



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.

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.

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

Time for reflection.

We will **GROW** in our **FAITH** by
PRAYING
and **STUDYING**



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 4, 2018

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Pam Illick, Pastor

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

***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 and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

PSALM: Psalm 84

¹How dear to me is your dwelling,
O LORD of hosts!

²My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest
where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king | and
my God.

⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.

⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of
springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁷They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.

⁹Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your anointed.

¹⁰For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my
God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

¹¹For the LORD God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and
glory;
no good thing will the LORD withhold from those who
walk with integrity.

¹²O LORD of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!

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: Luke 2:22-40

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

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

²²When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.”

²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹“Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;

³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.”

³³And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce

your own soul too.”

³⁶There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

P The gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Jesus the Very Thought of You* (ELW 754)

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition the congregation will respond:

C **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 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.
 By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all na - tions;
 in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your be - lov - ed Son,
 and in the miracle of water turned to wine he re - vealed your glo - ry.
 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 -



*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

☐ 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

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

☑ 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

☐ 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.

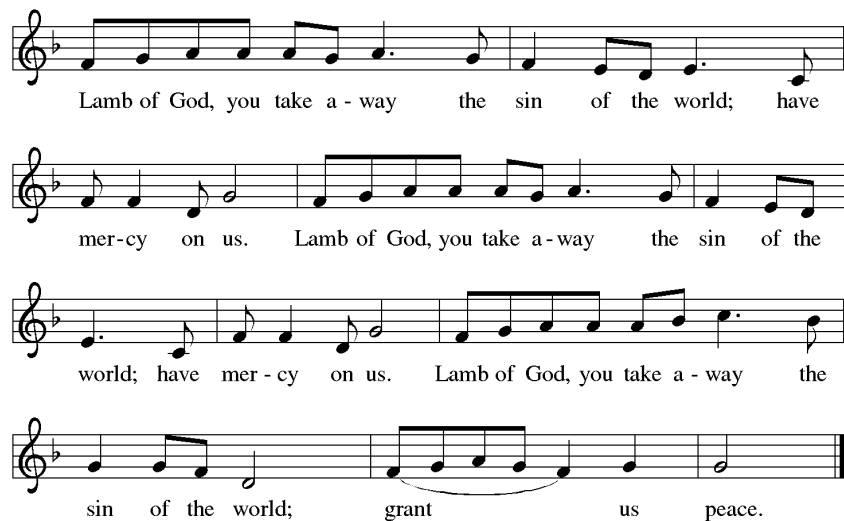
COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE THAT TODAY WE WILL RECEIVE COMMUNION BY INTINCTION.

- ***To receive communion***, come up the center aisle at the direction of the ushers. After receiving the bread, proceed to the chalice and dip your bread 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 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.

C Amen.

SENDING

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 ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C Amen.

***SENDING SONG** *O Living Bread from Heaven* (ELW 542)

***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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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 Sherri Kayhoe in honor her mother, Delores Sease, on her birthday February 5.

The floral arrangement is placed to the glory of God and in honor of Sally Berklite on her birthday by her husband, Richard.

– 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 Homeless and all who work with helping them find shelter

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 China Maple 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, 2018. So many of our folks are not comfortable driving at night, that the committee felt that we should try a daytime service this year. If you are unable to attend a daytime service, please see Pastor Pam.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to receive annual reports will be on Sunday, February 11, following worship. The fine folks on the Christian Service committee are planning a light lunch of soup and steamers since it is also **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION SUNDAY!** Please plan to stay and enjoy the fellowship

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.

TIME FOR A CHANGE! Parlor Talk has been meeting at Parlor House for just over a year now. At the last gathering, the group made the decision to move to a new venue and time! We will be meeting on February 8 (the 2nd Thursday) at 11:30 a.m. at Christine's. You are all welcome to come talk about the "topic of the day" and share in the fellowship. We're looking for a new name for the group, too. Got any ideas? Please share with Linda Fleagle!!!

- 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.

R3 GENEROSITY ACADEMY: Please pray for our Stewardship Team as they go and learn how to lead our congregation in stronger, more faithful stewardship.

- 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 the scents of Christmas. 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!

Please note: we will no longer collect **GREETING CARDS** for St. Jude's Ranch for Children. They are discontinuing their collections of used greeting cards as they have done for the past 30 years. Unfortunately, they have seen card orders decline over the past four years. At the same time, they have experienced limited volunteers to run the program. They are grateful for the supporters who sent in used greeting cards.

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.

Agnus Day by James Wetzstein



- February 4-10 -

- Today12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at China Maple
- Tuesday.....6:30 p.m. - Stewardship Workshop at Solomon's Lutheran
- Wednesday .. 1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies
- Thursday 11:30 a.m. - Parlor Talks at Christine's
- Thursday6:30 p.m. - Congregation Council
- Friday.....6:00 p.m. - Dinner at Monterey Pass Pub

- February 11-17-

- Sunday 9:30 a.m. - Youth Class & Adult Forum
- Sunday 10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
- Sunday 11:45 a.m. - Congregational Meeting
- Sunday12:15 p.m. - Luncheon
- Wednesday .. 1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies



- Our Stewardship -

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$718
Year to Date	\$4,624
Attendance Last Sunday - 35	
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
Teresa Papoutsis Assisting Minister
Teresa Papoutsis 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
Shei Kayhoe & Carol Snyder Offering Tellers

- FEBRUARY 11 -

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

Six Marks of Discipleship
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Weekly Worship
Bible Reading
Service
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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.



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God's work. Our hands.