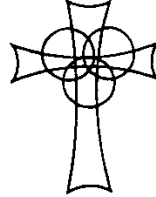


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Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

July 12, 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

Almighty God, we thank You for planting in us the seed of Your Word. By Your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, 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 Music for Meditation

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 901

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

- 1** **Open now thy gates of beauty;**
 Zion, let me enter there,
 Where my soul in joyful duty
 Waits for Him who answers prayer.
 Oh, how blessed is this place,
 Filled with solace, light, and grace!
- 2** **Gracious God, I come before Thee;**
 Come Thou also unto me.
 Where we find Thee and adore Thee,
 There a heav'n on earth must be.
 To my heart, O enter Thou;
 Let it be Thy temple now!
- 3** **Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;**
 Here Thy seed is duly sown.
 Let my soul, where it is planted,
 Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
 So that all I hear may be
 Fruitful unto life in me.
- 4** **Thou my faith increase and quicken;**
 Let me keep Thy gift divine,
 Howsoe'er temptations thicken;
 May Thy Word still o'er me shine
 As my guiding star through life,
 As my comfort in all strife.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

**5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee;
Let Thy will be done indeed.
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows;
Here is balm for all our woes.**

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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 103:15-19; antiphon: verse 8

- P** The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- C** **As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;**
- P** for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.
- C** **But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those
who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,**
- P** to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.
- C** **The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.**
- 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** The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

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.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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 Congregation is seated.

¹⁰“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
¹²“For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.



- P** Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
- C** **For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.**

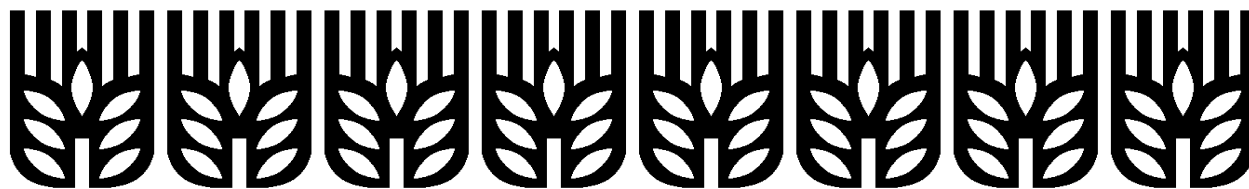
- P** Alleluia. The grass withers, the flower fades,
C **but the word of our God will stand forever. Alleluia.**

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear. ...

¹⁸"Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

- 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 Word for Young Christians

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 586

“Preach You the Word”
Sung to Alternate Tune: Tallis’ Canon

- 1** Preach you the Word and plant it home
To men who like or like it not,
The Word that shall endure and stand
When flow’rs and men shall be forgot.
- 2** We know how hard, O Lord, the task
Your servant bade us undertake:
To preach Your Word and never ask
What prideful profit it may make.
- 3** The sower sows; his reckless love
Scatters abroad the goodly seed,
Intent alone that all may have
The wholesome loaves that all men need.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4** Though some be snatched and some be scorched
 And some be choked and matted flat,
 The sower sows; his heart cries out,
 “Oh, what of that, and what of that?”
- 5** Of all his scattered plenteousness
 One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,
 And bears a harvest hundredfold:
 “Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!”
- 6** Preach you the Word and plant it home
 And never faint; the Harvest Lord
 Who gave the sower seed to sow
 Will watch and tend His planted Word.

