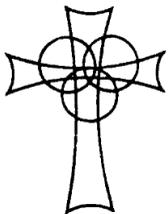


**What has a man
from all the toil
and striving of
heart with which
he toils beneath
the sun?**

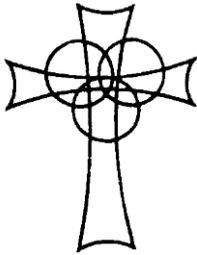
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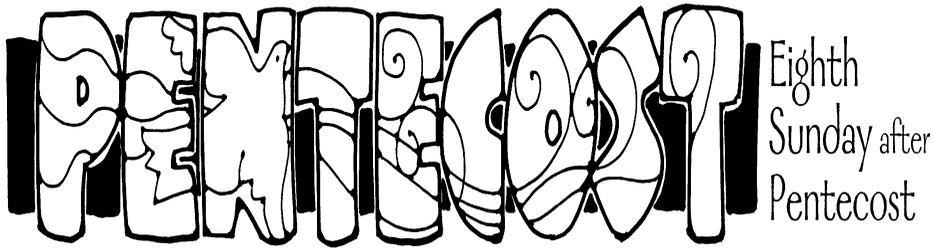


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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

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."

PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

Benevolent God, You are the Source, the Guide, and the Goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to You, and to treasure what is precious in Your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CONCERNING 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. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



THE DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

The Prelude

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 791

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing to the
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; With - out our
3 O en - ter then His gates with praise; Ap - proach with
4 For why? The Lord our God is good: His mer - cy
△ 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice. Him serve with mirth, His
aid He did us make. We are His folk, He
joy His courts un - to. Praise, laud, and bless His
is for - ev - er sure. His truth at all times
heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the



praise forth - tell; Come ye be - fore Him and re - joice.
doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
name al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.
firm - ly stood And shall from age to age en - dure.
an - gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt.

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois

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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 and Absolution:

- 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 49:7-8, 13-14a, 15; antiphon: verses 1-2

- P** Hear this, all peoples!
Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,
C **both low and high,**
rich and poor together!
- P** Truly no man can ransom another,
or give to God the price of his life,
C **for the ransom of their life is costly**
and can never suffice.
- P** This is the path of those who have foolish confidence;
yet after them people approve of their boasts.
C **Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol;**
death shall be their shepherd.
- P** But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,
for he will receive me.
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** Hear this, all peoples!
Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,
C **both low and high,**
rich and poor together!

The *Kyrie Eleison*:



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

The *Gloria in Excelsis*:



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 - shipped 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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; 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.

The Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

^{1:2}Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity. ...

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. ...

^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Colossians 3:1-11

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

*Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.
Colossians 3:23-24a*

P How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.

C **Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
and their words to the ends of the world.**

P Alleluia. Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men;

C **knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward.
Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

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 Service Book Hymn # 782

“Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings”

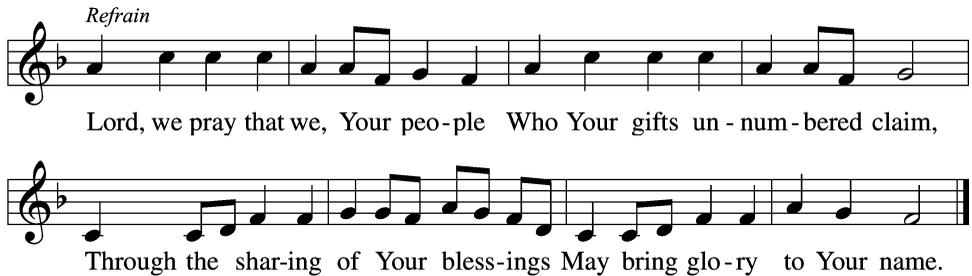
1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings
 2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion
 3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior
 Δ 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing

New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies
 Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
 Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of
 Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and

nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
 end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
 ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

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Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo-ple Who Your gifts un - num-bered claim,
Through the shar-ing of Your bless-ings May bring glo-ry to Your name.

Text: Gregory J. Wismar, 1946

Tune: Columbian Harmony, 1825, Cincinnati

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The Sermon

What's the Point?

