Trinity Church



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025

ABOUT TRINITY

Trinity Lutheran Church is a diverse Christian community committed to sharing and teaching the Word of God. We welcome all people and serve to provide Christian education, witness and outreach. In response to God's grace, we are called to support and advocate for our dynamic community, care for others, worship God, develop leaders in our faith, and steward the gifts we have been given by God.

Our Values:

Love + Community + Inclusion + Service + Creativity + Faithfulness + Learning

INFORMATION FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING

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THEMES OF THIS SUNDAY

Perhaps the church, at its best, is "all ears." God urges the faithful, again and again, to "listen up!"—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

Please silence your cell phone before worship begins.

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER

PRELUDE

"There is no shadow..."

Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

WELCOME

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Please stand for the

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

C you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with nationce kindness

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

- P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.

 In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

 Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN, ELW 834, vs. 1 - 3

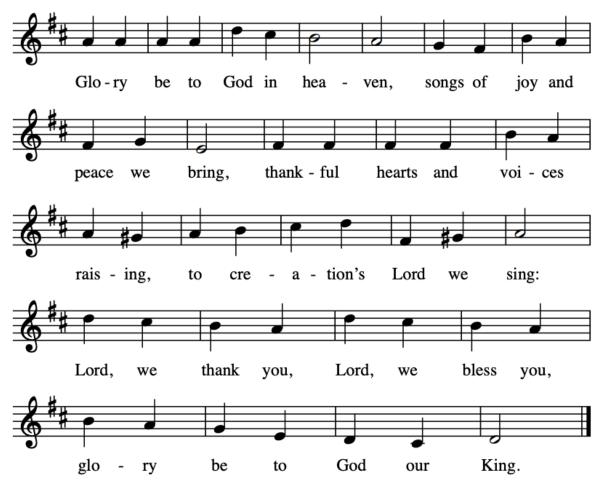


Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt. Music: Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE



Tune: Lauda Anima

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, READING, PREACHING AND SONG

FIRST READING, GENESIS 18:1-10A

L A reading from Genesis.

¹ The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁶ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁶ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ^{10a} Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15

The Psalm is read responsively.

- L LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?
- C Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;
- L they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.
- C In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.
- L They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING, COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

L A reading from Colossians.

¹⁵ [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING, LUKE 10:38-42

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

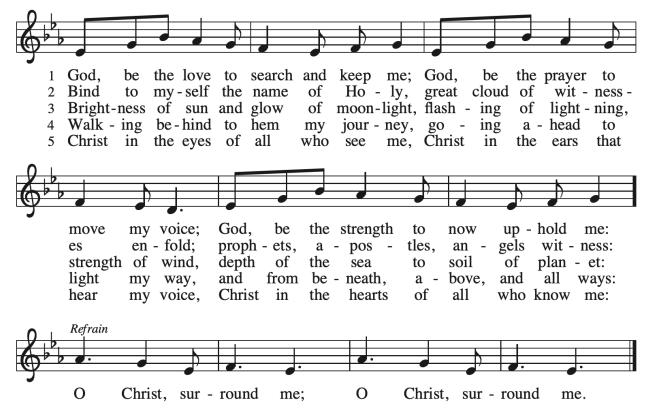
³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

Please stand for the

HYMN OF THE DAY, ACS 1084



Text: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, b. 1967 Music: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

The assisting minister leads our prayers. You are invited to respond to each petition as follows:

AGod of grace,

C Receive our prayer.

At the end of the prayers, the pastor says

P Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

PEACE

We greet one another with the peace and love of Jesus Christ.

P The peace and love of Jesus Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see this week's "Trinity Times" for announcements.

OFFERING

The offering collected this Sunday supports the ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church. Our inclusive congregation has special commitments to the arts, addressing hunger and poverty in our community, and Christian education. Help us bring the healing love of God into the world by donating generously. To give online, scan the QR code.



ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

If with all your hearts from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Leanne Payero, soprano

'If with all your hearts ye truly seek Me, ye shall ever surely find Me.' Thus saith our God. Oh! that I knew where I might find Him, that I might even come before His presence!

