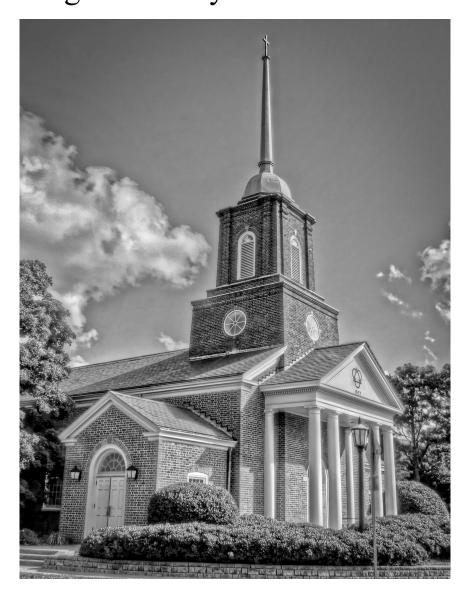
# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

# Combined Worship Services 9:00 AM - Virtual & 11:00 AM - In-Person July 18, 2021 Eighth Sunday After Pentecost



Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' needs. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves. Thank you for joining us online or at our in person worship in the sanctuary.

There are no provisions for the nursery, but if you need to use it, please feel free to do so.



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 Congregation of Trinity Lutheran, Ministers of the Word 6812 River Road, Newport News, VA 23607 Church office: (757) 245-7861; Pastor's cell: (734) 239-4013 Website: www.trinitylutheran-nn.com Facebook: Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Newport News VA or, @TrinityNN Trinity Lutheran is a partner church with Peninsula Pastoral Counseling Center, LINK and Peninsula Agency on Aging Cover image photo by JoAnne Rawls

**Carillon Call to Worship** 

Prelude

### Announcements

# Gathering

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** 

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

### help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**  **Gathering Hymn** 

The Church's One Foundation

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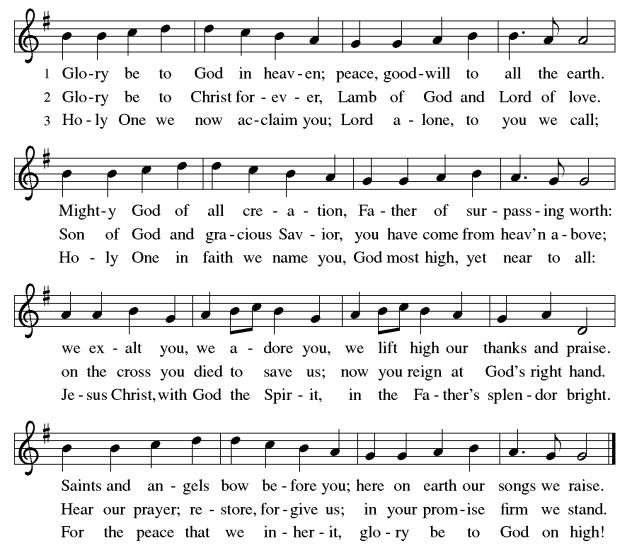
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#### Greeting

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.

Canticle of Praise (sung at 9:00 a.m. online service only)



#### **Prayer of the Day**

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

### Psalm: 23 (read responsively)

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.
You restore my soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever .

# Second Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22

The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between

us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

# Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized Jesus, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

