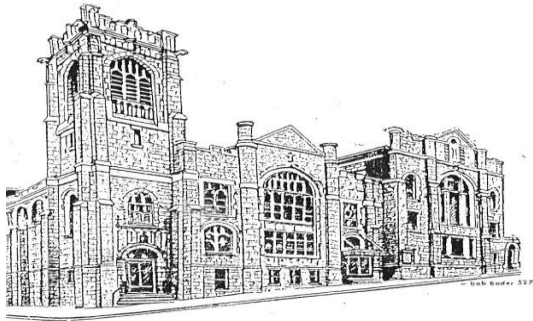


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Reformation Sunday

October 24-25, 2026

Worship can be viewed LIVE every Sunday at 9:30am

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on the radio stations:

WPPA 1360 AM or 105.9 FM

Confession

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

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor/LLM: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor/LLM: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Pastor/LLM: 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/LLM: 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:

Prelude from Suite pour Orgue

Dennis Bedard

Entrance Hymn:

#654 The Church's One Foundation

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The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food;
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Worship Assistant: In peace, let us pray to our Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Worship Assistant: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to our Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Worship Assistant: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to our Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Worship Assistant: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Worship Assistant: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Congregation: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Lesson:	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Celebrate Insert
Psalms:	Psalms 46	Celebrate Insert
Second Lesson:	Romans 3:19-28	Celebrate Insert

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

Pastor/LLM:	The holy gospel according to St. John the 8 th Chapter
Congregation:	Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel:	John 8:31-36	Celebrate Insert
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Pastor/LLM:	The gospel of our Lord.
Congregation:	Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon	Minister Bob
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Hymn of the Day: #517 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

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Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

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1 Lord, keep us stead-fast in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Je-sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
 3 O Com-fort-er of price-less worth, send peace and

by de- ceit or sword would wrest the king-dom from your Son
 Lord of lords a-lone; de-fend your ho-ly church, that we
 u-ni-ty on earth; sup-port us in our fi-nal strife

and bring to naught all he has done.
 may sing your praise e-ter-nal-ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

Nicene Creed:

(Saturday)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things are made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, And his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one Holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Order of Holy Baptism

(Sunday)

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We Welcome through Holy Baptism, *Gabriella Marie Miller*, daughter of *Brandon & Mallory (Ebert) Miller*. May God bless this child, her parents and all who are baptized in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. *Gabriella's* sponsors are *Mariah (Ebert) Pugliese & Joseph Voelpel*. The Baptismal Napkin given to *Gabriella Marie* is presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Jean Schraedley*.

Offering

Anthem:

Here I Stand

Larry Shackley Senior Choir (9:30am)

Offertory Response: #182 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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/LLM: The Lord be with you.

Congregation:(sung) And also with you.

Pastor/LLM: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:(sung) We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor/LLM: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation:(sung) It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor/LLM: 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:

Congregation:(sung) Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav'n 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.

Pastor/LLM: 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.

Pastor/LLM: The Peace of the Lord be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor/LLM: Greet one another with the peace of the Lord.

Hymns during communion:

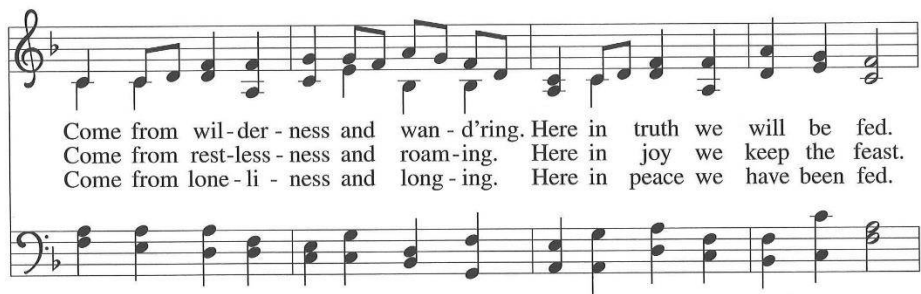
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn: #461 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

