



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Somerset PA
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MISSION: Together in Jesus Christ our mission is to serve faithfully, boldly, and joyfully.

★ **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY** ★

January 24, 2021

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! We are blessed to have you with us today for our worship service. Please sign the guest book in the entrance hallway at the usher's stand. Rest rooms are in the entrance Narthex or downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

COMMUNION PRACTICES UPDATE:

Due to the safety recommendations made concerning the recent local/state rise in Coronavirus cases, Trinity's Council has decided to suspend celebrating Holy Communion at all worship services for now. We will keep you informed regarding any new decisions made affecting worship practices. We appreciate your understanding.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT TRINITY! At parents' discretion, **red activity bags** hang in the Narthex for children to use. **Pack 'n Plays** are available for younger children in the Nave. Carpets, coloring sheets/crayons, and play space are also available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall (near the elevator). Parents may utilize this during worship. Speakers are available to hear the service in the room.

THE FLOWERS on the credence tables of the Altar are to the Glory of God, and in memory of grandparents, Harry C. and Ruth Jacobs, presented by *Jon, Aimee, Matthew, and Sarah Jacobs*.

TODAY'S FLOWERS: The Altar flowers are available for members to take to homebound members or someone celebrating a special day in their life after services.

☆ Third Sunday after Epiphany ☆
January 24, 2021
10:00 Non-Communion Service

Welcome! Today we are using a new liturgical Setting 12 from the new supplemental hymnal *All Creation Sings (ACS)*. *Celebrate* contains the readings and Prayers. *Hymn lyrics are printed in your bulletin to follow along with silently*. P = Pastor; L = Liturgist/hymns performer; **congregation reads aloud all short spoken "C" parts in bold**.

Prelude *Morceaux pour Orgue Melodium No. 4 Cantabile*
J. Lemmens

Welcome/Announcements/Joys and Concerns
Joy Sharing

GATHERING

Gathering Hymn ***Founded on Faith*** (ACS #1048)
(*Silently reflect on the words as the hymn is performed*)

¹ Founded on faith, the church—alive by grace—
proclaims the gospel here and ev'ry place.
The word of God resounds through time and space:
Alleluia!

² Your cross, O Christ, renews our life each day.
Baptized in you, we learn and teach and pray.
Fed by your love, with thankful hearts, we say:
Alleluia!

³ Equipped by prayer, we live the Spirit's call.
Empower'd to serve with gifts, both great and small,
we bring the living hope of God to all.
Alleluia!

⁴ Growing in grace for God's created earth,
we yearn for justice, peace, and human worth;
a world restored; a faithful, caring church.
Alleluia!

⁵ Founded on faith, called forth, empower'd to serve,
we share God's endless love without reserve.
Then let us shout aloud the living Word!
Alleluia!

Invocation

Confession (*Pastor speaks on behalf of everyone—reflect on silently*)

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. God of goodness and lovingkindness, we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have turned away from your invitation to new life. We have turned away from the lowly and downtrodden. In your abundant mercy, forgive us our sins, those we know and those known only to you, for the sake of the one who came to live among us, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen**

Absolution

P: Hear the good news of peace and salvation! God forgives us all our sins, not through our own work, but through †Jesus Christ, made known to all people. With all on whom the light of Christ shines, rejoice in this amazing gift of grace. **C: Amen**

Greeting and Response

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.**

Kyrie

Liturgist: Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.
Christe, eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

Hymn of Praise

Liturgist: Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth;
yours is the promise, the blessing, the birth.
Ours the rejoicing for Word given frame;
ours the thanksgiving to your holy name.
Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done;
yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

Prayer of the Day
C: Amen

Celebrate

WORD

(*Readings will be read by the Lector; read bold responses; congregational Psalm parts read silently to yourself as the Lector reads aloud*)

First Lesson *Jonah 3:1-5, 10* Celebrate

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 62* Celebrate

Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Celebrate

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation **Alleluia...** (ACS)

(Reflect on the lyrics silently as the liturgy is performed)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel *Mark 1:14-20* *(Pastor reads)*

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Homily

Hymn of the Day ***You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore***

(Silently reflect on the words as the hymn is performed) (ELW #817)

¹ You have come down to the lakeshore
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
but only asking for me to follow.

Refrain: Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;
kindly smiling, you've called out my name....
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
now with you, I will seek other seas.

² You know full well what I have, Lord:
neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
just these my fish nets and will for working. *Refrain*

³ You need my hands, my exhaustion,
working love for the rest of the weary—
a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

⁴ You who have fished other waters;
you, the longing of souls that are yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

Apostles' Creed

**C: 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 Intercession (**C: Have mercy, O God.; C: Amen**) Celebrate

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
(ALL pray aloud—The 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**

SENDING

Sending Hymn ***Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult*** (ELW #696)
(Silently reflect on the words as the hymn is performed)

¹ Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his clear voice sounding,
saying, "Christian, follow me":

² As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for Jesus' sake.

³ Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."

4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
“Christian, love me more than these.”

5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
Savior, may we hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.

Blessing P: God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you; and
the Holy Spirit the comforter ☩ keep you in peace.
C: Amen

Dismissal P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.
C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude *Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word* arr. N. Carroll
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TODAY we are continuing worship with one of two new liturgies from **All Creation Sings**, our new ELW hymnal supplement. We thank *Nicholas Carroll* for leading us by performing the liturgical parts. We look forward to being able to use the actual book in congregational singing at worship when the virus risk has passed.

PRAYER FOR THE ELECTION OF OUR NEXT BISHOP:

For January 23-24, 2021:

Gracious God, As we pray for our communities of faith, let us cast our nets aside, surrendering to You our own desires, our own interests, and our own needs, praying with one heart, one mind, one voice, for the present and future leadership of our Synod discerning your call, that we may follow You together. Have mercy, O God. *Amen*

PLEASE CALL TRINITY'S OFFICE at 445-5446 or talk to Interim Pastor Doug Knupp to report hospitalizations and illnesses if you would like prayers and phone calls from the Pastor or a Trinity member. Also, with the ill person's permission, let us know if they would like their name to be included on our prayer list.

SOMERSET COUNTY MOBILE FOOD BANK: Members of qualified households can receive additional food (drive through) at the **Saturday Distribution on February 13:** 12:30 p.m.—1:15 p.m. at the Somerset Merchant Village Parking Lot on North Center Avenue.

MANY THANKS to *Sam and Sally Miller's son, Luke* and to *Mike Mitchell* for helping *Doug Fanale* take down the large Christmas tree in the Nave.

“For Your Information” Announcements...

ADDITIONAL BULLETINS are available on the Narthex table on your way out on Sundays to take to those who are away, sick, or not attending worship at this time but would like to stay informed. We also have extra bulletins available most weeks in Trinity's Office if you miss worship.

ANY MEMBERS OR SMALLER GROUPS wanting to use Trinity's facilities, especially the Pavilion, should call Trinity's Office (445-5446) to schedule your date and time for 2021, even if you have used it in the past. Sometimes we have multiple requests for the same date. Thank you!

TRINITY'S COMMITTEES are being formed for 2021. Every member is invited to join a committee and/or attend a meeting during the year. Share your talents with us in all of our various ministries! To volunteer, please call Trinity's Office at 445-5446.

RECYCLING INK CARTRIDGES: Trinity's toner recycler does not accept the large toner cartridges used in some businesses. They mostly want the smaller personal cartridges you would use at home. We want to recycle only Hewlett Packard (HP) and Canon ink jet cartridges and or print cartridges in black or color. They do not need to be boxed to be recycled. Just drop them off weekdays inside the middle doors of the Educational Building—place them in the plastic tub, or bring them to the Office. We appreciate all of you bringing in your home ink cartridges to recycle! If you have questions, please call Ann at (445-5446).

KNOW SOMEONE LOOKING FOR WORK IN CHILD CARE? All Child Care Workers need a high school diploma or a GED certificate and 2,500 hours of documented child care experience (required). State Police, FBI, and Child Abuse Clearances are needed also. Email resume and references to Trinity Lutheran Church, 918 Tayman Ave., Somerset, PA 15501.

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY:

THIS SUNDAY: *3rd Sunday after Epiphany*
1/24/2021 8:00 a.m. Early Non-Communion Service Nave
 10:00 a.m. Non-Communion Service Nave

MONDAY: 10:30 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study Adult III
 1/25

TUESDAY: 9:00 a.m. Men's Group Fellowship Adult III
 1/26 **DEADLINE:** *Sunday Bulletin Information*

WEDNESDAY: 8-11 a.m. Somerset Food Pantry Drive-Thru Educ. Bldg. Lot
 1/27

THURSDAY: 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting Fellowship Hall
 1/28 4:30-5:30 p.m. *Somerset Co. Mobile Food Bank—
 Somerset Alliance Church Lot (drive through)*

NEXT SUNDAY: *4th Sunday after Epiphany*
1/31/2021 8:00 a.m. Early Non-Communion Service Nave
 10:00 a.m. Non-Communion Service Nave
Personal Giving Statements available in Narthex

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PLEASE WATCH BULLETINS (“THIS WEEK AT TRINITY”) as we add/deduct meetings, services, etc. from our schedule. Please use your bulletin for the service order, practice social distancing, wear masks if possible, wash hands/use hand sanitizer, etc. to be safe, while we carry on our church body tasks. Please help provide safety for all attending in person during these difficult times. We welcome you to worship either in person or online!

