



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 19/PENTECOST 9 THE HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10:00 AM AUGUST 7, 2022

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

Congregational words are in bold print.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Arranged by Cindy Wittenberg

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who creates, redeems and sustains us and all creation.

Amen

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

To you, O God,

all hearts are open, to you all desires known.

We come to you, confessing our sins.

Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love.

Show us your ways; teach us your paths;

and lead us in justice and truth,

for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you new birth,

and through the death and resurrection of ✝ Jesus Christ,

God forgives you all your sins.

The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness

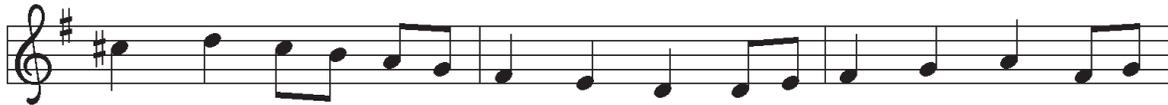
and keep you in eternal life.

Amen

GATHERING HYMN - Awake, My Soul and with Sun



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun thy
2 All praise to thee, who safe hast kept and
3 Lord, I my vows to thee re - new. Dis -
4 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all
5 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



dai - ly stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and
hast re - freshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from
perse my sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs of
I de - sign or do or say, that all my pow'rs, with
God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye



joy - ful rise to pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.
thought and will; and with thy - self my spir - it fill.
all their might, in thy sole glo - ry may u - nite.
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, alt.
Music: MORNING HYMN, François H. Barthélémon, 1741-1808

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. Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Be seated.

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

After the reading:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 33: 12-22 (from *The Psalter*)

Lector **Congregation**

Blest the land whose god is the Lord, the heirs whom God has chosen.

The Lord looks down and sees our human kind.

From heaven God surveys all peoples on earth.

The maker of human hearts knows every human act.

Armies do not save kings, brute force does not spare soldiers.

The warhorse is a sham; despite its power, it will not save.

God keeps a loving eye on all who believe, on those who count on God

to bring relief from famine, to rescue them from death.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.

After the reading:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TEACHING TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY - Have No Fear, Little Flock



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1; Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4
Music: Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930

LITTLE FLOCK
66 76 6

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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

After a brief silence each petition concludes:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

After the final petition:

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love;
through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.
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

Let us pray. Holy God:
gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation.
Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care;
and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

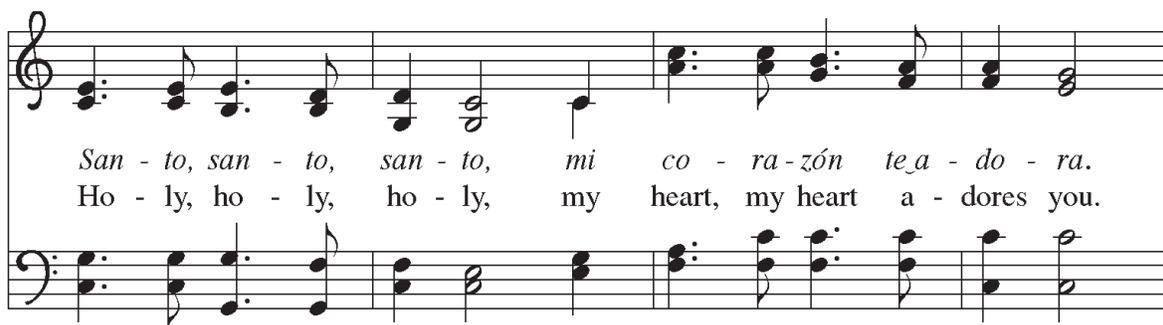
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

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

SANCTUS

Sing once in Spanish and once again in English.



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to e - res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional
Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal...Power of the Most High, now and forever.

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

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

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. O God,
in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence,
nourished us with words of mercy, and fed at your table.
Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart,
serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen

BLESSING

The holy Three, the holy One
increase your hope, strengthen your faith,
deepen your love, and ✠ grant you peace.

