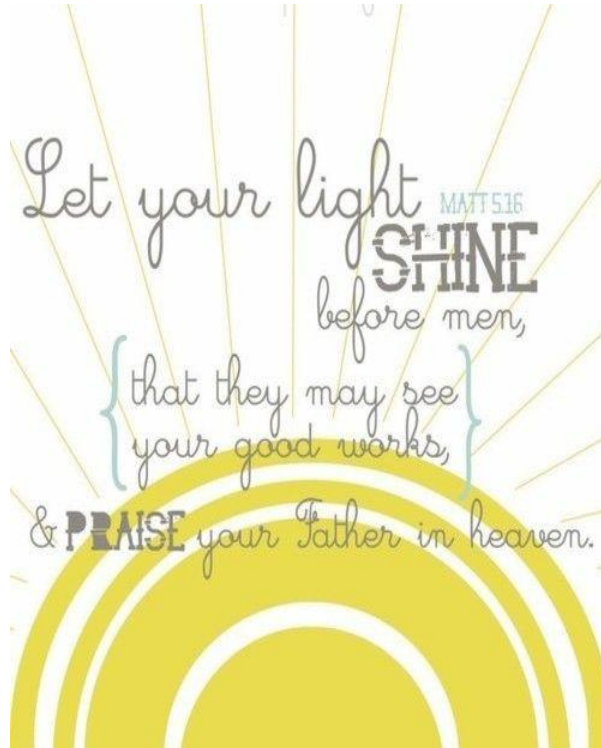


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Sunday, March 26, 2017: Fourth Sunday in Lent



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OFFERING: One Great Hour of Sharing

*INVOCATION IN SONG

“Above All”

Blue Song Book p. 95

*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: Holy Jesus, we confess that we are sometimes too complacent with our woundedness. Being so sure that we are as well as we can be, we miss the truths you would teach us. With the invitation of your love, heal our brokenness. Open our eyes to our own misunderstandings, our own failures and our own faults. Make our “shadow side” known to us and help us to diminish it with the light of your grace. For it is only when we see ourselves clearly that we can worship you truly.
In the name of Jesus, we pray our silent prayers of confession...

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVING PARDON

One: Holy Jesus, you do lighten our hearts. You do come to us where the night is deepest. You, Holy Shepherd, keep us beside the still waters and restore our souls, guiding us through all shadows to rest in your love. All praise and glory be to your sacred name. Amen.

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: Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

Discerner of hearts, you look beneath our outward appearance and see your sacred presence in each of us. Banish in us the resistance to healing that prevents us from recognizing the value of change, so we may see the world through the eyes of the Holy Spirit and with the compassion of the Christ who nourishes us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

**John 5: 1-14
Matthew 14: 13-21**

One: God is still speaking

All: Thanks be to God

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURE: Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO OFFERING: Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

Light of life, we offer to you a portion of our great blessing. Let us give to honor your love in the world, to honor your truth, to honor your forgiveness. In this One Great Hour, let us share our gifts so that many more of your children may see the light of your blessed realm
– a kingdom which cannot be hidden by the world's strife.

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

**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!**

*CLOSING HYMN “Beneath the Cross” New Century Hymnal #190

*BENEDICTION (*adapted from Matthew 5*)

One: Jesus said, “You are the light of the world.
A city on a hill cannot be hidden.”

ALL: Let us shine, Lord.

One: Jesus said again:

“Neither do you put your light under a bushel, where it cannot be seen.”

And they answered:

**ALL: No, Lord, we will put our light on a stand
where it can give light to everyone in the house.**

One: “Let your light shine before all people”
that they may come into the light.

*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

If you use social media we invite and encourage you to check in online as you attend today's service. Portions of this week's service were excerpted and adapted from **Sharing the Light: Service Prayers and Holy Communion for the Fourth Sunday of Lent** by The Rev. Marilyn Kennedy Levine

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.

Guest Speaker - The fundraising team is excited to announce that Jennie from The Stroopies Company will be here today. She will give a very short presentation about the company and their product during the morning announcements.

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

Gertrude Hawk Chocolate Sale – Candy orders are here. Your candy orders will be marked with your name on the carton in the Narthex. Please check your order for accuracy. For any corrections to your order, please contact Mary Ibach at (717) 285-7536, as soon as possible.

Worship Team Meeting – Thursday, March 30th at 7:00 pm. Anyone interested in helping to plan worship for Holy Week please join us in the Fellowship Hall.

Guild Meeting - Tuesday, April 4th, 7:00 pm. Please join us in Fellowship Hall for our monthly meeting. With the Easter season in mind, we are delighted to have the Mueller twins show us how to make an Easter craft in the shape of a cross. There will be a \$2.00 cost for the materials. Please bring your glue gun. All are Welcome.

All Church Clean-up day! – Saturday, April 8th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Please join us for an hour or the whole time. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex with the tasks that need to be completed.

Mark your calendar for Lent/Easter 2017 schedule for HOLY WEEK

- **Wednesday April 12, 6:30 pm Labyrinth Walk** at First Presbyterian Church, E. Orange Street Lancaster
- **Thursday, April 13, 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday** pot luck and communion in fellowship hall. All are welcome. Please sign the reservation list in the narthex.
- **Friday, April 14th, 7:00 pm** Good Friday Service
- **Easter Sunday, April 16:** Sunrise Service at 6:00 am at Grubb Lake in Mountville; and regular worship service Trinity UCC with communion at 10:30am.

Nolt Brothers Chicken BBQ—Saturday, April 15th in the Parking lot of TRUCC at 10:00 am - sold out. A meal for \$9.00 includes a 1/2 chicken, baked potato, drink, and snack. A limited number of 1/2 chickens will be available for \$6.00. Instead of cookies the fundraising team is asking for monetary donations to help offset the cost of the dessert which will be provided by The Stroopie Company.

The Stroopie Co. was established in 2008 in Lancaster, PA. The Stroopie Co. has two main goals as a social enterprise: To support refugees who are starting over in Lancaster by providing meaningful employment. To make high quality Stroopies to sell in Lancaster and all over the US.

Please see Charlie Miller with any questions or to make a donation. We also have the ability to accept credit card payments.

Today is Sunday, March 26, 2017
10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Guest Speaker Jennie Groff, Stroopie CEO
1:00 pm Bible Discussion

Monday, March 27
8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, March 28
6:30 pm Lions Club
8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, March 29
6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 30
7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting

Friday, March 31
No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, April 1
No Activities Scheduled

Sunday, April 2
10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Communion
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.

April 2nd Volunteers

Trinity Café:

Greeters:

Head Usher:

Lay Reader: Eileen Scion

Children's Christian Education:
Nancy Henry, Fred Hooper &
Dee Koller

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Bonnie Crone

Attendance
March 20, 201670
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Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Christine Macready

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: Susan Devecchis

Head Usher: Esther Markey

Greeters: Adella Houck & Wendy McKelvy

Counter:

Children's Christian Education

Nicole Witman, Tom Robinson & Katie Crockett

Floral Arrangement

Donated by the Guild for the Glory of God

March 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.