



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 28, 2024 - 10:00 AM - in the Sanctuary



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 cousin, Sarah Pinckney Branch, by Roy and Kay Cook.

SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister	Mary Peters
Preaching	Patrick Preacher
Assisting Minister	Patrick Preacher
Organist and Choir Director	Shelton Ridge Love
Lector	Margaret Roth
Prayers	David Foster
Communion Assistant	Duke Barsody
Cantors/Soloists	Bob & Sheryl Schirmer
Acolyte	EmmieMae Peden
Children's Worship Activity Leaders	Amanda Cook Heather Fanning Teresa Harrington
Nursery	Karen Craig
Praying for Possibilities	Dale Hamann
Greeters	Pattimarie Janssen Tara Miller Jane Mortenson Lyle Mortenson Vicki Rubenstein
Ushers	Calvin Harmon Teresa Harrington Lani Ludian David Potts
Fellowship Hosts	Jeff & Lisa Rehm
Video	Henry Wilcox
Audio	Gregg Alley

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

Please 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.

**Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.**

**Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word;
praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;
from this well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.**

**Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the One who makes us one.**

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. Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Continue to surprise us with your mighty acts of love. Teach us to heed your call to respond to your love in extravagant and generous ways. 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.

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from second Kings.

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

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*Psalm
Refrain*

You o - pen wide your hand and
sat - is - fy the de - sire of ev - 'ry liv - ing thing.

*Psalm
Tone*

- 10 All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.
- 11 **They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom
and speak | of your power,**
- 12 that all people may know | of your power
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.
- 13 **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
- 14 The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.
- 15 **The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,
and you give them their food | in due season.**
- 16 You open | wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
- 17 **You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**
- 18 You are near to all who | call upon you,
to all who call up- | on you faithfully. **R**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

A reading from Ephesians.

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

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Feeding 5,000 People

Please stand as able

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 John the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick.

³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover was near. ⁵When Jesus 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 Philip, for Jesus himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip 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, ⁹"There is a child here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus 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. ¹¹Then 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.

¹²When they were satisfied, Jesus told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that Jesus had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them.

¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

Expect the Unexpected

Please stand as able

**All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.**

**All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.**

**All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.**

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

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of generations, you work in us far more than we can ask or imagine. Bless the church you have called into being across time and space, and fill it with the power of the Spirit for loving service. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of field and forest, streams and seas, you are the fullness of all things. As grains of wheat grow upon the earth and fish swim in the waters, sustain your creation. Protect harvests and give every person food in due season. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God beyond borders, you rule all in all. Bless the work of humanitarians and peacekeepers, shield those who live, work, or serve in harm's way, and bring an end to war and conflict. Continue to show us your way so that in all things, we will learn to act on behalf of neighbor and stranger. Protect and safeguard the LGBTQIA+ community, immigrants, women, people of color, and all marginalized communities who find themselves fearful during this election season. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of healing, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. We remember any who are sick or suffering, especially those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Sustain families in our community who endure hunger, those who seek asylum or citizenship, and our beloved for whom death is near. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of grace, you root us and ground us in love. As you inspired our ancestors in this place in their ministry, sustain us also in new endeavors, that your glory may be made known, and your lovingkindness shared anew. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all, your love in Christ surpasses all knowledge. We give thanks for the departed who have come to know the fullness of your grace. Join our voices with theirs, all the saints, and with musicians whose death the church commemorates this day: Johann Sebastian Bach, Heinrich Schütz, and George Frederick Handel. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

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

MEAL

OFFERING

Panis Angelicus
by Cesar Frank
Latin text by Thomas Aquinas

Bob & Sheryl Schirmer

English Translation

The bread of angels becomes the bread of humanity.

The bread of heaven ends all mere symbols.

Oh, marvelous thing!

The Lord becomes food for the poor and humble servant.

Please stand as able

OFFERING 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 is 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:

The musical score is written on five staves in a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics are: 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 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!

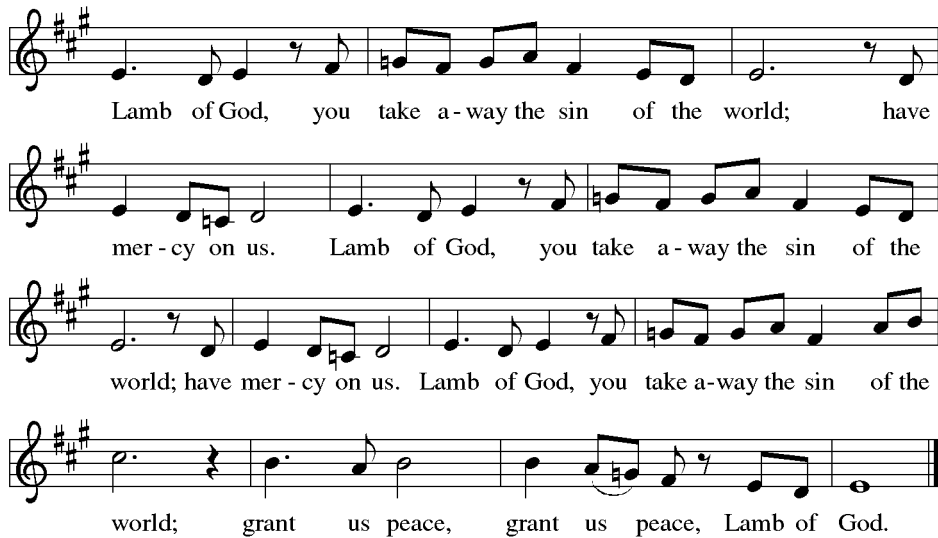
Please be seated

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.

At the direction of the ushers, worshippers are invited to move to the front of the center aisle to dip the bread into the wine to receive Communion by intinction.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



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.

Here Is Bread

#483

**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***

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***

In the Singing

#466

**In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open,
in the blessing, in the breaking, in your presence at the table,**

Refrain

***Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace;
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.***

**In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance,
in the heart's cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people. *Refrain***

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and
free, the life of Jesus to recall in
love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are
fed, the new community of love in
Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud division
ends. The love that made us makes us one, and
strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.**

**The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever
near, is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here, alive among us here.**

**Together met, together bound by all that God has
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.**

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

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.

**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.**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.**

**With your feast you feed us, with your light now
lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

DISMISSAL

Go forth in peace.
Share what God has given you
And know there is no storm
God won't pass through to get to you.

Thanks be to God.

Amen.

*Everyone is invited to gather on the front lawn
following worship for refreshments and fellowship.*

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