

## A Message of Gratitude

I was both pleased and surprised when the congregation presented me with a basket of flowers for my 1-year anniversary with Trinity. (Article on page 3.)

The flowers are still blooming! This brings to mind a few verses that remind me to always be grateful to God.

*"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!"*

1 Chronicles 16:34

*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus!"*

Philippians 4:4-7

All too often when I pray to the Lord, I go to my petitions first, praying for what I need when I know that my prayers should always start with thanking God for all God's many blessings. Your gift of remembering my first year, reminds me to always begin with a thank you to Almighty God for all God does.

The peace of God that Paul explains about in Philippians is an incalculable gift that we, who belong to Christ, are the beneficiaries of. What an incredible, awesome gift! How do we get this amazing gift? By rejoicing always in God, and letting our actions reflect the words we read in the Holy Scriptures!

I thank God for you as I endeavor to do all I can to preach, teach, and serve Trinity UMC to the best of my ability.

*Pastor Jessica*



August 28

First Day of School  
City & County



*Father, let every spirit of doubt, fear, unbelief and disobedience, in my life be consumed by Your fire and that August be blessed for me and my household. Our going out shall be a blessing, and our coming back shall be a blessing in Jesus name. Amen*

## Did you know?

**Senior Citizens have a holiday! In 1988 President Ronald Reagan declared August 21 to be Senior Citizens Day - created to bring awareness of social, health and economic issues that affect senior citizens.**

*Carol Y*

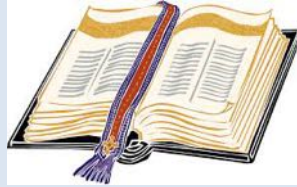


## WANTED...

Have you considered singing in the choir, singing a solo, or playing an instrument in church? If so, see our Music Director, Carol Hollich! The choir returns to the Choir Loft on September 10 to help with an *Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing* (see article on page 2). The fall season kicks-off with a covered dish choir picnic at the Hollichs and short rehearsal on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Please consider adding your voice to our choir!

## AUGUST WORSHIP LEADERS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Liturgist</u>
Aug. 6	Barb Querry
Aug. 13	Dea Kishpaugh
Aug. 20	Gloria Clark
Aug. 27	Keith Earle



If you are unable to serve as lay reader, please call... 717-838-2812

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 5 Elmer Fair  
August 7 Chris Daubert  
August 8 Beverly Smith  
August 9 Alisha Geist  
August 10 Karen Neblock  
August 12 Tony DeJesus  
August 12 Brenda Olmstead  
August 23 Bill Thompson  
August 25 Rachel Brossman

## SAVE THE DATE

### Trinity Bazaar - November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Our Bazaar Committee met and decided to have a "small" Bazaar for the Lebanon community on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00. Current plans include a Silent Auction, hot dogs in front of the church, and other Bazaar goodies! Please consider what you can make... or items you can donate for the Silent Auction.

More importantly... **WE NEED YOU**... not only to help set-up (which will start in mid-September) and spread the word, but your presence on November 3<sup>rd</sup> to help greet the guests, man the booths, & assist in cleaning-up!

We will also be participating in Lebanon's First Friday Art Walk since November 3<sup>rd</sup> is The art walk date, as well!

Note to self...  
I will pray for those who hurt me. God sees all. He is my defender. He doesn't want me to become angry, bitter, anxious or afraid. In His time, He will reveal all that is hidden and make right all the wrongs.

### Next Meeting Rachel Circle August 8 - 1:30

The Rachel Circle led by Marilyn Smith will gather on August 8 to complete a study of *Experiencing the Spirit* by Blackaby in the Trinity Parlor at 1:30. Books under consideration for their next study include, *Knowing Jesus* by Dr. David Jeremiah, *Experiencing the Resurrection*, and *Experiencing the Cross*, (both by Blackaby). All are invited to join in this afternoon of study, fun and fellowship.

### Thanks Trustees!

It's great to again have the air conditioning in the sanctuary. Thanks to the trustees for all your work in keeping the church building cleaned, cooled, and items fixed. We appreciate all you do to keep our Trinity building in tip-top shape!



### HYMN SING



On Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> during the 9:15 worship service, we will have an old-fashioned hymn sing. Please let us know your favorite songs by filling out a card and placing it on the offering plate at the church or sending an email to Carol ([carolhollich@comcast.net](mailto:carolhollich@comcast.net)). Requests received by August 15<sup>th</sup> will be included in the planning of the hymns (or praise songs). Be there to praise the Lord in song!



### Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Throughout the year the pastor is asked to help members of Trinity or the community as they go through difficult times. Please consider helping those in need by making a special gift marked for the "Pastor's Discretionary Fund".



**August 1** – You are invited to *Celebration Villa* (Elmcroft) at 1:30 to join the choir in leading a 2:00 Hymn Sing for their residents.

**August 2** – SPRC Meeting at 7:00 via Zoom.

**August 3** – Worship Team meeting at 7:00 via Zoom

**August 6** - Communion

**August 14** – Ad Board Meeting at 7:00 via Zoom

**Sept. 3** – Communion

**Sept. 5** – Choir picnic and rehearsal at the Hollich's at 5:30 p.m.

**Sept. 10** – Old fashioned Hymn-Sing at the 9 :15 service

## Pastor Jessica's 1<sup>st</sup> Year at Trinity

On July 2 we celebrated Pastor Jessica's first year at Trinity with refreshments after the service and a floral bouquet on the altar. We thank the congregation for their help in making her time with us a smooth one. Her office hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9:00 to 12:00. If you wish to speak directly with her, her cell phone number is 570-216-7301.



Over the past year in addition to preparing Sunday Worship Services and visiting with members of the congregation, she has prepared monthly prayer booklets that are available in the church parlor or can be sent upon request via email or snail mail. She also takes communion to *Willow Terrace* on the first Sunday of the month and conducts a worship service for the residents of the *American House* on the third Sunday of the month. She loves to have congregational helpers with these projects. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she continues to lead us in the upcoming days and months.

## MISSION PROJECT - STUFF THE BUS!



*Donations for our annual Stuff the Bus Campaign will be accepted until July 28. See Dea Kispagha for needed items and the latest details!*



grant me the serenity  
to accept the things  
I cannot change;  
courage to change  
the things I can,  
and wisdom to know  
the difference.

Let me begin by thanking all of you for your prayers, messages, cards, and thoughts during this loong time of recovery. I am reminded again and again that the title of my last sermon was, **"God, Give Me Patience...NOW!"** The last couple of weeks I've been thinking that the Lord may be subtly suggesting that it's time to go back and reread the book of "Job."

Today marks 8 weeks since my spinal surgery. I am hopeful that this marks the start of a turn- around in being able to do some things - like physical therapy, walking, and writing and using the computer. It's been a long haul getting here - and added a lot to Gloria's daily agenda. The first couple of days were spent trying to work the anesthesia out of my system (translation: slept a lot). Then, a UTI showed up. The first course of antibiotics was too short, so there was an afternoon-long trip to the emergency room and more antibiotics (translation: another week of sleep).

There seemed to be light at the end of the tunnel - until I fell on July 4<sup>th</sup> ! It was in the bedroom. I was looking at something on my dresser when my legs gave out without warning. I was wearing the neck brace, and Gloria broke my fall. This had never happened before. It's apparently thought to be an episode of low blood pressure - but it shook my self-confidence about moving around and was a setback. That's the update.

Again, Thank you for your continued prayers, thoughts, and messages. Looking forward to being able to again visit with you in person. Your Pastor of Visitation,

*Rick Clark*



**Prayer for Our Church**

Dear Lord,  
 We pray for our church family and all of those on our sick and shut-in list. Grant them healing, mercy, and grace. We pray for all who are suffering and pray for your Holy intervention into every situation that needs your loving, guiding, comforting hand. O Lord, help us to continue to magnify your name with gladness and praise you in all that we do.

We humbly pray for not just our church to grow, but for the growth of the body of Christ universal. Bless us O Lord, that we may shine your light so that others may see you clearly and follow you in the way we should go. In the Name of Jesus the Christ our Lord and Savior We Pray. Amen.



