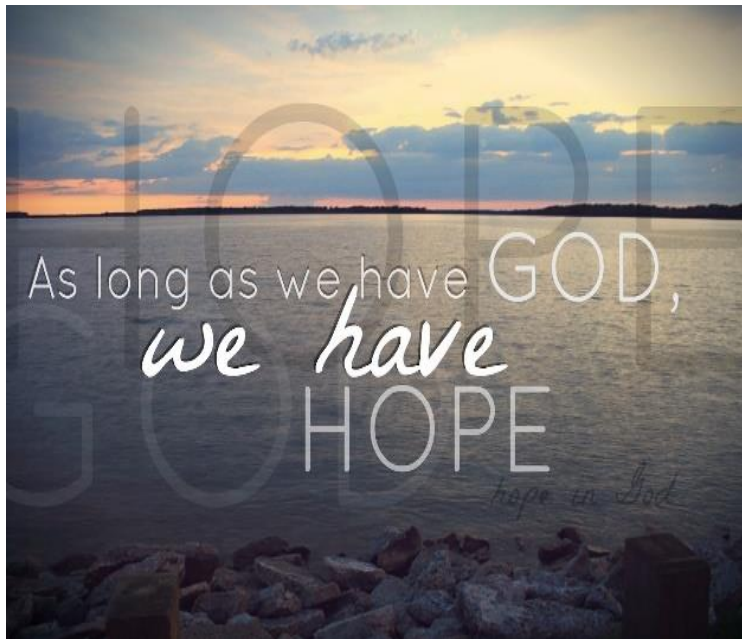


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Sunday, April 2, 2017: Fifth Sunday in Lent



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INVOCATION IN SONG “Your Grace is Enough” (see insert)

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SPECIAL MUSIC “In Christ Alone” (My hope is found)
Getty/Townend/arr. Kirkland

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: MYSTERY BOX

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

One: Revitalizing God, your power goes far beyond our own, and still we act as though the pains of this world have final claim upon us. We give in to the despair and hopelessness, not trusting in your ability to call forth new life from the brokenness that we dwell in. Forgive us for doubting your power to raise up new life in the midst of all the grief that we experience. Forgive us for wanting to limit you to “the last day” or “the world beyond this one”, not trusting you to move and act among us, within us, through us—right now, in this life. As we offer up our silent prayers of confession, open our eyes to the wonder of new life sprouting into being among us.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVING PARDON

One: Jesus calls us into new life; his word unbinds us from the weight of our past and removes those things that close us off from love. We are made free in the spirit of God, and forgiven all our sins.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated) “Majesty” Blue Song Book p. 42

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

God of consolation and compassion, pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may face our days with the hope of resurrection and faith in the One who calls us to new life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

Hebrew scripture

Psalms 130

New Testament reading

Romans 8:6-11

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURE: Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO OFFERING: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

In the season of Lent, we awake from sleep at the sound of Jesus' voice; we have a new life before us—a resurrection life not meant to be hoarded, but to be shared. As people who have responded to the call of Christ, we live in a state of thanksgiving for all that has been and hope for what is to be. We have been given a gift that is meant for all. So let us make our offerings at this altar, and pray that the spirit of God may breathe upon all of creation.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son (2x)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us" (x2)

Give thanks.

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!**

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN “This is Amazing Grace” (see insert)

*BENEDICTION

Go out into a world that needs our life, our breath, our spirit!
Go out into a world that needs the Spirit of God, carried on our lips and in our loving arms.
Go out into the world to live as God’s resurrected people! 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

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 *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers* copyright © 2002 Consultation on Common Texts admin. Augsburg Fortress, and from **Come Out! On the Breath of God, Service Prayers for the fifth Sunday of Lent** by the Rev. Elizabeth Dille

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.

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** we will share a simple meal 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. Worship Service with communion at 10:30am back at Trinity.

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.

Spring Rummage Sale - Volunteers are needed for our two-day Rummage Sale. Your help is appreciated. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Dates are April 21st. (Friday) from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and additional evening hours from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Plus April 22nd... (Saturday) from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). We will have the rummage sale by donation, instead of charging a set price per item. Frozen quarts and pints of homemade soups are available at a set price. Spread the word. Donations of spring and summer items before these dates are appreciated. No furniture accepted. Rummage Sale benefits the church building fund.

Mark Your Calendar—Mother's Day Mother Daughter Banquet, Saturday, May 13, 2017, 6:00 pm. All women are invited. You are either a daughter or someone's daughter. It is an evening of food, fellowship and entertainment. More information to come.

Today is Sunday, April 2, 2017

9:45 am Deacon Meeting
10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Communion
1:00 pm Bible Discussion
3:30 pm LIG Meeting

Monday, April 3

9:00 am Columbia Ministerium
8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, April 4

7:00 pm Guild Meeting
8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, April 5

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

Thursday, April 6

No Activities Scheduled

Friday, April 7

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, April 8

9:00 am TRUCC Clean Up Day

Sunday, April 9

10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Kenya Offering
1:00 pm UCC 101
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 9th Volunteers

Trinity Café:

Greeters:

Head Usher: Kathy Brown

Lay Reader: Bridge Hancock

Children's Christian Education:
Karen Robinson, Gladys
Drybred & Chuck Romberger

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Chuck & Bill
Romberger-Sklarosky

Attendance

March 27, 201691

March 26, 2017.....50

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Eileen Scion

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:

Head Usher: Kathy Brown

Greeters:

Counter:

Children's Christian Education

Nancy Henry, Fred Hooper & Dee Koller

Floral Arrangement

Donated by Bonnie Crone in honor of family members who have passed away

April Greeting Cards

Katie Crockett

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.