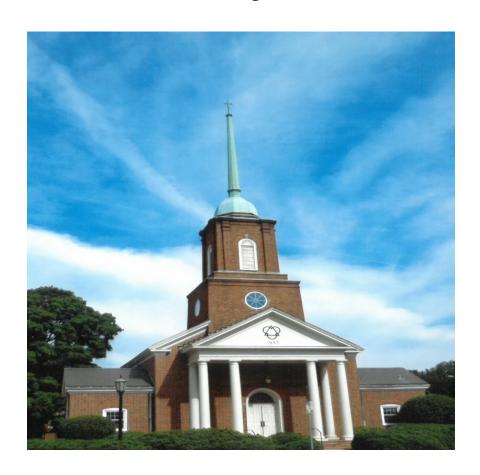
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM Worship Service • October 13, 2024

Setting One



The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

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.

Poster's Coll. (724) 220 4012

Pastor's Cell: (734) 239-4013

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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The Peace May Be Exchanged

Dan Locklair

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, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first

we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved.

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

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assembly is seated

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

Seek the LORD and live,

or the Lord will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,

and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins —

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

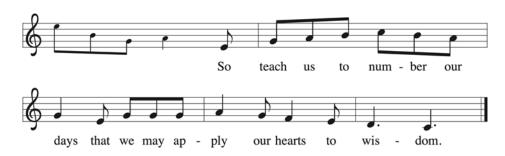
Seek good and not evil, that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

PSALM: 90:12-17



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that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?

Be gracious to your servants. R

Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork. R

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before the Lord God no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

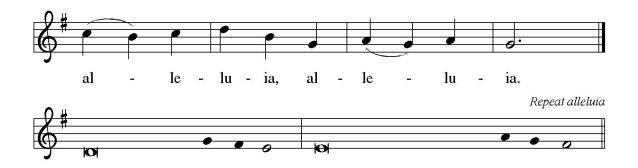
Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Blessed are the | poor in spirit, for theirs is the king- | dom of heaven.

GOSPEL: MARK 10:17-31

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S CHAT
Pastor Tina Melusky
SERMON
Pastor Tina Melusky

The assembly stands

HYMN OF THE DAY Christ, Be Our Light

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

ELW 715

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 of Grace, 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

Take My Life, That I May Be Patrick Fielding, flute

arr. Mark Sedio

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use every pow'r as thou shall choose.

Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine; take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 181

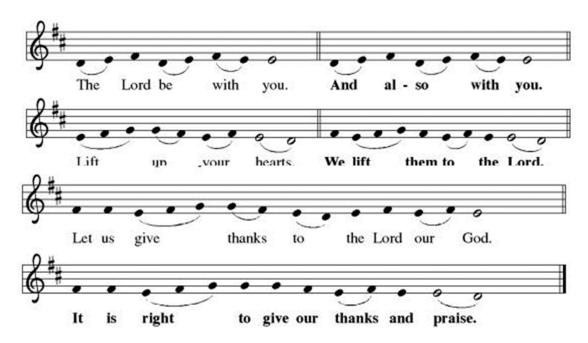
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God,

source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

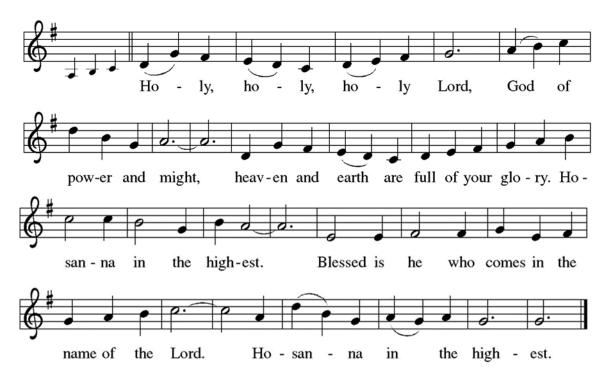


PROPER PREFACE

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



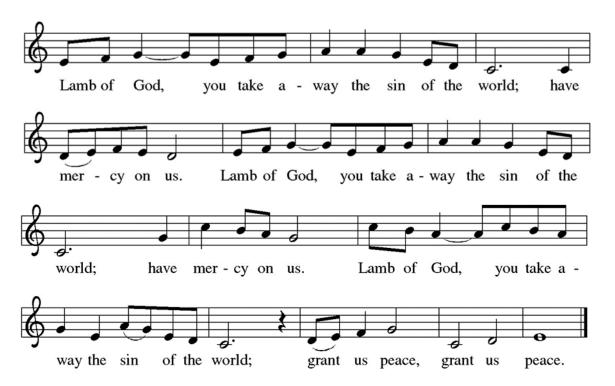
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

The assembly is seated.

