

Welcome to
Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ
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GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OFFERING: Helping Hands

[Today as we collect the offering for the Helping Hands Fund you are invited to stand as you are able and offer a brief testimony of how being part of this church has had a positive impact on your life]

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Draw near to God's statutes, the Psalmist writes,

All: "So that we may observe them to the end."

One: Let us be led in the paths of God's commandments,

All: So that we may delight in the richness of God's life.

One: Worship God in honesty and forthrightness,

All: So that Christ's Spirit may perfect us for God's realm!

*INVOCATION IN SONG "Lord I Lift Your Name Up High"

Blue Song Book p. 13

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

[During the winter months, many people become concerned about the spread of germs that cause cold and flu symptoms; we invite you to participate in the tradition of passing the peace in ways that you are comfortable with while honoring the preferences of others—whether that means shaking hands or simply offering a verbal "peace to you"]

[At this time children who are interested in attending Sunday School may go to the classroom downstairs]

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

One: God of every land and nation, you have created all people and you dwell among us in Jesus Christ. Listen to prayers as we come before you, and grant that, as we proclaim the greatness of your grace, all people will know the power of love at work in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God our Source and Christ our foundation, we confess to you that we have often been careless in our construction of community. Even in the church, we do not live as if we are the temple of your Spirit, much less conform our individual lives to the wisdom of the cross. Yet you are still faithful in your love for us, calling us to be more than the world expects of us because of Christ, and filling us with the grace of your Spirit so that we may yet embody your holiness and peace. Bless us, we pray, with the gift of love, that we may see you at all times, in all people.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING PARDON

One: God offers to each one of us the gift of wisdom and the power of grace. This is not of our own doing, but comes from the very center of God's being. As we receive such gifts, we are shaped into the image of God, forgiven and whole.

All: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated)

**Oh, how He loves you and me,
Oh, how He loves you and me.
He gave His life, what more could He give;
Oh, how He loves you, oh, how He loves me,
Oh, how He loves you and me.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Joanne Duke (Lay Reader)

O God most holy, in Jesus Christ you have laid a foundation upon which to build our lives. Help us to follow your perfect law of love, that we may fulfill it and observe it to the end. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Joanne Duke (Lay Reader)

Hebrew scripture

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Gospel lesson

Matthew 5:38-48

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSIC MEDITATION

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURE: Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO OFFERING: Joanne Duke (Lay Reader)

One: In the Scriptures, God commands us to be mindful of the poor and needy in our community, and to make provisions that tend to their needs and respect their dignity. When all are afforded the chance to live and work in justice, we find that we have not lost anything, but rather that we have gained more than we could have imagined. As we offer our talents and resources today, we imitate God and God's generosity with us.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us)

PRAYER RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer O God. Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

*CLOSING HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" New Century Hymnal #386

***BENEDICTION**

Wonderful God, you call us to do the impossible:

To love our enemies, to confront injustice, to share bountifully
with the poor.

You do not give us an inch: you call us to be perfect in our imitation of you.
And yet, you give us everything:

Love abounding, the foundation of Christ, and the gift of creation.

Bless us, therefore, as we depart this place:

Give us the blessing of a faithful spirit, a willing heart, and an awareness
of your grace.

Amen!

***SUNG BENEDICTION** (inside back cover of New Century Hymnal)

***GO TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND ALL PEOPLE**

***POSTLUDE**

*indicates an invitation to stand either in body or in spirit

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WELCOME TO TRINITY!

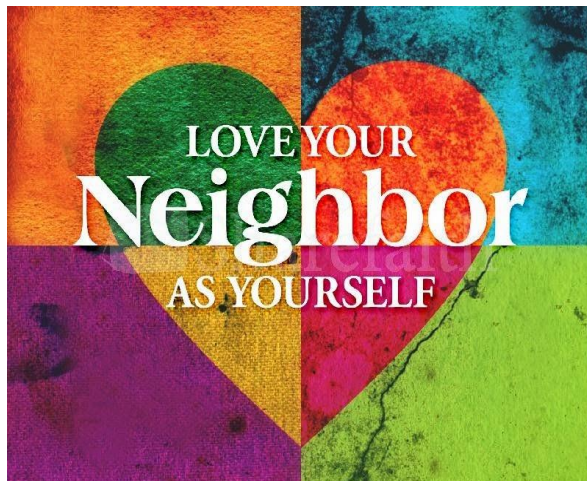
No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here - to explore your faith, to meet new people, and to strengthen your personal relationship with God. If you are a guest here today, please sign our guest book. If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please fill out the Welcome Card in the pews and put it in the offering plate.

Sunday Bulletins - Trinity offers a Children's Bulletin and a Large Print Bulletin along with the Regular Sunday Bulletin. We also have adjustable audio devices for better hearing. Each can be found in the narthex.

Bible Discussion Schedule – Today from 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm.

TRUCC's silent auction showcases the time and talents of TRUCC members. Donated items range from art, baked goods, healing, yard work and more. The silent auction items will be on display for bidding through February 18th and winning bidders will be notified the week of February 19-25.

Gertrude Hawk Chocolate Sale – We are raising funds for Trinity. The Spring Brochure Program is a simple, delicious and profitable way to raise money. The Spring Brochure Program offers over 80 delicious chocolate treats that make terrific gift and basket fillers. Sales will be till March. Brochures for ordering are in the narthex. For questions see Mary Ibach.



Today is Sunday, February 19, 2017

10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Helping Hands
Offering
1:00 pm Bible Discussion
3:30 pm LIG Meeting

Monday, February 20

8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, February 21

6:30 pm Executive Team Meeting
8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, February 22

5:30 pm KPETS
6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 23

6:30pm Lancaster Fossil & Mineral Club

Friday, February 24

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, February 25

7:00 am Feed the Hungry @Salem UCC

Sunday, February 26

10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship
1:00 pm Bible Discussion
3:30 pm LIG Meeting

Sunday mornings couldn't happen without the many disciples here at TRUCC. Volunteers are appreciated and needed. If you're interested in serving please see the volunteer sign-up sheets in the narthex.

February 26th Volunteers

Trinity Café: Helen Yohe

Greeters:

Head Usher: Karen Robinson

Lay Reader: Mary Ann Price

Children's Christian Education:
Nicole Witman, Tom Robinson
& Katie Crockett

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Shirley St. Clair

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Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Joanne Duke

Ministry of Music

Music Director, Chancel Choir Shannon Edwards

Bell Choir Director: Daniel Molkenthin

Sound Technician

Mark Cote and Charlie Miller

Ministry of Service

Trinity Café: Helen Yohe

Head Usher: Karen Robinson

Greeters:

Counter:

Children's Christian Education

Nancy Henry, Fred Hooper & Dee Koller

Floral Arrangement

Ann Groff for the Glory of God

February Greeting Cards

Mary Ann Price

Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ exists to render loving service toward humanity with Jesus as our example. We preach love, teach compassion and social justice, and welcome all into the full life and ministry of the church.