ORFF ENSEMBLE AND HANDBELLS are taking their customary rehearsal and performance hiatus (break) between the church year seasons. Please watch bulletins for dates of rehearsal resumptions taking place after Sunday worship services.

ANY ADDRESS, EMAIL, AND PHONE NUMBER CHANGES should be reported to Trinity's Office, as a newsletter will be published and mailed this week. This saves us money on returned postage costs.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday, January 17, 2021 In-Person Worship Attendance: 40



BLOOMS OF HOPE, the annual daffodil campaign for cancer, is taking place from now until **Sunday, February 28**, for distribution Wednesday-Friday, March 17-19. Last year, over \$21,500 was raised through our local volunteers and generous donations. All funds raised this year will go to the *Walk of Hope Somerset Fund* and *Somerset Hospice*, helping all local cancer patients (and their families). Because of the pandemic, folks may consider purchasing potted plants (\$12), as they tend to last longer, or gather any monetary donations in lieu of bunches of cut flowers (\$10). Questions, contact *Jill Gary* 443-9234 or *Wendy Stemple* 444-5920 or see **Betty Anderson**. (If inclement weather, delivery dates may change.) Forms are available in Trinity's Office.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets on **Thursday, January 28**, at 6:00 p.m. in Trinity's Fellowship Hall. They begin with a brief presentation on congregational renewal, mission, and vitality by *Nicholas Carroll*, who is a member of the “Allegheny Synod Mission Table.”



TRINITY'S MEN'S GROUP meets every Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. in Adult III across from the Office (Child Care has been using the Fellowship Hall space for elementary student classes). We welcome any men to join us for this coffee fellowship.

TRINITY'S CHILD CARE has been having a **Country Meats snack stick fund raiser**. The snack sticks are \$1.00 each, and numerous flavors are available. If you would like to purchase some, they are available in either the Child Care Office or Trinity's Office Monday through Friday. Thank you!



SEQUANOTA CONFERENCE CENTER AND CAMP is offering several mid-week *Simple, Serene, & Small Retreats* for pastors, leaders, writers, readers, and anyone who needs time away and a quiet setting. Cost: \$250, which includes 4 days and 3 nights lodging with linens and all meals. Scheduled: February 8-11; April 12-15; May 10-13. Register online at sequanota.com or contact their office at 814-629-6627.





The VISION of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church:
As thankful people of God anchored in the Gospel our vision is to reflect Jesus
in reconciliation, inclusion, diversity, and stewardship.

Trinity Worship Leadership

INTERIM PASTOR	<i>Pastor Douglas R. Knupp</i>
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC	<i>Nicholas Carroll</i>
LECTOR	<i>William Carroll</i>
ALTAR GUILD	<i>Lana Miller, Chair; Shelby Bailey; Jo Balsley; Lori and John Heiple</i>
COUNTING TEAM	<i>George Stein, Captain; Betty Anderson; Melanie Miller</i>
SOUND TECHNICIAN	<i>Chris Lloyd</i>
USHER(S)	<i>Douglas Fanale</i>
DRIVER(S)	<i>John and Becky Minnich</i>

Trinity Staff Members

Office Manager	<i>Ann Voytish</i>
P/T Computer Secretary	<i>Darlene Schafer</i>
Full-Time Sexton	<i>Douglas Fanale</i>
Part-Time Sexton	<i>Frank Kyle</i>
Child Care Director	<i>Jody Jurgeevich</i>
TLC Band Leader	<i>Don Robinson</i>

***Coming Events, Meetings, and Deadlines as of Bulletin Printing:**

- ◆ **ON BREAK:** Bells/Orff Instruments for Rehearsals and Worship Music
- ◆ **Council Meeting**—Thursday, January 28, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
- ◆ **2020 Personal Giving Statements available on Sunday, January 31**
- ◆ **Loving Jesus**—Thursday, February 11, 11:00 a.m., Adult III
- ◆ **Worship Committee**—Thursday, February 11, 6:15 p.m., Adult III
- ◆ **Ash Wednesday**—February 17 (Lent begins)
- ◆ **Finance Committee**—Thursday, February 18, 6:00 p.m.

***SOME MEETINGS** are taking place over Zoom, phone, or email due to the virus. Sometimes times or meeting rooms change also. You will be notified of these changes if you are a member of the committee/group.

CURRENT CANCELLATIONS: Adult Sunday School Classes, Confirmation Sunday Classes—watch bulletins for their schedules to resume.