

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2022 Our Children's Christmas Program

Trinity United Church of Christ 600 Main Street Berlin, Pennsylvania

Prelude

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen – Diane Bish Away in a Manger – Diane Bish

Welcome and Announcements:

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here at Trinity United Church of Christ.

*Call to Worship

All God's people— Boys and girls, women, men:

Come and worship!

Shepherds, Magi, saints, and angels:

Come and worship! Come and worship!

All who need the Savior, all who long for comfort:

Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn King!

We pray God keeps our children close to Him, and that He gives them a desire to serve others. Amen!

Enjoy our "Children's Program"

The 12 Symbols of Christmas

Written by Felicia Mollohan
A mom is decorating her home with her children. As they add different items to their home, they discuss the meaning behind each item and how they all lead to Jesus

Produced and directed by Amy Clark
Assistant Directors:
Jean Hart, Missy Miller, Amanda Custer & Alissa Wright

Cast:

Mom – Alissa Wright Sandy – Lucy Wright Susie – Kaitlyn Miller Sally – Elizabeth Hart Sammy – Matt Miller Reader 1 – Cohen Clark Reader 2 – Colton Custer

Decorators:
Clayton Coulter
Easton Coulter
Carter McClain
Nathan Spangler
Knox Stiffler
Tatum Stiffler

Thank you all for your hard work and taking the time to share this program with all of us!

You are all truly a blessing!

Every child born into the world is a new thought of God, an ever fresh and radiant possibility.

*Hymn No. 145

O Come All Ye Faithful

*Presentation of the Offering – Singing of the Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Offering Prayer:

Heavenly Father, grant that the gifts we have placed on your altar this morning may be an accurate expression of the deep appreciation we feel toward our only Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

*Benediction

Go in peace to "love" and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*Response - Sung with Dismissal

Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

*Going Forth

Postlude

Fum, Fum - Mark Hayes



Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Lew & Barb Berkley, Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Debbi Luteri, Lois Saylor.

Healing Concerns:

Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Jason Benning, Jim Benoit, Carol Boyer, Rhonda Brown, Terry Coslic, Jim Coughenour, Pam Crooks, John Durst, Reon Engleka, Alvin Harbaugh, Mary Jane Harding, Andrea (Shaulis) Harris, Larry Hay, Barry Landis,

Brenda & Larry Leister, Larry McCullen, Bonnie Murphy, Grace Pritts, James Robb, Greg Shaulis, Nancy Schrock, Tracey Smith, Avis Specht, Kelly Tharp, Larry Tinkey, Adeline Vieregge, Robin Walker, Caleb Wedding, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, Gerald Zorn

The Saints In Action

TODAY –Fourth Sunday of Advent – Children's Program 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:10 Sunday School

Monday – 5:00 Adopt A Child Wrapping Party

Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. Trinity Bell Rehearsal

Next Saturday – Candlelight Service 11:00 p.m.

Next Sunday – Christmas Morning Service 9:00 a.m. No Sunday School

Giving From 12/11/22

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$3928.00	\$2434.93	\$1493.07
Ben	\$460.00	\$213.46	\$246.54
Maint	\$250.00	\$163.46	\$86.54
Mem	\$0.00		
Total	\$4638.00	\$2811.85	\$1826.15

Benevolence includes Donations to Food Pantry of \$65

Worship Attendance: 83 Sunday School: 34

Where You May Find. . .

The Nursery: is on the lower level for children and their parent. A big screen TV is mounted in the room so that you may watch the service.

At the Sanctuary Entrances. . .

Large Print Bulletins
Recycling Boxes for Bulletins

Hearing Amplifiers
These Days – Devotional

Assisting in Worship

Sound: Gaye Maust (Board), Tyler Gindlesperger (Camera)

Acolytes: Lily Countryman

Ushers: Bob Brown, John Wisler

The Flowers on the altar in memory of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saylor, sisters, Mary, Phyllis and Helen, brother Richard; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Barron by Carl & Karol Saylor

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Church Secretary: Pam Bush & Jean Ann Darr Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick Handbells: Jeanne Hillegas Virtual Organist: Rick Kimmel

Consistory Elders:

Tom Calvert, President, 814-267-3771 Rus Ogburn, Vice President, 814-267-5650 Alan Brick, 814-267-6628

Consistory Deacons:

Amy Clark, Jean Ann Darr, Ann Slifco Leanna Coughenour, Gale Hay, John Wisler Alissa Wright, Debbie Boyer, Gaye Maust

Newly Elected Consistory Members:

Tom Croner, Amanda Custer, Sheron Engleka, Julie Petro

Church Office Hours – Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Church Office Phone: 814-267-3234 Mailing Address: PO Box 86, Berlin, PA 15530

Email: <u>berlinucc@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>www.berlinucc.org</u>

Adopt A Child Wrapping Party is scheduled for December 19th at 5:00 p.m. If anyone is interested in helping to wrap the Adopt-A-Family gifts, please come! We do have some wrapping paper but please feel free to bring extra along with scissors and tape. We will conclude our evening with some food and fellowship so if you would like please bring a favorite dish to share.

Birthright Christmas Tree

Please stop by fellowship hall and visit the Birthright Giving tree. Do anything you can to help young mothers who are struggling to provide for their babies.

The Parsonage Conference Room Sunday School Class will be following this schedule until the end of the year:

Dec 18 – Who Needs Christmas

This class will not be meeting on Dec 25th or Jan 1st.

This class is open to adults of **ALL** ages and is led by Sue Coughenour. *Come join us!*

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Please join us for a special candlelight service on December 24th at 11:00 p.m. Our virtual organist, Rick Kimmel, will be playing live! Conference Minister, David Ackerman, will be leading us in worship, our Trinity Bells will be ringing, and we will be singing the praises of our Lord.

Christmas Day Service

Pastor Art Gotjen will lead us in prayer and a short message. Marlene Gotjen will be playing the piano. Together we will share in the blessings of Christmas Day and sing carols of choice as received in weeks prior to the service.

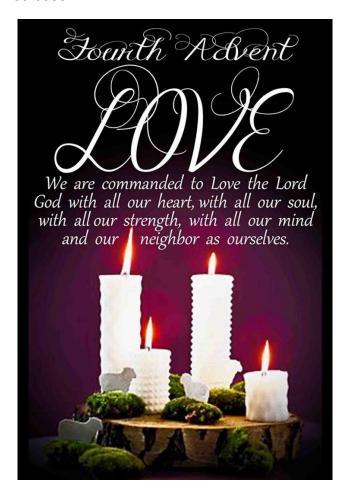
Do you have a favorite Christmas Carol?

We are asking for requests for your favorite Christmas carol to be played at the Christmas morning service. Please let us know so that we can get the music to Marlene. Let's sing our favorites!

New Year's Day Service

We will be having a 9:00 a.m. service on New Year's Day.

Pastoral Care: For those in need of pastoral care please contact Tom Calvert, President of Consistory at 814-267-3771, who will arrange for a pastor to provide comfort and assurance in a time of crisis. If you need **immediate** pastoral care, contact Jay Shaffer at 814-483-0398.



Go Now In "Peace", "Hope", "Joy" and "Love"
Have a Blessed Week