

Trinity Lutheran Church
Created to Praise
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3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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GATHERING MUSIC

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

"What day is it?" asked Pooh.

"It's today," squeaked Piglet.

"My favorite day," said Pooh." -A.A. Milne

"You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, find your eternity in each moment. Fools stand on their island of opportunities and look toward another land. There is no other land; there is no other life but this." -Henry David Thoreau

"Enjoy every sandwich. Don't consume life unthinkingly.

Savor every mouthful, every moment, no matter how ordinary or common."

-Warren Zevon (Rock singer and songwriter)

CALL TO WORSHIP (stand)

Leader: "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

All: We gather today, recognizing that life is full of seasons – times of joy and times of sorrow, times of laughter and times of tears. We acknowledge that these seasons are all gifts of God to be lived moment by moment.

Leader: "God has made everything beautiful in its time." (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

All: We believe that even in the midst of difficulty, God is working for good. God can make all things beautiful in their time.

Leader: "That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away." (Ecclesiastes 3:15)

All: We confess that we often struggle to accept the seasons of life, longing for what was or fearing what might be. We ask for grace to trust in God's sovereignty and to find joy and purpose in the present moment.

Leader: Let us worship the God who governs all time and who makes all things beautiful, offering our praise and seeking God's wisdom in every season of our lives.

PRAISE SONG

"Have You Thanked the Lord"

Have you thanked the Lord? Have you praised God's name?
Don't you know that no to-mor-row is quite the same?
Have you thanked the Lord? Have you knelt in prayer
and re-joiced that rain or sun-shine, our God is there?
Hal - le - lu - jah! Thank the Lord for the sun, sand, and sea,
Hal - le - lu - jah! Par - a - dise for we taste where we are;
Hal - le - lu - jah! Joy and peace the Sav - ior will bring.
ev' - ry star at night that shines for you and
sum - mer breez - es, night win - ter warmth for are nev - er
Grace a - maz - ing! So we lift our voice and
me. Bless - ings so man - y come our way:
far. God's love is ev - er on dis - play:
sing, grate - ful when clouds are bright or gray:
have you thanked the Lord to - day?
have you thanked the Lord to - day?
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OUR CONFESSION PRAYER

Life has many seasons, with different times for every activity, both joyful and difficult.

We struggle to believe that it's possible that God is present in moments of both good and bad, joy and sorrow. We struggle to believe that God works for good even in the most tragic circumstances. These moments are not God's will, but God is there in the midst of such moments to bring life.

There is a temptation to worry about the future, thinking that one can control or change life's seasons through effort or possessions.

There is a tendency to fail to find joy and contentment in the present season, attempting to escape the difficult times or hold on to the good ones as if they will never end.

There is a need to grow in trust through all the seasons of life, believing and trusting that God's love will never let us go .

Therefore, grace is needed to embrace every season, to find joy in God's presence, and to do good as long as one lives. Help us remember, O God, that nothing in this world is permanent and that You refines the heart and strengthens faith through each season.

Help us trust you O Lord, knowing that You make all things beautiful in time. Help us believe that You are able to do far more than anyone could ever ask or imagine." Amen.

CONFESSION RESPONSE "Grace Alone"

1. Ev - 'ry pro - mise we can make, ev - 'ry prayer and step of faith,
2. Ev - 'ry soul we long to reach, ev - 'ry heart we hope to teach,
Ev - 'ry dif - f'rence we will make is on - ly by His grace.
Ev - 'ry - where we share His peace is on - ly by His grace.
Ev - 'ry moun - tain we will climb, ev - 'ry ray of hope we shine,
Ev - 'ry lov - ing word we say, ev - 'ry tear we wipe a - way,
Ev - 'ry bless - ing left be - hind is on - ly by His
Ev - 'ry sor - row turned to praise is on - ly by His
grace. Grace a - lone which God sup - plies, strength un - known He will pro
vide. Christ in us, our Cor - ner - stone, we will go forth in grace a
1. lone. 2. lone. We will go forth in grace a - lone.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (sit)

THE FIRST LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born and a time to die;
a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill and a time to heal;
a time to break down and a time to build up;
a time to weep and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek and a time to lose;
a time to keep and a time to throw away;
a time to tear and a time to sew;
a time to keep silent and a time to speak;
a time to love and a time to hate;
a time for war and a time for peace.

What gain have the workers from their toil? I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover, he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil. I know that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it nor anything taken from it; God has done this so that all should stand in awe before him. That which is already has been, that which is to be already is, and God seeks out what has gone by.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 6:34

So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own.
Today's trouble is enough for today.

MESSAGE

"Taste and See"

Pastor David Schoob

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE (Stand)

"Hearts Full of Gratitude"

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 6/4 time. It begins with a repeat sign and a key signature change to D major. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score includes a final repeat sign at the end of the first section, a first ending bracket labeled '1.-3.' leading to a repeat, and a second section marked 'Sing after v. 3'.