Please stand for the

Presentation of the Offering, ELW 721



Good -ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



Text: From *An African Prayer Book*, Desmond Tutu, b. 1931 Music: John L. Bell, b. 1949

OFFERING PRAYER

A Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

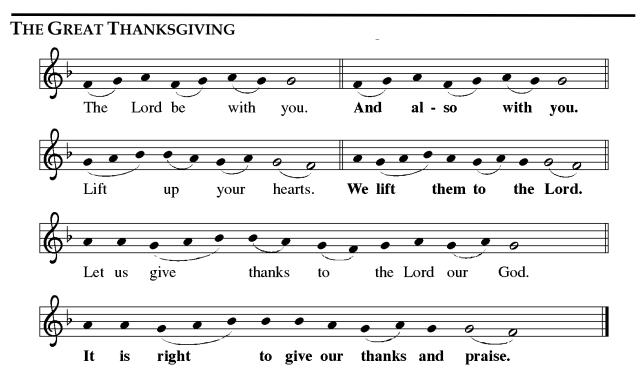
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor,

that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

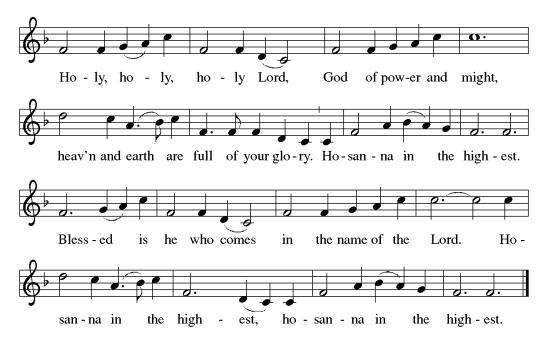
MEAL

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST



P (chanting): It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)



P Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.
The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.

C We praise you, O God.

P Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

C We bless you, O God.

P We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

C We thank you, O God.

P 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.

- P Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

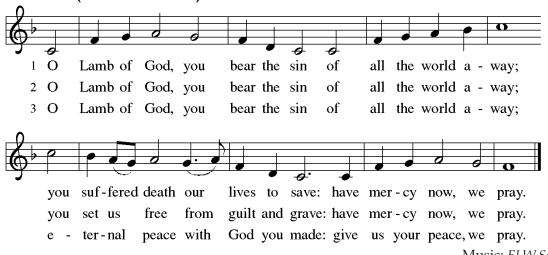
C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace. We commune today at the kneelers at the front row of pews. Come forward to the kneeler closest to you via the center aisle, as indicated by the usher. You will receive the host from the pastor and wine or grape juice from the assistant. You may leave your used cup in the white bowls at the start of the side aisles as you return to your seats.

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)



Music: ELW Setting Ten

COMMUNION HYMN, ELW 733

This hymn was requested as a part of our Summer Songbook – hymns that the people of this church love. Harmony to this hymn can be found in the ELW hymnal in the pews.



Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960 Music: William M. Runyan, 1870-1957 Please stand for the

TABLE BLESSING

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ + strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

Nurturing God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

BLESSING

- P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit
 - ♣ bless you and give you peace.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN, LBW 428



From all that ter - ror teach - es, from lies of tongue and pen, Tie in a liv - ing teth - er the prince and priest and thrall;





from sale and pro - fa - na - tion of hon - or, and the sword, in ire and ex - ul - ta - tion, a - flame with faith, and free,



Text: Gilbert K. Chesterton, 1874-1936 Music: English folk tune

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The People Respond – "Amen" from *Rubrics*

Dan Locklair (b. 1949)

WORSHIP LEADERS THIS SUNDAY

Preacher & Presider	Rev. Dr. Stephanie Jaeger
Assisting Minister	Cindy Roberti
Altar Guild	Regina Pearsall
Director of Music & Organist	Trent Whisenant
Ushers	Priscilla Marco & Joyce LaMorte
Counters	Karen Schiels
Livestream Technician	Peyton Bloom

PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR OUR PRAYERS ~ Please contact us with names to be added or removed.

The family and friends of RT Pranschke, Jasmine Drake, Joanna Smith, Perry Summerford, Denise Melious, Maria Alvarez Castro, Friends and Family of Phillip Herbst, Angel Luis Rios, Marlies Meyer, Glen Danischewski, Ronnie Bero, Sabina Baker, Mary Bruno, Pennington Family, Carmen Cognetta, Deacon Margaret Ann O'Donnell, Vincent Somma, Migdalia Jimenez, Laura Lupo, Jessica Desens, Edith Piazza, Alice Evensen, Sean C. Sweeney, Janet A. Cleary, George Turner, Christopher Jarrett, Meah Guzman, Carmen Aponte, and James Ciccolella.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES

Joshua Lentini, Sgt George E Turner, US Army, Sgt Brendan Jocsak, amd the US Marines.

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