

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## *Fifth Sunday After Pentecost*

10:00 AM Worship Service • July 2, 2023

*Now the Feast and Celebration*



*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.*

**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. Sunday School begins at 8:45 followed by a worship service at 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings. **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.

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### TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### PASTOR MELUSKY'S OFFICE HOURS

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

*All Are Welcome*

arr. Mark Hayes

## 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,  
who greets us in this and every season,  
whose word never fails,  
whose promise is sure.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned.**  
**We have hurt our community.**  
**We have squandered your blessings.**  
**We have hoarded your bounty.**  
**In the name of Jesus,**  
**forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.  
God offers boundless grace when we fail.  
Claim the gift of God's mercy:  
you are freed and forgiven  
in the name of † Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## TWO OAKS

## 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

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## SALUTATION

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*The assembly is seated.*

**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. 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** *(spoken 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.**

“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.

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

*The assembly stands.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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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.**

*The assembly is seated.*

*The assembly stands.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*  
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**APOSTLE'S 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**

God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

*The assembly is seated.*

## RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*Let us Ever Walk with Jesus*

arr. Paul Manz

OFFERTORY HYMN

*As the Grains of Wheat*    *Now the Feast* booklet page 10

*The assembly stands.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky,  
you are the giver of all good things.  
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,  
and multiply your graciousness in us,  
that the world may be fed with your love,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

## MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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SANCTUS

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 is 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 DISTRIBUTION**

*Bread of Life From Heaven*

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**ARGENTINE SANTO | BREAK NOW THE BREAD**

*The assembly stands.*

**SENDING**

**TABLE BLESSING**

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

*Thanks be to you*

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**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless,  
keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Welcome Table*

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**WELCOME TABLE**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the harvest.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:**

*The Rejoicing*

Charles Callahan

## PRAYER LISTS

**ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:** Jeanette Cantrell, Millie Christensen, Lucille Lebold ; **Shut-in at Home:** Peggy Cash, Janet Edwards, J.R. Griffin, Gerda Hudgens, Doris Moeser, and Dick Sallade; **Recovery At Home:** Bonnie Carlson, and Butch Klapperich.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** **The Ahlen Family and the Wheeler Family**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **Hannelore Voss (Karoline's mother)**, requested by the Ardis family; **Matt Adamo (Brother-in-law of Patricia)** requested by Patricia Fielding; **Matt Eggar, Mary Lou Hubble (Jacob's aunt)**, requested by the Wessler family; **Jessica Savage**, requested by the Dail Family; **Jonathan Blank (Pastor Tina's Brother-in-law)** requested by Pastor Tina; **Susan Koehlinger (Laura's mother)**, requested by Laura Jay; **the family and friends of Hazel Woodard**, requested by Patricia Fielding; **Lee Miller (Julie Petty's father); Angela Dyke (Extended Care worker) loss of mother;** and **Jackie Judd (former teacher and friend)**, requested by Louise Mozingo.

**Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty:** **James Fielding**, State Dept., Myanmar; **Bryan Hunt**, State Dept., Belleville, IL.; **Eric Lindfors**, Deputy Commander

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## Serving the Assembly

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**Crucifer**

Lois Jean Carpenter

**Acolytes**

Carl Carpenter

Elena Stevens

**Lector**

Phil Shook

**Ushers/Greeters/Presenters**

John Lunsford

Jerry Cobb

**Camera/Livestream**

Gregg Vicik

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