

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

10:00 AM Combined Worship Service • June 28, 2020

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Fourth Sunday After Pentecost



The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

Thank you for joining us online as a new way of connecting to God's word as we transition during this time of social distancing to protect ourselves and others.

Please feel free to contact Pastor Tina if you need help in any way during this time. Her phone number is listed below. Just know that she is only a phone call away.



The Reverend Tina Melusky, Pastor

Pastor Melusky's office hours:

Monday: 9 - 2; Tuesday: 9 -10:30, 11:30 - 12:15

Wednesday 9:30 - 12; Thursday 9 - 12

(Times are sometimes flexible with monthly meetings,
but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in)

William C. Solomon, Interim Organist

Bill Tew, Interim Choir Director

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Prelude

Announcements

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we deny your presence in our lives.**

**We place our hope in ourselves
and rely on our own efforts.**

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

**We fear difference and do not welcome others
as you have welcomed us.**

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us;

through your love, renew us;

and in your Spirit, lead us;

so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God,

by the radical abundance of divine mercy

we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus,

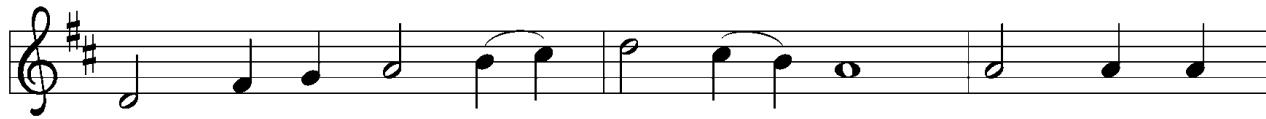
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven.

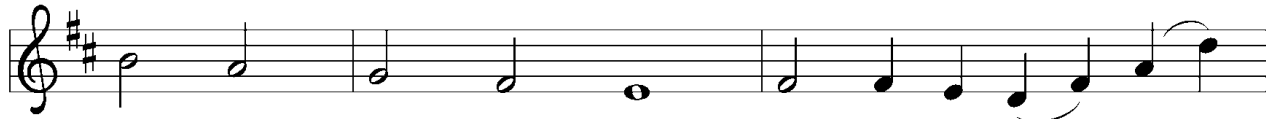
Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



1 Give to our God im - mor - tal praise! Mer - cy and
 2 He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and
 3 Give to the Lord of lords re - nown; the King of



truth are all his ways. Won - ders of grace to
 dark - ness and the grave. Won - ders of grace to
 kings with glo - ry crown. His mer - cies ev - er

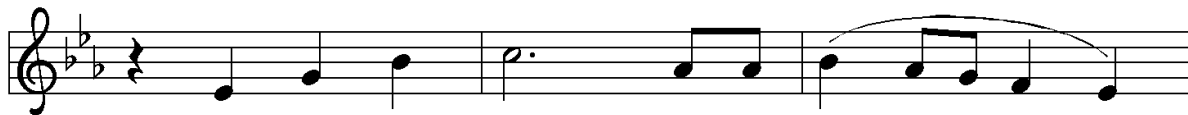


God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
 God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
 shall en - dure when lords and kings are known no more!

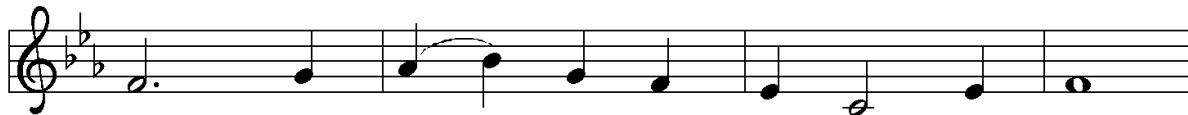
Greeting

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.**

Kyrie



Glo - ry to God in the high -



est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

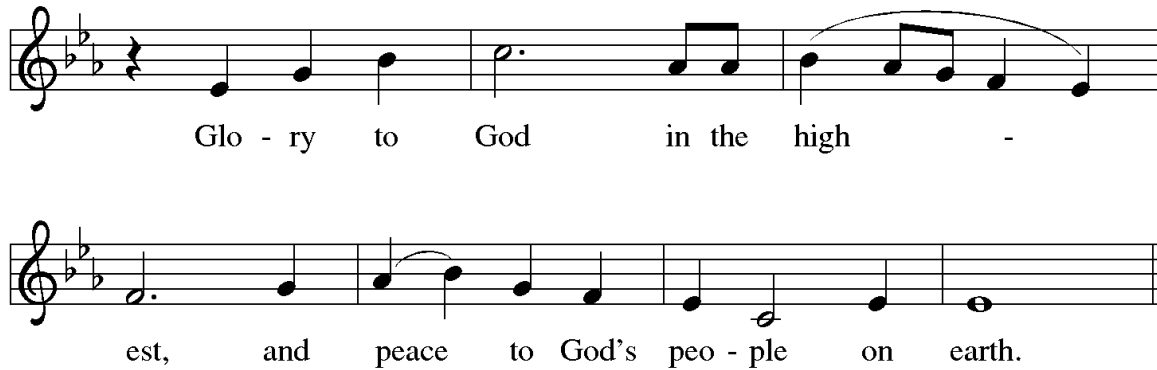
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - - men.



