



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 21, 2020 - 10:00 AM



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

As disciples of Christ seeking peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and include all people into the fullness of God's love. We celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this place. All are invited to join this community as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another. All, without exception, are welcome in this place.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of our parents, Earl and Clara Sullivan, Amos Hartman, Cliff Brower and in honor of Marlene Brower by Chris & Terri Sullivan

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Fugue in Eb Major (St Anne) by J. S. Bach

WELCOME

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we deny your presence in our lives.**

We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us;

and in your Spirit, lead us;

so that we may live and serve you in newness of life.

Amen.

Beloved of God,

by the radical abundance of divine mercy

we have peace with God through ✠ Christ Jesus,

through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

**How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

**“Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
for I am your God and will still give you aid.
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”**

**“When through fi’ry trials your pathways shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”**

**“Through out all their lifetime my people shall prove
my sov’rign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”**

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Teach us, good Lord God,
to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost,
to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labor and not to ask for reward,
except that of knowing that we do your will,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sit

WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:7-13

A reading from Jeremiah.

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"

For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

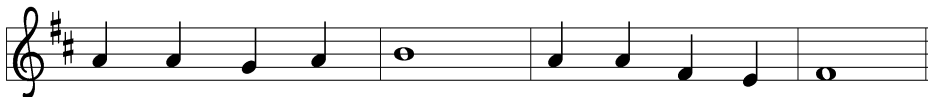
⁹If I say, "I will not mention God, or speak any more in God's name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce Jeremiah!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps they can be enticed, and we can prevail against them, and take our revenge on them."

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD!

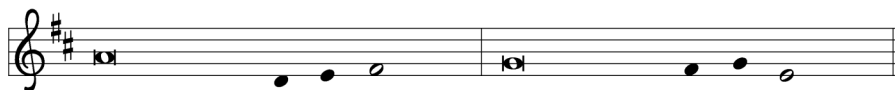
For God has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction.**Psalm
Refrain*

An - swer me, O Lord, for your love is kind.

*Psalm
Tone*

⁷Surely, for your sake I have suf- | fered reproach,
and shame has cov- | ered my face.

⁸**I have become a stranger to | my own kindred,
an alien to my | mother's children.**

⁹Zeal for your house has eat- | en me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fall- | en upon me.

¹⁰**I humbled my- | self with fasting,
but that was turned to | my reproach. ☩**

¹¹I put on | sackcloth also,
and became a by- | word among them.

¹²**Those who sit at the gate mur- | mur against me,
and the drunkards make | songs about me.**

¹³But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have | set, O LORD:
"In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your un- | failing help.

¹⁴**Save me from the mire; do not | let me sink;
let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of | the deep waters. ☩**

¹⁵Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swal- | low me up;
do not let the pit shut its | mouth upon me.

¹⁶**Answer me, O LORD, for your | love is kind;
in your great compassion, | turn to me.**

¹⁷Hide not your face | from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am | in distress.

¹⁸**Draw near to me | and redeem me;
because of my enemies de- | liver me. ☩**

A Reading from Romans

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into Christ's death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with Christ by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of God, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with Christ in such a death, we will certainly be united with Christ in such a resurrection. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with Christ so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Christ. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over our Savior. ¹⁰The death Christ died was died to sin, once for all; but the life Christ lives, is in life with God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS' SERMON

Feeling Discouraged

Stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the twelve: ²⁴“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of the household!²⁶“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from God. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.³²“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before God in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before God in heaven.³⁴“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.³⁵For I have come to set a son against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ⁶and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Walking with Love

Stand as able

**O Christ, your heart, compassionate, bore every human pain.
Its beating was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast domain.
The heart of God, the heart of Christ combined in perfect rhyme
to write God's love in human deeds, eternity in time.**

**As once you welcomed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
so may all bruised and broken lives through us your help still find.
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep alone,
and help us bear another's pain as though it were our own.**

**O Christ, create new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
that, joined by faith with your great heart, become love's open doors.
We are your body, risen Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
that through our life and ministry your love may be revealed.**

**O Love that made the distant stars, yet marks the sparrow's fall,
whose arms stretched wide upon a cross embrace and bear us all:
come, make your church a servant church that walks your servant ways,
who deeds of love rise up to you, a sacrifice of praise!**

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

As we welcome God into the sanctuaries of our homes, let us pray for our needy world.