*In Our Thoughts & Prayers*

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| <i>The Baron family</i>         | <i>The Bastien family</i>          |
| <i>Vera Brumbaugh</i>           | <i>Jill Brickley</i>               |
| <i>The Brossman family</i>      | <i>Penny Brown</i>                 |
| <i>The Clark Family</i>         | <i>Joyce Dissinger</i>             |
| <i>Dan Earle</i>                | <i>Gail Emerich</i>                |
| <i>The Geist family</i>         | <i>Kim Hollich</i>                 |
| <i>The Jacobs family</i>        | <i>Wilson Justiniano</i>           |
| <i>Tom Leahy</i>                | <i>Steve Miller &amp; family</i>   |
| <i>Karen &amp; Bob Neblock</i>  | <i>Linda Perini</i>                |
| <i>Alissa Plant</i>             | <i>Pastor Jessica &amp; family</i> |
| <i>Don &amp; Bonnie Sherman</i> | <i>Marie Smith</i>                 |
| <i>Marilyn Smith</i>            | <i>Snyder family</i>               |
| <i>Reba Sterner family</i>      | <i>Jack Stouffer</i>               |
| <i>Pat Swartz &amp; family</i>  | <i>Joyce Twigg &amp; family</i>    |
| <i>Judith Wentzel</i>           | <i>Wire family</i>                 |
| <i>Carol Yeagley</i>            | <i>Dave Wease &amp; family</i>     |
| <i>George Wilkins family</i>    | <i>Walt &amp; Kathy Zehring</i>    |
- Our Church, Community, Country, and World Families & recovering victims of crime & abuse*  
*Issues surrounding the Ukraine*  
*All who are sick & shut in & their caretakers*  
*An end to war, hatred, divisiveness, & oppression*  
*All those devastated by natural disasters*  
*Our men and women in uniform*  
*Traveling mercies for safe & refreshing vacations*  
*Safety for Children & Youth from worldly values*

**A Prayer for August**

Dear Lord, We are blessed with the opportunity to thank you, and praise your Holy Name. We thank you for all you do every day, for blessings seen and unseen. We pray O Lord that we can always remember your goodness, as we confront the difficulties in our lives. We pray for calmness in the midst of heated arguments. We pray for your grace in the midst of busyness and deadlines. We pray that we can open doors to your Hope to those that are despairing. We pray that we will never compromise our faith for you O Lord, when faced with those who say they don't believe in you. And we pray for those who see a hungry child and are able to help, but are unwilling to lend a hand. Lord we pray for all, and humbly ask you to strengthen us when we feel weak and guide us when we feel lost, and teach us when we don't know what to do. For we know that one day every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. We pray this prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

*Prayers of Thanksgiving*

Sunday June 18, during our American House Fellowship, Andrew Knepp and Stanley Swigonski accepted the Lord, Jesus the Christ into their hearts. They have been invited to fellowship with us at Trinity. We praise God for them and we join in praying for them as they begin their journey of faith. Praise be to God.

We pray for Liliana & Natalina as they continue their walk with the Lord & travel their journey of faith. Our prayers of Thanksgiving are for the safety for all new believers and for us to continue in our faithful witness to the saving power of Jesus the Christ.





- Treats for Sunday Morning
- Altar Flowers
- Sept 10 - Favorite Hymns for Hymn Sing
- Sept. 24 - Worship & Picnic at North Lebanon Township Park



### Summer Music



- Aug. 6 - Julia Evans - Violin Solo*
- Aug. 13 - Mary Zehring - Flute Solo*
- Aug. 20 - Gloria Clark - Flute Solo*
- Aug. 27 - Matilda Phillippy & Carol Hollich - Keybooard Duet*

*Sept. 3 - Mary Zehring - Flute Solo*

*Sept. 10 - Senior Choir leads the Hymn Sing*

### Saying Good-bye to Caroline!



*On Sunday June 25, we said farewell to our organist Caroline Jacobs who for the past 16 years has been a faithful servant of God. Her retirement day was marked with refreshments, flowers, gifts, and words of praise. Her presence in our sanctuary will be missed!*

*We thank Carol and George Hollich for hosting a summer covered-dish at their home on July 9. In spite of rainy weather outside, we enjoyed good food, giggled as we watched the birds and the animals frolicking in the rain, and had a great time of fellowship on the inside!*



### DATE FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Trinity's annual Church Picnic at North Lebanon Township Park (North 7th Street and Kimmerlings Road) is being planned for Sunday, September 24th. The worship service led by the pastor, guitars, and choir members will begin at 10:30 and be followed by a covered-dish picnic. And, of course, we hope to have a cake walk and wonderful desserts. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board later in August to indicate the covered-dish you are planning to bring. Please come, bring your family and friends, enjoy the outdoors, worship in nature, play games for all ages, and stay as long as you wish. There is a large parking lot and walkway into the pavilion for the handicapped members, convenient rest room facilities and a large kitchen for the chefs. There will be no Sunday School.



