

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## *Eight Sunday After Pentecost*

10:00 AM Worship Service • July 14, 2024

*Setting 10*



*When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God's saving love*

**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. 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.

**The nursery is available**, however since there are no attendants at this time, feel free to use it as needed.

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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

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

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,  
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.**

## 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



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## 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

*The assembly is seated.*

### FIRST READING: Amos 7:7-15

*Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.*

This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in the Lord's hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup> but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

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

**PSALM 85:8-13** (*spoken responsively*)



Psalm 85:8

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I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land. R**

Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway. R**

## **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14**

*In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as Christ was chosen by God before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before the Father in love. The Lord destined us for adoption as children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of God's will, to the praise of the glorious grace freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In Christ we have redemption through Christ's blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of grace lavished on us..

With all wisdom and insight God has made known to us the mystery of God's will, according to good pleasure that was set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of God who accomplishes all things according to God's counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of Christ's glory. In Christ you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in Christ, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of God's glory.

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

### 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: Mark 6:14-29

*As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.*

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

King Herod heard of the disciples' preaching, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your

brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and Herod protected him. When Herod heard John, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**CHILDREN'S CHAT  
SERMON**

Pastor Tina Melusky  
Pastor Tina Melusky

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS



1 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
2 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
4 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.



Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your love;  
Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope;  
It is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned,

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*Last time to coda* ⊕

where there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord;  
 where there is dark - ness, . . . . . on - ly light;  
 in giv - ing of our - selves that we re -

1

and where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
 and where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.

2

3 O Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so

much to be con - soled as to con - sole, to be

un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be

*D.C. (stanza 4) al coda*

loved as to love with all my soul.

⊕ *Coda*

ceive, and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

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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

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 ANTHEM

*The Gift of Love*  
Hopson; arr. Larson  
Charles Robinson, baritone

*Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,  
and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass and hopeless  
gain.*

*Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,  
but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.  
Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship and are freed.*

*The assembly stands.***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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****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**


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**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**

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## COMMUNION

*Communion is held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a **clear** cup with wine or a **purple** cup with grape juice from the tray. Recycling baskets for your plastic cups are located outside the doors of the sanctuary. Trinity has an open table – all are welcome to come to the feast.*

**MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION**      *Now the Silence*      ELW 460  
NOW

*Beloved, God's Chosen*      ELW 648  
ANDREW'S SONG

*The assembly stands.*

## SENDING

### TABLE BLESSING

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

### BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**      *Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen*      ELW 548  
SURGE ECCLESIA

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.      **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**      *Fanfare*      Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens



## SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

CRUCIFER – Lois Jean Carpenter

ACOLYTES – Emma Recuperero and Elena Stevens

LECTOR – Anne Obara

USHERS/GREETERS – David and Judy Hunt

CAMERA/LIVESTREAM – Cliff Obara



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Vacation Bible School: Hometown Nazareth Where Jesus Was a Kid**

Last summer's revival of Hilton Vacation Bible School was a great success. Before it ended, many participants were already looking forward to this year's session. This summer, the Hilton area churches will again be hosting VBS --**HOMETOWN NAZARETH WHERE JESUS WAS A KID**.

The VBS Steering Committee is hard at work planning for an exciting four-night program July 29-August 1 (Monday through Thursday) from 5-8 p.m. This is a marvelous outreach opportunity to bring the Good News to families in our churches and community and to cultivate a lifetime faith for the participants. There will be numerous volunteer opportunities for kitchen staff to help prepare and serve simple dinners, shepherds to lead the groups to their activities, as well as leaders and helpers in crafts, recreation, and music. Please consider your talents and how you can contribute to a successful VBS. When we have a volunteer roster, we'll know the number of students we can accept. We're hoping to accept more kids this year!

**RED FOOD BOX** Thank you so much for your continued donations to the Red Box! We are in need of water and food donations. A reminder that, if you donate fruit cups, please be sure they are applesauce cups only- other fruit cups attract critters! This is an important ministry for our community members, receiving a gift that reminds them that they are valued children of God!

## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Congregational Council has proposed an update to the church constitution and bylaws for congregation comment and review. The draft and current constitution have been provided via Constant Contact. In the draft, gray highlighted text denotes changes to the constitution that align with the most recent synod template while those highlighted in yellow are proposed Council updates. Congregational collaboration sessions will be held July 28, August 25, and September 29 in the church library after Sunday service for members to ask questions and provide inputs and changes to the current draft. The final draft will be available to the congregation no later than 27 October, before the final vote to be scheduled concurrently with the election of new Council members in November.

## PRAYER LIST

**ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS:** Nursing Homes/ Assisted Living: Jeanette Cantrell, Millie Christensen, Lucille Lebold, and Barbara Olson; Shut-ins Home: Richard Anderson, Peggy Cash, and Shirley Anderson. Vivian Barnes recovering from surgery at home.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** **Grant and Donna Owens**, requested by Anne Obara; **Janet Stephan**, requested by the Dail Family; **Amanda Griegos** and her family requested by Diane and Dave Roselius; **Karen Admano** and her husband **Matt** requested by Patricia Fielding; the **Ahlen family**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **Matt Eggars** (Sandy's nephew), requested by the Sniady family; **Beth Eisdorfer**, daughter of Terri Hoffeditz; **Cousin Florence** (under hospice care) and her devoted husband **Richard**, requested by Dottie Self; **Gary Harinksi**, requested by Pastor Tina; **Sherrie Strickland** (cousin), requested by Wendy Mynoymany; Jean Wimmer--friend of Jeannette Dail; Family and Friends of **Myra Corbin**, requested by Kelly Rummel.

**THOSE WHO SERVE, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN DUTY:** James Fielding, in Tokyo, Japan, Myanmar; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Sierra Leone.; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National guard, LAFB; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and wife, Elisabeth Bruce.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,



2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

*Refrain*



may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

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Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed



Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come



Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing



Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing



Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny



Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

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1 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put on as a gar - ment  
 2 With - in, call forth Wis - dom, to dwell in you rich - ly;  
 3 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put on as a gar - ment



com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and good - ness of heart.  
 let peace rule your hearts and that peace be of Christ.  
 com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and good - ness of heart.




A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your rai - ment  
 And from the heart's cham - ber, be - lov - ed and ho - ly,  
 A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your rai - ment



that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.  
 let sing - ing thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er rise.  
 that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.

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1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture;  
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



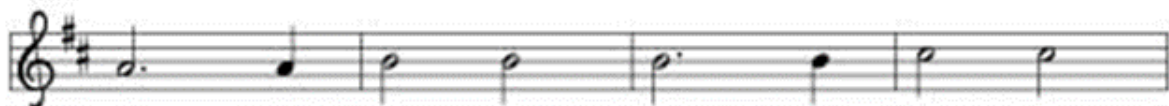
from this meal of love and grace;  
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;  
 God has called us to re - ceive;  
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;




may we through such love en - vi - sion  
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed  
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,  
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.  
 to re - lease and to con - sole,  
 Spir - it - ed then let us live.  
 from this day and un - to death.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



God, the won - der of our days.  
 Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
 Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
 Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

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