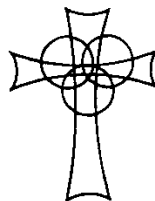


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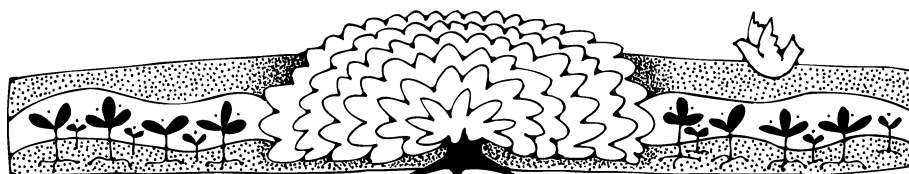
...let him
deny himself
and **take up his cross**
and **follow me.**

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Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 30, 2020

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Lord's Name, Welcome! In this season for rest and relaxation, the Pastor and People of Trinity are happy that you have come to worship this morning to find rest and refreshment for your soul. May Christ, who promises rest for the weary, strengthen you with His gifts in Word and Sacrament as you pass this hour in this "spiritual oasis."

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

O God, we thank You for Your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by His example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow Your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

*Divine Service, Setting Four
Lutheran Service Book, Page 203ff*

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Prelude

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 531

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”

- 1 **Hail, Thou once despised Jesus!**
Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Savior,
Bearer of our sin and shame!
By Thy merit we find favor:
Life is given through Thy name.
- 2 **Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,**
All our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven
Through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of heaven,
Reconciled are we with God.
- 3 **Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory,**
There forever to abide;
All the heav'nly hosts adore Thee,
Seated at Thy Father's side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading;
There Thou dost our place prepare,
Ever for us interceding
Till in glory we appear.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4** **Worship, honor, pow’r, and blessing**
 Thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing,
 Right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
 All your noblest anthems raise;
Help to sing our Savior’s merits,
 Help to chant Immanuel’s praise!

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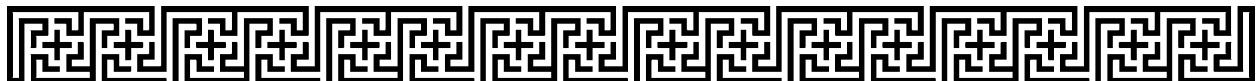
The Invocation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

The Confession of Sins:

- P** Our Help is in the Name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**



✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

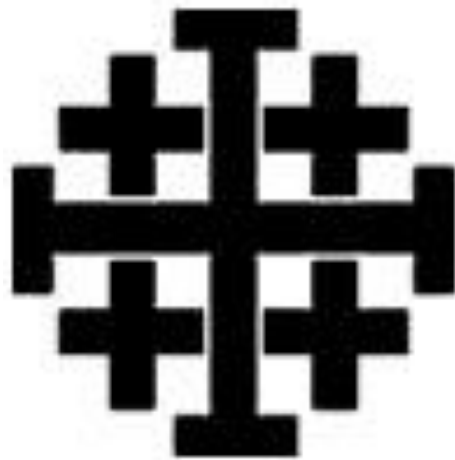
Psalm 37:5-7; antiphon: verse 4

- P** Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- C** **Commit your way to the LORD;**
trust in him, and he will act.
- P** He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.
- C** **Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;**
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,
over the man who carries out evil devices!
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

The *Kyrie Eleison*:



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.





C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Congregation is seated.

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance take me not away;
know that for your sake I bear reproach.
¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.
¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers,
nor did I rejoice;
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,
for you had filled me with indignation.
¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Will you be to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail?
¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD:
“If you return, I will restore you,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall be as my mouth.
They shall turn to you,
but you shall not turn to them.
²⁰And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
declares the LORD.
²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

Psalm 34:9, 19; Matthew 16:25

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!

C Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

P Alleluia. Whoever would save his life will lose it,

C but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For

the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed:

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Book of Worship Hymn # 495

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

1 Lead on, O King eternal!
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation
Your grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

2 **Lead on, O King eternal,**
 Till sin’s fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
 The sweet Amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing,
 Nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy
 The heav’nly kingdom comes.

3 **Lead on, O King eternal:**
 We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
 Where’er Your face appears.
Your cross is lifted o’er us;
 We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
 Lead on, O God of might!

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The Sermon

Led Forward Under the Cross

The Congregation rises.

The Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Lord God almighty, Your holy Name washes over the company of the righteous through the baptismal flood. Lead all Your people, especially the pastors, teachers, missionaries, ministers and leaders of the Church and our Synod, to crucify the passions of the flesh and rise daily to new life in Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You transform Your Church by the Holy Spirit so that it does not conform to the world. Draw forth from Your people their proclamation of thanksgiving so that they may tell of all Your wondrous deeds. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, in Holy Baptism you have joined us together with Your Son and given us to each other as fellow members of His body. Enliven the gifts You have given to each of us in our congregation and the Mekane Yesus congregation, that we might serve the needs of one another in this place and among fellow believers throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** Lord God almighty, by the cross of Christ You have not left those bearing Your Name alone in their suffering. Strengthen the faith of Your baptized people who suffer reproach and persecution, and thwart the intentions of those who seek to do them harm, that they may continue to sing Your praises. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You alone establish the leaders of the nations, including the leaders of our nation and community. Grant that Your truth would guide them in ways of integrity and honesty, avoiding hypocrisy and falsehood, that all nations of the earth may benefit from their leadership. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You guided Your servant Abraham as he left his home and journeyed to a foreign land. Be the shield of those who immigrate from foreign lands to new homes, especially to this country, and provide a place of rest to those who seek refuge from oppression and injustice. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, you create every form of worthy vocation and task of labor. Bless with wisdom and uprightness all who work for the common good as they carry out their responsibilities. Protect those whose work puts them in harm's way, and give to all laborers an honest wage. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You are the great physician of soul and body. Lead those with physical, spiritual, and emotional trials to commit their ways to You (especially _____). Grant that they might be delivered from any illness and tribulation through Your Word alone. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You have called on us not only to bear with those who suffer but also to rejoice with those who rejoice. We give thanks to You this day together with (_____ and) all those who rejoice in Your loving-kindness. Teach us all to recognize and give thanks for the countless gifts that come from Your hand, that we may ever acknowledge You as the Source and Giver of all good things. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God almighty, You care for every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have (especially _____), as well as the requests of those who have asked for our prayers, which we present to You from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts.... And we pray You to hear and accept our prayers, granting us all things that seem best for us according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God almighty, through Your Son Jesus Christ You call Your Church to be attentive to Your Word. As we feast this day on Your Word of Life, our Lord Jesus Christ, may His Body and Blood provide strength and healing to our flesh and spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God almighty, we offer You our adoration for the saints who daily took up their cross and followed You (especially for those who have recently died _____). Comfort those grieving for the presence of loved ones, and guide us all on the path that all the saints walked which leads to the final, endless day of Your bright glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

P “Where two or three are gathered together in My Name,” says the Lord, “there am I in the midst of them.”

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

The Congregation is seated.

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 692

“Praise to You and Adoration”

**1 Praise to You and adoration,
Blessèd Jesus, Son of God,
Who, to serve Your own creation,
Came to share our flesh and blood.
Guide me that I never may
From Your fold or pastures stray,
But with zeal and joy exceeding
Follow where Your steps are leading.**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 2 **Hold me ever in Your keeping;
Comfort me in pain and strife.
In my laughter and my weeping
Be with me throughout my life.
Give me greater love for You,
And my faith and hope renew
In Your birth, Your life, and passion,
In Your death and resurrection.**

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The Congregation rises.

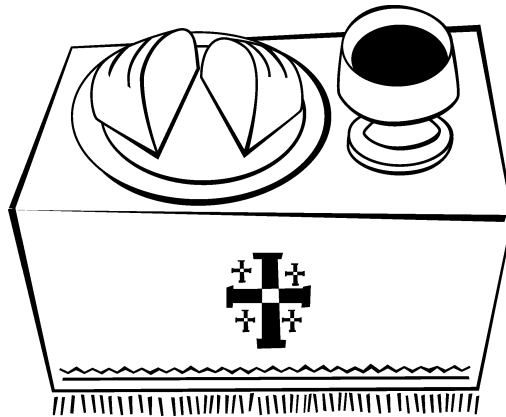
The Preface Dialogue:

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

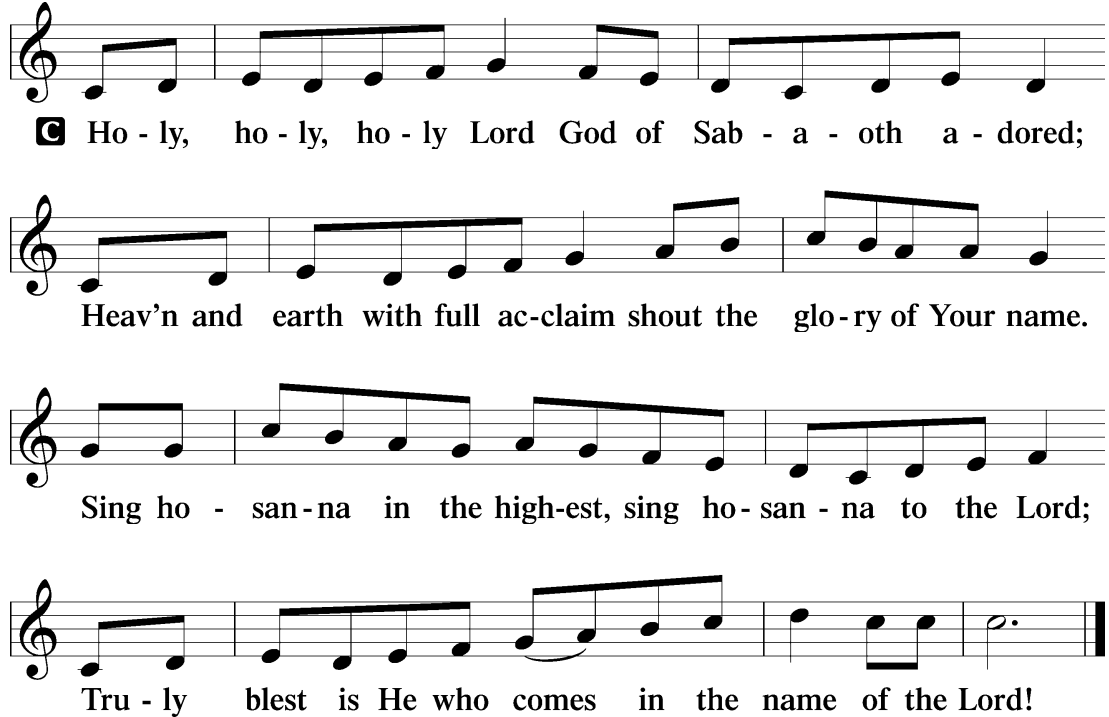
- P** Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



