

**Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church**



**June 28, 2026
5th Sunday after Pentecost
Semiquincentennial**

Good Morning and Welcome! We invite you to worship with us often, and ask if you need any assistance! If you are visiting us today, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex, please include your address and phone number. Please place your offering envelope in the plate in the Narthex. Thank You!

Remember in your prayers:

Lynn Wolfgang, Oscar & Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Betty Moore, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Becky Yescavage, Kathy Sell, Donna Day, Elaine Dotterer, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Pete Schmoyer, Mary Snyder, Linda Bewley, Mike Wyda, Marcia Auge, Vicki Mest, Greg Mest, Howard & Waynette Shafer, Nadine Lydic and Claire Burkhart.

Friends & Family:

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Joyce Kemp, Linda Gilbert, Tanner Antalosky, Melissa Allmendinger, Ashley Spencer, Catherine Muth, Parker Bass, Seth Rothenberger, Betty Moyer and Scott McCarron.

Families Of:

Ralph Rothenberger, Gerda Zimmermann, Ronald Matthews, Stanley Kuter and Kristin Yeager.

Also members, relatives and friends in the community who are serving in the military including:

Christopher Heffner, Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic and Seth Kurtz.

**Our sister congregation, the Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.
(Website: Kirche-bornaer-land.de)**

Please note: Names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, these names will then appear in the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will normally be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year. If you wish for names to remain longer, please speak to Pastor Gene, Linda Ritter or contact the Church Office. Thank you for helping us keep the prayer list current!

This morning we welcome The Finely Fluted: Kimberly Batchelder, Jocelyn Malauulu, Nancy Mest, Joanne Nagle, Marta Weller and Rashell Williams.

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Today's Worship Assistants:

Ushers: Sharon Renninger* & Linda Brunner
Lector: Sharon Kemp
Acolyte: Kathy Farrington

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God, in Loving Memory of Bob and Kitty Isett, Elmer and Annabelle Isett, and Fred and Sadie Bittenbender by Dee Berger, Kenny Berger, Jr., and Thomas and Dani Berger.

The Bulletins are presented to the glory of God by Bill & Sheila Eddinger, in Memory of Stuart Stoudt.

The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the glory of God by Linda Ritter, in Loving Memory of Daniel Ritter.

- (those who are able may stand)

Prelude by Finely Fluted

"Alleluia from Exultate
"Jubilate K 165"
"Reflections" (Shakespeare's Garden)
"The Lord's Prayer"

Announcements and Concerns

• **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are
hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our 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.

C **Amen**

P 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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage 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

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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

- **Processional Hymn** LBW# 332
"Battle Hymn of the Republic"
- **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.



• **Kyrie**



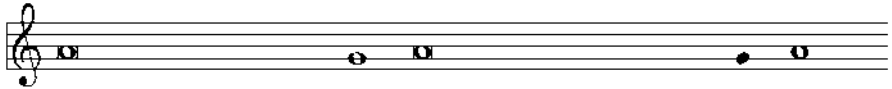
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **☩** Lord, have mer - cy.



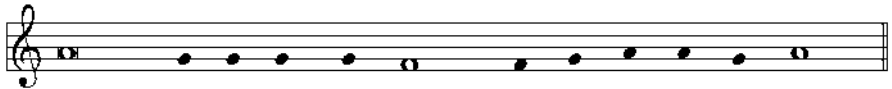
A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **☩** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **☩** A - men

• Hymn of Praise



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

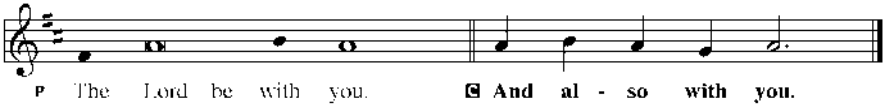


you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

- **Prayer of the Day**



- P Let us Pray . . .

C O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Through a symbolic action Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted the word of Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

⁵ The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

PSALM: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

¹Your love, O LORD, forever¹ will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will pro-¹claim your faithfulness.

²**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab-¹lished
forever you have set your faithfulness firmly¹ in the heavens.**

³“I have made a covenant with my¹ chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to Da-¹vid my servant:

⁴**‘I will establish your¹ line forever,
and preserve your throne for all¹ generations.’”**

¹⁵Happy are the people who know the¹ festal shout!
They walk, O LORD, in the light¹ of your presence.

