

Sermon series through Oct. 11

Official Guide for a Joy-Filled Life!

Nineteenth Sunday
in Pentecost

Saturday Worship
5:00 pm
October 10, 2020



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==Weekly News & Announcements==

Come Worship with us

Reservations are no longer needed for in-person worship services.

Connect! Check out our Faith Connections classes for all ages!

See these and more at www.trinitycamphill.org/faithconnections/:

- **Get your kids back into classes—all online! —pre-k through Gr. 12.**
- **Wednesday Connect has a great and timely program** via in-person or Zoom Oct. 7, 14, 21, and 28, with “Divided,” or how to choose people over politics.
- **It’s “Love Letters from God”** at our **Thursday Bible Study**, Oct. 1-Nov. 19, in person at 9:30 am or online at 7 pm. Too good to miss!
- **Yes! Men’s Tues. Bible Study** starts Oct. 13, 8 am, at Brothers, Mechanicsburg.

Pick up a hard copy of the daily lectionary if you don’t have a computer

For Nov. 26, 2020, through Nov. 24, 2021. Get a copy from the office or with weekly sermon mailing. Online at www.trinitycamphill.org/daily-lectionary/.

People need your help! It’s our Week of Service, Oct. 26-31

- Mon., Oct. 26, 7:45-9 am or 9:30 am-12:30 pm, **Ecumenical Food Pantry**, timetosignup.com/ecumenfoodpantryhbg
- Mon.-Thurs., Oct. 26-29, 10 am-5 pm. **Drop off fall/winter clothing for Pink Hands of Hope** thrift store, 5235 E. Trindle Rd., Mechanicsburg
- Sat., Oct. 31, 9 am. **Trinity’s Fall Cleanup**. Bring rakes, gloves. Bruce Bigelow, nbbigs@comcast.net or 717-761-3289
- Sun., Nov. 1, 11 am-12:30 pm. **Bring care kits to Trinity** (assemble at home) **for Lutheran World Relief**. <https://lwr.org/kits/personal-care-kits/instructions>
- Sun., Nov. 1, 11 am-12:30 pm. **Drop off children’s chewable vitamins** at Trinity; they’ll go to **Tree 4 Hope** in Guatemala.

Do you listen to Podcasts? We would love to hear from you! Please take this brief survey to help us gather some information on podcast viewership. We appreciate your input. Here is the link to the podcast survey.

<http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07ehcf4x3gkfzhz0xb/start>

Donate toward worship elements: flowers, communion, sanctuary candle

\$40 minimum. www.trinitycamphill.org/donate or send checks to office.

Honor Our Past, Plan Our Future: Preschool area improved. Thank you!

Our preschool area is refreshed and much more safe and secure. We appreciate your continued and new giving at www.trinitycamphill.org/donate.

Not receiving Thursday’s “What’s Happening?” e-newsletter or other e-communications? Sign up for e-newsletters at www.trinitycamphill.org, or check your spam folder.

No online access via phone or computer? Call the church office if you need event info.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here. Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

about today's service

In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

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

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

this worship service.

✠ Gathering ✠

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

Prelude: "Allegro" (Concerto in G)

Antonio Vivaldi

Kati Gulde, flute

Welcome

(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.

(Sit)

Sung by Cantor (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)

1. *As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.*
2. *Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.*
3. *Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.*

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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.

Glory to God

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God; you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

✦ Word ✦

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

Children's Message

Pastor John Brock

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 23

Sung responsively by Cantors



You prepare a table before me, and my cup is running over. (Ps. 23:5)

¹The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.

³You restore my | soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.

Reading:

Philippians 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

1 My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. 2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3 Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. 4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is

honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon:

Pastor Jack Horner

Series theme: "*Philippians: Official Guide for a Joy-Filled Life!*"

Weekly sermon title: "*Don't Worry, Be Happy* "

Solo: "*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*"

Joh. Seb. Bach

Kati Gulde, flute

(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

A brief silence.

Each petition ends:

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Prayer Response (*Sung by Cantor*)

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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✠ 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.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

(Sit)

Announcements

Offering

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Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the back of the worship space as you exit.

(Stand)

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.

Preface

P: God, you are worthy of all praise for you made humankind in your image; you created us in your likeness to reveal your glory. When your chosen people lost faith and cast a false image for themselves in the form of a golden calf, you reminded them that they were created in your likeness. When we sought after lesser gods, you cast yourself in human form, as one of us, to reshape in us your divine image. Through the cross of your Son and the power of the Holy Spirit, you made us holy as you are holy, reflecting your eternal glory. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we join the unending hymn:

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Feasting God, as we share in this banquet, draw heaven and earth together as one in you. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to clothe us in your grace. Sanctify this bread and cup to make them be for us the body and blood of our Savior 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: Faithful God, receive the prayers of your church and bestow upon your children the peace that passes all understanding. Empower your people to embody whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just. Inspire your children to pursue whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable. Shape the life of your church around whatever is excellent and worthy of praise. Bring about the day when every heart and mind shall rejoice in the peace of your coming kingdom and be made eternally new in your image, Trinity of every grace, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

P: Lamb of God,

**C: you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

✠ Sending ✠

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been 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.

***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 pastor, receive the bread at the end of your row, and then exit the worship space by the center aisle through the rear glass doors. Communion distribution will begin with the back rows.

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-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Solo: "Gift of Finest Wheat"

Westendorf/Kreutz

Julie Stambaugh, soloist

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Soloist/Cantor:

Lector:

The Rev. Elizabeth E. Frey

The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

H. Timothy Koch, piano

Julie Stambaugh

Beth Hinkle

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 and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Leslie L. Rhea by Lee Kunkle; James Denison by his wife, Terri.

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'.

Join us next week

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October 17, 18

Sermon Theme:

"Heads or Tails"

Preaching: Pastor John Brock

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Musical offerings:

Chris Mirocco, soloist/cantor

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