Let's get to the heart of the mat - ter so
It's one thing to know a - bout Je - sus, a -
The spir - it of Christ is up - on us pro -

ma - ny things come back to this There's no - thing that we'll ev - er point
no - ther to feel Christ with - in Some say that there's no great - er dis
claim - ing good news to the poor Re - deem - ing and free - ing and heal

to - tance that did not first come as a gift. The
- ing, and show - ing us what life is for. be -
We're

gift to wake up in the morn - ing the strength to rise up from our beds.
tween just be - liev - ing in our minds and know - ing God's love in our hearts.
here to have hearts that are burn - ing to share all the gifts we've re - ceived.

You've giv - en us so much, yet we ask one more thing from you.

Give us the gift of choos - ing to live with hearts full of gra - ti - tude.

Sing after v. 3

You've giv - en us so much, yet we ask one more thing from you.

Give us the gift of choos - ing to live with hearts full of gra - ti - tude.

THE OFFERING Please remember that your offerings of money, time and talents enable Trinity to "share the love and promise of God" through its ministries.

THE PRAYERS

P: As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the church, the human family, and all of creation.

(Petitions end: "God of mercy"; "Hear our prayer.")

P. All these things and whatever you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ, who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

L: For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.

C: A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to uproot; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance.

L: The acknowledgment is that lives unfold within God's times and seasons, both joyful and challenging.

C: God has made everything beautiful in its time, and has put eternity into our hearts.

L: It is confessed that God's work from beginning to end cannot be fully understood.

C: However, God is always with us.

L: Therefore, rejoice and do good in your lifetime, recognizing that even daily blessings are a gift from God.

C: Gather at this table, remembering the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, who entered brokenness and redeemed our seasons.

L: As the bread and wine are taken, you are reminded of God's steadfast love that endures forever.

C: May this communion strengthen faith and inspire living out the seasons with God and one another.

L: Fear the Lord, knowing that God is sovereign over all, and worship God who sets the times.

C: Amen.

L: Let us rejoice as we hear the words that remind us of God's greatest gift of love.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks and broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper he took the cup and after giving thanks he gave it to them all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in 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, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FAMILY MEAL

All who celebrate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune today.

*When you receive the bread, you may either dip the wafer
in the first chalice of wine or the second chalice of grape juice
Please indicate to the pastor if you need a gluten free wafer.*

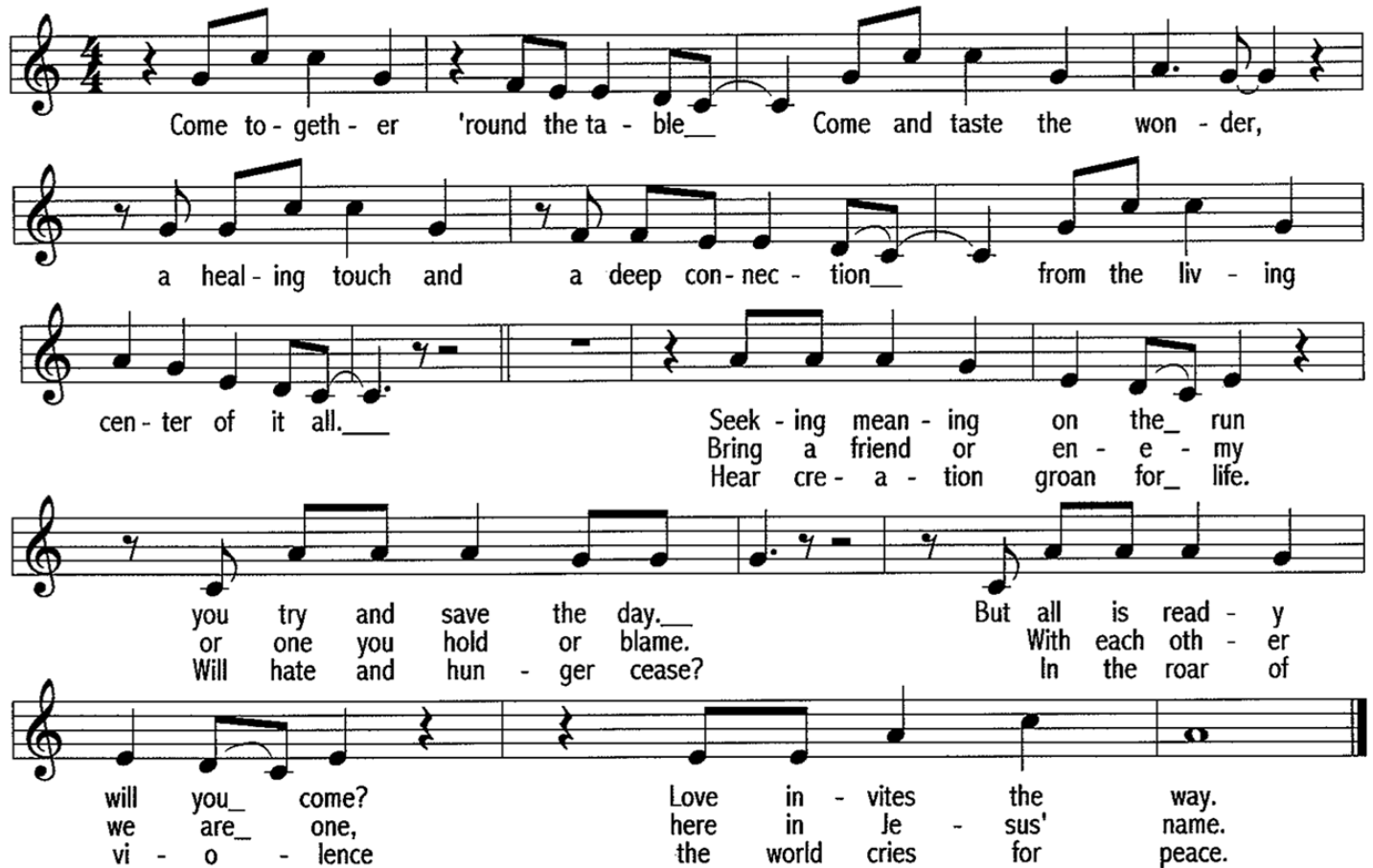
(We also have individually packaged gluten free wafer/wine.)

COMMUNION SONGS “Let Us Go Now to the Banquet”

Sing chorus 2X at beginning and end, 1x between verses.

Let us go now to the ban-quet, to the feast of the u - ni -
verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.
I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
May we build such a place a - mong us where all
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good, where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

“Round the Table”



Come to - geth - er 'round the ta - ble. Come and taste the won - der,
a heal - ing touch and a deep con - nec - tion from the liv - ing
cen - ter of it all. Seek - ing mean - ing on the run
Bring a friend or en - e - my life.
Hear cre - a - tion groan for life.
you try and save the day. But all is read - y
or one you and hold or blame. With each oth - er
Will hate and hun - ger cease? In the roar of
will you come? Love in - vites the way.
we are one, here in Je - sus' name.
vi - o - lence the world cries for peace.

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

THE SENDING OUT

Leader: May the God who has appointed a time for everything – a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot – bless you and keep you in all your appointed seasons.

May you experience the fullness of each moment, whether it's a time for weeping or a time for laughter, a time for mourning or a time for dancing.

May you recognize God's presence in every season, even when you cannot fully understand from beginning to end.

May you find joy and good in all your labor, recognizing it as a gift from God.

May you trust in the God who has made everything beautiful in its time, knowing that whatever God does endures forever.

And may you go forth from this place, living out your seasons with purpose and hope, for in God, life is not meaningless.

All: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"Ubuntu"

(pronounced "oom-BOON-too")

Chorus



U - bun- tul U - bun- tul
shar- ing our vi - sions and dreams. U - bun- tul where
jus- tice flows like a life giv - ing stream. The
peo- ple to - geth- er join - ing our hearts and our
hands to wel - come the strang - er and cher - ish the friend and to
work for the peace of the land and so we do life!

Verses (echo song leader)

1. ... Sisters and brothers ... made for communion ... bound to each other ... one holy union
... Drawn by a vision ... drawn by desire ... drawn to the circle ... round God's holy fire,
2. ... Called now we follow ... Jesus our brother ... Who gathers his children ... just like a mother
... Tenderly holding ... this new creation ... Making and molding ... a new holy nation,
3. ... This is our vision ... life's in the sharing ... Holding back nothing ... dreaming and daring,
... To live this communion ... that breaks us and binds us
... Holds us and heals us ... frees us and finds us

Bridge



1. Made by God's po - wer to live as God's own;
2. Marked by the wa - ter and giv - en our name,
3. God, give us cour - age to do what we say,
made to be seen and be heard and to be known
moved by God's Spir - it, re - vived by hol - y flame
Christ, give us strength for the liv - ing of these days.

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Following worship, please join us in the Heritage Room for a coffee hour.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastors: Pastor David Schoob, Pastor Cristy Schoob

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Keyboard: Hazel Griffin

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Counters: Linda Amacher, Cindy Tikusis

Coffee Hour: Cyndee Bruder

Trinity Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Ho-Chunk and Potawatomi people. As such, we wish to give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home. It is our sincere desire that this acknowledgement initiates an ongoing instructive, and constructive journey toward respect, truth and healing regarding colonialism, the church community, and inclusivity for all children of the Great Spirit. We commit ourselves as God's children to pray for our indigenous siblings, to pray for God's blessings on them and for strength for them and for us as we work together for justice, dignity, respect and peace for all the diverse people of the land.

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