¹⁶**They rejoice daily¹ in your name;
they are jubilant¹ in your righteousness.**

¹⁷For you are the glory¹ of their strength,
and by your favor our might¹ is exalted.

¹⁸**Truly, our shield belongs¹ to the LORD;
our king to the Holy¹ One of Israel.**

SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23

Sin is an enslaving power which motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

¹²Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

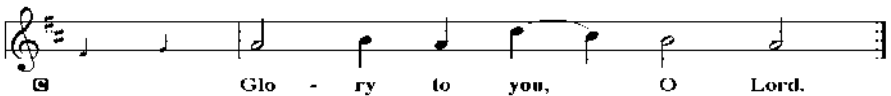
²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter



Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Special Selection by The Finely Fluted

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

LBW# 428

"O God of Earth and Altar"

• **Apostles Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at
the right hand of the Father. He will come
again 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

• **The Prayer of the Church**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in
Christ Jesus, and for all people according to
their needs.

A brief silence.

After each portion of prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy.

C hear our prayer

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

- **The 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.

- **Our Mission Statement**

P People of Trinity, what is our mission?

C We shall, as individuals and as a congregation, strive through word, worship, and witness to further the kingdom of God by knowing and sharing Christ's Love in our hearts, in our homes, in His church, in the community, and in the world.

- **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face to shine upon you and
 be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon
 you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen, Amen, Amen.**

- **Recessional Hymn** LBW# 566
 “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

Postlude by The Finely Fluted “Hallelujah”

Reprinted from Sundays & Seasons 2026

A Special Thank You to The Finely Fluted for sharing their talents with us this morning.

The Men's Choir will be singing at worship on Sunday, July 5th, there will be a practice Today, Sunday, June 28th following worship. If you wish to participate in this choir, please make plans to attend.

Pastor Gene will be on vacation Wednesday, July 1st thru Tuesday, July 7th, in case of a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Rich Moore 610-401-5602 (July 1st-4th) & Pastor Greg Frey at 484-432-4809 (July 2nd-July 7th).

We are currently on our Summer Worship Schedule, worship will be at 9AM, there will be no Contemporary Worship Service or Sunday School during July & August. We will return to our regular schedule on Sunday, September 6th.

Trinity Hoagies: "Hoagie Fundraiser" for the General Fund. 8" hoagies from Maurizio's Pizza (formerly Pappa Bernards) cost \$8.00. The hoagies will be ham, Italian and turkey (onion, no onion). There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. **Orders are due by Sunday, July 12th and pick up will be Friday, July 17th — 11:00AM-11:30AM. Please make checks payable to Dennis Schaeffer. Any questions, please see Dennis Schaeffer. Thank You for your support. Thank you also to Dennis Schaeffer for organizing this fundraiser.**

Free Will Offerings will be received the 3rd Sunday of every month, the next Free Will Offering will be Sunday, July 19th for Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes. Thank you for your support.

The Summer Music Schedule Sign Up Sheet is now posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex, if you would like to sing or play an instrument. Please sign up.

The Boyertown Director's Big Band is hosting America 250 Dance on Sunday, July 5th, 2-5PM at the Keystone Fire Hall. Tickets are \$10. Food and drinks available for purchase. To purchase tickets email DirectorsBandBoyertown@gmail.com or at Aunt Nannie's Bake Shop.

Trinity Night at the Reading Phillies Game, Saturday, August 29th. Tickets \$43.00 includes the "All You Can Eat Buffet" Game Time 6:45PM, Gates Open 4:45PM. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For more information, please see Dennis Schaeffer. PLEASE NOTE: THIS STADIUM IS CASHLESS.

Mark your calendars now for the Annual Fall Craft Show that will be held on Saturday, October 17th, more details to come.....