## Sunday Bible Studies in August



The theme of the Summer Quarter, **THE RIGHTEOUS REIGN OF GOD** concludes with a series of lessons in August that are entitled, “**God’s Eternal Reign**”. The teachings of the apostle Paul tell us that kingdom-living behavior is required of all believers. Such behavior is summarized in the command to love others and live a life filled with spiritual “fruit”. Rather than tearing others down... living in light of God’s kingdom calls believers to build up other believers. His letter to the church in Corinth reveals his deep concern regarding the importance of the kingdom. The Corinthians were reminded that the Lord will be the final judge regarding their behavior and that arrogance would have no place in His kingdom. The titles of our studies in August include...

**August 6**  
**August 13**  
**August 20**  
**August 27**

**Inheriting the Kingdom**  
**The Nature of the Kingdom**  
**Judgment in the Kingdom**  
**God’s Kingdom Will Be All in All**

**Galatians 5:13–26**  
**Romans 14:10–23**  
**1 Corinthians 4:1–6, 17–21**  
**1 Corinthians 15:20–28**

There is no human way to fully envision the awesome power of our Lord; however, one way to view it is to remember Him standing before His apostles after His resurrection from the dead. There He stood, having overcome sin, Satan, and the grave. He had placed the boot of authority on the chest of death and stepped out of the grave in awesome power. Stand on a mountain and look across the incredible expanse, and remember that He formed everything in your view with merely His word. Gaze upon the sea and remember that underneath resides untold life forms that our God made by simply saying, "Let it be." Look up into the night sky and see the glistening stars and note that scientist tell us that there no less than 100 octillion in number (that is 1 followed by 29 zeros). How mighty is our God?

As we conclude our lessons for the summer, perhaps the following words by a former State Senator from Georgia who read them to the Senate after he had undergone a cancer operation will sum up our discussions this month...



**“I asked God for strength that I might achieve; I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.  
 I asked for health that I might do greater things; I was given infirmity that I might do better things.  
 I asked for riches that I might be happy; I was given poverty that I might be wise.  
 I asked for power that I might have the praise of men;  
 I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.  
 I asked for all things that I might enjoy life; I was given life that I might enjoy all things.**



**I got nothing I asked for... but everything I hoped for;  
 In spite of myself, my prayers were answered - I am among all men most richly blest.”**

God’s kingdom and rule are in contrast to the temporary rule of earthly monarchs and their kingdoms. Earthly rulers can be weak or strong, selfish or benevolent, unwise or wise, but God’s rule over Heaven and earth is totally and completely righteous. God is all-powerful. He is not devious to gain power, because he has all the power. He is not desperate to retain power, for it cannot be taken from him. He is righteous and just. All people—then and now—are invited to enter into his righteous rule. Join us and learn about “**God’s Eternal Reign**”.

### August 6

1. The entire law is \_\_\_\_\_ in the command to love your neighbor as yourself. *Galatians 5:14*
2. Those people who belong to Christ have done what to the flesh? (buried it, burned it, crucified it) *Galatians 5:24*

### August 13

1. The Lord promises that every knee will bow. T/F *Romans 14:11*
2. Which is not listed as a matter of the kingdom of God? (righteousness, respectability, joy, peace) *Romans 14:17*

### August 20

1. The Lord “will bring to \_\_\_\_\_” things that are hidden in darkness. *1 Corinthians 4:5*
2. The kingdom of God is revealed in power, not in \_\_\_\_\_. *1 Corinthians 4:20*

### August 27

1. Mankind dies in Adam but is made alive in sacrifice. T/F *1 Corinthians 15:22*
2. Who or what is the last enemy that God will destroy? (Satan, death, fear) *1 Corinthians 15:26*