Amen

SENDING HYMN - Lord of All Hopefulness - see page 10

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Praise and Rejoice

Robin Dirda

SENDING HYMN: Lord of All Hopefulness



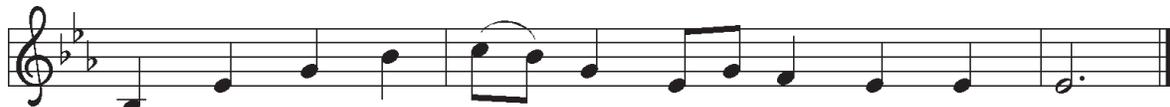
1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Text: Jan Struther, 1901–1953
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional
Text © Oxford University Press 1931.

Leaders in Today's Liturgy: August 7, 2022 -Lectionary 19/Pentecost 9

Preaching and Presiding: Pr. Virginia M. Biniek

Assisting Minister: Hannah Long

Organist: Sandra Sittler

Lector: Russ Diesinger

Greeters: Eric & Brooke Rosenbaum

Ushers: Amy Reinsel and Jeff & Pam Wasmuth

Communion Assistant: Russ Diesinger

Altar Guild: Anita Dolak, David Himes, Amy Reinsel, Amy Stewart-Himes and Raye Watson

Today's altar flowers and broadcast are sponsored by Ellen & Dan Huyett in memory of Daniel and Mary Jane Huyett

We thank Amy, William & Grace Norton-Ritz and William & Charlene Norton for planning today's worship



Immediate prayer requests: Darryl Jeffries, Ben Motley, John Kirby, Grady and Nayanna

Ongoing prayer requests: Walter Maier, Norah Wolfe-Blatt (premie baby daughter of Pastor Lauren and Hannah Wolfe-Blatt, now home), JT Motley, David Strobel, Ruth Adam (friend of Graf family), Celia Cosentino (friend of Jane Zobian), Doris (friend of Pat McMahon), Dick Evans, Ed Harlin, Nathan Hudson (son-in-law of Anita Dolak), 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 in prayer: Scott, Suzanne, Natalie & Kelly Carpenter; Rick & Debra Chaveas; Mark Christy, Kelley Crozier, and Quinn & Julia Crozier -Christy; Janet Clemmer; and Ed & Peg Coleman

Prepare for Worship August 14: Jeremiah 23:23-29; Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

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Today's prelude arranger, Lancaster County resident Cindy Wittenberg, is the "Ivory" part of "Silver, Wood and Ivory" who will be a part of this year's Fall Festival of the Arts. This piano and flute duo will present at concert at Trinity on Thursday, September 22, at 7:00 PM in the nave. Tickets cost \$20.

Second Sunday Forum August 14: "Peace or Divison?"

9:00 AM in the Hintz Room

We will discuss the day's Gospel reading, Luke 12:49-56. Grab a cup of coffee and join us for relaxed conversation and community time.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, August 7: Lectionary 19/Pentecost 9

10:00 AM: Worship (Nave)

2:00 PM: Common Ground Worship and
Meal Takeaway

Tuesday, August 9

9:30 AM: Full Staff Meeting

Sunday, August 14: Lectionary 20/Pentecost 10

9:00 AM: Second Sunday Forum:

“Peace or Division?”

10:00 AM: Worship (Nave)

2:00 PM: Common Ground Worship and
Meal Takeaway

Broadcast Schedule for August

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: Daily Talmud Study

6:30 PM Music From Trinity:

Duo Terlano - Anna & Erik Meyer -
Flute & Organ

7:00 PM Trinity Worship Service

Wednesdays

4:00 PM Trinity Worship Service

5:00 PM Music From Trinity:

Duo Terlano - Anna & Erik Meyer -
Flute & Organ

5:30 PM First Friday: Daily Talmud Study

August Mission Project – School Supplies: Opportunity House

Please have all donations in by August 15

You can help support students at Opportunity House Programs. We are invited to collect school supplies: Book bags, Notebooks, Pencils, Pens, Pencil cases, Dividers, Crayons, Markers, Erasers, Hand sanitizer, and Small tissues. Donations can be dropped off in the bins in the Narthex, or in the Bard House during office hours (Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM -3:00 PM).

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