

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM Worship Service

Now the Feast and Celebration • August 21, 2022



Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex; or, if you are online during our worship service, drop us a line to say hello or that you and your family are attending, so that we know you have joined us for worship. For those who come in person, please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information about you. Worship service on Sunday mornings during the summer is at 10:00 A.M. and also on livestream.

A nursery room is available during the service. The nursery is located off the hallway on the Huntington Avenue side of the church building. At this time, there are no nursery attendants. We also have “activity binders” available for older children to enjoy during the service. Please ask an usher about using one.



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Wednesday 9:30am-12pm; Thursday 9am-12pm

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

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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

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Louis Verne

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.

**Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

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

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Now the Feast

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SALUTATION

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:9B-14

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,

the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the Lord honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;
then you shall take delight in the Lord,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

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

PSALM 103:1-8 (*spoken*)

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits —**

who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases;

**who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**O Lord, you provide vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

You made known your ways to Moses
and your works to the children of Israel.

**Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:18-29

Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into

which we are invited.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 13:10-17

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding “sabbath work” to include setting people free from bondage.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw

her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

The assembly is seated.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. Beth Woodard

SERMON

Rev. Beth Woodard

Silence is kept for reflection after the sermon.

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELW 521

ELLACOMBE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

**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

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

*The peace, which enables people to live in unity and in the spirit of mutual forgiveness,
comes from Christ, whose word has been proclaimed.*

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

The assembly is seated.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Ten Thousand Reasons

arr. Marianne Kim

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY HYMN

As the Grains of Wheat

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundance,
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness,
strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST

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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.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

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COMMUNION

Communion will be held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a communion cup with wine from the outside edge of the tray or a grape juice cup from the center of the tray. Recycle baskets are located outside of the sanctuary doors for your plastic cups.

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

Ten Thousand Reasons (see back of bulletin for music and words)

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TEN THOUSAND REASONS

The assembly stands.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Emails: Anne and Geoffrey's office emails are temporarily inoperable. Please contact us through our personal emails (anneobara@cox.net and geoffreybellt@gmail.com) or by phone call (757-245-7861) until further notice. Sorry for any inconvenience.

2022-2023 TELC Directory: Copies of the new directory are out in the narthex. If you wish to have a hard copy, please pick up one per family. Thank you!

Collection of School Supplies Continues: If you missed out on bringing school supplies for the Newsome-Bailey project, please feel free to bring in your supplies that will then go to THRIVE at the end of the month. Thank you!

Lighting in the Memorial Garden/Columbarium: A new lighting system was recently installed in the Memorial Garden/Columbarium, replacing the original lighting which was no longer working. The area will be lit from dusk to dawn, so take a look if you are here for an evening meeting.

Pedestal Flowers for Sunday Morning: The Simple Sunflower group is willing to coordinate taking all floral donations to Riverside Hospital to "re group" any leftover fresh flowers from an arrangement into a fresh new arrangement to give to people (in the hospital) who may need a bit of cheer in their life. If you wish to donate flowers in memory or honor of someone, you may make a note of this on the flower chart. If you do not wish to take your flowers home, you may check the box AT LEAST TWO to FOUR WEEKS IN ADVANCE to have them donated to The Simple Sunflower organization at no charge to you.

YOUTH

Pure Vida Bracelets Fundraiser for National Youth Gathering: The youth are still selling Pure Vida bracelets to help raise money for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in 2024. The bracelets are \$5 each and make great gifts. Call the church office if you need an order form or grab one from the narthex.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR . . .

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will NOT be held again until **Tuesday, August 30**, in the church parlor, both virtually and in person.

Joint Worship Service at First United Methodist Church: The Hilton-area churches frequently partner together for various activities: the annual Good Friday service, collection drives for THRIVE and LINK and, in the past, VBS. From Anne Kirchmier: "Although our theologies and worship practices differ, all of us are Christians, seeking to love God and love our neighbor. In a few weeks, we will literally all be at the same table, worshipping God together." Our six churches: First United Methodist Church, Hilton Baptist, Hilton Christian, Hilton Presbyterian and Trinity Lutheran will gather for a **shared worship service on Sunday, August 28, at 10 a.m. at First UMC**, which will also be LIVESTREAMED. Here is a link to join us online live (or watch it later) that Sunday: [St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Facebook page](#)

(www.facebook.com/standrewsnewportnews) or, watch the service later by going to: [First United Methodist Church YouTube channel](#) (www.youtube.com/channel/UCY8QAHLzSSmxjnw2HjEXl8A/featured)

The **theme** will be *Mutual Love and Hospitality*. Our worship on this Sunday will include a Children's Time Message, with a special **blessing of backpacks, students and teachers**. Many of the students start school on August 29, so this will be a great way for us to collectively send our learners back to school with God's blessings ringing in their ears. Mark your calendars now and please plan to come to this special service. The loose offering collected at this service will all go to THRIVE. Please consider also making your regular donation to Trinity by sending your gift in the mail, dropping it off at the church, or bringing it in with your next week's offering.

Choir practice: Starting in September, choir practices will resume beginning **Wednesday, September 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** All are welcome! Also, Geoffrey plans on starting a bell choir soon. Stay tuned for more details.

