Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM Worship Service • July 21, 2024

Setting 10



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' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

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.

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.

Pastor's Cell: (734) 239-4013

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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

arr. Heather Sorenson

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, \pm 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, \pm the bread of life,

you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

GREETING

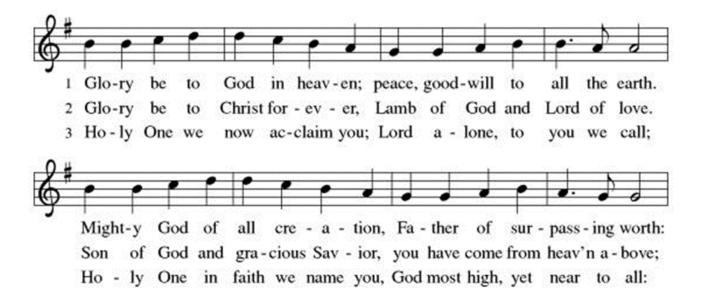
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

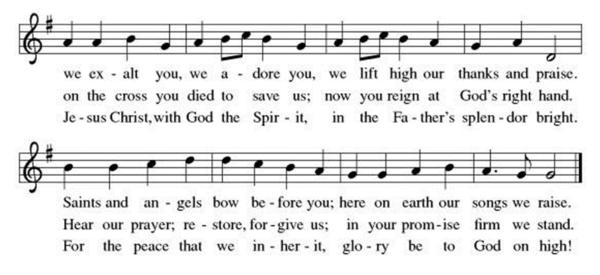
And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

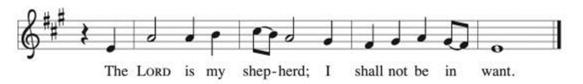
Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

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 (spoken responsively)



Psalm 23:1
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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. R

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. R

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

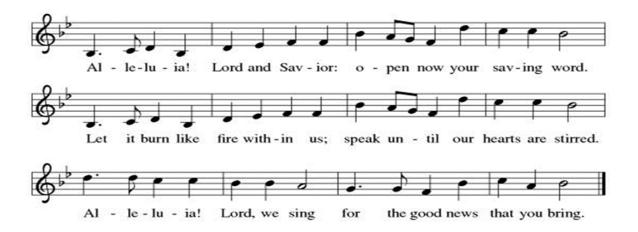
The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

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

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 ACCLAMATION



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 he 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 him, 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 SERMON Pastor Courtney Alvarado Pastor Courtney Alvarado

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say KINGSFOLD

ELW 611

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

Christ has broken down the wall. Christ has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one. Christ has broken down the wall.

We're accepted as we are. We're accepted as we are. Through God's love all are reconciled. We're accepted as we are.

Cast aside your doubts and fears. Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here; cast aside your doubts and fears.

We will tear down the walls! We will tear down every wall! God has called us, one and all. Christ has broken down the wall.

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY HYMN

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

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.

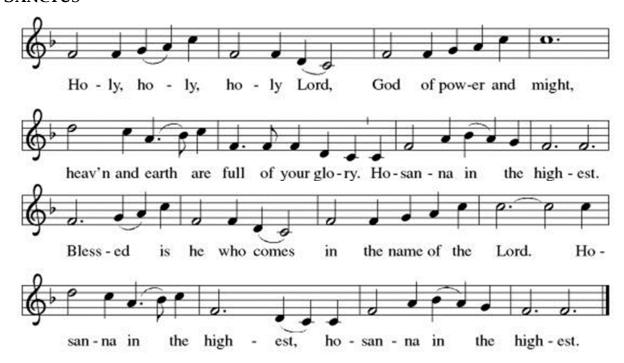
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



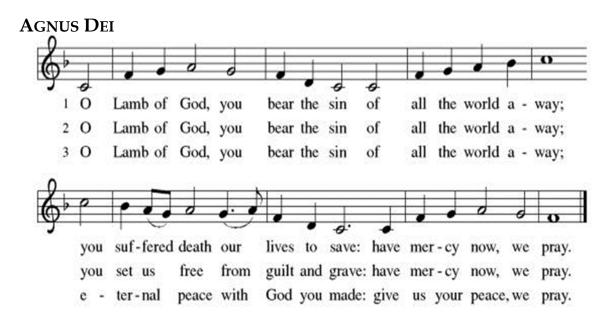
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.