AGNUS DEI



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 The Distribution We Come to the Hungry Feast ELW 479

HUNGRY FEAST

We Are an Offering ELW 692
OFFERING

The assembly stands.

SENDING

TABLE BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful+ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending RUSTINGTON

ELW 678

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Grand Choeur in B-flat Théodore Dubois

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

CRUCIFER — Patrick Spisak

ACOLYTES — Samantha Harry and Karina Stevens

LECTOR — Patrick Spisak

USHERS/GREETERS — Anne Obara and Karoline Ardis **CAMERA/LIVESTREAM** — Cliff Obara

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOOD REFINISHER

Does anyone like to stain furniture? In the narthex, the stand on which our guest book rests really needs to be stained to darken it and make it match the other furnishings in our narthex. If you'd like to take on this project, please contact Connie Hoover, Judy Hunt, Sandy Lunsford or Anne Obara, who are working hard to clean and update our church. Thank you.

Everything I Learned in Confirmation...I already forgot...

Have you ever asked, "Why do we do that?" while sitting in church? Have you ever wondered how we got to where we are? Has the Bible ever confused you? Join the club! This fall we are tackling all the things we probably learned in Confirmation and then promptly forgot! The next meeting will be Thursday October 10 at 6:30 PM. We will gather every other Thursday throughout the fall, from 6:30 -8 PM for discussion and to dive into the ins and outs of faith. If you'd like to join us, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. We will be meeting in person and on Zoom.

<u>THE TEAM FOUNDATION</u> The Team Foundation Ministries Fund enables Trinity Lutheran Church to do the work of the gospel by supporting local and global outreach ministries. If you know of an organization that would benefit from this financial support, you or a representative of the organization may apply using the online form via this link: https://forms.gle/cGKdirK1TeShTZFb7

Request Guidelines:

- 1. Monies can only be dispersed to organizations. They cannot be used for individuals.
- 2. One form should be submitted for each request.
- 3. Information and/or justification for giving to this organization must be included. Forms must be submitted by November 17, 2024
- **If you prefer to use a printed version of the form, you may print the attached PDF, obtain one from the table in the TLC Narthex, or obtain one from the TLC administrative assistant in the church office.

USAF FREE BAND CONCERT

Your United States Air Force Band and Singing Sergeants will be in Newport News, VA at the Ferguson Center for the Arts (Diamonstein Concert Hall), on Monday, October 14th at 7pm to present a FREE concert! This is a rare and exciting chance to hear great patriotic music, broadway classics and as always a salute to celebrate our veterans! We would love to have your support in forwarding this email and adding it to your calendar of events! FREE tickets are available at website below:

https://usafband.ticketleap.com/newport-news/

COME SHOP AT TLS'S USED BOOK FAIR

October 15th - 18th In the Social Hall

Shop any time with our self-service payment station - Cash, Check, or Blackbaud accepted (school payment system for enrolled families)

\$1 per book, 3 for \$2, fill a bag for \$10

Proceeds support the TLS Library and TLS Booster Club

We are still accepting used book donations through Oct 11th

RED FOOD BOX

Items currently needed: water, protein items, crackers, apple sauce.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

WALKING WORSHIP WEDNESDAYS

Please join Pastor Tina at Mariner s' Museum Park Newport News, VA 5:45 PM on 10/16, 10/23, 10/30.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Congregational Council continues its work to update to the church constitution and bylaws. The most recent draft after the August collaboration session has 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 and underlined are proposed Council updates. The last congregational collaboration session will be held October 6th in the church library after Sunday service for members to ask questions and provide inputs and changes. The final draft will be available to the congregation no later than October 27, before the final vote to be scheduled concurrently with the election of new Council members in December.

