



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

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Masks are welcomed,
but no longer required.
Vaccinations are highly
recommended.
Please maintain
appropriate distancing
between households and
use hand sanitizer.

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All are invited to join us at
the Lord's table for Holy
Communion.

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Our AED machine is
mounted on the wall in
the stairway near the
baptismal font.

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Please silence your
cell phone.



Trinity Lutheran Church
is recognized by
Reconciling Works as a
"Reconciling in Christ"
Congregation which
welcomes all LGBTQ+
persons into all facets of
congregational life.

LECTIONARY 14/PENTECOST 4 THE HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10:00 AM JULY 3, 2022

God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

Congregational words are in bold print.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Improvisation on "St. Denio"

Setting by Michael Burkhardt

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen
our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those
in need, we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors. Amen**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our
sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen

GATHERING HYMN - Spread, O Spread, Almighty Word

1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;

Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav - en's gifts ex - tend to all.
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
Music: GOTT SEI DANK, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704
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GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Be seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

After the reading:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66: 1-9 (from *The Message Bible*)

Lector **Congregation**

All together now - applause for God!

Sing songs to the tune of his glory, set glory to the rhythms of his praise.

Say of God, "We've never seen anything like him!" When your enemies see you in action, they slink off like scolded dogs.

The whole earth falls to its knees - it worships you, sings to you, can't stop enjoying your name and fame.

Take a good look at God's wonders - they'll take your breath away.

He converted sea to dry land; travelers crossed the river on foot. Now isn't that cause for a song?

Ever sovereign in his high tower, he keeps his eye on the godless nations. Rebels don't dare raise a finger against him.

Bless our God, O peoples! Give him a thunderous welcome!

Didn't he set us on the road to life?

Didn't he keep us out of the ditch?

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY - To Be Your Presence



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!
love ex - pressed,
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

After a brief silence each petition concludes:

God, of grace,
hear our prayer.

After the final petition:

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit,
we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
Amen

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Please greet one another from a distance and then remain standing.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus,
Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

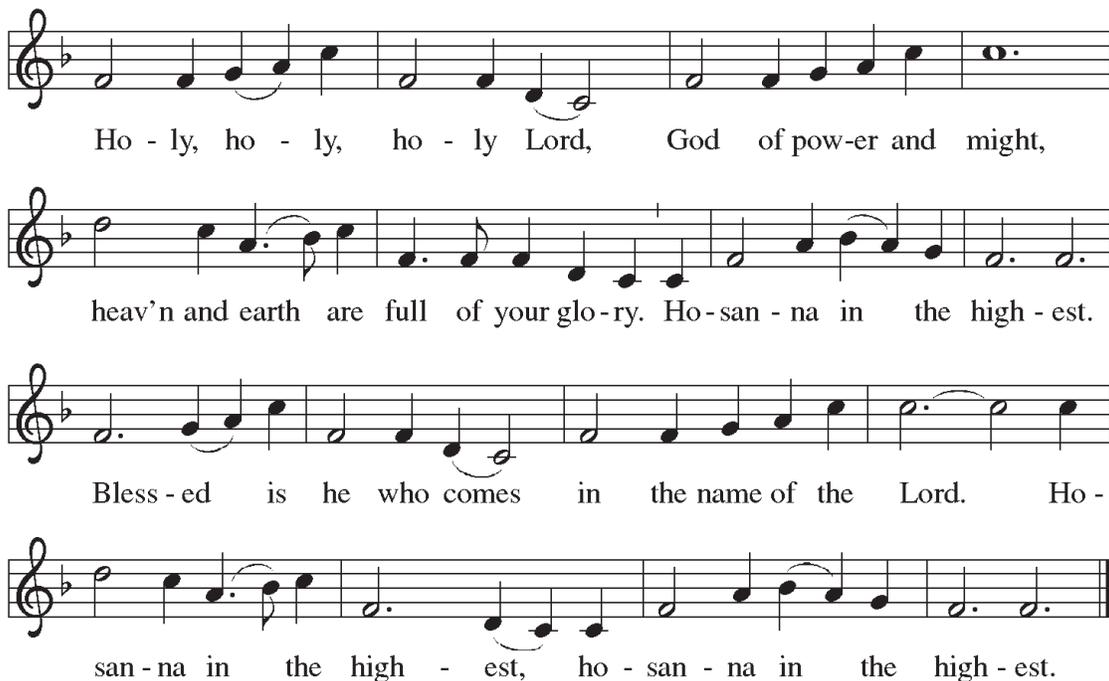
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

O God triune, how majestic...we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you took on our flesh...we mortals sing our song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

We praise you for the heart of Jesus,...we your children unite in this song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds,...to praise you again:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.

