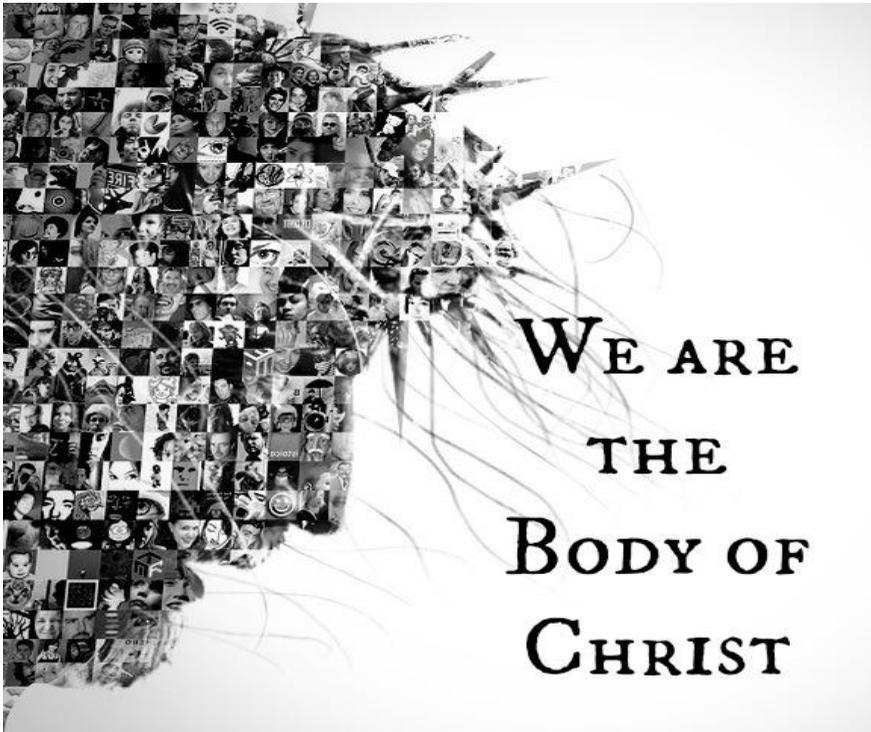


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June 5, 2016



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(based on Psalm 146)*

One: Happy are those whose hope is in God, maker of heaven and earth--

All: for God keeps faith forever!

One: God executes justice for the oppressed and gives food for the hungry.

All: God sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.

One: God lifts up those who are bowed down.

All: God watches over the strangers and upholds the orphan and the widow.

One: People of God, sing praise to the One who is your help—

All: for God keeps faith forever!

*OPENING HYMN: "God, We Thank You for Our People" New Century Hymnal #376

A TIME FOR CHILDREN AND EVERYONE

APOSTLES' CREED

New Century Hymnal, #881

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: We confess, O God, that the burdens which weigh us down also narrow our vision. Fear of scarcity makes us focus on our own survival. We regard strangers with suspicion and find it difficult to share. We speak words that we regret and keep silent when we need to speak. Weariness and discouragement sap our energy and our faith. We wonder how there could be good news that is not of our own making. We, whom you call to be an Easter people, are in need of resurrection.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING PARDON

One: In the person of Jesus, God invites us to discover the freedom and new life that God offers us. God's forgiveness heals us. God's grace dispels our weariness and discouragement. God's love clears our vision. God's compassion lifts our burdens. We are made new!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Tom Duke, Lay Reader)

One: Gracious Provider, we come before you today hungry for your wisdom. As we receive your word this day may we be sustained by your Holy Spirit of truth.

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Tom Duke, Lay Reader)

Hebrew scripture

1 Kings 17: 8-16 (p.311)

New Testament reading

1 Corinthians 10:14-17 (p. 997)

Gospel lesson

John 6:47-58 (p.929)

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

*SERMON HYMN/MUSIC MEDITATION: "Come Just as You Are" Blue Songbook p. 3

MESSAGE "Things That I've Learned from Paul, pt. 2: Communion is Sacred"
(Pastor Don)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

CALL TO OFFERING (Tom Duke, Lay Reader)

One: In today's Hebrew scripture reading, the widow thought the end was near. In a time of great drought, she had only enough meal and oil to prepare a last bit of flatbread for herself and her son. And yet, when asked, she was willing to share what she had with a stranger. With great courage, she trusted God's promise to provide for her family. Her story invites us to look at the act of sharing as an act of trust. Let us share generously and courageously because we can trust God to provide us with what we need.