TRINITY WORK DAY

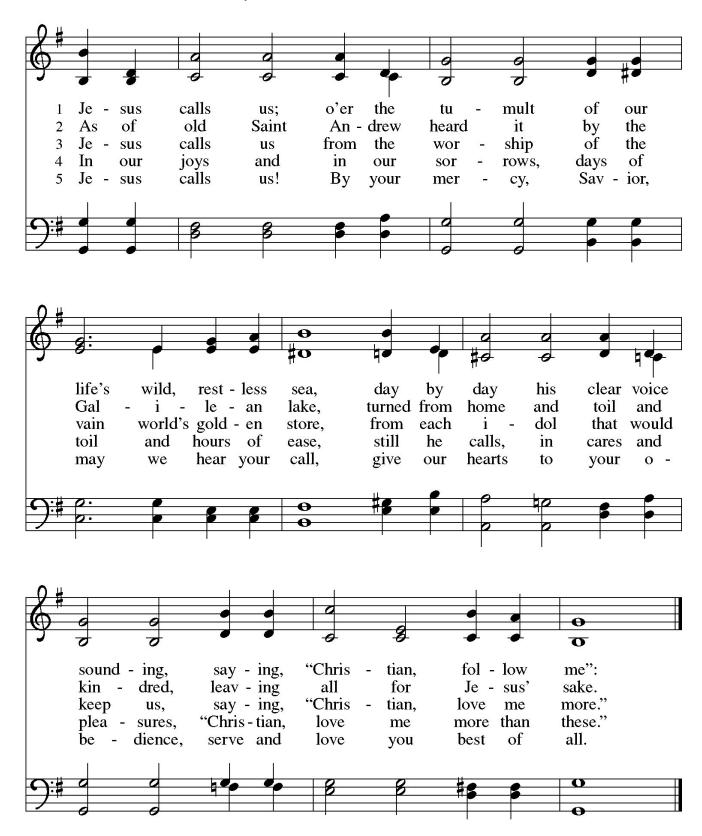
Property Committee and Council are planning a work day after the service on October 27 to refresh some areas of our church property. Please free to change into work clothes after church. Some of our tasks are to clean out window wells and weed our flower beds. Bring work gloves, small shovels, sturdy buckets, large trash bags. Leaf vacuums and ladders might be helpful. In case of rain we will switch to indoor tasks such as window and kitchen cupboard cleaning plus polishing and painting. For indoor work Windex and other household cleaners and your favorite rags and sponges will also be helpful. Remember that many hands make light work and cleanliness is next to godliness.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Mary Best, a friend of Connie Hoover, requested by Connie Hoover; Charlie Edmonson, friend of Sandy and Jerry Cobb, requested by Sandy Cobb; Nancy Allerding, who works with the Costa Rica mission trip, requested by Tricia Wessler: Dr. Bill Whitehurst, friend of Dottie Self, requested by Dottie Self; Sherry Johnston, former member and sister of Donna Owens, requested by Judy Hunt; Harlan Hamby, requested by Katherine Harry; The family of Carole Knopp, by Wendy Mynoymany; Scully, Pastor Tina and Ben's dog, requested by Tricia Wessler; 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; Beth Eisdorfer, daughter of Terri Hoffeditz; Cousin Florence (Alzheimer's) and Richard, requested by Dottie Self; Jean Wimmer—friend of Jeannette Dail.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: James Fielding, in Tokyo, Japan, 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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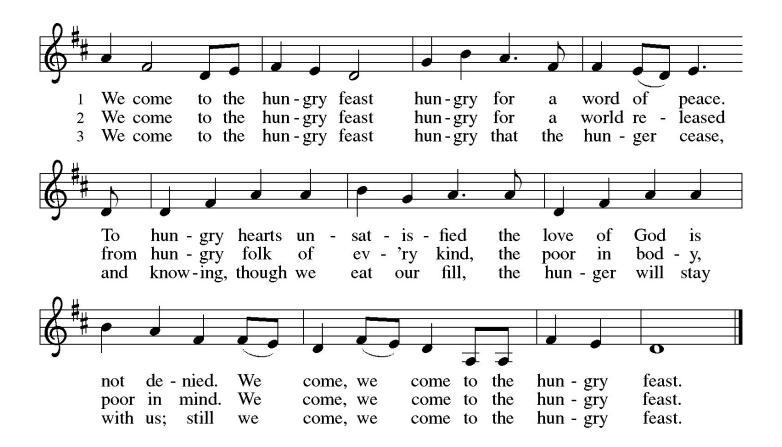
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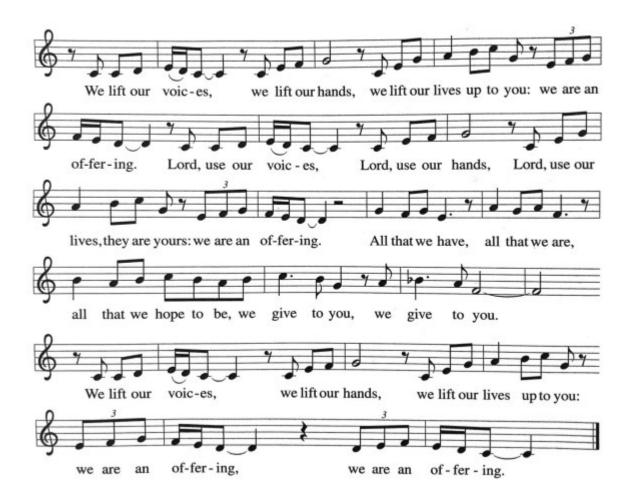
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