You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost of the flowers has increased for (1) vase \$34.00 and (2) vases \$68.00, please contact Mary Snyder. **If you wish to sponsor flowers and that date is not available, you can always sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for \$40.00. When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope "Flowers". If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder 610-473-8885 or the church office know. **If you wish to sponsor the bulletins, the cost is \$15.00 to offset the cost of printing.****

Trinity's Gift Card Program - Gift card orders are accepted before and after the church service the first Sunday of each month and distributed the second Sunday. Order forms for Redners, Giant and Raise Right (for other retail gift cards) are available in the narthex. The Raise Right order form is also available for download on Trinity's website. Payment must be submitted with your order. **Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and include your phone number on your order form.** If you have any questions regarding this fund raising program please see Sharon Kemp, Kathy Kuser or Kurt Yescavage.

Need a ride? We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Devotionals are available in the rack in the Narthex. If you enjoy the devotionals, please make a donation to help offset the cost. Thank You.

Bibles are available in the rack in the Narthex for you to reference during worship. You may also take home to reference, please return when you are finished.

Christmas Cantata CD's from former years are available on the table in the Narthex, no cost, please help yourself.

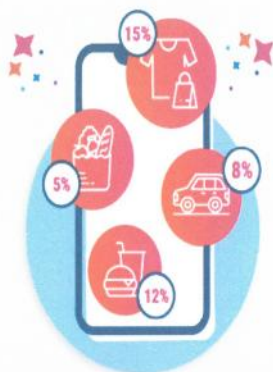
Trinity's events for the upcoming week:

Sunday, June 28th- 9:00 Worship Service
Men's Choir Practice
Wednesday, July 1st- 6:30 TLC Stitches
Sunday, July 5th- 9:00 Worship Service

**Next Week's Worship Assistants
Sunday, July 5th:**

Ushers: Cathy Yoder* & Uta Hahn

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS: 06/21/2026
Will be listed in next week's bulletin**



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A free-will offering is scheduled for the third Sunday of each month. They are as follows:

July 19 – Samaritan’s Purse Shoe Boxes

August 16 – American Foundation for
Suicide Prevention

September 20 – Boyertown Area Multi Service

October 18 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 15 – Elf Bags (Multi-Service)

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

Thank you for your contributions to these special causes!

**The Community Clothing Rack
Schedule**

1st Wednesday
Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays
Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday
Shoppers Welcome
6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday
CLOSED

Hours
1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only
June-August
9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.

In the case of inclement weather,

Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.

CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church

Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing
necessary clothing to the underserved.

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Readings for Personal Devotion



M Jeremiah 26:1-12
T Jeremiah 38:1-13
W Matthew 10:5-23
Th Micah 7:1-7
F Revelation 2:1-11
Sa Psalm 6

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Zaiser, DMin.,
Pastor

Mrs. Jennifer McCarron, Director of Music

Mrs. Karen J. Smith, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Catherine M. Yoder, Sexton

The Members of this Congregation are its
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Battle Hymn of the Republic

1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
 2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
 3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,

He is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
 He is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.
 With a glo - ry in his bo - som that trans - fig - ures you and me.

He has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:
 Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
 As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,

Refrain

His truth is march - ing on.
 Our God is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le -
 While God is march - ing on.

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O God of Earth and Altar

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1 O God of earth and al - tar, Bow down and hear our cry;
2 From all that ter - ror teach - es, From lies of tongue and pen,
3 Tie in a liv - ing teth - er The prince and priest and thrall;

Our earth - ly rul - ers fal - ter, Our peo - ple drift and die;
From all the eas - y speech - es That com - fort cru - el men,
Bind all our lives to - geth - er; Smite us, and save us all;

The walls of gold en - tomb us; The swords of scorn di - vide.
From sale and pro - fa - na - tion Of hon - or, and the sword,
In ire and ex - ul - ta - tion, A - flame with faith, and free,

Take not thy thun - der from us, But take a - way our pride.
From sleep, and from dam - na - tion, De - liv - er us, good Lord!
Lift up a liv - ing na - tion, A sin - gle sword to thee.



NATIONAL SONGS

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My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,
2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,
3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees
4 Our fa - thers' God, to thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing: Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the
Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and
Sweet free - dom's song; Let mor - tal tongues a - wake; Let all that
To thee we sing: Long may our land be bright With free - dom's

pil - grims' pride, From ev - 'ry moun - tain - side Let free - dom ring.
tem - pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.
breathe par - take; Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound pro - long.
ho - ly light. Pro - tect us by thy might, Great God, our king.

Text: Samuel F. Smith, 1808-1895
Tune: Thesaurus Musicus, London, 1744

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