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Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 23-24, 2021

Worship can be viewed LIVE on Sunday, January 24th at 9:30 am:

www.trinitypottsville.com

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WPPA 1360 AM OR 105.9 FM

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THE REV. PHILIP S. BENDLE, III

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

If you are a graduating high school student, or have taken no more than one year off between high school and continuing your education, you're eligible to apply for this scholarship. Guidelines and applications will be available in January, 2021. Applications can be printed from our website, www.trinitypottsville.com.

Deadline is Monday, March 15th

NEXT DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION, SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 FROM 11:00-12:00

Confession

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

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin
to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness,
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

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

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**Congregation: we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you
In thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake
of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Pastor: 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 the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Prelude: Meditation on *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Regina Pozzi

Entrance Hymn: #766 Lord of Our Life

**Lord of our life and God of our salvation, star of our night and hope of ev'ry nation:
hear and receive your church's supplication, Lord God Almighty.**

**See round your ark the hungry billows curling, see how your foes their banners are
unfurling. Lord, while their poisoned arrows they are hurling, you can preserve us.**

**Lord, you can help when earthly armor fails us; Lord, you can save when deadly sin
assails us; and, in the day when hell itself appalls us, grant us your peace, Lord:**

**Peace in our hearts, our troubled thoughts assuaging, peace in your church, where
kindred souls are raging, peace, when the world its endless war is waging, peace in your
heaven.**

Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none,³⁰ and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as

though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions,³¹ and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

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

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.
¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow

me and I will make you fish for people.”¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him.
¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Congregation: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Pastor: The holy gospel according to St. Mark the 1st verse

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20 Today's Readings Insert

Pastor: The gospel of our Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Chris

Hymn of the Day: #800 Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart, and make me love you as I ought to love.**

**I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel
visitant, no op'ning skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.**

**Have you not bid me love you, God and King; all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength,
and mind? I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let
me find!**

**Teach me to love you as your angels' love, one holy passion filling all my frame: the
baptism of the heav'n descended dove, my heart an altar, and your love the flame.**

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.**

Prayer Hymn-#752 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Great Thanksgiving

Pastor

The Lord be with you.

Congregation: (sung)

And also with you.

Pastor

Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: (sung)

We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: (sung)

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection open to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Blessing

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Congregation: Amen.

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. To Love and Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn: # 878 Soli Deo Gloria

O God of blessings, all praise to you! Your love surrounds us our whole life through. You are the freedom of those oppressed; you are the comfort of all distressed.

Come now, O holy and welcome guest:

Refrain:

Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!

**All praise for prophets, through grace inspired to preach and witness with hearts on fire,
Your Spirit chooses the weak and small to sing the new reign where mighty fall;
with them may we live your gospel call:**

Refrain

**All praise for music, deep gift profound, through hands and voices in holy sound; the
psalms of David, and Mary's praise, in wordless splendor and lyric phrase,
with all creation one song we raise:**

Refrain

**All praise for Jesus, best gift divine through word and witness, in bread and wine;
incarnate love song of boundless grace, priest, teacher, prophet in time and space,
your steadfast kindness with human face:**

Refrain

**A billion voices in one great song, now soft and gentle, now deep and strong, in ev'ry
culture and style and key, from hill and valley, with sky and sea, with Christ we praise you
eternally:**

Refrain

*God be with you till we meet again,
By His counsels guide uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you,
God be with you till we meet again.*

Organ Postlude

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OUR DAILY BREAD

Mark 10:26-31

Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!"

SURRENDERING ALL

Two men remembered for serving others for Jesus left careers in the arts to commit themselves to where they believed God had called them. James O. Fraser (1886-1938) decided not to pursue being a concert pianist in England to serve the Lisu people in China, while the American Judson Van DeVenter (1855-1939) chose to become an evangelist instead of pursuing a career in art. He later wrote the hymn "I Surrender All."

While having a vocation in the arts is the perfect calling for many, these men believed God called them to relinquish one career for another. Perhaps they found inspiration from Jesus counseling the rich, young ruler to give up his possessions to follow Him. Witnessing the exchange, Peter exclaimed, "We have left everything to follow you!" Jesus assured him that God would give those who follow Him "A hundred times as much in this present age" and eternal life (V.30). But He would give according to His wisdom: "Many who are first will be last, and the last first"

No matter where God has placed us, we're called to daily surrender our lives to Christ, obeying His gentle call to follow Him and serve Him with our talents and resources—whether in the home, office, community, or far from home. As we do, He'll inspire us to love others, putting their needs above our own.

Who comes to mind when you think of someone who's sacrificed for Jesus?

How is God calling you to surrender?