Text: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

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** Gracious God, we have become vain in our pursuit of things and selfish in the way we judge happiness and success. Give us a servant's heart that we may share with those in need, use all You have given us for Your glory, and find contentment and peace by trusting in You above all things. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Blessed Lord, You established Your Church through the blood of Your Son. We pray You to keep her faithful, to bless all pastors and church workers, to prosper all missionaries and missions, and to lead us all to fulfill our baptismal calling to holiness of life, steadfastness of faith, and generosity of care. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Mighty God, You have greatly blessed us with an abundance of resources and freedom. Give us the aid of the Holy Spirit to prevent us from abusing Your gifts and squandering the opportunity to do good to all people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Loving God, You saw our need and sent Your only Son to be our Savior. Give us vision to see the need and compassion to respond to all in want. Bless every agency and ministry of Your Church to relieve those who suffer in the face of natural or man-made disaster. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of all nations, grant peace in our world and an end to all violence and oppression. Bless those in the armed forces who protect us and work for an end to war. Guide all those who make, administer, and judge our laws, especially our President and Congress, our state and local officials, and our Judges. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, You urge us to make known to You the desires of our hearts and all our needs. Be with all the sick, especially _____. Grant that those who call upon You in their trouble may find healing, relief, and peace according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of life, You lead Your children through life to eternal life. Grant Your comfort and peace to all those who mourn the loss of loved ones (especially _____). Assure them of the hope which all who believe in Christ have through His resurrection and of the reunion which awaits us all in the joy of heaven's life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, You bless all our days with Your goodness. Receive our thanks along with all those who rejoice in Your blessings, especially _____. Grant us all thankful hearts that we may ever acknowledge You as the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful God, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before You _____ and all the other people and concerns we name now in the silence of our hearts ... Hear these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Savior, prepare us by Your Spirit to receive Your holy Body and Blood this day in Your Most Holy Supper. Strengthen us through this precious Sacrament that we may obtain the true treasure Christ has won for us and dwell with all the saints in Your light and life forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Father, we give thanks for the blessed memory of the myrrhbearers Joanna, Mary, and Salome; and for all those who have died in the faith and now live with Christ in the eternal Feast in heaven. Unite us with them in raising our songs of thanks and praise as we wait with joyful anticipation for the resurrection to life eternal. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Because we do not know what we need or how to ask, lead us by Your Spirit to trust in Your wisdom and to have confidence in Your grace, for this life and even forevermore. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your promises 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 # 628

“Your Table I Approach”



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this Sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

*Text: Gerhard Wolter Molanus, 1633–1722; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt.
Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois
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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

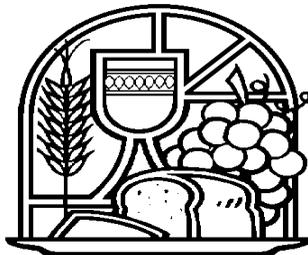
P Lift up your hearts.

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!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

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.

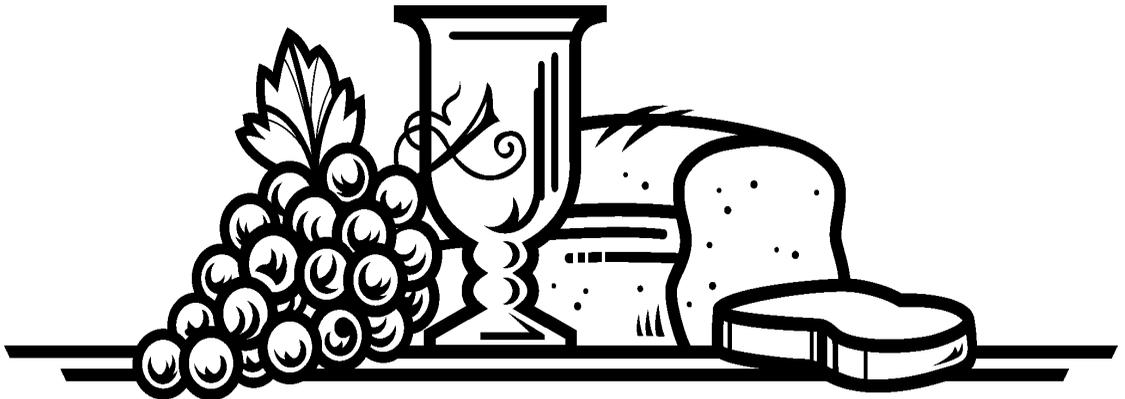
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The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.



**TAKE AND EAT
DRINK**

The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 732

“All Depends on Our Possessing”



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
 2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y
 3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles
 4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
 joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.
 and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.
 heart will quick - en; All my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en By their God are
 He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly
 I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me
 To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der Soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.
 guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.
 last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
 I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.

- 5 Well He knows what best to grant me;
 All the longing hopes that haunt me,
 Joy and sorrow, have their day.
 I shall doubt His wisdom never;
 As God wills, so be it ever;
 I commit to Him my way.
- 6 If my days on earth He lengthen,
 God my weary soul will strengthen;
 All my trust in Him I place.
 Earthly wealth is not abiding,
 Like a stream away is gliding;
 Safe I anchor in His grace.

Text: Andächtige Haus-Kirche, 1676, Nürnberg; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Johann Löhner, 1645–1705; adapt. Johann Balthasar König, 1691–1758

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The Congregation rises.

The *Nunc Dimittis*:

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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke



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.

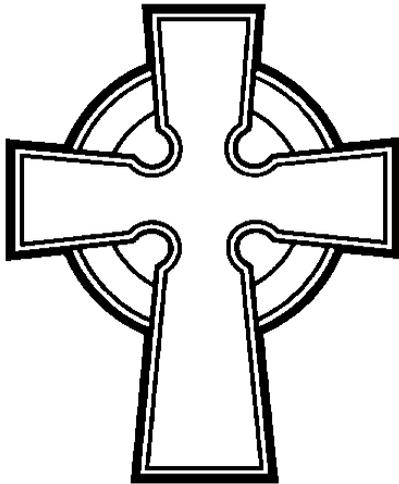
C Thanks be to God.

