



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America

# THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 9, 2023 - 10:00 AM - in the Gym

# 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 honor of their daughter, Amanda, on her birthday by Brian and Karen Craig.

# SERVING TODAY

| Presiding Minister and Preaching    | Dan Kirkpatrick   |
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| Assisting Minister                  | Richard Moose   |
| Pianist                             | Jim Parham  |
| Cantor                              | Megan Finnern   |
| Lector                              | Philip Wessinger  |
| Prayers                             | Lani Wise   |
| Acolytes                            | Madelyn Fagala<br>Adaline McCormack   |
| Communion Assistant                 | Lindsay Hawkins   |
| Children's Worship Activity Leaders | Debbie Farstad<br>Zerle Hubbard<br>Terry Morgan   |
| Greeters                            | Bonnie Farmer<br>Anne Harmon<br>Tara Miller<br>Maria Roberts<br>Vicki Rubenstein<br>Dora Welch<br>Melanie Wessinger |
| Ushers                              | Richard Delap<br>Danny Fagala<br>Calvin Harmon<br>Lani Ludian   |
| Fellowship Hosts                    | Roger Brown and David Foster  |
| Video<br>Audio                      | Henry Wilcox<br>Gregg Alley   |

### GATHERING

#### PRELUDE

### WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

Please stand as able

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

#### Amen.

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

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Righteous God,

we confess that we have sinned.
We have failed to be honest.
We have lacked the courage to speak.
We have spoken falsely.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

#### Amen.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that lifegiving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

#### 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. You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

Please be seated

### Word

FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-12

A reading from Zechariah.

9Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your sovereign comes to you;
triumphant and victorious,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

10The sovereign will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and shall command peace to the nations;
and rule over a dominion from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

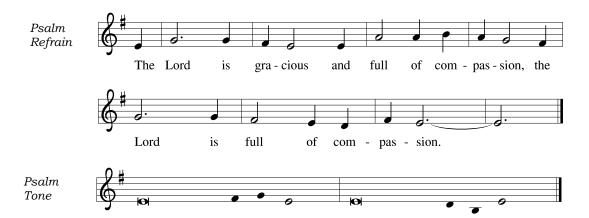
11As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

The Word of God for the people of God.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Thanks be to God.

Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction.



- <sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.
- <sup>9</sup>LORD, you are | good to all, and your compassion is over | all your works. R
- <sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise I you, O LORD, and your faithful I ones shall bless you.
- 11They 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  $\ ^{\mid}$  all your works.

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all | those who fall and lifts up those who | are bowed down. **R** 

SECOND READING Romans 7:15-25a

A reading from Romans.

thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of God for the people of God.

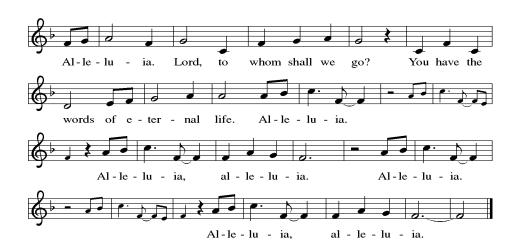
#### Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Kirkpatrick

Please Stand as able

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew the eleventh chapter.

# Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup> "What comparison can I make with this generation? They are like children shouting to others as they sit in the marketplace, <sup>17</sup> 'We piped you a tune, but you wouldn't dance. We sang you a dirge, but you wouldn't mourn.' <sup>18</sup> For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He is possessed.' <sup>19</sup> The Chosen One comes, eating and drinking, and they say, 'This one is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' Wisdom will be vindicated by her own actions."

<sup>25</sup> Then Jesus prayed, "God, Creator of heaven and earth, to you I offer praise; for what you have hidden from the learned and the clever, you have revealed to the youngest children. <sup>26</sup> Yes, God, everything is as you want it to be." <sup>27</sup> Jesus continued, "Everything has been handed over to me by God. No one knows the Only Begotten except God, and no one knows God except the Only Begotten— and those to whom the Only Begotten wants to give that revelation. <sup>28</sup> Come to me, all you who labor and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon your shoulders and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. Here you will find rest for your souls, <sup>30</sup> for my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON Pastor Kirkpatrick

Please stand as able

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

### 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

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

### A brief silence.

God of the covenant, you call ministers to proclaim your gospel of grace throughout the world. Inspire pastors, deacons, church musicians, and all ministers of your word as they carry out your work. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of all creation, you reveal your goodness through all you have made: rivers and seas, plants and animals, and endangered species. Prosper the work of conservation organizations, botanical gardens, zoos, and wildlife sanctuaries. Hear us, O God.

### Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, you desire that all the peoples of the world live in peace. Guide government leaders at all levels—national, state, and local—to work for justice, mercy, and reconciliation. Show us the way toward hope after recent Supreme Court rulings which leave LGBTQIA+ people and people of color at greater risk of further oppression. Grant your church the courage and means to demand your justice in this land. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of compassion, you bring healing to those who are sick, consolation to those who are grieving, and well-being to those who are distraught. Send skilled caregivers to all in need. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Make your presence known among all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

### Your mercy is great.

God of rejoicing, you have brought us together this day to worship around word and sacrament. Encourage children in their learning and growing that they may see your love in the world around them. Watch over those who are absent today, bless vacations, and grant safety to your people enjoying the summer for travel. Lead us all to places of renewal and refreshment. Hear us, O God.

### Your mercy is great.

God of all faithfulness, through the witness of the faithful departed you reveal love in action. Embolden us by their example to build up the beloved community in all the contexts we encounter. Hear us, O God.

### Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

#### Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you always.

And also with you.

Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

ANTHEM

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me traditional folk song

Megan Finnern

Please stand as able.

MEAL

OFFERING HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven (verses 1 and 2)

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Praise, my soul, the God of heaven; joyfully your tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore God's praises sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praises everlasting ring!

God be praised for grace and favor to our forebears in distress.

God be praised the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious is God's faithfulness!

Let us pray. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.

Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

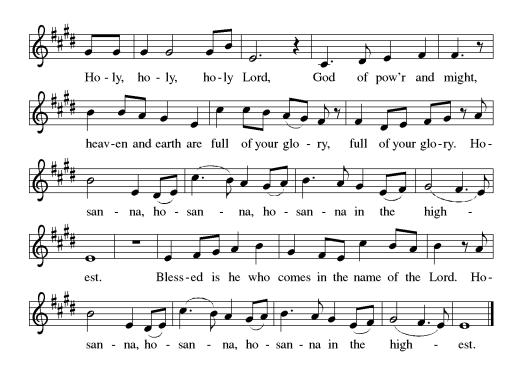
Lift up your hearts.

#### We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

# It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 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.

#### THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

#### Thanks be to God!

Please be seated

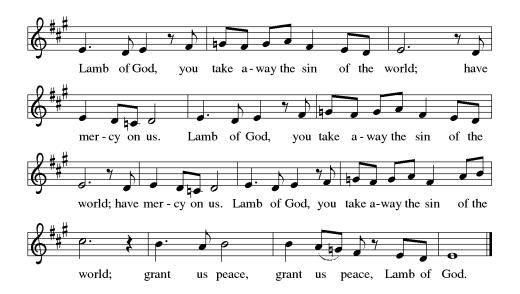
#### COMMUNION

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.

Gluten free wafers are available.

Worshippers will come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive a wafer and a small cup of wine.

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



"Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty; drink the water I will give. If you knew what gift I offer, you would come to me and live."

#### Refrain

Jesus, ever flowing fountain, give us water from your well. In the gracious gift you offer there is joy no tongue can tell.

"Come to me, all trav'lers weary; come that I may give you rest.

Drink the cup of life I offer; at this table be my guest." Refrain

"Come to me, believers burdened; find refreshment in this place.

Come, receive the gift I offer, turn to me and seek my face." Refrain

"Come to me, repentant sinners; leave behind your guilt and shame.

Come and know divine compassion, turn to me, I call your name." Refrain

### Day by Day

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Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul. Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal. Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest; Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey; I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day. I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace. Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.

Oh, what joy to know that yu are near me when by burdens grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord to you in prayer. Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand. Savior, with your presence here to guide me I will reach at last the promised land.

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us. Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

### Refrain

In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever. In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. Refrain

Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us. We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. Refrain

Please stand as able

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

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

# SENDING

#### BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

To Be Your Presence

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To be your presence is our mission here, to show compassion's face and list'ning ear, to be your heart of mercy ever near, alleluia!

To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold, to be your hands of justice, right uphold, alleluia!

To be your presence is our mission blest, to speak for all the broken and oppressed, to be your voice of hope, your love expressed, alleluia!

We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your people is our call and choice, and in this mission we, the church, rejoice, alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Everyone is invited to gather in the back corner of the Gym following worship for refreshments and fellowship.

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