Prayer of the Day

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Through a symbolic action Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted the word of Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: 89:1-4, 15-18 (read responsively)

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;

you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**‘I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.’ ”**

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!

They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

**They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

**Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

Sin is an enslaving power which motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin’s final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin’s slavery to live obediently under God’s grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the twelve: “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Chat

Pastor Tina

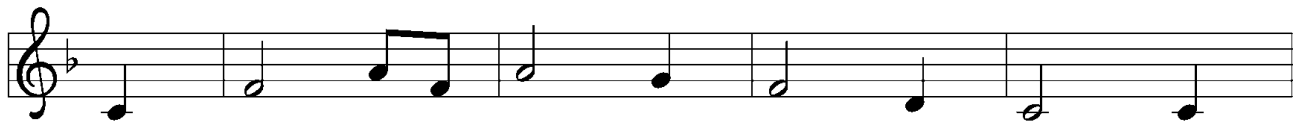
Sermon

Pastor Tina

Hymn of the Day

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

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Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

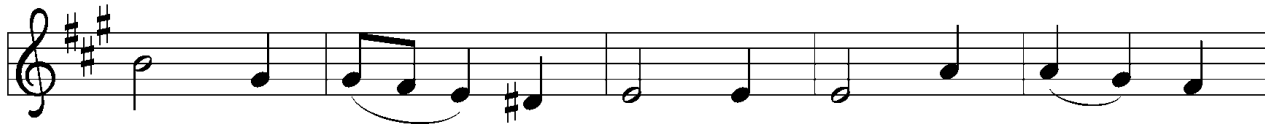
Blessing

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

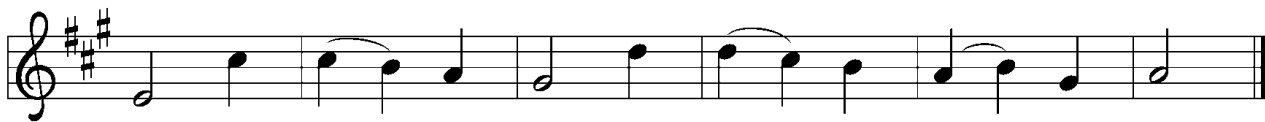
God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen.**



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
 4 The cup of wa - ter giv'n for you still holds the



cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
 grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from
 fresh - ness of your grace; yet long these mul - ti -



self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
 sor - row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
 tudes to view the strong com - pas - sion in your face.

5 O Master, from the mountainside
 make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
 among these restless throngs abide;
 oh, tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
 and follow where your feet have trod;
 till glorious from your heav'n above
 shall come the city of our God.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Assembly:

While Synod Assembly was cancelled, the Youth Assembly was not, and NINE of our very own youth were able to participate in this online experience with youth from across the state. A special shout out to our voting members - Carson Turnage, Mackenzie Anderson, Nathan Rummel, and Emma Recupero. Thanks so much for representing our congregation and youth group!

Kairos:

Changes, changes, changes... **Kairos** will be **virtual** this year! All rising 9th -12th graders are invited to participate **July 20 -23** in this rethought out event. There will still be large and small group sessions held, but the entire event will be held on a web based platform. A minimal fee to cover the cost of materials and your Kairos T-shirt will be charged. Save the dates for now, and please keep your eyes open for more information that will be posted via our Facebook link.

Yard Sale and Fundraising for NYG:

The 2021 National Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota next summer, and per the planning team, the event is still on schedule to occur. Registration will actually begin in September!!! Due to the large number of youth that we are attempting to send to this event (14 or more!), we need to continue our fundraising in order to register for and book this trip. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, we are attempting to find more creative ways to fundraise that will involve more limited contact but won't require the youth to sell goods either. One such event will be the Flocking of the Flamingos in congregation members' yards which will begin in July. More information on that event is forthcoming. Our annual yard sale will also be needed to help raise funds for this event. The advisors are actively working to set up this event in a safe way to allow for social distancing and minimal amounts of people in the sale at a time. If you would like your youth to participate in that event, please save the dates of July 18- 26, with the sale dates of July 24 and 25. If parents would like to run or host other fundraisers in order to raise money for this event please get in touch with Pastor Tina, Kelly, or Ashleigh as soon as possible.

VA Aquarium Adventure Course:

We have not forgotten about our outdoor high adventure ropes course trip at the VA Beach Aquarium that we had scheduled when the pandemic hit. The ropes course has reopened, but we are going to wait until the fall to tackle this event. We will post a new date once we have one.

MORE NEWS!