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.

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.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Gracious God, we give these gifts because you ask us to share. We dedicate this offering and our lives to your service, that the hungry may be fed, the oppressed may receive justice, and the stranger may be welcomed in our midst. We offer this prayer in the name of the bearer of your good news, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN: "As We Gather at Your Table" NCH #332

COMMUNION LITURGY: (See Insert)

*CLOSING HYMN: "When Peace, Like a River (It is Well with My Soul)" NCH #438

*BENEDICTION

People of God, trust this: God keeps faith forever. Go from this place filled with new life, ready to bear the good news of God's promises. And should you find yourself feeling worried or discouraged this week, remember that today you have shared the bread and the cup of this sacred community; May the wondrous love of God, the healing power of Christ Jesus, and the bold courage of the Holy Spirit, go with you today and always. **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 **God Keeps Faith Forever: Service Prayers for the Second Sunday after Pentecost** by the Rev. Heather A. Moody.

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.

Prayer - Trinity believes in prayer. If you have a prayer request, we ask that you share it with us and put it in writing. Prayer Request Forms are in our red prayer bowl located outside the sanctuary. Once completed, place it back into the prayer bowl. Those written prayer requests will be added to our Prayer List, which is updated weekly. You will find a copy of the current list near the red bowl.

Columbia Food Bank - Cash and Check donations to the Columbia Food Bank can be always be added to your contributions to the weekly offering. Please write "FOOD BANK" on the envelope or memo line of your check.

Weekly Bible Discussion: meets Sunday afternoons from 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Sunday, June 12, 19 & 26 we will be discussing Jim Wallace's "America's Original Sin". Hope you can join us.

Annual Dine - Out Party - Tuesday, June 7th 6:00 pm at the Centerville Diner on 100 Centerville Road in Lancaster. ALL ARE WELCOME. You do not have to be a member of the Guild to attend. This meal and social time is a "pat on the back" for a good year and a good job done by all the volunteers that helped with the Guild events and fundraisers. Thank you. We appreciate your time and effort. **Please R.S.V.P. by today Sunday, June 5. There is a sign-up sheet outside the church office.**

Chicken Bar-B-Q -The next Chicken Bar-B-Q will be June 18th from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm or sold out. Check out the June Newsletter for more information.

Food Sale Fundraiser-The Guild has agreed to sell hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks and baked goods for the Lancaster Fossil & Mineral Club at the Solanco Fairground in Quarryville. Volunteers are needed Friday, June 17 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm and 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm and Saturday, June 18 from 8:00 am -12:00 pm and 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Volunteers are also needed to make soup. Please bring any food donations and baked goods to Trinity by Wednesday, June 15th. For questions please see Gail Crissey, Wanda Nace, Diane Fiebert or Katie Crockett.

Today is Sunday, June 5, 2016

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

Monday, June 6

9:00 am Columbia Ministerium
8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, June 7

6:00 pm Annual Dine-Out (Centerville
Diner)
8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, June 8

No Activities Scheduled

Thursday, June 9

No Activities Scheduled

Friday, June 10

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, June 11

11:00 am Birthday Party (Fellowship hall -
private event)

Sunday, June 12

10:00 am Trinity Café
10:30 am Worship – Kenya Offering
12:00 pm Welcome Table
1:30 pm Discussion of Jim Wallace's
America's Original Sin

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 outside the church office.

Sunday, June 12th volunteers.

Trinity Café:

Greeters: Carol Youtz &
Phyllis Cliff

Head Usher: Gail Crissey

Lay Reader: Kelly Cote

Nursery:

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Bonnie Crone

Attendance

May 31, 2015.....64
May 29, 2016.....67

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Tom 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:

Greeters: Jean Haines & Shirley St. Clair

Head Usher: Christine Macready

Counter:

Nursery:

June Greeting Cards: Nancy Henry

Floral Arrangement donated by:
Nancy Henry for the Glory of God

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.