



Worship Service
1st Sunday after Christmas
December 27, 2020 10 am

"To build a body of committed Christ-followers who demonstrate His love daily."

Gathering Music

Welcome w/ Pastor Deanna

Announcements

*** Crossing the Threshold**

*I believe in the sun, I believe in the sun,
 even when, even when it's not shining.*

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One: The clouds begin to clear

All: The clouds begin to clear

One: The horizon starts to glow

All: The horizon starts to glow

One: The time has come

All: The time has come

Lighting of the Advent Wreath w/ Worship Team

One: Holy One, we thank you for the glimpses we have caught throughout this season of Advent and Christmas of your gifts of hope, love, joy, and peace. Even in the midst of fear, of challenge, of struggle - even when we have not been sure of tomorrow, you have ignited the Light within us,

All: ...and we have glowed with its brilliance from the inside out.

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 even when, even when it's not shining.*

Prayer

One: Help us continue to proclaim far and wide that the time has come for light to be among all people.

All: Amen.

*** Opening Hymn**

Angels from the Realms of Glory

*** Pastoral Prayer**

Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Special Music

Glory to God

Gospel Lesson Luke 2:22-40 (NRSV)

Message w/ Pastor Deanna

"Believe This: The Time Has Come"

*** Closing Song**

The First Noel, the Angel Did Say

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

*** Response** *"Come On Ring Those Bells"*

** Those who are able, please stand*

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Facemasks are required when entering the Church and the entire Worship Service. Practice social distancing also.

TODAY'S HELPERS IN MINISTRY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor - Rev. Deanna Geiter

Music Director - Colette Schindler

Secretary - Deb Shuey

Treasurer - Sheila Seaman

Email Prayer Chain Contact - trinitylickdale@gmail.com

(If you have a joy or concern that you would like prayer for contact the church office at 717-865-4361 or Pastor Deanna at 717-989-0333 or send an email to trinitylickdale@gmail.com.)

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Birthdays and Anniversaries This Week



Tyler McFeaters - December 27

Judy Warner - December 28

Bruce Boltz - January 2

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES - Are on the cart in the multi. purpose room.
REMINDER - Write 2021 on your checks for the New Year!

CHURCH MAILBOXES - Don't forget to check your mailbox in the multi. purpose room. Contact the church if you would like your mail sent to you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - For all ages has been canceled until further notice.

CHURCH COOKBOOKS - \$10 each and would make a great gift or keepsake! Contact the church office to purchase or see Katie Werner.

CHURCH DIRECTORY CHANGES - The church will be printing new directories in January. If you have any changes to your information in the directory (mailing address, phone number, family, etc.) please write down the changes and give to Deb Shuey or send an email to the church with the changes requested.

2021 ALTAR FLOWER CHART - The Altar Flower Chart is on the board in the multi. purpose room. Altar flowers are \$25 for both vases or \$12.50 if sharing a Sunday with another family. A great way to honor or remember someone. Questions Deb Shuey.



Family Christmas Film Festival

First Sunday after Christmas: *The Polar Express* - Believe

Bible Verse:

Luke 2: 29-30 - *Now, master, let your servant go in peace according to your word, because my eyes have seen your salvation.*

These are the words of a good man, Simeon, who has just seen the baby Jesus with his own eyes and held Jesus with his own hands. Now let's watch a movie that asks if we can believe in things...even things we can't see.

Talking Points:

- A good place to pause - Following the scene where the Polar Express gets back on track after sliding on the ice, it spirals up the tracks around a mountain. The conductor is talking to Hero Girl and Hero Boy (the main character) and says, "Sometimes seeing is believing. And sometimes the most real things in the world are the things we can't see."
- Pause and say:
Listen to these words from **Hebrews 11:1** - *Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.*

What are some things that we might not be able to see with our eyes or hear with our ears, but are real? [below are a few examples]

Air

The way a song makes you feel

The memory of something funny your pet did

Love

Hope

- And we can believe in the amazing power of God who makes all of those blessings, and many more, real.
[Continue watching the movie but note - right after this pause is a scene where Hero Boy gets disoriented in a train car with lots of marionettes and a Scrooge puppet. It might be a little intense for the very young, so this could be a spot where you fast forward a bit. Just wanted you to have a heads up.]
- As you reach the scene where Santa makes his big entrance, encourage the children to pay careful attention to the main character and how he responds to the sleigh bell he finds.

After-Movie Discussion:

- When Santa entered, all the children and elves were excited, except the main character. He still couldn't see Santa through the crowd. He wanted to believe so much, but still wanted to see first. Then a sleigh bell rolled his way. What happened next?
He tried ringing it but couldn't hear anything.
He said, over and over, "I believe."
Then he could hear the bell ringing...and he saw Santa's reflection in the bell.
- There's a saying that "Seeing is believing." The main character discovered in that moment that sometimes, believing is seeing (or hearing).
- For the rest of his life, he would be able to hear the bell - "Though I've grown old, the bell still rings for me, as it does for all who truly believe."

Prayer:

Loving God,
We believe in Jesus.
We believe in love.
We believe in you.
Amen.

Welcome to:

✠ **Trinity United Methodist Church - Lickdale**

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Church office hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 1 pm
Pastor drop-in office hours: Monday thru Thursday 10 am to 1 pm

Eastern PA Conference ~ The United Methodist Church
West District
Rev. Peggy A. Johnson, Bishop
Rev. Bumkoo Chung, District Superintendent

Before Worship ~ Speak to God
During Worship ~ Let God
Speak to You
After Worship ~ Speak to Others

Vision Statement ~

We believe we have been called to reveal that God is real and relevant in people's lives and in our community. We strive to do this by...

- Identifying and reaching the unsaved with the Gospel and the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- Offering ministries to support and strengthen the family.
- Becoming a seven day a week church that is committed to Spiritual growth through: worship, Christian education, Bible study, prayer, support, accountability, small groups and Christian fellowship.
- Continuing our caring outreach with diversity that touches our church, community, nation and world.
- Providing dynamic worship that is God-centered, Spirit-filled and Biblically based.
- Identifying the spiritual gifts of each person and employing them in ministries that match their gifts.

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