Trinity Lutheran Church Created to Praise Sunday June 30, 2024

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MEDITATION PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord, so often we have sought to receive Your blessings, yet seldom have we really understood how important it is to share them in return. Too often we accept the notion that we deserve all the comforts and wealth the world can offer, and we are not obligated to care for those in need. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to know the joy of sharing Your love daily. In Christ we pray. Amen

GATHERING MUSIC

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

TEMPLE TALK- John Kenworthy- World Hunger

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others.

-St. Augustine (Medieval Monk and Scholar)

Bread for myself is a material question, but bread for my neighbor is a spiritual one.

-Jacques Maritan (French Philosopher)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us gather this day in worship and let Christ's love be seen in us!

People: The way of the world is to care for oneself and one's own interests.

Leader: But in Christ we are called to care and provide for the needs of others.

People: Working together, God's people can touch many by sharing God's mercy.

Leader: Then let our voices be in praise as we share God's blessings with others.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

PRAISE SONG



THE CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess to God and before one another the condition of our lives.

People: We confess to you, great Lover of all creation, that we have failed to love you with our whole being. We have been seduced by the things of this world and we have let them guide our lives instead of you. We have poured out our affections on things that could never satisfy and we never believe we have enough. We have failed to love and care for our neighbors as we do ourselves. We have ignored many in need and we have hated our enemies. We have failed to understand that all humanity is our neighbor and that you have promised that there is enough for all. Forgive us and by the power of your Holy Spirit restore in us a never-failing love of you and of our neighbors. Help us to live our lives with open hands and open hearts. Amen.

Leader: The God who calls us to be loving is the One who loves us. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven and commissioned to care for all creation as you care for yourself and your loved ones.



THE LESSON

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

The Apostle Paul is suggesting a life perspective to this young and sometimes divided congregation which he started in the commercial Greek city of Corinth. This scripture precedes Paul's later appeal in this chapter for an offering he is collecting for the needy believers in Jerusalem.

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE (stand)



THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

Leader: We gather together to worship our God,

People: who has given us the hope that is stored up in heaven,

Leader: A hope that overflows in blessings on earth. **People: We confess our faith in Jesus Christ,**

Leader: and witness to him by our love for one another.

People: For faith, hope and love,

Leader: we come before God with thanksgiving and praise.

Leader: 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."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

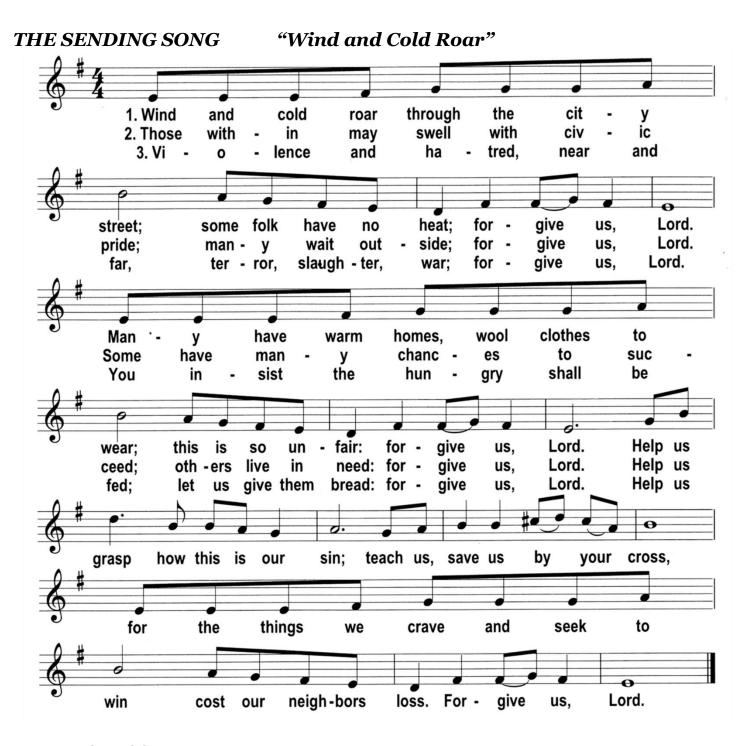
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING (stand)

THE SENDING OUT

Leader: God has a goal for us. It is the salvation of all creation. God intends for it to come to completion in us and in those we encounter. Go with and to be the blessing of God Almighty.

All: Amen.



THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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