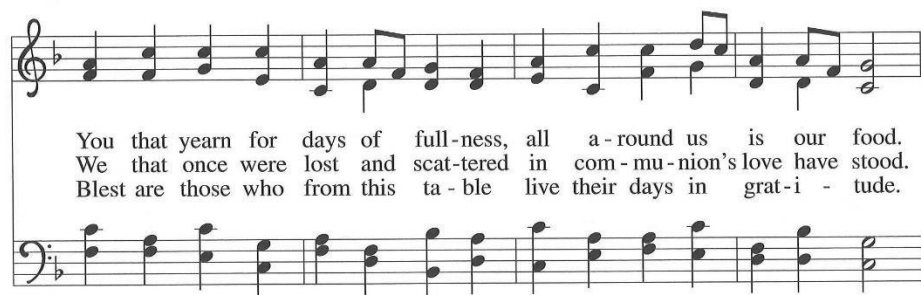
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All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Pastor/LLM: May the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen You and Keep You in His Grace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.

Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Blessing

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

Congregation: Amen.

Dismissal

Worship Assistant: Go in peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn: # 504 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Next Page)

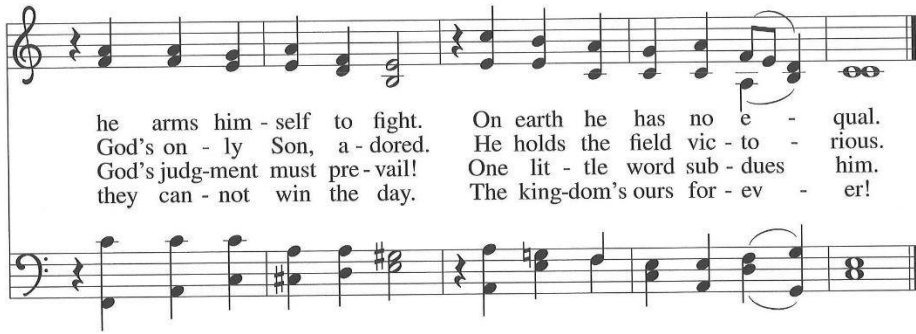
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



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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Each week, individuals have an opportunity to support our Worship Ministries by sponsoring altar flowers, bulletins, and radio/digital broadcasts in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Altar Flowers are \$35.00, and Bulletins, and Digital Ministry are \$30.00 each; Radio Ministry is \$50.00

(Radio Ministry half-sponsorships are also available). (Please contact the church office at 570-622-9910 to reserve your date.)

Altar flowers provided by: Bella Floral

Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of the deceased members of the Lechleitner & Meadows Family by Marazas & Kentie Families.

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 by a friend of Trinity and in honor of my sister, Nancy, by Sharon Haffey.

MEMORIALS **Memorial Fund**

In memory of Barry Heffner by Robert Derr

In memory of Barry Heffner by John Fox

Prayer List

Members of Trinity with immediate concerns: Donna Albert, Andrea Antolick, Cindy Bohr, John Bordonaro, Gary Bruen, Connie Brown, Mike Ciccanti, Eli Corcoran, Susan Fees, Carolyn Gauntlett, Gail Hoffman, Arline Hufnagle, Cindy Killian, Richard Kline, Oral Kramer, Thelma Mansfield, Barbara Miller, Marilyn Reed, Owen Rossachacj, Cindy Seltzer, Ron Schaeffer, Peg Schappell, Barbara Wagner, Helen Walasavage