Amen, and amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Following the direction of the usher, approach the altar, maintaining a safe distance between households. Please ask your server if you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer grape juice. As you return to your seat, place your empty glass in the corner basket. Those not partaking of communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you are unable to approach the altar for communion, inform the usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.

After all have received Communion, please stand as you are able.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life
this day and always.

Amen

SENDING HYMN - In Christ Called to Baptize - see page 10

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "Engelberg"

Setting by Gordon Young

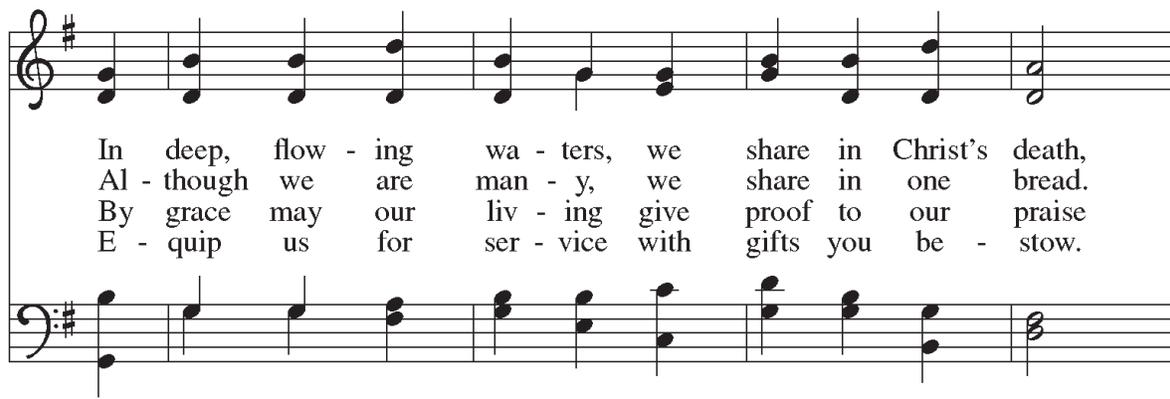
SENDING HYMN - In Christ Called to Baptize



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
 2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
 3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
 4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
 a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
 the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
 for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
 Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
 By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
 E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
 One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
 in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
 In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

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 Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876, alt.
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Leaders in Today's Liturgy: July 3, 2022 -Lectionary 14/Pentecost 4

Preaching and Presiding: Pr. Fred S. Opalinski

Assisting Minister: MaryAnn Farnsworth

Organist: Sandra Sittler

Lector: Annie Harlin

Greeter: Mike Faust

Ushers: Amy Reinsel and Jeff & Pam Wasmuth

Communion Assistant: Annie Harlin

Altar Guild: Bernadette Ilgen, Jacinda Motley, Joshua Motley, Linda Motley, Robin Oberholtzer and Beth Welz

Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Nancy Rehr in loving memory of her husband, Bruce

We thank Sandra Sittler for planning today's worship



Immediate prayer requests: Karin Flatt, Norah Wolfe-Blatt, Kelley Crozier, and Tom Shultz

Ongoing prayer requests: JT Motley, Al Beadencup, David Strobel, Ruth Adam (friend of Graf family), Celia Cosentino (friend of Jane Zobian), Doris (friend of Pat McMahan), Dick Evans, Ed Harlin, Dick Hartman, Nathan Hudson (son-in-law of Anita Dolak), Darryl Jeffries, Tina Koch (friend of Jenn Smith), Nancy Nagle, Betty Rickenbach (Karen Nein's mother), Luther Routté, the Sawyer family, Walter Schur, Dar Unger, and David Unruh (brother of Ralph Unruh)

Trinity households: Raye & Bruce Watson, Stephen & Beth Welz, Beverly Wink, Kathleen Wright, and Amy Young

Prepare for Worship July 10: Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Psalm 25:1-10; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, July 3: Lectionary 14/Pentecost 4

10:00 AM: Worship (Nave)

2:00 PM: Common Ground Worship and
Meal Takeaway

Monday, July 4

Church office closed for the holiday

Tuesday, July 5

9:30 AM: Full Staff Meeting

Sunday, July 10: Lectionary 15/Pentecost 5

10:00 AM: Worship (Nave)

2:00 PM: Common Ground Worship and
Meal Takeaway

Broadcast Schedule for July

All of our programs listed below can be watched on Comcast Channel 190, Reading Hospital Channel 80, online at www.trinityreading.org, on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/trinitylutheranchurch. Trinity's Sunday morning worship is also live streamed via Facebook and YouTube. You may log on to either platform on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM and worship at the same time as the in-person congregation.

Sundays

6:00 PM First Friday: Hinduism

6:30 PM Music From Trinity:

Duo Terlano

7:00 PM Trinity Worship Service

Wednesdays

4:00 PM Trinity Worship Service

5:00 PM Music From Trinity:

Duo Terlano

5:30 PM First Friday: Hinduism

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