

BETHANY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018

Church Office: 610-868-4441 Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 AM – 1 PM

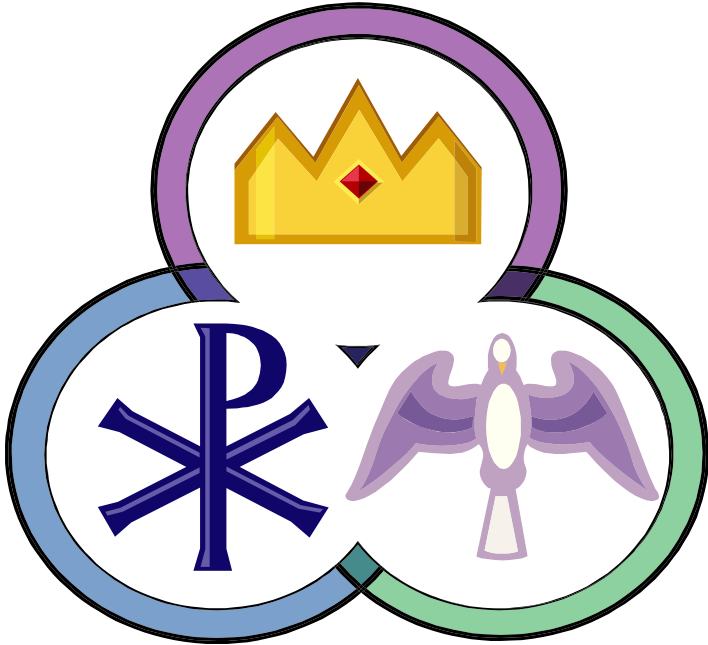
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Susan Wright, Director of Music



THREE IN ONE

June 7, 2020
Trinity Sunday

“Moving Forward United in Faith”

“Committed to Christ, United by Love. We are about God, Christ, the Word, and the Future. No matter who you are or where you are on Life’s journey, you are welcome here. We are Bethany United Church of Christ.”

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JUNE 7, 2020

10:45 AM

We welcome our friends and visitors to this Service of Worship. May this be a time of blessing for you. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become part of the community of faith and mission here at Bethany.

(*) PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

(Bold Text is said or sung by everyone)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ...Pastor Todd

PRELUDE: "Ancient of Days"

CALL TO WORSHIP

M: Let us open our hearts to the sunshine of God's love.

C: Let us open our souls to the gentle wind of God's Spirit

M: We have gathered to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

ALL: A Word that renews us again and again. Glory be to God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN: #136 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (*unison*)

God of heaven and earth, before the formation of the universe and the beginning of time, You are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by Your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory He shares with us. Glory and praise to You, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, now and forever. Amen

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON: "Mystery Trinity"

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

CALL TO PRAYER – PASTORAL PRAYER – LORD'S PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#492 "Spirit of the Living God" (*vs 1*)

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me,
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

HYMN: #148 - "Come, Thou Almighty King"

BENEDICTION

M: God, Who created us in the divine image, send us forth:

C: We go, to reflect the presence of our Creator to everyone we meet.

M: Jesus, Who has redeemed us, has established the reign of God in our midst:

C: We go, to bring healing to the broken of the world.

M: Holy Spirit, Who calls us to be God's people, go with us to many places;

C: We go, to tear down the walls that divide us, and to build lives of hope for all of God's children. May we go in peace. Amen

POSTLUDE "Glory Be To God"

AUDIO & VIDEO RECORDINGS of Bethany's Worship Services as well as a copy of the bulletin, are now available via Bethany's home page at <https://uccbethany.org> You can also visit us at www.facebook.com/BethanyUCCBethlehem. If you have an Instagram account, you can follow us @BethanyUCCBethlehem. We also invite you to tag the church in your posts and use the hashtag #BethanyUCCBethlehem to share posts and photos on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter!

GOT IDEAS? Contact the GROWTH COMMITTEE: If you have an idea and want help make it happen, whether it's a onetime event or an ongoing thing, please talk to any member of the Growth Committee: Debbie Brown, Patti Hoyt, Adrienne

Kotsko, Jenna Nguyen, or Jackie Tarasuk **The next meeting will be Monday, June 8 @ 7 PM in Snyder Chapel.**

2020 Flower and Bulletin Charts are posted on the BB on the left side of the main entrance. Please note two vases will cost \$40. A rectangular arrangement will cost \$30. Silk (S) flowers will be \$10. Bulletins will cost \$10. Be sure to indicate what type of flowers you want – real or silk.

Any questions, contact the church office.

CONSISTORY CORNER: The Consistory of Bethany has approved the opening of Bethany for meetings only in the month of June. We are tentatively looking to reopen Bethany for Sunday worship on July 5 at 10 a.m. We will keep you posted.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8

Divine Majesty and Human Dignity

To the leader: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David.

¹O LORD, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

² Out of the mouths of babes and infants

you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,

to silence the enemy and the avenger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have established;

⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them,

mortals^[a] that you care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God,^[b]

and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet,

⁷all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,

whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

9 O LORD, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (NRSV)

Final Greetings and Benediction

11 Finally, brothers and sisters,^[a] farewell.^[b] Put things in order, listen to my appeal,^[c] agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. 12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of^[d] the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSV)

The Commissioning of the Disciples

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."^[a]



Hello Bethany Family,

I miss you very much and hope that we can be together soon.

I heard recently from Bob Rapp who is the Executive Director for the Bethlehem

Emergency Shelter. As you may know the shelter for the homeless of our community had to be shut down due to Covid 19. Packed lunches are being prepared and distributed out of Christ UCC. Donation items needed for these lunches include small pop top cans of fruit, meat, peanut butter, energy and granola bars, small hand sanitizers and bottled water.

If you wish to contribute to this project you may drop off items at Bethany (inside the Market Street front door) on Mondays or Tuesdays between 9-11 am. I will see that items get delivered to Christ Church.
Thank you! Pastor Todd

PLEASE NOTE: Pastor Todd's office hours are Monday and Tuesday from 9A – Noon. Any appointments may be made by calling the church office 610-868-4441

June-July-August daily devotional booklets are available on the radiator at the rear of the church. Suggested donation is \$1.

You may submit prayer requests to Pastor Todd by email which can be shared in our worship time. His email is tnjfnl@gmail.com. Or you can call them in to the church office 610-868-4441

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

SUNDAY, JUNE 7 –TRINITY SUNDAY

10:45 A Virtual Worship

MONDAY, JUNE 8

7 P Growth Committee

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

6 P Worship Meeting

7 P Virtual Worship Recording

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

7 P Consistory meeting

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

10:45 A Virtual Worship

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING Your church still has day to day expenses to cover during these trying times.

136 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



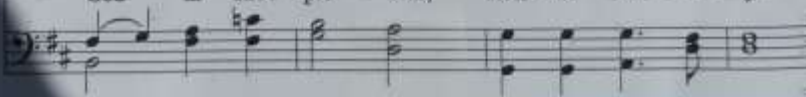
Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee,
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!



Come, Thou Almighty King 148

1 Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us thy
 2 Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy
 3 Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing, help us to praise; Fa - ther, all
 might - y sword, our prayer at - tend; come, and thy
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour; thou who al -
 prais - es be hence, ev - er - more! Thy sov - ereign

glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;
 might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore!