

As he was coming up out
of the water,
he saw the heavens
torn apart and the
Spirit descending
like a dove
on him.

Mark 1:10, NRSV

First Sunday in Lent
February 18, 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.

On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

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**

P During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Tome for reflection.

Merciful God,

C you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

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 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* (isometric) (ELW 504)**

***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.

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy

angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, the Lord destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

℣ A reading from Genesis.

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

℣ The word of the Lord.

☩ Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10

¹To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.

**²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

**⁴Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the
day long.

**⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake
of your goodness, O LORD.

**⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

**¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

L A reading from 1 Peter.

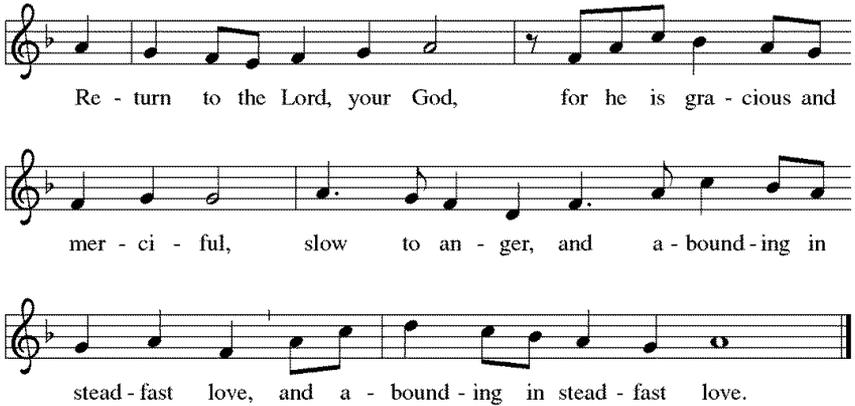
¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand to welcome the Gospel.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

*** GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15**

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* (ELW 517)

***CREED** (*Assembly stands.*)

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:

☞ hear our prayer.

Please be seated.