*Jesus, help me to surrender my all for You today as I serve You
and those around me for Your honor.*

January 24, 2021

Prayer List: Prayer List: January 18-January 24, 2021

Members of Trinity – Merle Amos, Nick Angelo, Robert Arner, Paul Ashembrier, Judi Barton, Ray Brennan, Jody Brossman, Doug Camodeca, Sam and Joan Carroll, Laura Louise Dolbin, Joel Ebling, Fred Gradwell, Louise Gradwell, Margaret Gretskey, Larry Haffey, Scott Haffey, Pat Haluska, Shirley Harkins, Helen Harvey, Peggy Hassler, Bruce Heckman, Kelly Knorr, Paula Kriner, Lincoln Krisa, Kim Leiby, Debbie Linder, Dennis Lord, Jean and George Lord, Nancy Mahall, Margie Mataka, Shirley Morgan, Adam Morrow, Ray Moyer, Pamela Purcell, Marilyn Reed, Jill Schaeffer, Ron Schaeffer, Peg Schappell, Linda Seiwel, Kay Shaw, Judy Steffanic, Colin Studlack, Dorothy Thomas, Frances Thomas, Judy Thomas, Shawn Thomas, Barbara Wagner, Dolores Wagner, Helen Walasavage, Nancy Weigand, Mary Jane Wilson, Ashley White, Matt Navitsky and Rita Claire Navitsky-White, Carolyn Wire

Shut-Ins – Tom & Mickie Bair, Leah Brokhoff, Judy Cappel, Earlamay Downing, Jacques Ebling, Carolyn Gauntlett, Martha Golden, Jeanne Heffner, Robert Heffner, Dolores Hoffman, Richard & Carole Kline, Mary Leary, Bob Pauzer, Pat Phillips, Terry Pugh, Nancy Schriener, Carolyn Spiess, Ann Spotts, Ann Tihansky, Beatrice Walsh, Kathryn Wodack, Darlene & Richard Zeller

Nursing Home/Personal Care Residents – Betty Beury, Joseph Culley, Louise Dicus, Hope Fisher, Tom Fredericks, Larue Hahn, Alda Howells, Dianna Hutton, Kathryn Johnson, Mollie Katchur, Edna Laubenstein, Dorothy Schaeffer, Grace Schuettler, Anna Stinner

Military Personnel – Brett Allison, Jacob Barton, Jason Beach, Audrey Burke, Christopher & Savannah Butler, Tim Campbell, Judy Cappel, Andrew Clancey, Ian Conrad, Ryan Devaney, Jeff and Katie Dittmar, Noah Elison, Brian and Joshua Fetterman, Joshua Fredericks, Kevin Gregory, Sean Grube, Seth Grube, Joshua Hager, Marc Jones, Aaron Leshner, Edward Mady, Tom McMurtrie, Ryan Miller, Ashton Muncy, Allison Ney, John Nomland, Aaron Oswald, Eddie Padinski, Kevin Potts, Larry Reedy, Zachary Reichert, Michael and Stephen Reier, Steven Sleva, Nicholas Starner, Matthew Tobin, Jamie Watt