**(Thoughts to consider in the upcoming week.)**

**Study Text: Matthew 13:44–52**

**KEY VERSE:** *He said to them, “Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.”*  
—Matthew 13:52



## **Unexpected Treasure**

On an episode of *Antiques Roadshow*, a man came with a beautiful violin to be appraised by one of the show’s experts. It had been in his family for years and had a label inside with the year 1519, supposedly the year it was made. The violin was unusually ornate with extra carvings, inlaid wood, and even an oil painting on the back. Rather than having a carved scroll at the end of the pegbox, it had a detailed carving of a bearded man’s head, a rare feature for such an instrument. The owner seemed confident that such a sixteenth-century instrument would be very valuable. But the appraiser quickly disabused him of this notion. The appraiser judged the violin to have a false date on the label, the instrument being a glitzy commercial product of a nineteenth-century French shop. But since it was old and of good quality, the appraisal was given to be in the range of \$3,000 to \$4,000—still far below what the owner expected. But then the episode took an unexpected turn. In the violin case was an accompanying bow of more recent vintage, from the 1940s. The bow looked bad because it needed to be repaired. The expert identified the bow as having been made by French master craftsman Eugène Sartory. Consequently, the bow was appraised at \$14,000 to \$15,000, about four times what the violin was worth! And this may have been a modest estimate—a Sartory bow sold at auction in 2017 for \$214,000! The man had a treasure without realizing it. If he had sold the violin in its case and unwittingly included the bow, he might have received much less than he could have. To have discerning eyes and ears is indeed important.

## **Achieving Focus, Finding Gems**

Visitors to the Crater of Diamonds State Park in Arkansas get to search for rocks, minerals, various gemstones, and real diamonds. The park is one of the few places where people can keep what they find. In May 2021, Christian Liden brought his homemade mining equipment and searched the crater. On the 3rd day, he found a 2.2—carat diamond! He was so excited that he asked his friend to pick it up for him because his hands were shaking so much. Mining for diamonds involves, among other things, a single-minded focus that disregards look-alike diamond wannabes. What would happen if we had that focus in our search for the kingdom of Heaven?

## **Sorting Rice from Sand**

While a missionary in Ukraine, I sat in the dimly lit home of a woman who had few worldly possessions. Her hut was on a rutted dirt road in a village on the outskirts of a metropolitan area. She lived with her son and his family, and spent much of her day cooking on a camping stove and trying to keep their home clean and warm. As I sat in her kitchen, I watched her spread a scoop of rice and gravel over the kitchen table that she had gleaned from the dirt road. Slowly and painstakingly she separated the rice from rocks and grains of sand. I commented that in my life in the United States, rice did not come mixed with pebbles! In reply, she shrugged her shoulders and smiled as if to say, “Someone has to do it.”

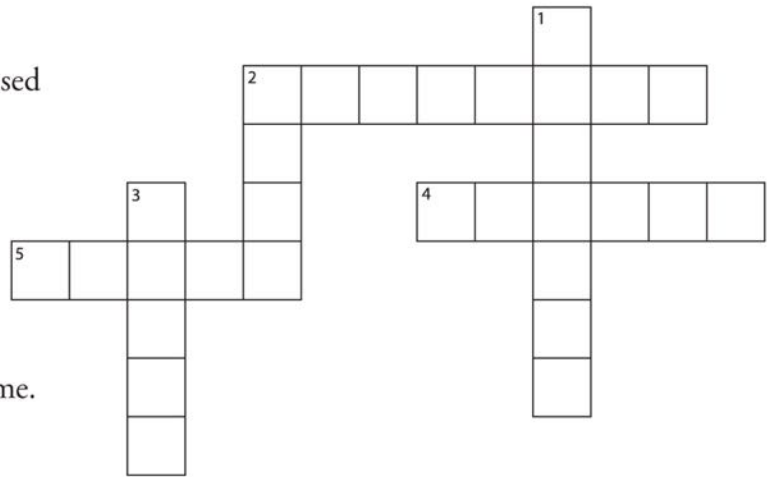
- 1. What steps will you take in the coming week to proclaim the message of God’s kingdom?**
- 2. What ways can you use your hobbies and interests to cast a wider "net" to evangelize to others?**
- 3. Do you live taking your eternal future for granted or are you focused on your search for the kingdom of Heaven?**

## Kingdom Teaching

Complete the following crossword puzzle based on Matthew 13:44-52

### ACROSS

2. The promised punishment will include the \_\_\_\_\_ of teeth.
4. Jesus promised that they will separate the wicked from the righteous at the end of time.
5. Jesus compared the kingdom of heaven to a treasure hidden where?



### DOWN

1. Jesus promised that the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven is like a treasure, new and old.
2. The fishermen separated the \_\_\_\_\_ fish from the bad fish.
3. Jesus compared the kingdom of heaven to a merchant who found a valuable what?

## Inventory of Everything

In Mark 10:28-31, Jesus warned that his followers might have to give up earthly things for the gospel of the kingdom of God. Circle everything below that you had to give up in order to follow Jesus.