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 # 861

“Christ Be My Leader”



1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the
 2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or
 3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not



dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my
 doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though
 hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor



fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there.
 shift - ing as sand, Doubt can - not daunt me; in Je - sus I stand.
 sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion; with Je - sus I reign.

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Tune: Irish

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Christ Be My Leader”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

The Celebrant & Preacher
The Lector
The Communion Assistant
The Worship Assistant
The Parish Musician

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
Waymond Joynes
Helen Joynes
Paul Ritter
Skip Hall



NOTES AND NEWS

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

LMS CRAB FEAST ... The Lutheran Mission Society Compassion Place will once again be holding its Annual Crab Feast on **Saturday, August 23rd, from 3-6 PM**. The event will be held at Annapolis Evangelical Lutheran Church in Edgewater and proceeds will benefit the work of the Compassion Place's ministries. The menu includes steamed crabs, Maryland crab soup, pulled pork, hot dogs, corn on the cob, cole slaw, and potato salad. Costs for the meal are: \$65 per person; \$25 for youth 9-13; and 8 and under are free. You can order your tickets one of three ways: 1) call 410-636-0123; 2) email tickets@compassionplace.org; or 3) Send a check to Compassion Place, PO Box 438, Linthicum, MD 21090. For more information, visit the Compassion Place website at compassionplace.org.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for **2025** is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is now **\$50.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net)

LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [Instagram](#).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org: On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET) we're continuing our summer study through several of the Psalms! This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 89, 93, 99, 101, and 113. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET) as we continue our study of Paul's letter to the Galatians. On Concord Matters this Saturday (August 9 at 11 a.m. ET), Pastor Finnern will lead us through a study of the 4th Commandment in the Large Catechism. What should it look for us to honor our parents well? Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... After Jesus claimed the Old Testament was written about Him, the people of His hometown wrote Him off. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, August 10, 2025, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker Emeritus, the Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus, "Writing Him Off", locally on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen online to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUE.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under "Media" and "The Lutheran Hour".



REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATION...

August 3 **Joanna, Mary, and Salome, Myrrhbearers**

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this ongoing time of need in our community, we will continue to need your generous donations of food. 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.

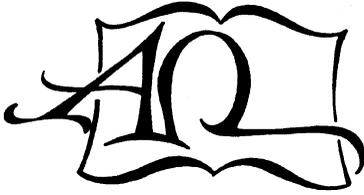
Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM
Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23



PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

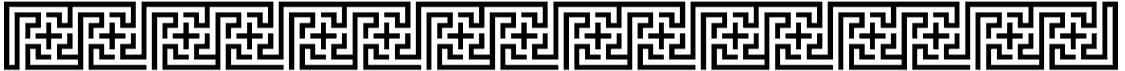
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (LSB Proper 14C)

August 10, 2025

Scripture Readings: Genesis 15:1-6

Hebrews 11:1-16

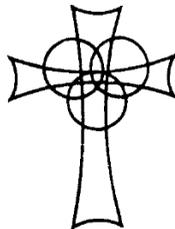
Luke 12:22-40



PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 3 – 10

May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Thursday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Next Sunday	<i>The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)





CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, July 27, 2025

Worship Attendance: 23; Communed: 23.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR JUNE 2025:

General Offerings received (5 Sundays): \$11,943

General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$14,938

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0

Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: ~\$41,977

Thanks to a residual high balance in our checking account, we didn't have to make any withdrawals from Thrivent, in spite of this month's shortfall.

MID-YEAR FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR JANUARY – JUNE 2025:

General Offerings received: \$67,874

General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$77,680

[Total Shortfall: \$9,806]

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$11,500

We've had a higher than normal budget this year because of the sidewalk repairs (\$13,678), but for the first half of the year our offerings are still only about 14% below what is needed. So, with God's grace we may still be able to meet the target as we did in 2024! Thanks as always for your support and prayer.

Michael McCoyer, Treasurer



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of August 3, 2025

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;
Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers;
Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie;
Nathan, son of Art; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;
Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;
Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;
Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Craig, husband of Edith; Virginia, mother of Sam;
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;
Raymond, brother of Joy; Nancy & Family, sister of Vincent; Daniel, friend of Cullen;
Donald, friend of Cullen; Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda;
Mary, former Concordia Teacher; Laura, granddaughter of Gus & Betty;
Jim, friend of Michelle; Millie, co-worker of Joyce; Dale, son of Gus;
Pat, mother of Kim; Sean, friend of Joyce & Dave;
Bonnie, former Concordia School Teacher

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Skip Hall, Meghan Lowery, Paul Ritter, Abrak Royal, Briana Elias, and Helen Joynes,
who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Vincent & Tracy Peele, Mark & Robin Smith, Skip & Rachel Hall, and Shawn & Melissa
Replogle, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ 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 the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✘ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political and social discourse.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



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The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor



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