



Worship Service
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 11, 2024 10 am

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

Passing of the Peace

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude w/ the Worship Team (screen)

That Where I Am

Call To Worship (screen) (2 Corinthians 4:3-10 ESV)

One: And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

All: For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ!

One: But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

All: We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair;

One: persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

All: always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies!

*** Songs of Praise (screen)**

I'm Trading My Sorrows
Better Is One Day

Unison Prayer (screen):

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Moment of Silence before God

Sung Prayer for Illumination (screen)

*Prepare the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord,
 And all people will see the salvation of our God... (2xs)*

Scripture Lesson (screen) w/ Chris Werner

2 Kings 2:1-14

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sharing of Praises and Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Special Music (screen)

My Jesus

Doxology (screen)

Children's Message w/ Pastor Brian

(Children 3rd Grade and younger may leave for Jr. Church in Fellowship Hall.)

Message w/ Pastor Brian Rhea (Mark 9:2-10)

Looking Ahead to Look Behind

Reflection and Prayer

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostle's Creed (screen)

*** Closing Song (screen)**

The Family Prayer Song

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

*** Response (screen)**

** Those who are able, please stand*

TODAY'S HELPERS IN MINISTRY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor - Brian Rhea

Keyboardist - Caris Rhea

Worship Band Leader - Bernie Rollman

Secretary - Deb Shuey

Treasurer - Kevin Dreibelbis

Sound Technician - Josiah Rhea

Jr. Church - Brooke George

Ushering Team - Sue & Jeff Werner

Head Usher - Larry Kreiser

Prayer Request - If you have a joy or concern that you would like prayer for contact the church office at 717-865-4361 or Pastor Brian at 908-499-7097 or send an email to trinitylickdale@gmail.com.

PRAYER AND HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursdays at 11 am in the Sanctuary. A simple service of Scripture, sharing, extended time for prayer, and gathering at the Lord's Table.

All are welcome.



The Joyful Noise Offering for February was \$771.59 to benefit New Covenant School Senior Mission Trip (Caris Rhea). \$601.59 was given in the collection plate through loose change and \$170 is Trinity UMC's tithe from the Daycare income.

Birthdays and Anniversaries This Week

Nancy Westhafer - February 11

Kim McFeaters - February 13

Owen McKnight - February 13

John Mengel - February 16

Kevin Reichert - February 17

Dan & Sheila Seaman - February 14



This Week's Calendar: February 11 to 18

Sunday
 9 am Sunday School for all ages
 10 am Worship Service

Tuesday
 9 am Koffee Klatch (Quilting Group)
 7 pm Ad Council Meeting

Wednesday
 6 pm Worship Team Practice
 7 pm Lenten Service at Jonestown UMC

Thursday
 11 am Prayer and Holy Communion Service

Sunday
 9 am Sunday School for all ages
 10 am Worship Service
 6 to 7:30 pm Trinity Kidz Group

“JESUS” SIGHT & SOUND DVD - You are invited to view “Jesus” DVD from Sight & Sound today, Sunday, February 11th at Emmanuel UMC (6 Boundary Road Ft. Indiantown Gap) from 2 to 4 pm.



NL UMC LENTEN SERVICES - Theme will be “God’s Love Story”. Our local United Methodist Churches will be gathering together at 7 pm each Wednesday during Lent. Refreshments following service.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Pastor</u>
February 14	Jonestown UMC	Pastor Brian Rhea
February 21	Ono UMC	Pastor Tom Robinson
February 28	Bellegrove UMC	Pastor Robb Faller
March 6	Emmanuel UMC	Pastor Al Smith
March 13	Trinity UMC	Pastor Tim Smith
March 20	Fredericksburg UMC	Pastor Matt Whayland

A refreshment sign up sheet is on the table in the lobby to sign up for snacks for Wednesday, March 13th. Questions see Judy Warner.



TRINITY KIDZ GROUP - Sunday, February 18th from 6 to 7:30 pm. Group is for kids Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Join us for *Walk Through the Bible* lesson time, games, fellowship and snacks. Questions contact Jan Rhea.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY - Monday, February 19th from 7 to 8:15 pm. Men meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Bring your Bible and come out for an evening of fellowship and studying God’s Word. Questions see Terry Binkley.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY - Monday, February 19th at 7 pm. Women will finish studying Ephesians and start the Daily Guideposts (40 Devotions for Lent). See Deb or Judy for a copy of the guide. Bring your Bible and join us for fellowship, discussion and prayer. Questions see Deb Shuey or Judy Warner.

MINISTRY SIGN-UP - Sign-up sheets for Greeters, Scripture Readers and Jr. Church Teachers are located on the table in the lobby. Sign up for a week.