Rally Day – September 11: On Sunday, **September 11**, we will hold our yearly kick-off for the fall season of back to Sunday School classes. There will be an ice cream social after worship with stories and pictures from New Orleans. Please watch for more information coming soon!

Confirmation Classes: The first confirmation class for the fall season begins on **Sunday, September 18, from 6 to 8 p.m.** in the church parlor. Welcome to new "confirmand in training," Elliott Jay!

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Nursing Homes/Assisted Living: **Jeanette Cantrell** (The Chesapeake, 955 Harpersville Road, AL302, Newport News, VA, 23601); **Millie Christensen** (Morningside: Rm. 131; **Lucille Lebold** (Williamsburg Landing, Memory Care Unit): **Joan Johnston** (The Newport – Rm 33); **Shut-in at Home: Peggy Cash**, Janet Edwards, Gerda Hudgens, Doris Moeser, and Dick Sallade.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: **The Ahlen Family and Brittany Hock**, 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; **Matt Adamo (Brother-in-law of Patricia)**, requested by Patricia Fielding; **Ben Nelson**, requested by Laura Davis; **Donald Hall (son)**, requested by Susan Hall; for the **mental health of all those who are first responders**, requested by Dinah Balthis; **David Harvey (uncle)** requested by Anne Obara; **the family and friends of Ann Wessler (Jacob's grandmother)**, requested by Patricia Wessler; **the friends and family of Ray Self (Bob's brother)**, requested by Dottie Self, **Sandy Cobb** and **Donna, Grant and Spencer Owens**, by Anne Obara.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: James Fielding, State Dept., Myanmar; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Belleville, IL.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB; Josh and Ellen (Davis) Badgley, State Department, Bangkok, Thailand; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and Elisabeth Bruce.

The flowers are presented today . . . to the Glory of God and in celebration of Rock and Sue Moeslein's wedding anniversary, by Rock Moeslein.

CHRISTIAN HOPE AND SYMPATHY are extended to the family of our former congregation member, **Thelma Klich**, who passed away suddenly on Saturday, August 13, 2022. A memorial service will be held on Monday, August 22, at 2 p.m. at the Denbigh Altmeyer Funeral Home and Crematory. Another service, as per the obituary, will be held in Midlothian, VA, at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, on Sunday, August 21, at 1:30 p.m.. Please keep Brent, Brock and their families in your thoughts and prayers. "Thanks be to God who gives us victory over death through Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Refrain



Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;



wor-ship his ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be - fore,



O my soul; I'll wor - ship your ho - ly name.



1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn-ing;
2 You're rich in love, and you're slow to an - ger. Your
3 And on that day when my strength is fail - ing, the



... it's time to sing your song a - gain. What - ev - er may
name .. is ... great, and your heart is kind. For all your
end .. draws near, and my time has come; ... still, my



pass, and what - ev - er lies be - fore me, let me be
good - ness, I will keep .. on .. sing - ing - ten thou - sand
soul will sing your praise un - end - ing - ten thou - sand

Refrain



sing - ing when the eve - ning comes.
rea - sons for my heart to find.
years and then for - ev - er - more!

Text: Matt Redman, b. 1974, and Jonas Myrin, b. 1982

Music: Matt Redman and Jonas Myrin



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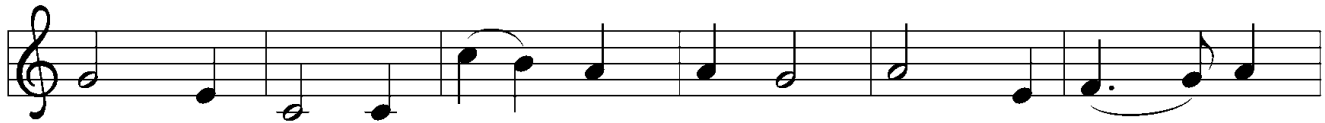
TEN THOUSAND REASONS
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Service of Remembrance for Donald E. Golden

On Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 3 PM a special service of remembrance will be held for our Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus, Don Golden, who passed away December 2, 2021. There will be hymns, musical performances, some recordings by Don, and remembrances from those who worked with Don in the school, the church, and the community during his tenure of almost 30 years at Trinity. We encourage you to attend this service to honor our friend and brother who contributed immeasurably to Trinity and our wider community.





1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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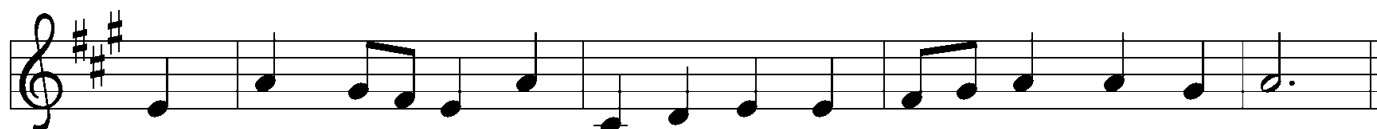
1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:
 on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
 to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;
 where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams
 We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.
 and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three - fold light was giv'n.
 and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.
 the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833



1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;



join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with
 but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the
 be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the
 we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -



sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.
 heav'n - ly King may tell their joys a - broad, may tell their joys a - broad.
 heav'n - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.
 man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

Refrain



We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on:



we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.