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The Sermon

Planting God’s Field

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** Almighty Father, the Word goes forth from Your mouth and does not return to You empty. Provide for the continued proclamation of Your Word, that those who do not yet know You may come to join us in the confession of Your Name, so that together we may go out in joy and be led forth in peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty Father, You have planted Your Word within us, watered us with the promises of Baptism, and nourished us in the good soil of Your Church. Keep us ever faithful to that which You have given us, and let us never fall away from You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty Father, all the nations of the earth are Yours, and besides You there is no other God. Give those who lead the desire for peace and stability and a concern to govern wisely. Let them plead the cause of the widow and orphan and serve the needs of the least among them. Bring an end to war and strife, and allow all to live in peace and safety. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, look with mercy upon those who suffer from illness of body or mind. [*Be especially with _____.*] Comfort them with Your presence. Give them healing if it be Your will; patience to endure suffering; and knowledge that no matter what they go through, they are Your dear children and that the glory of Christ awaits them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, accept our gratitude for all Your benefits to us, especially for (*here name all those celebrating birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc.*). May we all use Your blessings in such a way that You receive the glory from us as Your dearly loved children. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, grant Your comfort to all those who mourn [*especially for _____*]. Give them peace, comfort, and hope in the sure and certain promise of resurrection to those who have lived and believed in the Lord Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, You care for every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have, [*especially for _____,*] 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 Almighty Father, we gather again at the Table of Your Son to receive His Body and Blood in the Blessed Sacrament. May we eat and drink in faith, receiving that which was given and shed for us for our benefit. Let what we receive here strengthen us in our trust in You and our service toward others. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, we join our prayer and praise with that of all generations of the faithful who have called You Father and are now before Your throne of grace. Bring us at last with them together into the life that awaits us at the coming of Your Son, Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through 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

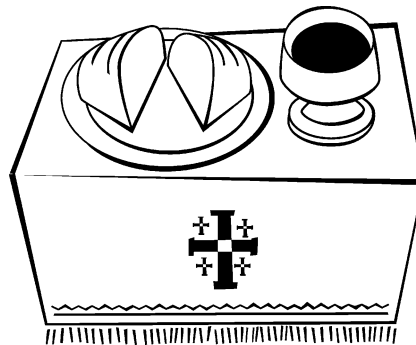
Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 584

“Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing”

- 1 Faith and truth and life bestowing,
Open now the Scriptures, Lord,
Seed to life eternal sowing,
Scattered on the wind abroad.
Let not hearts, Your Word receiving,
Like a barren field be found,
Choked with thorns and unbelieving,
Shallow earth or stony ground.**
- 2 May the Spirit’s pow’r unceasing
Bring to life the hidden grain,
Daily in our hearts increasing,
Bearing fruit that shall remain.
So in Scripture, song, and story,
Savior, may Your voice be heard.
Till our eyes behold Your glory
Give us ears to hear Your Word.**

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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*:

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.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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 # 577

“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”

- 1 **Almighty God, Your Word is cast
Like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heav'n descend
And righteous fruits abound.**
- 2 **Let not the sly satanic foe
This holy seed remove,
But give it root in ev'ry heart
To bring forth fruits of love.**
- 3 **Let not the world's deceitful cares
The rising plant destroy,
But let it yield a hundredfold
The fruits of peace and joy.**
- 4 **So when the precious seed is sown,
Life-giving grace bestow
That all whose souls the truth receive
Its saving pow'r may know.**

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postludes

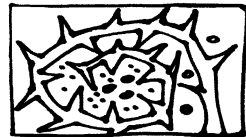
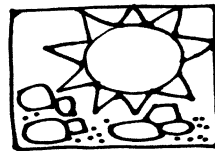
“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”

✠ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✠



Some seed
fell beside
a path...

Some fell
on rocky
soil ...



Other seeds
fell among
thorns...

but some
fell on
good soil!



M A T T H E W 13

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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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... What kind of doctor prescribes a treatment that kills Him while saving the patient? The "Jesus Protocol" is the cure that kills and then makes alive. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, July 19, 2020, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "The Jesus Protocol", 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.

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, July 19, 2020

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 44:6-8; Romans 8:18-27; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43



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.

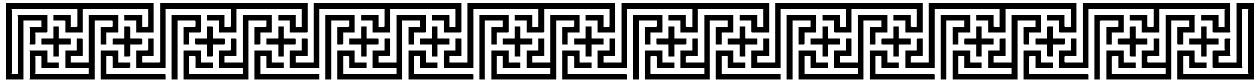
PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12 – 19
May Be Subject to Change

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| Today | <i>The Sixth 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 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</i> | |
| | 9:30 AM | Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live) |

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, July 5, 2020

Worship Attendance: 15; Communed: 15



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of July 12, 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
Vicar Daniel, Lamb of God Lutheran, Landover Hills; Eric, homeless; Sandra, aunt of Kim; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Steven, acquaintance of Tracy; Billie, friend of Rona & Paul; Alan, cousin of Kim; Jennifer, daughter of Pr. Schwandt; Danielle, neighbor of Kim

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

Michael Hudson and Richard James, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Waymond & Helen Joynes, 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.