Members of Trinity with ongoing concerns: Donald Andrews, Twila Bair, Dolores Barton, Ruth Bensinger, Nancy Berger, Brian Bohr, Josephine Cicero, Carole Coyle, Tom Coyne, Virginia Coyne, Susan D'Ambrosio, Brenda Denning, Jodi Denning, Tony Downey, Paul Ebert, III, Debbie Ebert, Joel Ebling, Nancy Fellows, Sharon Fessler, Margaret Gretskey, Jeff Holley, Diane O'Leary-Hughes, Ruth Ann Juranis, Ruth Ann Kerrick, Jodi Klein, Kathy Kritak, Sandy Lewars, Christina Linder, Betsey Lord, Dennis Lord, Andrea Madara, William Manness, Missy White Marshall, Margie Mataka, Megan McGeever, Brandon Miller, Adam Morrow, Len Moser, Chester Moyer, Ray Moyer, Collin Pryce, Suzanne Rich, Ruth Russell, Fay Russo, Paula Ryan, Jill Schaeffer, Linda Seiwel, Harold Seltzer, Ida Sheeler, Jack Shuey, Donald Smith, Margaret Snyder, Sally Spotts, Barbara Staller, Terry Stank, Pastor Frank Stinner, Richard Stoltz, Colin Studlack,

Jill Weaver, Brock Weber, Ellen Wesnoski, David White, The Willard Family, Mary Jane Wilson, Sissy Wilson, Pat Wishousky, Donna Wood, Karen Wood, Damon Yost

Shut-Ins: Merle Amos, Delight & Paul Ashembrier, Leah Brokhoff, Marsha Ehlers, Helen Harvey, Carole Kline, Richard Kline, Nancy Schriner, Carolyn Spiess, Ann Spotts, Edna Uranko, Carolyn Wire

Nursing Home/Personal Care Residents: Yvonne Blankenhorn, Earlamay Downing, Hope Fisher, Tom Fredericks, Louise Gradwell, Dianna Hutton, Mary Leary, Linda Shollenberger, Judy Thomas.

Military Personnel: Jacob Barton, Savannah Butler, Elizabeth Chattin, Kevin Gregory, Sean Grube, Seth Grube, Joshua Hager, Wil Hanson, Ashton Muncy Humphrey, Aaron Oswald, Zachary Reichert

Family Members/Friends: Joseph Alfonsi, Michael Allen, George Allison, Mackensie Archibald, Bonnie Baker, Martha Balboa, Bob & Christine Baum, David Bechtel, Dennis Benjamin, Tawnya Bickelman, Heather Boltz, Xavier Bowman, Robert Bruce, Alexis Cataldi, Jerry & Brenda Christensen, Jean McHugh Cosby, Vicki Crater, Hayden Daubert, Donna Dayson, Jackie Dercole, Monique Derfler, Dolores Ege, Neil Eisenhard, John Fees, Ryan Fees, Carol Fenton, Michelle Furman, Caitlin Sheehan Gaffney, Jeff Gates, Jamie Johnson, Connie Hale, Patricia Hallman, Maureen Hill, Shalee Hindes-Ball, Melinda Hinnershitz, Tim Holden, Brenda Hostetter, Elizabeth Brady Jones, Warren Jefferson, Lindsay Kastner, Landon Killian, Kaylynn Klunk, Carol Lasco, Pastor Burlington Latshaw III, Samantha Lease, Margaret Ledford, Julia Leibensperger, Regnal Leibensperger, Cindy Liddick, Barry Long, Ronald W. Lord, Helen Love, James Lucas, Christine Masteller, Maria Masteller, Lenny McHugh, Margaret Meyer, Jess Marie Michael, Floss Miller, Liz Navitsky, Brenda Nungst, John Olfhinski, Brenda Oliver, Pastor Mary Owens, Carolyn Pahira, John Passierb, Joy Paterson, Aimee Penny, Pastor Peggy Sue Pfeffer, Sue Petresky, Joe Piazza, Ava Potts, Evelyn Potts, Alice Powers, Cheryl Powis, Kathy Pritchard, Daniel

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Those who mourn: Especially the family and friends of Joan Koslosky

**Members are encouraged to call the church office to place individuals on our prayer list. If an individual is not a member of Trinity, we will place them on the Family Members/Friends list for a period of two weeks. If an individual needs to remain on longer, please call the church office.
Thank you!*

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Barbara Miller, Church Council President

Michael Kiehner, Organist & Choir Director

Tom Leshner, Sexton

Cathy Koons, Receptionist

Robert Thomas, a LLM, has been authorized by the Bishop of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod to provide pastoral services in this congregation.