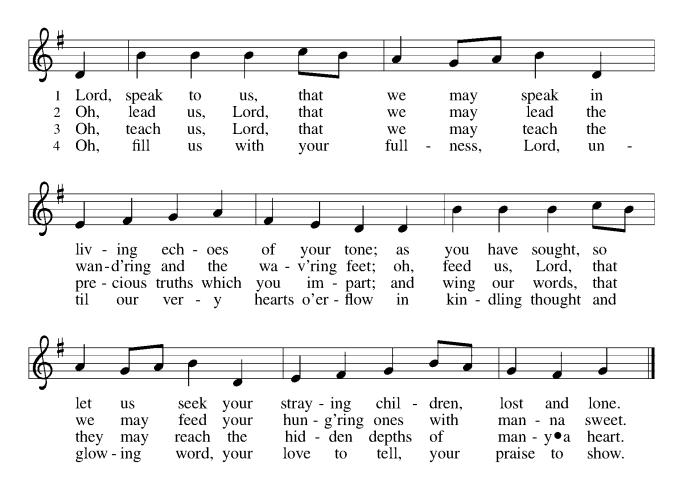
Children's Chat

Pastor Tina Melusky Pastor Tina Melusky

#### Sermon

#### Hymn of the Day

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak (sung at 9 a.m. online service only)



The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00 am. in person worship only)

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People of God, do you promise to support Parker and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

#### We do.

Do you believe in God the Father.?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? 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.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us give thanks for Parker's life in Christ. You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

# **Prayers of Intercession**

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

# **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

Thanksgiving for the Word (read responsively at 9 a.m. online service only)

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

#### we give you thanks and praise.

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,

# we give you thanks and praise.

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.

# Receiving of Tithes and Offerings (11:00 a.m. in-person service only)

# Offertory Prayer (11:00 a.m. in-person service only)

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.** 

# Meal

(11 a.m. in-person service only)

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

# It is right to give our thanks and praise.

# **Proper Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and 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. Distribution

#### **Post Communion Blessing**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

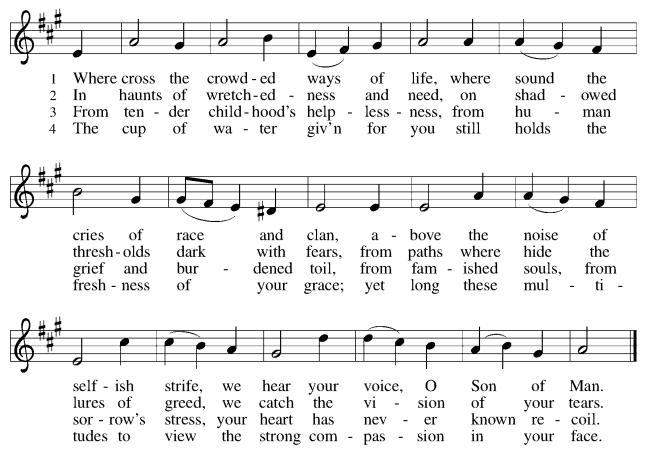
Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

#### Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

**Sending Hymn** 

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (sung at 9 a.m. service only)



- 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. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God. Amen.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Office Hours: Mondays through Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

For COVID reasons, we no longer have bench cushions in our pews. If you need to do so, you are welcome to bring your own, but please remember to take it back home with you



**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM TODAY!:** The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be celebrated at the 11:00 a.m. worship service for **Parker Cole Anderson**, son of Alan Anderson and Anneliese Ardis Anderson. Parker is the grandson of members Karoline and Fred Ardis and Sandra and Richard Anderson, great grandson of Shirley Anderson and nephew of Ashleigh Ardis. May he grow strong and beautiful in the Lord. Congratulations to the families!



# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ...

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Tuesday morning Bible Study will resume this Tuesday, July 20, at 10:30 a.m., both in person and virtually.

**Worship and Music committee meeting:** On **Monday, July 19,** there will be a Worship and Music committee meeting in the church library at **6:30 p.m.** This meeting will also be held virtually. All committee members, please attempt to be in attendance.

# **TRINITY HAPPENINGS...**

**Flower Chart Sign-ups:** Please sign-up for the month of July. Flowers need to be picked up after the 11:00 a.m. service or at the latest by Tuesday morning. The cost of the flowers is \$20 per vase. Thank you!

**Reader Sign ups:** We need more readers for the month of August, please. Either sign up on the board in the entrance of the church or call the church office. Thank you!

**NEW INFO! Youth Yard Sale:** The youth group will be holding their annual yard sale on **Friday July 23 and Saturday July 24 from 8A - 3P** to assist in raising funds to attend the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, Minnesota in the summer of 2022. Please come and shop the sale for the vast assortment of treasures that we have collected. If you still have

yard sale donations, please drop them off at the church in the gym by **Wednesday**, **July 21.** Thank you in advance for all of your donations.

**PLEASE BE AWARE!:** For anyone who is coming to the church on Monday, July 18, for any reason, be aware that Virginia Natural Gas will be replacing some gas pipeline to the church and will be jackhammering the sidewalk on the River Road side of the church. Please be careful!

**STILL Seeking Garden Tenders: Can you help?** We have already been gleaning a great number of cucumbers, squash and tomatoes. Please consider helping water JUST ONE DAY or picking veggies and taking them to THRIVE. Contact Pastor Tina or Anne in the church office at 245-7861, if you are interested.

**Giving to Trinity:** There are a number of ways that members can give their donations to Trinity Lutheran Church during these times when we are not physically in church.

- 1. You may **write a check** and mail it in. It can be addressed to the attention of Carol Bessom, Trinity Lutheran Church, 6812 River Road, Newport News, VA, 23607.
- 2. During the church office hours, you may come in to **hand deliver your donation** to Anne, Carol or Pastor Tina.
- 3. Set up an automatic withdrawal from your own bank, which will then send it to Trinity.
- 4. And lastly, the newest method is the . . .
- 5. 4. VANCO Online giving: If you have questions about the donation site or how to make your donation, please don't hesitate to contact the church office, 245-7861.

# **Procedure for online giving:**

Go to: http://trinitylutheran-nn.com/

Press the green "online giving" link.

# PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Testing: Pat O'Connell; Pending Surgery: Charlotte Duff (July 30); Recovery from surgery: Anne Evans; Recovery at home: Nancy Lindfors, Sandy Sniady, and Grant Owens; Nursing Homes/Assisted Living: Jeanette Cantrell (The Chesapeake, 955 Harpersville Road, AL302, Newport News, VA, 23601); Millie Christensen (Morningside: Rm. 131; Charles Kessler (The Chesapeake -Assisted Living, Rm.207); Lucille Lebold (Williamsburg Landing, Memory Care Unit); Shutin at Home: Janet Edwards, Gerda Hudgens, Joan Johnston, and Doris Moeser.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: The Ahlen Family, Alex Ommaya (cousin) and Mary Palitto (teacher), requested by Kathy Stevens; Hannelore Voss (Karoline's mother), requested by the Ardis family; Jack and Sharon (Sherry) Johnston and Pam Little (Donna's sisters), requested by Grant and Donna Owens; Bonnie Carlson, requested by Dave Carlson; Sandy Nelson, requested by Pastor Tina Melusky; Kimber Pulley Matzke, requested by the Owens family, Shirley Anderson, requested by the Anderson family; Flora May, requested by Jon May; Matt Adamo (BIL of Patricia), requested by Patricia Fielding Ken Orie (friend), requested by Sandy and Jerry Cobb; Nancy Schappert and family and friends of Officer Jerry Cale (retired VB police officer), requested by Todd Recupero.

**Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: NEW!** James Fielding, State Dept., Myanmar; Georgia; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Washington, D. C.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB, Ashby Owens, Operation Smile and Josh and Ellen (Davis) Badgley, State Department, Bangkok, Thailand.

**Chancel Flowers:** Today, the flowers are given to the Glory of God, by Dick and Maureen Sallade and to the Glory of God and in honor of Nathan's 16th birthday, by Kelly and Erik Rummel.



# Serving the Assembly

<u>11:00</u>

Candle lighting	Karoline Ardis
Lector	Kelly Rummel
Ushers/Greeters/Presenters	John Lunsford
	Dave Roselius
	Steve Quist
Alternate	Astrid Quist