

Sermon series through Oct. 11

Official Guide for a Joy-Filled Life!

Sixteenth Sunday
in Pentecost

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am
September 20, 2020



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==Weekly News & Announcements==

May we pray for you?

No prayer request is too small. Call the church or go to www.trinitycamphill.org.

Ask the pastors or make suggestions

We're trying our best with how we've had to change the way we worship. Questions? Suggestions? Email steve.kauffman@trinitycamphill.org.

It's time to Circle Up!

Our Fellowship Team has put together fun events (in person and via Zoom) for you to connect. www.trinitycamphill.org/circleup/

Faith Connections classes: Choose from multiple options

- **Wednesday Connect** is back for the four Wednesdays in October, via Zoom or in person, with "Divided," or how to choose people over politics.
- **Thursday Bible Study**, Oct. 1-Nov. 19, in person at 9:30 am or online at 7 pm, with "Love Letters from God."
- **And way more, for all ages!** www.trinitycamphill.org/faithconnections/

Bring your beloved pet for a blessing

Sat., Oct. 3, 9 am, Blessing of the Animals, Trinity parking lot.

Annual Golf Outing. Men and women, this is for you

Sat., Oct. 24, 10 am, Carlisle Barracks Golf Club. All skill levels. \$45/player includes everything: greens fees, dinner, prizes, more. Email Rick Sten, rsten58@verizon.net.

Help keep our grounds beautiful - Sat., Oct. 31, 9 am start

Bring rakes, work gloves. Bruce Bigelow at nbbigs@comcast.net or 717-761-3289.

He's wearing yet another hat

Say congratulations to Steve Kauffman. He's moved from Director of Administration to Director of Administration and Property. Well deserved!

Helping is giving, and your giving is truly appreciated

- Help pay for **worship elements**: flowers, communion, sanctuary candle. \$30 minimum. www.trinitycamphill.org/donate or send checks to office.
- **Honor Our Past, Plan Our Future**: Your gifts have financed the needed safety and security improvements to our preschool area. Thank you! We appreciate your continued and new giving at www.trinitycamphill.org/donate.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

about today's service

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. When God changes God's mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

P: Presiding Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

As part of our COVID-19 response, the congregation is reminded to refrain from singing during this worship service.

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive God's love.

Gathering Music: "My Lighthouse"

FaithX Band (pre-recorded)

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Welcome

Song: "Here I Am to Worship"

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(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

† Word †

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of God's people.

Reading:

Philippians 1:21-30

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Sermon:

Pastor Liz Frey

Series theme: *“Philippians: Official Guide for a Joy-filled life”*

Weekly sermon title: *“Live for Christ “*

Children's Message

Pastor Jack Horner

Song: *“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”*

FaithX Ensemble

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(Stand)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the † resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Following each petition are the words: "Lord, in your mercy,"

*Please respond with: ". . . **hear our prayer.**"*

† Meal †

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine, Christ is present with us.

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts. Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the back of the worship space as you exit.

Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: **The Spirit is with us.**

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: **And give thanks to the Lord of Life.**

Eucharistic Prayer

P: We give you thanks and praise, Lord God, for in your Son Jesus you became the true bread from heaven, the manna sustaining us in every wilderness, the bread of abundant life that never runs out. Send down your Holy Spirit upon us now, that we might become living bread for your hungry world. Give us your very self in these gifts of bread and wine and make them for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

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.

P: Great is the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

P: Ever-bountiful God, listen to the hunger of your children and nourish their life in you. Draw near to those who toil for daily wages and all who wonder where they will find daily bread. Bless any whose days are spent looking for work or waiting for hire. Give each of your sons and daughters a place in your kingdom and fruitful work in your vineyard, not only for a passing day but for eternity. By your Holy Spirit in your holy church, make the labors of our hands tell the good news of your harvest of plenty, and hasten the day when in one great sharing around your table with your people throughout the ages, we shall taste and see that you are good. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and we will be fed at the table. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

Blessing

P: Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Jesus says, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

C: Lord, give us this bread always.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

***Please take all your possessions as you go up for communion,
as you will not be returning to your seat.***

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. At the direction of the usher, come forward and receive the bread, and then exit the worship space by the side aisle through the rear parking lot side angled door. Communion distribution will begin with the front right section, kitchen side, then the left, window side, section will be invited to commune.

At this time, we will be offering only the wafer of bread and no wine. Be assured that you still receive the entire presence of God in that single element, as our Lutheran theology teaches us. If you need a gluten-free wafer, simply ask the pastor as you approach. Non-communicating children and adults are invited to receive a blessing.

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Join us next week

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September 26, 27

Series Theme:

"Philippians: Official Guide for a Joy-filled life"

Sermon Theme:

"Focus on What Matter"

Preaching: Pastor Jack Horner

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Sunday's Music offerings:

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Worship notes

Copies of last week's sermons are available on our website (www.trinitycamphill.org). If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office and one can be mailed to you.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God. If you would like to support this ministry with a one-time or regular contribution, please go to <https://www.trinitycamphill.org/donate/> or send a check (\$40) to the church office marked 'flowers/worship elements'.

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