Trinity Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 24, 2026: 6:00pm Worship

Pastor Chris preaching.

Sunday, October 25, 2026: 9:30 am Worship

Pastor Chris, Bob Thomas preaching. Zach Jefferson, worship assistant,
Pat Wishousky Lector

10:30 am Sunday School, First Communion, & Confirmation

Monday, October 26, 2026: 6:00pm Adult Volleyball

Tuesday, October 27, 2026: 10:00am Exercise Club

4-6pm Merchants Trick or Treat by Post Office

7pm Pottsville's Halloween Parade

Wednesday, October 28, 2026: 7pm Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 29, 2026: 6:30pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting

Friday, October 30, 2026: 10:00am Exercise Club

SPONSORSHIP OPPURTUNITIES

Altar Flowers: 11/8, 11/15, 11/22

Bulletins: 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 11/29

Radio Ministry: 11/8, 11/15, 11/29

Digital Ministry: 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 11/29

NEW MEMBERS CLASSES

Sunday, October 25th and Sunday November 1st after worship, we will meet in the church lounge. Sunday, November 8th during the 9:30am worship service, new members will be welcomed into the Congregation.

Please see Pastor Chris if you have any questions or call the church office
(570) 622-9910

LIVE NATIVITY

We would love some volunteers to help with the Live Nativity again. Meetings will be on 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30 at 6:30pm in the Main Sunday School Room.

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

Step right up and volunteer for the greatest event with Santa himself! We need your help with set up on November 6th and take down on November 7th after the event. We will also need help to man the games, crafts, run plates and bus tables. If you would like to attend the Christmas Carnival it will be Sunday, November 7th from 9-12 in our Gym. It will be a made to order breakfast, with games, crafts, letters to Santa, and a visit with the Big Guy himself! Tickets are \$7/adult, children 3-12 \$5, and children under 3 are FREE! Please get your tickets early as there will be a limited amount at the door.

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

Red Cross Blood Mobile

Next Blood Mobile: November 30th

Prayer Shawl Ministry

To date, 73 shawls have been distributed to recipients experiencing difficult times.

Please keep that ministry in mind if you identify someone in that situation.

Anyone is welcome to pick up and deliver a shawl/blanket/lap cover to anyone in need. Please just sign out in log so each recipient doesn't receive duplicates. As pages are filled, please just place new one on top, but filled pages are always available. Anyone talented in crocheting and knitting is welcome to participate so this ministry can continue. Start up supplies are available in the Prayer Shawl room off the Main Sunday School Room for your use. Thank you.

Recycling Projects

Please continue to save newspapers, prescription and non prescription glasses and sunglasses. We are also continuing to collect the pull tabs from aluminum cans. All your efforts to date have been greatly appreciated and will continue until the end of the year.

Operation Christmas Child

We will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. If you are unfamiliar with this outreach, Samaritans Purse takes the boxes that you fill with items for the child and delivers them to children in the most remote areas of the world. Samaritans Purse shares the joy of being a follower of Jesus to the local people. It is a wonderful outreach program to participate in, and in the past has been very successful here at our church.

National First Responders Day

We will once again be collecting prepackaged snacks for the first responders. They provide such an incredible service for us, they deserve to be recognized. We will be collecting from now until mid October. We will be delivering snacks on 10/28/26.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Who is ready for an adventure?

Join us for another year of Sunday School! Classes have already started...and we have room for everyone, offering a great space to learn, grow, and connect as we travel back in time to experience Jesus alive today through the stories of the Bible. For our younger students we offer snacks, and crafts after story time.

SENIOR/FAMILY MINISTRY

October

Tuesday, October 27th we will be participating in the Merchants Trick or Treat and the Pottsville Halloween Parade. The Trick or Treat starts at 4-6pm we will be sitting up at the Post Office to hand out candy. The Parade starts at 7pm and we will line up at 12th street.

