bury" them until after Easter. Let's see how many "Hallelujah/Alleluia" we sing/say!!!!

## *I Love You Jesus Because...*

You are encouraged to express why you love Jesus on the green cross on the sanctuary wall. Write your response on one of the lace hearts on the table in front of the sanctuary. Then using the blue painter's tape, post it on the green cross.

## *Agnus Day by James Wetstein*



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**- February 12-18 -**

Today.....12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at Cafe del Sol  
 Wednesday.....7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies  
 Thursday.....1:30-3:00 p.m. - Thursday in the Subway  
 Friday .....6:30 p.m. - Brownie Scouts

**- February 19-25 -**

Sunday.....9:30 a.m. - Children's Sunday School & Adult Forum  
 Sunday.....10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion  
 Sunday.....11:45 a.m. - Annual Meeting and Luncheon  
 Monday.....9:00 p.m. - March Newsletter Items Due  
 Tuesday.....9:00 a.m. - Breakfast at Parlor House Restaurant  
 Tuesday.....6:30 p.m. - Daisy Scouts  
 Tuesday.....7:00 p.m. - Faith Study  
 Wednesday.....1:00 p.m. - Brown Bag Lunch Group  
 Wednesday.....7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies  
 Thursday.....1:30-3:00 p.m. - Thursday in the Subway



**- Our Stewardship -**

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$560
Year to Date	\$3,520
Attendance Last Sunday - 42	
Does Not Include E-Giving Offerings	

**- Current Income/Expenses -  
To January 31**

Income	\$4,966
Expenses	\$11,427
Deficit	(\$6,461)

**- SERVING THIS MORNING -**

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

Pastor Pam Illick ..... Presiding Minister  
 Terry Eberly.....Assisting Minister  
 Amy Dennis.....Lector  
 Hailey Sherman ..... Acolyte  
 Alexis Kramer-Foose.....Crucifer  
 Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice.....Musicians  
 Amy Dennis.....Usher  
 Linda Fleagle.....Usher  
 Judi Rice.....Usher  
 Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder ..... Altar Care  
 Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder ..... Offering Tellers

**- SERVING FEBRUARY 19 -**

Pastor Pam Illick ..... Presiding Minister  
 Charles Strausbaugh .....Assisting Minister  
 Rusty Kreitz .....Lector  
 Taylor Sherman ..... Acolyte  
 Katherine Dennis.....Crucifer  
 Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice.....Musicians  
 Amy Dennis.....Usher  
 Linda Fleagle.....Usher  
 Judi Rice.....Usher  
 Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder ..... Altar Care  
 Teresa Papoutsis & Ruth Strausbaugh..... Offering Tellers

<p><b>Seven Faith Practices</b></p> <p><b>Pray</b></p> <p><b>Study</b></p> <p><b>Worship</b></p> <p><b>Invite</b></p> <p><b>Encourage</b></p> <p><b>Serve</b></p> <p><b>Give</b></p>
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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.