

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity Greenville, Pennsylvania

Name of Jesus January 1, 2023 Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ! If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to be in worship. Sitting with children in a front pew and giving them the seat on the center aisle helps them to see and participate in our worship. For children who are present in worship, there are coloring and activity pages with crayons available in the narthex. They are located by the coat rack on the bottom shelf of the pamphlet rack. Please return the unused pages, clipboard, and crayons after the service. If children need a break, there is a TV set up in Roth Library so parents can watch the worship live-stream. Toys are hidden in the cabinets under the bookcases closest to the door.

Invitation to Communion: Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

Procedure for Communing: We will be using a form of processional communion. An usher will release each pew to come forward at a time to avoid a long line in the aisle. Pick up a communion cup on either side at the first pew. The pastor will place a host in your open palm. Turn to either the left or right side to the deacon or communion assistant to receive wine. After consuming the host and wine, pour any remaining wine into the container, then discard your cup. Children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion should come forward for a blessing. Please maintain social distance between non-family members.

Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know when you come forward to receive.

Liturgy of Holy Communion

Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.

The assembly's responses are in **bold type**.

Significance of the Day: From the beginning, through baptism, we are called Christian. We are "Christ-ened" at the font. Bearing Christ's name, we share the same Father and are invited to address this parent intimately: Abba! Jesus bears our sins in humble obedience to the will of God. Today we pray that the mind of Christ, whose name we bear, would be our own. It is a good way to begin, again, another year.

Gathering

Prelude Chorale Prelude on Es ist ein Ros (Brahms)

Greeting and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

(The assembly stands as the Pastor enters.)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

Amen.

Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

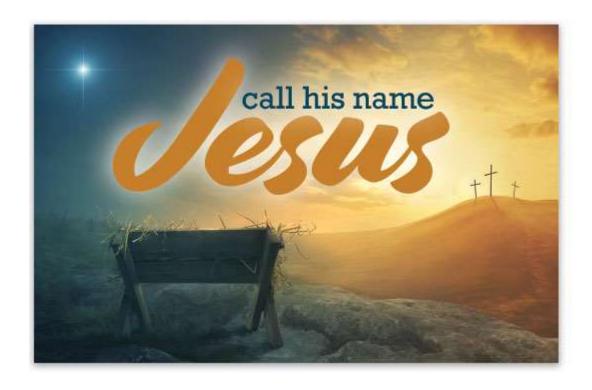
God of life,

you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace.
We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security.
We nurture conflict and build barriers.
We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation.
Have mercy on us.
Where we are self-centered, open our hearts.
Where we are reluctant, give us courage.
Where we are cynical, restore our trust.
Renew us with your grace

and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.

Hear the good news:
We are children of God and heirs of God's promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
In + Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed.
Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God.

Amen.





Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(The assembly is seated.)

Word

First Reading Numbers 6:22-27

A reading from Numbers:

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

(Psalm will be sung responsively by verse. Refrain follows verse 9.)



1 O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

- 2 you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.
- 3 When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
- 4 what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,

human beings that you should | care for them?

- 5 Yet you have made them little less | than divine; with glory and hon- | or you crown them.
- 6 You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;

you have put all things un- | der their feet:

- 7 all | flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts | of the field,
- 8 the birds of the air, the fish \mid of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths \mid of the sea.
- 9 O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth! R

Second Reading Galatians 4:4-7

A reading from Galatians:

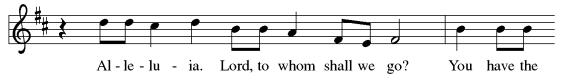
⁴When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(The assembly stands.)

Gospel Acclamation





Alleluia.
At the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
In heaven and on earth and under the earth.
Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(The assembly is seated.)

The Sermon

Pastor Gary Nelson

(As the organ sounds the assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.)