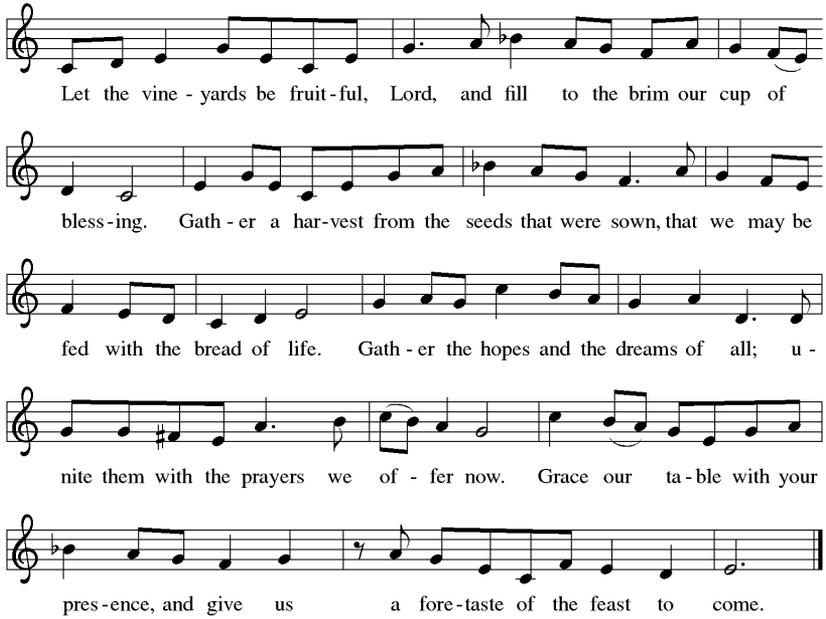
MEAL

OFFERING

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

THANK AND TELL

***OFFERTORY** *Please stand.*



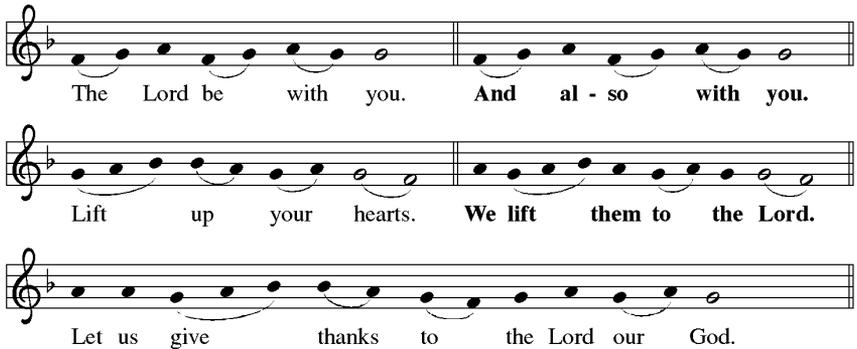
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

A Merciful God,

C receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through 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.

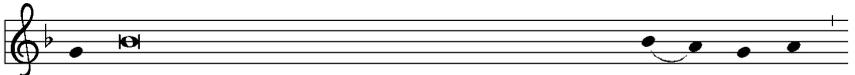


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE



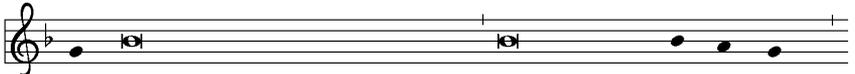
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



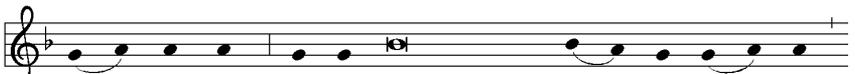
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



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



You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the



pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,



we may come to the full - ness of your grace.



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

☐ 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 life, death, and resurrection,
 we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food
 and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:
 wash away our sin,
 that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

C Amen

***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 Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

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

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

***TABLE BLESSING** *Please stand.*

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

C Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven.

Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage; may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

☞ The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

☞ Amen.

*SENDING SONG and FAVORITE HYMN OF CAROLYN

DUFFEY: *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* (ELW 597)

Carolyn loves this hymn because it has a beautiful melody and is filled with the message of God's grace.

*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.



– 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 –

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



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 -

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!!!

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.

- TELC MISSION WORK FOR NEAR AND FAR -

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.

“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!

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.

Today, Trinity’s honey bee project begins. The project ends on Easter Sunday, April 1. This is the final year of a five-year campaign for hunger (Remember mosquitoes and pigs and chickens?) The five year goal is \$200 million by 2019. Our gifts will support food and agriculture programs that introduce improved seeds, irrigation, rainwater harvesting, fruit tree nurseries, livestock and more. Trinity’s goal is \$400.

Each gift of \$20 will provide training for skills needed to manage apiaries and package and market the honey. For each \$20 received, one bee will be added to our hive. There are yellow envelopes on the back window. After you put in \$20, place the envelope in the offering plate.

Coloring a bee picture will cost \$1. It will take 20 pictures to add one bee to our hive. You may buy a bee picture before or after church each Sunday in the hallway. After you color the picture, bring it back to the sales table and we will add it to our picture display.



**Mark
Your Calendar!**

- February 18-24-

- Sunday12:15 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

- February 25–March 3 =

- Sunday 9:30 a.m. - Youth Class & Adult Forum
- Sunday 10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
- Sunday12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at Café del Sol
- Wednesday .. 1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies
- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Study - St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Waynesboro



- Our Stewardship -

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$12,456
Year to Date	\$17,582
Attendance Last Sunday - 41	
Does Not Include E-Giving Offerings	

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

Income	\$1158,643
Expenses	\$124,142
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
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

- FEBRUARY 25 -

Pastor Pam Illick Presiding Minister
Hailey Sherman..... Assisting Minister
Carol Snyder Lector
Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice Musicians
Amy Dennis..... Usher
Kat Dennis Usher
Linda Fleagle Usher
Judi Rice Usher
Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder Altar Care
Jon Fleagle After-Church Lock-up
Earl Duffey & Rusty Kreitz Offering Tellers

Six Marks of Discipleship

Daily Prayer
Weekly Worship
Bible Reading
Service
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Giving

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- Our Mission -

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- Our Vision -

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God's work. Our hands.