

# THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25, 2021 - 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.

## SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister & Preaching	Susan Crowell
Assisting Minister	Jimmy Reynolds
Pianist	Jim Parham
Lector	Calvin Harmon
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Video	Henry Wilcox

Worship bags are available in the Narthex and outside the Sacristy for children. Bags for pre-school are tied with a blue ribbon. Bags for K-5 - Grade 5 have no ribbon.

## GATHERING

#### Prelude

WELCOME

Stand as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

#### Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.* 

God, our provider,

help us.
It is hard to believe there is enough to share.
We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.
We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.
Turn us again to you.
Where else can we turn?
Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.
Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**  Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling, To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.

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.** 

#### Kyrie



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Let us pray. Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

Sit

## WORD

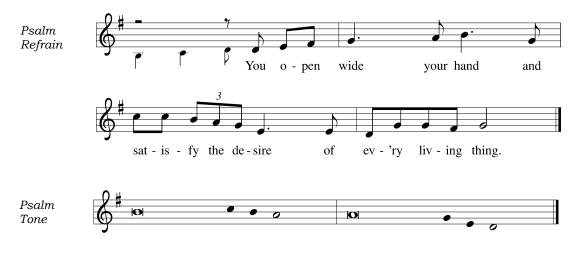
FIRST READING A reading from 2 Kings.

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. 2 Kings 4:42-44

The refrain is introduced by the cantor.

Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction



- <sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise | you, O LORD, and your faithful | ones shall bless you.
- <sup>11</sup>They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom and speak | of your power,
- <sup>12</sup>that all people may know | of your power and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through- | out all ages.

#### You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your works. R

- <sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all | those who fall and lifts up those who | are bowed down.
- <sup>15</sup>The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD, and you give them their food | in due season.
- <sup>16</sup>You open I wide your hand

and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

- <sup>17</sup>You are righteous in | all your ways and loving in | all your works.
- <sup>18</sup>You are near to all who | call upon you, to all who call up- | on you faithfully. R

### SECOND READING

A reading from Ephesians.

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before God, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of God's glory, God may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through the Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

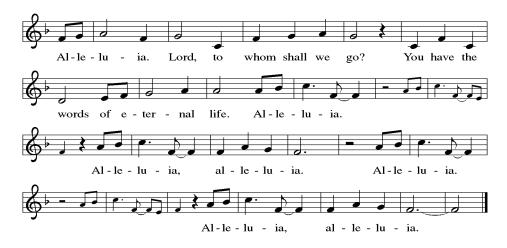
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

CHILDREN'S SERMON

A Little Boy's Lunch

Stand as able

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" 6He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.".

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Sit

SERMON

Trusting in God's Provision

Stand as able

Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heav'n descending; touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending. Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heav'n to die, crucified for our salvation, saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.

Word that speaks God's tender love, one with God beyond all telling, Word that sends us from above God the Spirit, with us dwelling, Word of truth, to all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

#### 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

Rooted in Christ and grounded in the Spirit, we offer our prayers to God.

Caring for the church throughout the world, we pray for ecumenical cooperation among the churches; for sustenance for assemblies that have been devastated by the coronavirus; and for insight as congregations resume their local programing.

Be near to all who call upon you, faithful God:

## You are loving in all your works.

Thanking God for summertime in nature, we pray for fruitful fields and healthy animals; for rain to nourish lands that face wildfires, drought, or excessive heat; and for lakes, rivers, and oceans to be free from pollution.

Be near to all who call upon you, mighty God:

### You are loving in all your works.

Mindful of the family of nations, we pray for all who govern; for Afghanistan, Ethiopia, South Africa, and other nations that are experiencing violence; for Germany and other nations devastated by climate change; for an increase of justice in our nation and around the world; and for the protection of the poor.

Be near to all who call upon you, righteous God:

### You are loving in all your works.

On this Parents' Day, we pray for all parents, that they find joy in life with their children and resilience for their tasks. And on this commemoration of the apostle James, we pray for those who in his memory go on religious pilgrimages, that they be kept safe in their travels and be drawn ever closer to your heart.

Be near to all who call upon you, gracious God:

#### You are loving in all your works.

Aware of all who suffer, we pray for a world still facing the coronavirus; for persons without employment, or adequate housing, or wholesome meals, or available health care, or the embrace of loved ones. We pray for the residents of Tokyo and for the First Nations of Canada. We pray for all with hidden sorrows; for those who live in fear; and for those we name here before you. . .

Be near to all who call upon you, compassionate God:

## You are loving in all your works.

Mindful of the injustice in the world, we pray for all who are discounted, marginalized, and labeled as less than by the powers of this world. Be near all those who have been wounded by the church. Bring healing, wholeness, and justice to our black and brown siblings, the queer community, those living with physical and mental disabilities, and all who long for love, connection, and belonging.

Be near to all who call upon you, loving God:

#### You are loving in all your works.

Confident of your love for each of us, we pray for ourselves, that we be strengthened in our inner being, and that you receive our prayers.

Be near to all who call upon you, mothering God:

## You are loving in all your works.

Grateful for the witness of all who died in the faith, especially James the apostle and those we name here. . ., we pray that at the end we join with all the saints to share in your everlasting banquet.

Be near to all who call upon you, eternal God:

#### You are loving in all your works.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

#674

## Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he set the tone, teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. *Refrain* 

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) ev'ry where! *Refrain*  Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

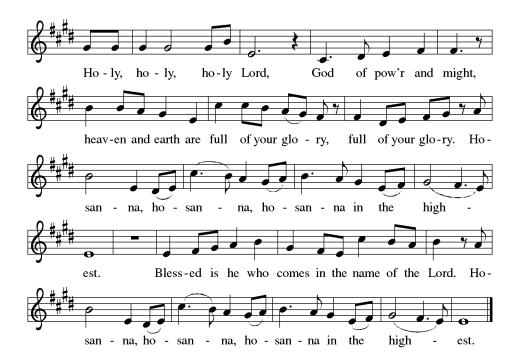
GREAT THANKSGIVING

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:



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 for 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.

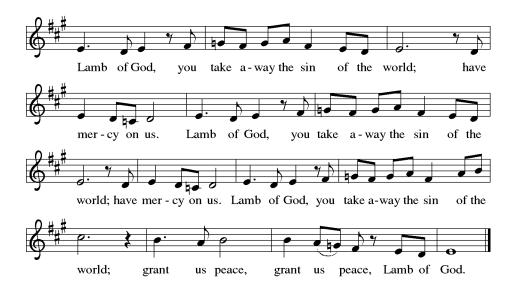
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COMMUNION

Worshipers will come forward to receive the bread and wine and then return to their seats to consume the elements.

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's love and grace.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION



#### Refrain

Bread of life from heaven, your blood and body given, we eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again.

Break now the bread of Christ's sacrifice; giving thanks, hungry ones, gather round. Eat, all of you, and be satisfied; in Christ's presence the loaves will abound. *Refrain* 

Seek not the food that will pass away; set your hearts on the food that endures. Come, learn the true and the living way, that the fullness of life may be yours. *Refrain* 

Love as the one who, in love for you, gave himself for the life of the world. Come to the one who is food for you, that your hunger and thirst be no more. *Refrain* 

Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your home in the lifegiving Word. Know only Christ, Holy One of God, and believe in the truth you have heard. *Refrain* 

Drink of this cup and declare his death; eat this bread and believe Easter morn; trust his return and, with ev'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are reborn. *Refrain* 

Eat This Bread

#472

Refrain Repeat refrain after each verse cantor sings.

#### "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

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

#### SENDING

#### BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

#547

(Verse 1)

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

POSTLUDE

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