

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

10:00 AM • August 8, 2021

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost • Setting 10



*Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.*

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

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## Carillon Call to Worship

### Prelude

*Arabesque No. 1*  
Lois Jean Carpenter, piano

Claude Debussy

### Announcements

Phil Shook

## Gathering

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross,  
the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Judy Hunt

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,

**for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden.**

In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,  
**and gave us water from the rock.**

When we did not know the way,  
**you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.**

At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side,  
**and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.**

We praise you for your salvation through water,  
**for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere.**

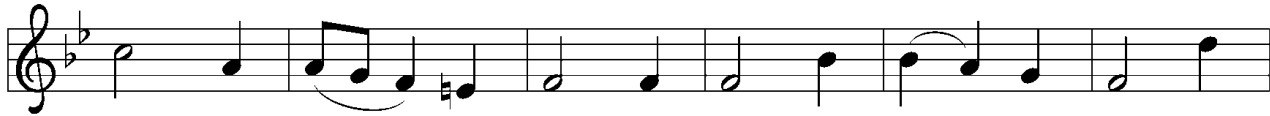
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.  
**Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.**

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**



1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of  
 2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to  
 3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our  
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our



life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -  
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -  
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you  
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -



parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.  
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.  
 turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.  
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

**Greeting**

Judy Hunt

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



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## Prayer of the Day

Judy Hunt

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Sue Moeslein

*First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.*

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

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

**Psalm: 34:1-8** (read responsively)

Sue Moeslein

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the Lord;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness | of the Lord;  
let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought the Lord, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

Look upon the Lord and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord  
and delivers them.

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

**Second Reading: Ephesians 4:25--5:2**

Sue Moeslein

*Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.*

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another.

Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out

of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.


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

*The assembly stands.*

### Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

### Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51

Nathan Rummel

*Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.*

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

Jesus said to the crowd, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be

taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

*The assembly is seated.*

**Children's Chat**

Kelly Rummel

**Sermon**

Nathan Rummel



*The assembly stands.*

**Hymn of the Day**

*Be Thou My Vision*

ELW 793



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

**Apostles' Creed**

Eric Jay

**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 of Intercession

Eric Jay

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

### Sharing of the Peace

Eric Jay

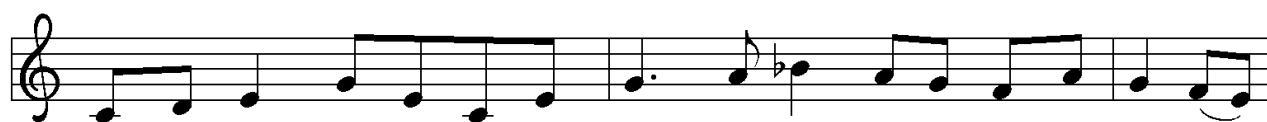
The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

### Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

#### Offertory Hymn

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

ELW 182



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## Offertory Prayer

Patricia McClelland

God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. **Amen..**

## Thanksgiving for the Word

Patricia McClelland

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.**

## Lord's Prayer

Patricia McClelland

**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.

## Sending

Blessing

Patricia McClelland

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

Sending Hymn

*O Living Bread from Heaven*

ELW 542



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!  
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,  
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.  
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.  
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;  
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.  
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!  
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,  
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,  
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!  
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.  
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.  
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

## Dismissal

Patricia McClelland

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## Postlude



## 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.

**Guest Pianist TODAY!:** A huge Trinity thanks goes to Lois Jean Carpenter for sharing her time and talent on the piano playing the Prelude for worship today. Thank you Lois Jean!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR . . .

**Church Council Meeting:** Church Council will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 10, at 6:30 p.m. both in person, in the church library, and virtually.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** The next Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be on **Tuesday, August 10, at 10:30 a.m.**, both virtually and in person.

### TRINITY HAPPENINGS . . .

**Flower Chart Sign-ups:** Please sign-up for the month of August or September. 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!

**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.

**From the Hilton Clergy:** We can do it! Let's fill up St. Nicholas Chapel.

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep.

In his sermon several weeks ago, The Rev. Marc Vance, associate rector of St. Andrew's

Episcopal Church, said how great it would be if every parishioner would buy at least one extra canned or boxed food item each time they go shopping and bring it to church each Sunday – not just St. Andrew’s parishioners, but those of the Hilton churches, and not just the Hilton churches but, if it would spread to all of the Newport News churches – as a way of feeding those in need.

St. Andrew’s is inviting the Hilton churches (of which Trinity is a part) to join us in filling up St. Nicholas Chapel. We will serve as the drop-off location unless each church prefers to have their own gathering place.

Here is a list of suggested items to donate: Canned vegetables, soups, fruits, meats, and pastas; boxes of cereal, pastas, and crackers; and jars of peanut butter and jelly are what is needed. As the donations begin to grow, we will make them available to THRIVE Peninsula and other outreach organizations that have food pantries.

In a beloved children’s anthem based on John 21:15-17, Natalie Sleeth wrote

Feed My lambs, tend My sheep, over all a vigil keep;

**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: Surgery (Pending):** Steve Quist (August 10 - knee); **Recovery from surgery:** Charlotte Duff, Anne Evans; **Recovery at home:** Nancy Lindfors **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); **Shut-in 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; Pat O'Connell; Ben Nelson,** requested by Laura Davis; **Pamela Smith Jones (Patricia's sister),** requested by Patricia McClelland and **the family and friends of Stella Flores (MIL of Teresa),** by Teresa Flores.

**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 Diane and Dave Roselius and to the Glory of God, by Suzanne Beckstoffer.



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## Serving the Assembly

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**10:00**

Candle lighting

Steve Quist/ Karoline Ardis

Lector

Sue Moeslein

Ushers

Anne Obara

Steve Quist

Camera

Cliff Obara

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