Hymn of the Day Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming rose e'er bloom - ing from Lo, how a ten - der stem hath the Ι sai - ah had fore - told it, rose Ι have in flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der fills the with sweet-ness Mar - y, Say - ior, child of who felt our hu - man sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage ing com as Mar - y mind; with we be hold the it. pels with glo - rious air, dis splen dor the woe; 0 Sav - ior, who king of glo ry, old bright, seers of have sung, it came, a flow'r so a show God's love rigħt, vir - gin moth - er kind. To she ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y dark-ness God, from weak - ness know: bring us length, we dost our at pray, to half - spent night. mid the cold of win - ter, when was the half - spent night. bore to us Sav - ior, when was the a death he light-ens load. sin and saves us and ev -'ry the bright courts of heav - en and in - to end - less day.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again In accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
we acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

United with the great cloud of witnesses throughout the ages, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need, responding, Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

A brief silence.

Guide your church to confess that Jesus is Lord. Fill us with wonder at the good and saving news of Jesus. May we treasure your words and meditate upon them, that we reveal your glory to the world with humility and hope. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Michael; our pastors, musicians, worship leaders, teachers, council members and volunteers. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your name, O God, is majestic in all the earth. You set the moon and stars in their courses. You are mindful of every work of your hand: flocks and cattle, birds and fish, seas and fields. Make us wise stewards of your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bless the nations with your grace and peace. Inspire and uphold treaties, cease-fires, and international agreements that seek to calm strife between nations. Shield all those who work to protect vulnerable populations from exploitation or danger. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We cry, "Abba! Father!" as we seek your loving care in times of need. Heal those wounded by hurtful words. Console all who are weighed down by depression and anxiety. Call by name any who feel unloved, misunderstood, or rejected. Heal the sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reveal yourself to us in the fullness of time, O God. Give us gratitude for what has been and hope for what is to come. Grace us with your presence during transitions: new jobs or schools, new homes, new diagnoses, or new relationships. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With thanksgiving, we remember all the saints who proclaimed the name of Jesus in life and who now rest in glory, especially Sue and Tillie. Show us our inheritance as adopted heirs of eternal life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: In the company of your saints we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your eternal mercy and love; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

(The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying, "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

(The assembly is seated.)

Meal

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Offering

Anthem In Thee Is Gladness (Gastoldi)

In thee is gladness amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By thee are given the gifts of heaven,
Thou the true redeemer art.
Our souls thou wakest; our bonds thou breakest.
Who trusts thee surely has built securely
and stands for ever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining to see thy shining, dying or living,
to thee are cleaving: naught can us sever:
Alleluia!

Offering Verse What Child is This (*Stanza 3 only*) What child is this, who, laid to rest, Mar-y's lap sleep-ing? on Why lies he in such mean es - tate where ox and ass feed - ing? bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas-ant, king, to own him. Whom an - gels greet with an-thems sweet while shep-herds watch are keep-ing? Good Chris-tian, fear; for sin-ners here the si - lent Word is plead-ing. King of kings sal - va - tion brings; let lov - ing hearts en-throne him. This, this is Christ the king, whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing; me, for you; Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for song on high, vir - gin sings her lul - la - by; Raise, raise the the haste, haste bring him laud, the babe, the Mar - y! of to son Word made flesh, Mar - y! hail. hail the the babe, the son of Christ is born, the babe, the Mar - y! joy, joy, for son of

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

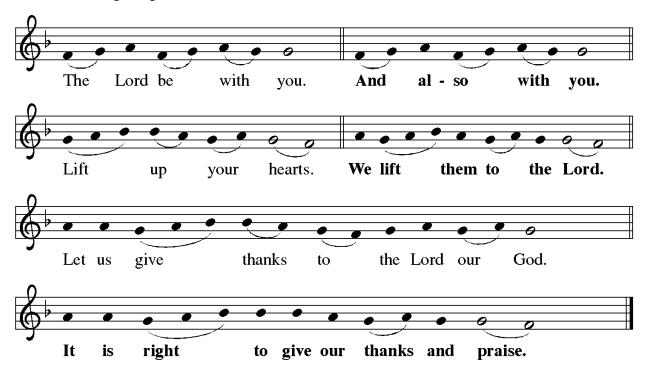
God of abundance,

we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives.