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

There Is a Longing in Our Hearts LONGING

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The assembly stands.

SENDING

TABLE BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

The Church of Christ, in Every Age WAREHAM **ELW 729**

DISMISSAL

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

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

CRUCIFER — Patrick Spisak

ACOLYTES – Samantha and Luke Harry

LECTOR — Charles Robinson

USHERS/GREETERS—John Lunsford and Jerry Cobb

CAMERA/LIVESTREAM—Garrett Mynoymany



CHRISTIAN HOPE AND SYMPATHY are extended to the family and friends of Lucille Lebold, our Sister in Christ, upon her passing on, Wednesday July 18, 2024. Details of her memorial are still being planned. Please keep family members and friends in your thoughts and prayers. "Thanks be to God who gives us victory over death through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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!

<u>RED FOOD BOX</u> 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.

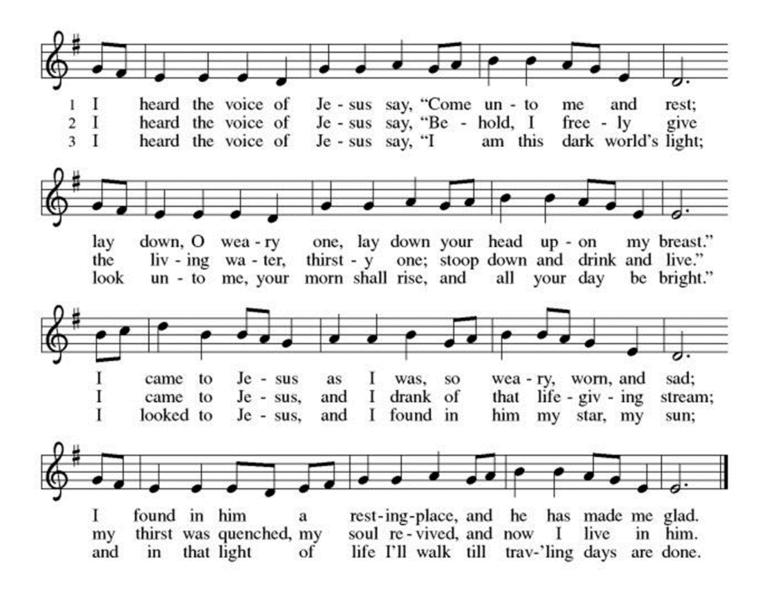
PRAYER LIST

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

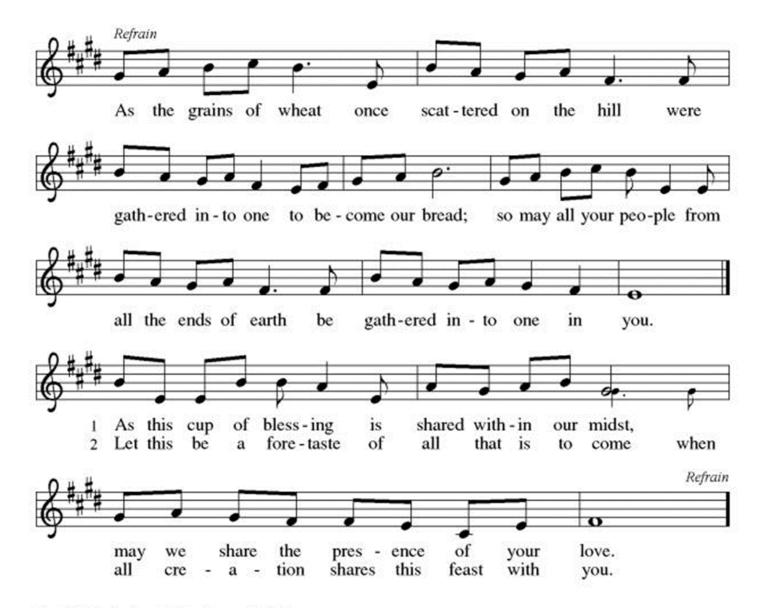
PRAYER REQUESTS: Pam Jay, Eric Jay's mother requested by Pastor Tina; The family of Carole Knopp, by Wendy Mynoymany; Scully, Pastor Tina and Ben's dog, requested by Tricia Wessler; Grant and Donna Owens, requested by Anne Obara; Janet Stephan, requested by the Dail Family; Amanda Griegos and her family 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.





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