Those who mourn–

Family Members/Friends –Sharon Alfonso, Michelle Ambrose, Jessica Archibald, Inez Aurand, Beverly Banovatz, Donna Bast, Kathy Bauers, David Bechtel, Ed Bensinger, Olivia Bensinger, Ron Boris, Rose Brehony, Kristel Brennan, Patricia Bressler, Doug Broughton, Jason Castaneda, Bruce Chattin, Mike Cloud, Pat Connor, Pete Connors, Irene Conway, Robert Craig, Jessica Croley, Barbara & Stanley Daniels, Stanley K. Daniels, Megan Dasch, Hayden Daubert, Alice Davis, Ethel Davis, Ray Dee, Mike Dempsey, Patricia Derlunas & Family, Marian and Sarah Donlin, Diane Donovan, Robert Dougherty, Jim Driscoll, Nick & Nicholas Dubb, Kerry Duke, Laura Dunlap, Joanie Eagan, Bruce Ernst, Jessie and Jamie Ebert, Marilee Ebert, Gaylene Ebling, Peggy Ebling, Tracey Ebling, Scarlett Eckkers, Jamie Edwards, Virginia Ehrich, Mary Eiler, Erin Emmick, Michelle and Peggy Evans, Vince Fabiani, Nolan Ferhat, Grace Flynn, Kathy Fronza, Daniel Fuentes, Jim Gary, Elaine Gayman, Judy Genovese, Donna George, Kim Gerthoffer, Kathleen Gradwell, Scott Grossman, Tina Guise, Tim Guise, Gemma Haas, Shane Haffey, Joe Halko & Family, John Hannaway, Ann Marie Harpel, Nancy Hart, Joie Hartnet, Jarred Heckart, Bruce Heffner, Psmurfisa Hernandez, Rita Hinchey, Rosalind Hosler, John Housknecht, Helen Hufnagle, Sandy Huntzinger, Agnes Jaglas, Tom Jefferson, Lauren Kelly, Beth Ketz, Edwin Kindred, Sr., Phyllis Knoll, Shirley Koury, Sue Kraft, Rita Kruel, Chrissy Kull, Mary Larish, Chris Larsen, Butch Lasco, Phil Lasco, Christina Lee, Alexia Leib, Jaden Leiby, Kathy Lengle, Robert “Oscar” Leskin, Bernadette Lord, David Lord, Helen Love, Sister Jo Magdalinski, Thelma Mansfield, Melissa Martin, Linda Marx, Mona Marzullo, Amanda Mason, Harper Masland, John Matz, Gladys Maurer, Debra McBride, Debra Lynne McBride, Jeanne McClure, Diane McCully, Helen McGeever, Lenny and Karen McHugh, Kathy McGee, Joe McNulty, Sandy Mendini, Nadine Merrigan, Alethia Meyer, Peggy Meyer, Lisa M. Mikula, Ariel Miller, Laura Miller, Leslie and Geoff Miller, Carol A. Mills, Madeline Miscannon, Helene Moore, Janice Moore, Patrick Moore, Shannon Morgan, Rochelle and Lindsey Moser, Darron Moyer, Robert Muldowney, Colleen Murphy, Anthony Murray, Vincent Murray, Tom Palewicz, Rob Parano, Maureen Pavlick, Pastor Peggy Sue Pfeffer, Annalise Porreca, Anna Sterner Porreca, Irene Post, John Potlunas, Karen Prettie, Kathy Pritchard, Kayleigh Pronio, Joe Rady, Dayne Readinger, Dot Rebeck, Joe & Mary Jane Reed, Colleen Rothharpt, John Roberts, Tina Robinson, Mary Lou Roeder, DJ Rubright, Charles (Chuck) Rushannon, Bob Sabaday, Amy Schade, Cheryl Scharff, Anne Schock, Earl Shoener, Jennifer Schultz, Jack Schwenk, Rogene Seidel, Shawn Seidl, Rosemary Shustack, Aldyn Socks, Allen and Jack Spotts, Lindsay Spotts, Karen Engel Sterling, Jessica Stewart, Sawyer Sullivan, Brian Symons, Skip Tyson, Tristen Uffre, Joan Urenko, Karen Urban, Tammy Uhrin, Gloria Uzick, Bob Voskuhl, Charlie Wagner, Jean Walsh, Rol Walters, Angela Ward, Glynn Ward, Bill Weiss, Mark Wolfgang, Joan Woodward, Nancy Woodward, George Yarnell, Connor Joel Yob, Kathleen & Joseph Young, Marge Yourshaw, Tony Zampella

Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Harry A. Artz, Sr.* by his family.

Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Levi, Dolly and Walter Griffin and Doris Griffith Polcrack* by Doranne Griffith Polcrack.

The Altar Flowers have been provided this weekend by: **Forget-me-not Florist**

Altar Flower openings: April 11, April 25, May 2, June 6, November 14, November 21, December 5, and December 26. Cost=\$30.

Bulletins are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Jean Neithamer* by her friends at Trinity.

Bulletin openings: January 31, February 7, February 28, April 11, April 18, May 16, August 29, September 26, October 24, November 14, November 25, December 12

Children's Bulletins are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *deceased class members*, by Craft Class.

Radio Ministry is presented to the Glory of God and in memory of my husband, *David Little* by wife, Janet.

Radio ministry openings: Feb. 14 and 21, June 20, August 1, 8, 15, & 29, September 19 & 26, October 3, November 28, and December 5. Cost=\$25 for 1/2, \$50 for whole

STATEMENT OF CONGREGATIONAL MISSION

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Trinity Lutheran Church is a worshipping, learning, witnessing, and serving community of baptized Christians. It is a welcoming place where the Word is proclaimed and the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Gospel. As a community of believers, we challenge each other to respond to the call of our Lord to love and minister to persons at home and throughout the world. We encourage each other to share our time, our talents, and gifts to further the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ. In these ways, we bear witness to the love we have first received from God through Jesus Christ.

Adopted by the Congregation

January 25, 1998

Chris Rothharpt, Senior Pastor

Ron Brennan, Church Council President

Michael Kiehner, Organist & Choir Director

Jean Miller, Church Secretary

Janet Little, Church Secretary

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