November

Saturday, November 7th Christmas Carnival. Please call for tickets ahead of time, as there will be limited tickets at the door. The carnival will be from 9am-12pm. Come enjoy a delicious made to order breakfast, a visit with Santa, games, crafts, and more. \$7.00/adult, \$5.00 children 12-3, FREE for children under 3.

Thursday, November 12th we will be taking a trip to American Candle in the Poconos and having lunch at Smuggler's Cove. We will depart Trinity at 10am.

Thursday, November 19th we will be having our second annual Friendsgiving. If you would like to participate, please sign up with your name and covered dish.

Melissa will be making the turkey again this year and a fresh fruit turkey.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Circle V

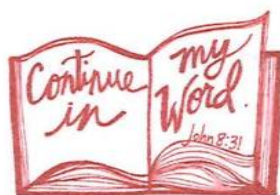
November: Circle V will meet on Thursday, November 5, 2026 at noon. Our scheduled Program will be Porcupine Pat's presentation on Schuylkill County's Contributions to America's 250 Years. Hostess will be Sharon Haffey.

December: Our December 3rd meeting will be our Christmas Gift Exchange. This meeting will immediately follow the Advent noon time service. Hostess will be Circle Leaders. Donations to Servants To All will be our Circle V Christmas Service Project. A list of desired items will be forthcoming to Circle members. New Members are always welcome.

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November: On November 17th at 6:30pm we will be making Christmas cards for our shut-ins. Hostess Susan Morgan.

December: Christmas Party, date & place to be determined.



Celebrate

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

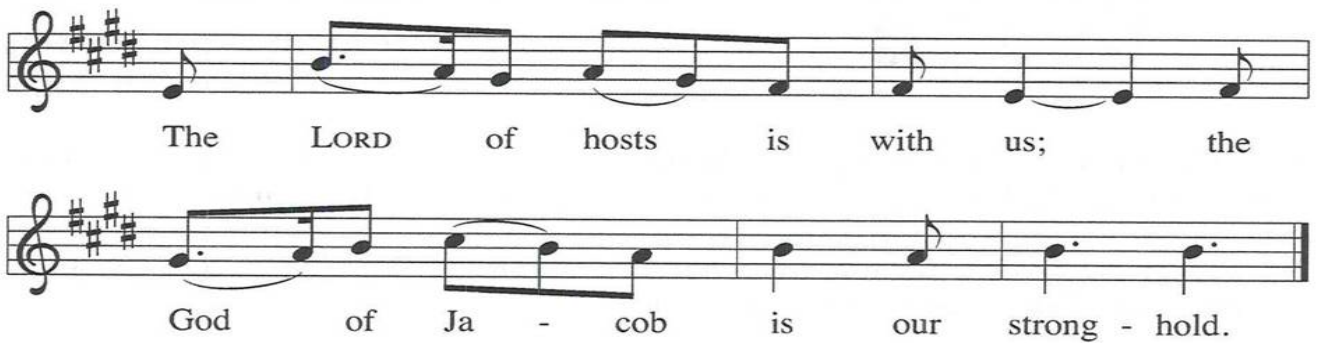
The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the LORD means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel

after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

Psalm

Psalm 46; refrain, Ps. 46:7



- God is our ref-¹uge and strength,
a very present¹ help in trouble.
- ²**Therefore we will not fear, though the¹ earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths¹ of the sea;**
- ³though its waters¹ rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble¹ with its tumult.
- ⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit-¹y of God,
the holy habitation of¹ the Most High.**
- ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall¹ not be shaken;
God shall help it at the¹ break of day.
- ⁶**The nations rage, and the¹ kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth¹ melts away. R**
- ⁷The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold.
- ⁸**Come now, regard the works¹ of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought up-¹ on the earth;**
- ⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in¹ all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the¹ shields with fire.
- ¹⁰**“Be still, then, and know that¹ I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted¹ in the earth.”**
- ¹¹The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold. R

Second Reading

Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a

gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Gospel

John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."