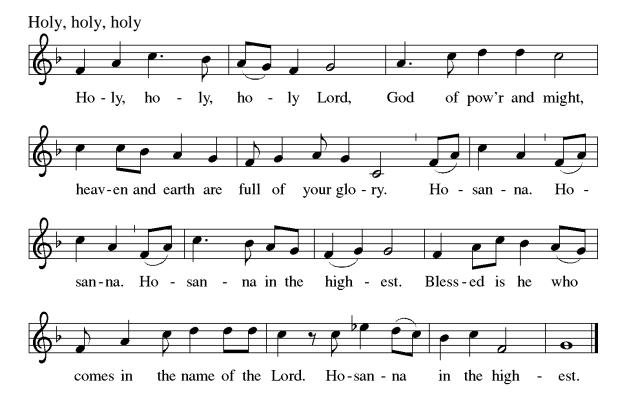
Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God; you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

We give thanks through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, inseparable from you.

Through him you created all things, and in him you take delight.

He is your Word,
sent from heaven
to a virgin's womb.

He there took on our nature
and our lot and
was shown forth as your Son,
born of the Holy Spirit
and of the virgin Mary.

Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will and accomplished our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,

he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



Remembering, therefore,

his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.



Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

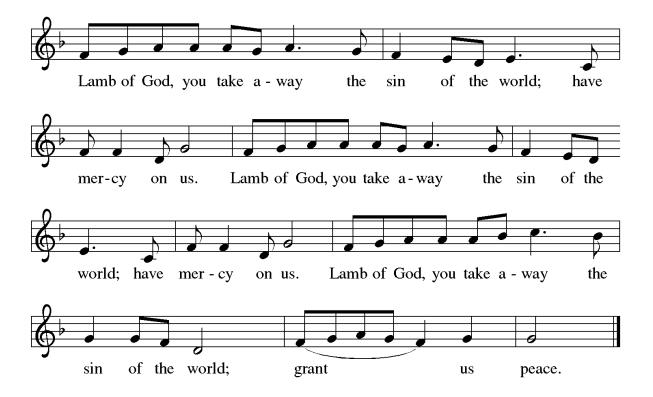
Breaking of Bread

In this Holy Sacrament God makes a home with us.

Let us approach in wonder at all that God has done.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

Lamb of God



All My Heart Again Rejoices



Jesus, the Very Thought of You



(The assembly stands.)

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait,

we give you thanks for this meal of life

that you have set before us.

May our sharing of this heavenly food,

in which you are present even now,

nourish our faith, strengthen us for service,

and deepen our hunger for the coming of your reign

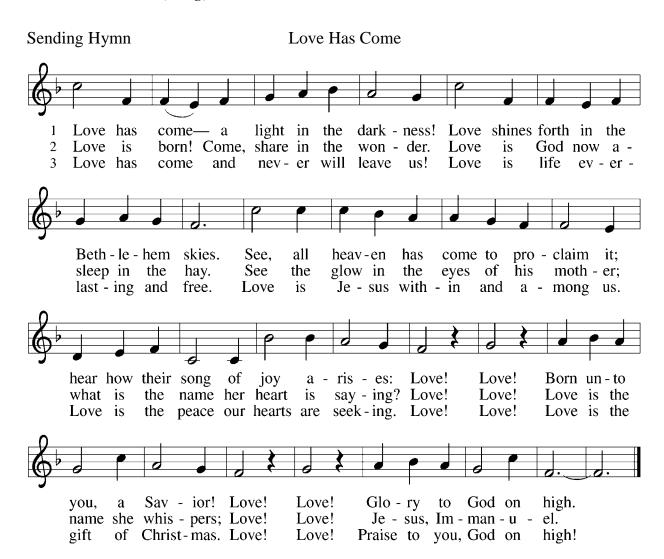
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** (*Sung*)



Dismissal Glory to God in the highest!

Peace to God's people on earth!

Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Variation on *Un Flambeau* (Meyer)

Serving Today

Presiding MinisterPastor Gary NelsonOrganistMaidene HackettLiturgical DeaconSheryl LanningCommunion AssistantFran BlackLectorTrey WiltHead UshersLinda Armstrong

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Bonnie Massing

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Pastors in residence:

The Rev. Martin Roth, pastor emeritus, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
The Rev. Julia Fraser, chaplain at St. Paul Homes
The Rev. Brian Riddle, campus pastor, Thiel College
The Rev. Dr. Curtis Thompson, retired, Thiel College

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Pam Heil by Henry and Ruth Heil.

This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday January 1, 2023 Name of Jesus

8:30 a.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. (NO SCS OR CONFIRMATION)

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday January 2, 2023

Office Closed - New Year's Day

Tuesday January 3, 2023

7:00 p.m. CCSS

7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

Wednesday January 4, 2023

5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday January 5, 2023

7:00 p.m. 12th Night Celebration

Friday January 6, 2023 Epiphany of Our Lord

12:00 p.m. Epiphany Service (spoken)

Saturday January 7, 2023

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday January 8, 2023 Baptism of Our Lord

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. SCS/Confirmation Classes

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Tuesday January 10, 2023

9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

5:15 p.m. Worship and Music

7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

Wednesday January 11, 2023

5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday January 12, 2023

5:00 p.m. Officers Planning Meeting

6:30 p.m. Finance

8:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday January 14, 2023

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

Please Pray For

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before you call the office. Thanks.

Health and Healing:

Richard Sena (son of Sara Newton)

Connie Hoch (friend of Rusty and Linda

Saverino)

Betty K. Junk

Patty Fattman (sister of Betty K. Junk)

Lyn Higgns (nephew of Bonnie Long)

Linda Oman John Logan

Joyce Holland (friend of the Weaver family)

Sandy Kimmel (cousin of Janet Kunczt)

Gary Bothun (brother of Betty K. Junk)

Dixie Locke (friend of Betty K. Junk)

Lynn West (friend of Betty K. Junk)

Nancy Ullstrom

Charlotte Fenton (friend of Betty K. Junk)

Joyce Martin (mother of Pastor Brenda)

Jim Barnett Judi Moinet

Dave Leary

Gloria Spargo

Billie Hollenbaugh

Kevin Hand (friend of Johnmichael Weaver)

Cosmo Pomponio (uncle of Mary Reames)

Alan Harris (friend of the Heils, Learys,

Omans and Mary Reames)

Donnie Littelle (friend of Rich & Denise

Hall)

Rae Johnson

Phil Kennedy (friend of John Logan)

Marie Eaves

Dave Hollenbaugh

Henry Heil

Fred Junk (husband of Betty K. Junk)

Donnie K. (friend of Wayne & Darla Swift)

Lori McCann

Jim Shaffer

Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)

Brenda (sister-in-law of Betty K. Junk)

Dillon (friend of Ed Pitcher & Beth Harpst)

Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:

James Logan (brother of John Logan)

Carol Mamrak (friend of Barbara Swartz)

Jen Shaffer (friend of Olivia and Tyler Martin-Call)

Tillie Schell

Sue Bittler

Gary Goblinger (friend of Marj Stubert)

David Miller (friend of John Logan)

Jim Erb (friend of Bob Massing)

Irlean Dragen (mother of Billie Hollenbaugh)

Mary Alice Dean (mother of Linda Oman)

In Military Service

- Specialist (SPC) Andrew McCall, Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colorado (son of Mark and Jane McCall, grandson of Karen McKay and the late Jim McKay)
- Sgt. First Class Nicholas Carman, US Army, Fredericksburg, Virginia (grandson of Nancy Ullstrom)
- Admiral Richard Childs, Assistant Surgeon General of the USA (nephew of Harvey Childs)
- CAPT. Ryan Leary, USN, Planning Officer, 7th Fleet, Yokosuka, Japan (son of David and Judy Leary)
- Tim Ross, Navy Special Forces, (grandson of Rae Johnson, nephew of Lori McEwen)
- Holy Trinity member, Garrett Daniello, Army National Guard, (son of Todd and Tammy Daniello, grandson of Georgia Perkins, grandnephew of Bonnie and Carl Long)
- Holy Trinity member, SrA Stephanie Kovack, Air Force Reserve, 910th Youngstown Air Reserve Station

