



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



## THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 29, 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 and in memory of her husband, Henry, by Diane Drummond.

## SERVING TODAY

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Amanda Cook  
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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.**

**O God, my faithful God, true fountain ever flowing,  
without whom nothing is, all perfect gifts bestowing:  
give me a healthy frame, and may I have within  
a conscience free from blame, a soul unstained by sin.**

**Give me the strength to do with ready heart and willing  
whatever you command, my calling here fulfilling  
to do it when I ought, with all my might and bless  
whatever I have wrought, for you must give success.**

**Keep me from saying words that later need recalling;  
guard me, lest idle speech may from my lips be falling;  
but when, within my place, I must and ought to speak,  
then to my words give grace, lest I offend the weak.**

**When dangers gather round, oh, keep me calm and fearless;  
help me to bear the cross when life seems dark and cheerless;  
help me, as you have taught, to love both great and small,  
and, by your Spirit's might, to live at peace with all.**

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

## *Refrain*



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## *Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Sit*

## WORD

### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

A reading from Deuteronomy.

<sup>1</sup>So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. <sup>6</sup>You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" <sup>7</sup>For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call? <sup>8</sup>And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? <sup>9</sup>But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

LORD, who may dwell in your tab - er - na - cle?

*Psalm  
Tone*

- <sup>1</sup>LORD, who may dwell in your | tabernacle?  
Who may abide upon your | holy hill?
- <sup>2</sup>**Those who lead a blameless life and do | what is right,  
who speak the truth | from their heart;**
- <sup>3</sup>they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil | to their friends;  
they do not cast discredit up- | on a neighbor.
- <sup>4</sup>**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who | fear the LORD.  
They have sworn upon their health and do not take | back their word.**
- <sup>5</sup>They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst the  
innocent.  
Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown. **R**

A reading from James.

<sup>17</sup>Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Creator of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>God willingly gave birth to us with a word spoken in truth, so that we may be, as it were, the first fruits of God's creation. <sup>19</sup>You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup>Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup>But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup>For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup>for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup>But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup>If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup>Religion that is pure and undefiled before God is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*First Fruits*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark the seventh chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> The Pharisees and some of the religious scholars who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus. <sup>2</sup>They had noticed that some of the disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without ritually washing them. <sup>3</sup>For the Pharisees, and the Jewish people in general, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of their ancestors; <sup>4</sup>and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles. <sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and the religious scholars asked Jesus, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; <sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ <sup>8</sup>You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.” <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” <sup>21</sup>For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

SERMON

*Holiness in the Commonplace*

*Stand as able*

**Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey;  
I'll tell ev'rybody about you wherever I go:  
you alone are our life and our peace and our love.  
Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.**

**Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.  
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you.  
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.  
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.**

**As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant,  
to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.  
For you saved me by giving your body and blood.  
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.**

**I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey;  
but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side.  
And with all of the fam'ly you saved by your love,  
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.**

## 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

Whether we meet in assembly or worship from our homes, we join together in prayer for the world.

We pray for the church of Jesus Christ around the world.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for wisdom concerning church traditions.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for the pastors and staff of our congregation.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for the well-being of the created earth.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for a halt to wildfires.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for peace throughout the world.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for nations experiencing adversity of any kind.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for our elected leaders.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for an end to prejudices.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for schools and Sunday schools, the students and teachers.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for those facing the coronavirus.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for orphans, widows, and widowers.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for all who are sick or suffering.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We pray for those we name here before you:  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

Finally, we pray for ourselves.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

We give thanks for all the faithful departed,  
and we pray that at the end we join them in your presence forever.  
Hear our prayers, O God; **abide with us.**

O God, in your mercy receive these prayers,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, master Teacher, 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! Repeat***

**Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets 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:

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

*Sit*

## COMMUNION

*Worshippers 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

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God." The melody is simple and repetitive, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;  
stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart,  
and make me love you as I ought to love.**

**I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no op'ning skies  
but take the dimness of my soul away.**

**Have you not bid me love you, God and King;  
all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.  
Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!**

**Teach me to love you as your angels love,  
one holy passion filling all my frame:  
the baptism of the heav'n descended dove,  
my heart an altar, and your love the flame.**

*On My Heart Imprint Your Image*

#811

*(Hymn is sung twice)*

**On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace,  
that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase.  
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
in my life, my hope's foundation, all my glory and salvation!**

*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 on 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***

*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

*The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*

#538

**The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
to make of all the earth a better place to live. *Repeat***

**The angels are not sent into our world of pain  
to do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. *Repeat***

## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE

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