O God, our heavenly parent, hold your church in your loving arms. Protect believers who face persecution for your sake. Bless the work of evangelists and teachers as they translate their faith into other languages. Strengthen our pastors, deacons, and church councils for their ministry during these troubling times. Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our provider, in the north the summer solstice reminds us of your care for the whole creation. Renew the places where our land, air, and waterways have been harmed. Feed all your creatures, both the animals and the humans, with the sustenance they need for life. Guide us to sources of energy that do not destroy the earth you have created. Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our ruler, inspire our president, our governors and our legislators to work towards justice for all. Lead us to ways of life that are free from racial and ethnic prejudice. Strengthen the world's democracies, and sustain those who are working to secure free and safe elections. Give a home to refugees. Form our military and our police to maintain peace and to inhibit violence. Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our physician, bring healing to all who are sick and suffering. Preserve the world from more waves of the coronavirus, and guide researchers who are seeking a vaccine. Protect those whose jobs expose them to contagion. Support our health care workers. We remember before you those we name here now: Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our peacemaker, inhabit each household in the land with your powerful peace. Train us to live together in harmony, especially when quarantined together. Nourish marriages, and sustain extended families. Protect children from harm of every kind. Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our source of life, bless all fathers and father figures as they face both long-standing and emerging family needs. Comfort those who long to be fathers and those for whom this day is difficult. Hear us and help us, O God:

your love is kind.

O God our beloved, receive now the petitions of our own hearts. Hear us and help us, O God:
your love is kind.

O God our beginning and our end, we bless you for all our forebears in family and faith who have lived and died in you. Remind us of their sacrifices, and at the end bring us with them in your household of joy. Hear us and help us, O God:
your love is kind.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Peace be with you.

📱 **Peace be with you.**

Worshippers are invited to use their phones to text now or make a call later today to extend a message of peace to someone you love and care about.

Sit

OFFERING AND ANTHEM

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or by following the link on the homepage of the website, www.trinitylutheran.ws.
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What Wondrous Love Is This arr. Eric Thiman (ELW 666 - V. 1, 2 and 3)

Anna Wise, Russ Wise

What wondrous love is this. O my soul, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse
for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking
down, when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his
crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the lamb, who is the great I Am, while millions join the theme,
I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing.

Stand as able

Refrain:

***Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness.
Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness.***

**Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, I am wine,
I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger. Repeat. Refrain**

**Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. Repeat. Refrain**

Let us pray. God of goodness and growth,

all creation is yours,

and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace.

Nourish us through these gifts,

**that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.**

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

Sit

Communion

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Anyone preferring not to receive the wine may receive only the bread, completely trusting that the full benefit of communion — Christ's grace and forgiveness — may be found in either the bread or wine.

*Worshippers who gather with family at home are invited to share the bread and wine with each other using these words spoken directly to each person,
"The body of Christ given for you," and "The blood of Christ shed for you."*

*Worshippers who are gathering with the community from their individual homes are invited to receive the bread and wine while saying these words,
"The body of Christ given for me," and "The blood of Christ shed for me."*

COMMUNION HYMN

Eat This Bread

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"Eat this Bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst."

Stand as able

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of the welcome table,
in this meal we have feasted on your goodness
and have been united by your presence among us.
Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts
so that we may share your neighborly love with all,
through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.
God, the creator, ✠ Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me

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**Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't
know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be
known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**

**Will you leave your self behind if I but call you name? Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?**

**Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris'ners free and
never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?**

**Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and
never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?**

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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