Pastor Tina and Ben on vacation this week:

For those of you reading the announcements before Sunday: The Rev. Tim Crummitt is covering for Pastor Tina in her absence. He is only available for phone calls since he just got

back from Myrtle Beach and is self-quarantining. Please contact Anne in the church office, if you should have an emergency.

Walking Worship Wednesdays (WWW):

Pastor Tina will be on vacation from June 23-27. There will be no WWW this week. It will resume on Wednesday, July 1.

Annual Congregation Reports:

The reports from each committee are due now! If you have not already provided your report to the church administrator, please do so. We would also love to have a photo or two that we can include with your report. Thank you!

Letter from the Church Council President:

A letter from the Church Council President, Todd Recupero, went out to all voting congregation members this week regarding the Annual Meeting, information about worship, the proposed budgets for both the church and school and a brief synopsis of the Covid Response Ad Hoc committee.

Youth Yard Sale:

If you have items for the Youth Yard Sale being held on July 24 and 25, please contact the office before you bring your items. The school is having camps almost every week this summer and we want to make sure there is adequate social distancing . Please bring a mask! Also, the “green room” has a little room left in it. The youth room is locked and will have to be unlocked for you to place any large items. Instructions on youth pickups of very large items will be sent out at a later date.

Zumba Classes:

Our Zumba instructor, Dee Dee, has resumed her classes on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. held in the TLS gymnasium. She accepts donations for the class. All are welcome and the gym is sanitized both before and after the class.

Summer Tidings:

The newsletter editor and his wife are diligently working on a summer Tidings for all of you. There are so many photos and much to write about. We hope to have that ready soon.

TELC Directory:

If you have changed your email address, cell phone number, address or anything else that needs to be added/modified in the church directory, please contact the church office at 245-7861 or admin@trinitynn.org. Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: **Recovery at Home:** Teresa Flores (recovering from hand surgery); Shirley Fulton (recovering from hip surgery) and Rick Johnson (recovering from back surgery); **Retirement Home:** Alan Bobbe (Warwick Forest, Apt. 30); Peggy and Hardy Cash (2022 Executive Dr., Apt 318, Hampton, VA, 23666), Millie Christensen (Morningside: Rm. 131); Betty Hasel (The Newport, Rm 14); Charles Kessler (The Chesapeake - Assisted Living, Rm.206); Lucille Lebold (Williamsburg Landing, Memory Care Unit); Edith Naurath (Warwick Forest - The Gardens, Memory Care Unit); Rudi Naurath (Warwick Forest – Apt. 127, 850 Denbigh Blvd, 23608); Buddy Schultz (Commonwealth Senior Living at Hampton, Rm. 503 Memory Care Unit, 1030 Topping Lane, Hampton, VA, 23666); **Shut-in at Home:** Jeanette Cantrell (The Chesapeake, 955 Harpersville Road, AL302, Newport News, VA, 23601, jcantrell116@gmail.com); Janet Edwards, Gerda Hudgens and Joan Johnston.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: The **Ahlen Family** requested by Kathy Stevens; **Bill Nuckols (father), Carolyn Patterson, Shirley Skinner, and Oxana Sidor** (friend), **Mike Muskalla (former member)** and **the friends and family of Mr. Kim Lassiter (special friend)**, requested by Patricia Fielding; **Charlotte Rogers and Tina McManama**, requested by Richard and Sandra Anderson; **Hannelore Voss (Karoline's mother)**, requested by the Ardis family; **Sharon (Sherry) Johnston**, requested by Grant and Donna Owens; **Sandy Nelson (friend)**, requested by Pastor Tina; **Donna Gauthier and the friends and family of The Rev. Dwayne Westermann (ret. former assistant to the Bishop of the Virginia Synod), Tobias Janke, and the friends and family of Valerie Hixon (former teaching colleague)**, requested by Laura Davis; **Bonnie Carlson**, requested by Dave Carlson; **Rlou Baum (mother of Wendy Kowalski)**, requested by Jessica Moye; **Jacque and Harry Hartman**, requested by Nancy Lindfors; **Patrick Kube**, by Diane Roselius; **Luke and Pat**, requested by Janet Earnhardt; **Nancy Sumpter (mother), June Geyer (grandmother) and Molly Chartrand (Jacob's co-worker)**, requested by Patricia Wessler; **Maria Goldsby**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **George Kingston**, requested by Sandy and John Lunsford; **the family and friends of Tom Sallade (Linda Madler's brother and son of Dick and Maureen Sallade)**; **the friends and family of Doug Carlson**, requested by Dave Roselius; **Pattie and Steve Dowd; Breinne and Patrick Soukup and Sheree Morgan (friends with COVID19)**, requested by Anne Obara.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: Andrea & Mike Cobb, USCG; James Fielding, Marine Corps; Georgia; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Washington, D.C.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Air Force National Guard, LAFB and Ashby Owens, Operation Smile.