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|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Family Relationships | Home               | Other: _____ |
| Girlfriend/Boyfriend | Friends            | _____        |
| Job/Income           | Habits             | _____        |
| Plans/Ambitions      | Leisure activities | _____        |

What might still be keeping you from following Jesus with your whole heart?

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# *Trinity United Methodist Church*

757 Willow Street, Lebanon, Pa. 17046

Where “Faith, Hope and Love abide to encourage all to respond to the call of Christ.”

## **9th Sunday after Pentecost – July 30, 2023**

(The service begins at 9:15 with the fellowship area opening at 9:00.)

To be a part of 9:15 worship on the computer go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83023369831>  
or join by phone by dialing 1-646-876-9923 and entering 830 2336 9831 when prompted.

The flowers on the altar are in memory of

### **Gathering Music**

**Prelude**      *O Master Let Me Walk with Thee - Smith*      *Organist: Matilda Phillippy*

**Welcome & Announcements**      *Liturgist: Sally DeJesus*

**Call to Worship**      *Psalm 105: 1-11*      *Hymnal #828*

L: O give thanks to the LORD, call on God’s name, make known God’s deeds among the peoples.

**P: Sing to the Lord, sing praises; tell of all God’s wonderful works.**

L: Glory in God’s holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**P: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek the Lord’s presence continually.**

L: Remember the wonderful works God has done,  
the miracles and judgments God has uttered,

**P: O offspring of Abraham, God’s servant, children of Jacob, God’s chosen ones.**

L: The Lord is our God, whose judgments are in all the earth.

**P: The Lord is mindful of his everlasting covenant, of the word commanded for a thousand generations,**

L: the covenant made with Abraham, his promise sworn to Isaac, and confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant saying,

**P: “To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance.”**

**Hymn #540**      *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,  
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.

I love thy church, O God: her walls before thee stand,  
dear as the apple of thine eye and graven on thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend;  
to her my cares and toils be giv'n, 'til toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heav'nly ways,  
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be giv'n  
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heav'n.



### **Opening Prayer**

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Old Testament Reading**

**Genesis 29: 15-28**

*O.T. page 26*

**Gospel Reading**

**Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52**

*N.T. page 14 & 15*

**Special Music**

**Wade in the Water - Spiritual**

*Pastor Jessica*

**Doxology & Offering Prayer**

**Hymn # 468**

**Dear Jesus, In Whose Life I See**

Dear Jesus, in whose life I see all that I would, but fail to be,  
let thy clear light forever shine, to shame and guide this life of mine.

Though what I dream and what I do in my weak days are always two,  
help me, oppressed by things undone, O thou whose deeds and dreams were one!

**Sermon**

**The Kingdom of God Is Like...**

*Lay Leader, George Hollich*

**Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer**

*Sally DeJesus*

**Hymn #467**

**Trust and Obey**

*Hymnal #467*

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,  
what a glory he sheds on our way!

While we do his good will, he abides with us still,  
and with all who will trust and obey.

**Refrain:**

Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

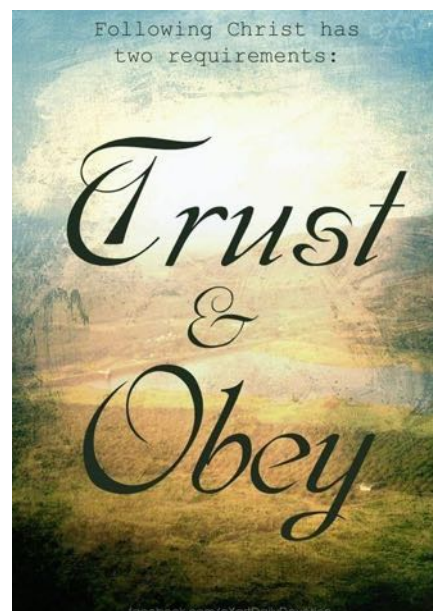
Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
but our toil he doth richly repay;

Not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,  
but is blest if we trust and obey. **[Refrain]**

But we never can prove the delights of his love  
until all on the altar we lay;

For the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,  
are for them who will trust and obey. **[Refrain]**

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,  
or we'll walk by his side in the way;  
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go;  
never fear, only trust and obey. **[Refrain]**



**Benediction**

**Benediction Response**

**America the Beautiful (chorus)**

America! America! God shed his grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

**Postlude**

**Recessional – Asper**

*Organist: Matilda Phillippy*



**Finding and Gathering  
Matthew 13: 44-52**