The *Sanctus*:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His Body and Blood. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:

C 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 Words of Our Lord:

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The *Agnus Dei*:

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

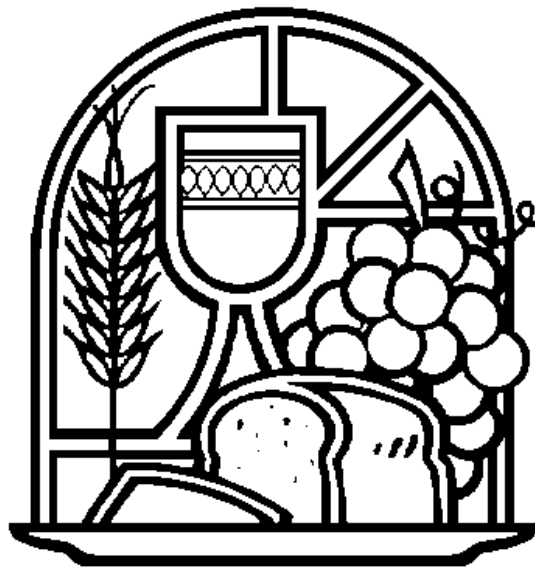
Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** Amen.

The Congregation rises.



The *Nunc Dimittis*:

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The *Benedicamus* and Benediction:

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 861

“Christ Be My Leader”

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the Way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the Truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the Life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.**

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Jesus, Lead Thou On”

✠ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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NOTES AND NEWS

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we will be taking our study opportunities on a summer break doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use during the month of July. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... Messy prayers, loud tables, open doors-three signs of a spiritually vibrant household. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, September 6, 2020, for this message by The Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Jesus in the House", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit www.cph.org and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... If you had scheduled a Sunday to donate Altar Flowers during the time when we were away from our church building, and have already paid for them in advance, we would like to still honor your gift by purchasing those flowers for a Sunday service now that we've returned. Please let the church office know which Sunday you would like to sponsor. We also welcome other donors for other available Sundays as well. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Please be reminded that the Compassion Center continues to be closed. Please keep our workers in your prayers, as well as our clients who are facing extra struggles in this difficult and challenging time.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

FOOD DISTRIBUTION ... While the Compassion Center continues to be closed, Trinity and Redeemer have chosen to move forward in resuming food distribution for the center's clients whose needs have continued during this time. We will be offering food on Saturdays from 10 AM to Noon at the center with limited contact between workers and clients.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will be collecting food on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month from 12-2 at the Compassion Center. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;
Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can also be left at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 6, 2020

Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:1-10; Matthew 18:1-20



Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- ❖ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- ❖ If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- ❖ While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- ❖ Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- ❖ Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- ❖ Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- ❖ Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- ❖ Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- ❖ All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- ❖ Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- ❖ Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

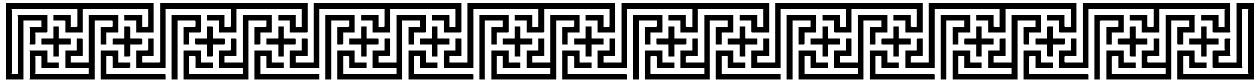
PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30 – SEPTEMBER 6
May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
Tuesday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Thursday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Saturday	10 AM—Noon	Food Distribution at the Compassion Center
Next Sunday	<i>The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 – 2:00 PM	Food Ingathering at Redeemer

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Worship Attendance: 28; Communed: 25.



✠ O Christ, Hear Us! ✠

Intercessions for the Week of August 30, 2020

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; John, relative of Pastor; Dina, niece of Sylvia;
Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen;
Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce;
Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce;
Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce;
Eric, homeless; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Billie, friend of Rona & Paul; Alan, cousin of Kim;
Danielle, neighbor of Kim; Shirley, aunt of Kim; Eric, son of Sylvia;
Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; McKenzie, relative of Tracy;
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Logan, son of co-worker of Kristina

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Gus Pratico and Zachary McBroom, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Jamie & Meghan Lowery, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- ✠ For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- ✠ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✠ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✠ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✠ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ✠ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- ✠ All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.