BAPTISM OR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP - Would you like to find out more about being baptized or church membership? Contact Pastor Brian (cell: 908-499-7097; enoch153@gmail.com).

VISIONING “POTLUCK” BREAKFAST FOR TRINITY UMC - Saturday, March 2nd at 9 am. How can we better serve God as a congregation? Come and share your ideas as we prayerfully seek God’s vision for our church! Bring a breakfast item to share. Questions see Pastor Brian.

NL UMC FOOD DISTRIBUTION - Saturday, March 9th at 1 pm (while supplies last) in the parking lot at Jonestown UMC.

EASTER FLOWERS - Order forms are on the table. Forms and money can be given to Kitty Werner or Deb Shuey by Sunday, March 3rd or place in the offering plate in an envelope marked Easter Flowers. Easter lilies or mums (yellow/white/pink) \$7 each.

RELEASE TIME UPDATE - We have the great problem of being FULL (with a waiting list)--72 third grade students join us each week for Bible lessons. *We need a few more teachers and helpers to ensure we have two adults in each of the eight classrooms.* Release Time meets every Thursday, through April, from 10-11 am at Fredericksburg UMC. People interested in helping, weekly or occasionally, should contact Dale Snader at 283mail@comcast.net or 717-269-4633

NORTHERN LEBANON SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER - See bulletin board for information and activities for February. Center is for those who are 60 and older and want to meet new people, fellowship and learn new activities.



SCUBA VBS

July 7 to 11 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
 3 years old through 6th Grade
 If you would like to volunteer, see Gay Kreiser or Deb Shuey.

The season of Lent is a 40-day season of fasting recalling Jesus' fast in the wilderness (Luke 4:1-11), lasting from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday. (You'll note that this is actually 46 days; that's because Sunday is always a celebration of the Lord's resurrection, so the six Sundays are not included as fast days.) Fasting has not been a popular discipline among American Christians, but Jesus expected his disciples to fast (Matthew 6:16-18; 9:14-15). I encourage you to look over the following "Guide to Fasting" as you prepare for Lent this year. Fasting should cause enough disruption in our normal routine that it calls our attention to God, but not so much disruption that we become focused on the fasting instead of God. Fasting is not an end in itself, and you're not "holier" if you fast more (or less!). The purpose of fasting is to help us grow in love for God and our neighbor. I've tried each of these suggestions at some point in my Lenten journeys; some of them I've decided don't work well for me, and others I find old friends that help me experience God afresh each year.

GUIDE TO FASTING

The Triune God has created all things and called them good. He bids us receive his good gifts with thanksgiving, but he also calls us to fast and to practice self-control. Christians have honored this two-fold truth by celebrating alternating seasons of fasting and feasting in the Church year; for instance, the fifty-day feast of Easter is preceded by the forty-day fast of Lent. But fasting is often ignored in our Western culture. Here are some suggestions (not rules) for different ways to fast. Fasting is both taking something out of our lives and replacing it with something else. Find ways for God to more fully saturate your life.

+ Disobey your thirst. One purpose of fasting is to teach us self-control. "People are slaves to whatever masters them" (2 Peter 2:19). Intentionally abstaining from our cravings demonstrates that Jesus, not our stomach, is our true Lord. It also identifies with the billions throughout the world who are unable to satisfy their every desire.

- + Fast on Wednesday and Friday. From the first century, Christians have set these days apart for fasting. John Wesley desired the Methodists to keep these fasts each week.
- + Fast from food. Total abstention from food (and sometimes drink) is the primary Biblical model of fasting.
- + Fast from meat. Throughout history, meat has been the food of the wealthy. The Church has traditionally suggested abstaining from this delicacy during periods of fasting. Fasting from dairy products has also been encouraged.
- + Fast from dessert. We read of Daniel fasting from delicacies, meat, and wine (Daniel 10:3).
- + Fast from coffee, soda, etc. Examine how much of your diet is given to unnecessary trifles. Prove in your actions, "God, I love you more than coffee."
- + Fast from entertainment. Entertainment may not be evil by nature, but it is superfluous.
- + Let the money you may save fasting from food or entertainment be given to the poor. This is the kind of fast God delights in (Isaiah 58:7).

Be attentive to your physical needs; not all of us can fast by forgoing food and drink. But all of us can eat less, and eat more simply, than we normally do; and all of us can rearrange our time in ways to create more space for God.

40 days
OF LENT

Welcome to:

 **Trinity United Methodist Church - Lickdale**

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 Trinity United Methodist Church - Lickdale

Church office hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 1 pm
Pastor drop-in office hours: Tuesday thru Thursday 11 am to 1 pm

Eastern PA Conference ~ The United Methodist Church West District
Rev. John Schol, Bishop
Rev. Jennifer Freymoyer, 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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