

Trinity Lutheran Church
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8th Sunday after Pentecost

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GATHERING MUSIC

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Ecumen”
How Sweet the Sound
This Little Light of Mine

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

“If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.”
-Mother Teresa

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

Martin Luther King Jr.
Letter from Birmingham, Alabama jail, April 16, 1963.

“There’s a choice we’re making, we’re saving our own lives.”
Michael Jackson and Lionel Ritchie Lyrics “We Are the World”

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Leader: God gathers us here in that community called faith:

All: **where the hungry are served first, where the thirsty drink life's water.**

Leader: We come, for God welcomes us here into that home called grace:

All: **where the naked are clothed in robes of hope;
where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**

Leader: We come, for God reunites us here, fellow members in that family called love:

All: **where the imprisoned model justice,
where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

PRAISE SONG

"To Be God's People"

1. Al - might - y Fa - ther give us a vi - sion
2. And when we fal - ter be Thou our com - fort;

of a dy - ing world that needs Your love and care.
guide us as Your chil - dren that our lives may be

We see the need, the yearn - ing for a Sav - ior,
A bea - con in this dark - ness that sur - rounds us,

In Je - sus' name, grant this our prayer. To be God's
A light that oth - ers then may see.

peo - ple in this place, _____ live His good - ness,

share His grace, Pro - claim God's mer - cy through His

Son, be His love to ev - 'ry - one. _____

OUR CONFESSION PRAYER

Loving God, We confess that we often hesitate to stand up for what is right, fearing the consequences. We are quick to judge, slow to forgive, and hesitant to act when faced with injustice.

Forgive us, Lord, for our timidity, our selfishness, and our lack of courage. Help us to be bold in our faith and to stand with those who are vulnerable. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God, in God's boundless grace, offers us forgiveness and new beginnings. We are called to be instruments of God's love and justice in the world."

CONFESSION RESPONSE

"Sanctuary"

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and
ho - ly, tried and true; With thanks - giv - ing I'll be a
liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for you.

The musical notation is for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. It begins with a repeat sign. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. There are some rests and ties indicated by horizontal lines and curved lines connecting notes.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (sit)

THE FIRST LESSON

Amos 5:21-24

I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.
Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say

to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

MESSAGE *“The Inescapable Web of Mutuality”* Pastor Cristy Schoob

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE (Stand) *“God Says It’s Time”*

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a 4/4 time signature. The first measure contains a triplet of eighth notes (D4, E4, F#4) marked with a '3' above it. This is followed by a double bar line and a repeat sign. The melody continues with eighth and quarter notes, often beamed together in groups of four or six. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, repeat signs, and dynamic markings like 'Fine'. The lyrics are: 'It's time to cel - e - brate the Love of God, it's time for us to get bu - sy. Get bu - sy with the things that mat - ter most like jus - tice and com - pas - sion. It's time for us to take ac - tion as we lis - ten for the voice of the Ho - ly One 'cause God is still speak - ing, and God says it's time, yeah God is still speak - ing, and God says it's time. It's time to put first things first, to set all dis - trac - tions a - side. If God is still speak - ing now, then what is God say - ing to us? It's time to get down to work, the work of the bo - dy of Christ. The chan - ces are good some - how the mes - sage in - volves show - ing love. There's heal - ing and lov - ing and reach - ing out that There's jus - tice, for - give - ness and wel - com - ing that God wants to do, in and through the lives that we live and the God want to do, in in and through the choi - ces we make and the love we give. So let's roll our sleeves up now be - cause it's risks we take. So let's live that mes - sage now be - cause it's

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

Leader: Where there is sorrow,

People: Love is also present.

Leader: Where there is grief,

People: Love walks hand in hand.

Leader: Where there is hopelessness,

People: Love remains.

Leader: Where there is faithfulness,

People: Love is reborn.

Leader: Where there is joy,

People: Love increases.

Leader: Where there is love,

People: There is God.

Leader: 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

"May Love Rise Above"

The beauty and the blood - shed runs deep and wide from the
The cour - age and the cau - tion, it fills the air from the
The pro - mise and the pas - sion rings loud and strong as a
cen - ter of the city - y to the roll - ing coun - try - side. The
chil - dren on the play - ground to the wom - an on the stairs. There's a
gen - er - a - tion search - es for a free - dom lov - ing song. Still the
heal - ing and the suff' - ring runs far and near. There is
calm up - on the wa - ter but down and be - low. oh the
mem - o - ries are haunt - ing, will they block the way? What can
hope for each to - mor - row but still so man - y fears.
anx - ious hearts are beat - ing, will this peace ev - er hold?
bring us all to - geth - er to start a brand new day?
Oh may love rise a - bove the moun - tains. May love rise a - bove
the plains. May love rise a - bove the ha - tred. May
love rise a - bove all the pain, rise a - bove it all,
oh _____ rise a - bove it all, oh _____

“Everyone Is A Child of God”

We are wait - ing, we are watch - ing, we are
 You are good - ness, You are mer - cy, You are
 hop - ing to see in the dis - tance, in the
 deep mys - ter - y, in the si - lence You have
 dark - ness a light that sets us free. To see ev' - ry - one
 spo - ken a love that sets us free.
 ev' - ry - one is a child of God. See ev' - ry - one
 ev' - ry - one is a child, a beau - ti - ful child of God. *Fine*
 Set us free. Set us free to see ev' - ry - one *D.S. al Fine*

“Whatever You Do”

What-so - ev - er you do to the least of my peo - ple, that you do un - to
 me. When I was hun - gry you gave me to eat; When I was
 When I was home-less you o - pened your door; When I was
 When I was wea - ry you helped me find rest; When I was
 thirst - y, you gave me to drink. Now en - ter
 na - ked, you gave me your coat.
 anx - ious, you calmed all my fears.
 in - to the home of my Fa - - ther.

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

THE SENDING OUT

Leader: Go into the world and seek to live compassion and do justice. There you will find Jesus at work already. Join him and receive his blessing as you become a blessing to others.

All: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"Send Us Out"

1. We have been called by the Lord.
2. We who were bound by our shame,
We ruled have been our saved fears by the Word in.
Now Stand let and the de - Word clare be by re - stored. name,
Now let the Gos - pel of be heard. Send us out to teach what
free - dom from all of our sin.
God has done. Send us out to reach ev' - ry
sin - gle one. Send us out. Send us out.
Teach what God has done. Reach ev' - ry sin - gle one.
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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

Worship Assistant: Paul Bauman

Ushers: Charlotte Butzler, Nate Kenworthy

Reader: Haley Kordosky

Communion Set Up: Tiffany Wilson

Communion Servers:

Vocalists: Cyndee Bruder, Ruthann Dorn,
Gaytha Hillman, Heather Peters

Keyboard: April Brodzeller

Video: Mike Tikusis **Audio:** Greg Griffin

Counters: Shirl Curreri, Diane Ferstadt

Coffee Hour: Candy Sarauer, Sandy Poenitsch

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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