

Trinity Lutheran Church
Created to Praise
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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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GATHERING MUSIC

"If I Had A Hammer" CTP Singers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

L: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

"What is the essence of life? To serve others and to do good."

-Aristotle

"Wherever there is a human being, there is an opportunity for kindness."

-Seneca

"Almost everything will work again if you unplug it for a few minutes, including you."

- Anne Lamott

"Keep your face always toward the sunshine—and shadows will fall behind you."

-Walt Whitman

CALL TO WORSHIP *(stand)*

L: Come into the light of Christ, all who are weary.

C: We come seeking rest for our souls.

L: God's wisdom shines through gentleness and mercy.

C: We receive this gift with thankful hearts.

L: Jesus offers peace to all who are burdened.

C: In Christ we find strength for the journey.

L: Come, let us walk in the light together.

C: We worship God with hope and joy.

PRAISE SONG

“You Are a Light on My Path”

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major). It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are: "You are a light on my path shin - ing for the world, show - ing the way lead - ing on. You are a light on my path shin - ing for the world, show - ing the way lead - ing on. You are a light on my path. Fine Teach us Your Way, Give us Your Life, Ev - en in fear, we will not stray. I am re - solved to fol - low You. Smile at the praise we bring. Teach us Your Way, Give us Your Life, Ev - en in fear, we will not stray. I am re - solved to fol - low You. You are our his - tor - y. You are my heart's de - light. You are my heart's de - light." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "Fine".

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Merciful,

C: you have revealed your wisdom through your Son, yet we often trust our own understanding instead of your ways. We confess that we have failed to welcome the humble, ignored those who carry heavy burdens, and remained silent when courage and compassion were needed. We have not always chosen what is right, fair, and life-giving for all your people. Forgive us. Open our hearts to your truth. Teach us to follow Jesus with joyful obedience, to love without condition, and to work for the well-being of our neighbors. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

L: God's mercy is greater than our sin. Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and made new. Christ invites you to take up his yoke—not one of fear, but of grace, kindness, and hope. Go in peace, trusting God's love and sharing that love with all whom you meet. **Amen.**

RESPONSE

"I Will Follow"

1. All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure. I will
2. Light in - to the world, Light in - to my life, I will

trust in You a - lone. High - er than my sight,
live for You a - lone. You're the One I seek,

high a - bove my life. I will trust in You a - lone.
know - ing I will find all I need in You a - lone.

CHORUS

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.
When You move, I'll move. I will fol - low You.
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve.

If this life I lose, I will fol - low You, yeah.
I will fol - low You, yeah. I will fol - low
2nd time to Bridge. At end, sing 4th ending 2X. Repeat chorus

BRIDGE

In You there's life ev - er - last - ing. In You there's
free - dom for my soul. In You there's joy, un - end - ing joy. *Chorus.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Robb Kosky

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Today we welcome Harper into the family of Christ and celebrate this new life in Christ forever.

C: We welcome you in the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

WORD

P: God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

The first reading is Psalm 145:8-14

- ⁸ The Lord is gracious, kind and tender.
He is slow to get angry and full of love.
- ⁹ The Lord is good to all.
He shows deep concern for everything he has made.
- ¹⁰ Lord, all your works praise you.
Your faithful people praise you.
- ¹¹ They tell about your glorious kingdom.
They speak about your power.
- ¹² Then all people will know about the mighty things you have done.
They will know about the glorious majesty of your kingdom.
- ¹³ Your kingdom is a kingdom that will last forever.
Your rule will continue for all time to come.
The Lord will keep all his promises.
He is faithful in everything he does.
- ¹⁴ The Lord takes good care of all those who fall.
He lifts up all those who feel helpless.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading is Romans 7:15-25

¹⁵ I don't understand what I do. I don't do what I want to do. Instead, I do what I hate to do. ¹⁶ I do what I don't want to do. So I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, I am no longer the one who does these things. It is sin living in me that does them. ¹⁸ I know there is nothing good in my desires controlled by sin. I want to do what is good, but I can't. ¹⁹ I don't do the good things I want to do. I keep on doing the evil things I don't want to do. ²⁰ I do what I don't want to do. But I am not really the one who is doing it. It is sin living in me that does it.

²¹ Here is the law I find working in me. When I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² Deep inside me I find joy in God's law. ²³ But I see another law working in me. It fights against the law of my mind. It makes me a prisoner of the law of sin. That law controls me. ²⁴ What a terrible failure I am! Who will save me from this sin that brings death to my body? ²⁵ I give thanks to God who saves me. He saves me through Jesus Christ our Lord.

So in my mind I am a slave to God's law. But sin controls my desires. So I am a slave to the law of sin.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

P: Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19,25-30

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁶ "What can I compare today's people to? They are like children sitting in the markets and calling out to others. They say,

¹⁷ "We played the flute for you.

But you didn't dance.

We sang a funeral song.

But you didn't become sad.'

¹⁸ When John came, he didn't eat or drink as you do. And people say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹ But when the Son of Man came, he ate and drank as you do. And people say, 'This fellow is always eating and drinking far too much. He's a friend of tax collectors and "sinners."' By wise actions wisdom is shown to be right."

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father. You are Lord of heaven and earth. You have hidden these things from wise and educated people. But you have shown them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father. This is what you wanted to do.

²⁷ "My Father has given all things to me. The Father is the only one who knows the Son. And the only ones who know the Father are the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to make him known.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are tired and are carrying heavy loads. I will give you rest. ²⁹ Become my servants and learn from me. I am gentle and free of pride. You will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ Serving me is easy, and my load is light."

The Gospel Response:

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(You may be seated)

MESSAGE

Pastor Robb Kosky

MESSAGE RESPONSE

(Please Stand)

"It Really is Amazing Grace"

$\text{♩} = 120$



7 1.A - ma - zing Grace! How sweet the sound that saved a
2.Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my



wretch like me. I once was lost but now am
fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that grace ap -

13

Chorus (2x after vs 2)



19 found, was blind but now I see. Sing-ing Hal - le -
pear the hour I first be - lieved.



24 - lu - jah! There's no chains on me! Thank you Je - sus!



28 You have set me free - You wel-come - d me in, called me - by name. Was

repeat last time



31 dead in - my sin, now - I'm danc - ing on that - grave. Hal - le -



- lu - jah! It real - ly is A - maz - ing Grace!

THE PRAYERS

P: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

(Each petition ends: "God of grace". The congregation responds: "Hear our prayer")

P: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen.

MEAL

P: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

 ***THE OFFERING*** *(You may be seated)*

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

Special Music

"Find Love"

Darci Ketter

Offering Prayer *(Please stand as you are able)*

P: Loving God,

C: we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

P: Come, for all is ready. Christ welcomes all who hunger and thirst.

C: We come to receive God's grace with thankful hearts.

P: This is the feast of God's love, prepared for all people.

C: Thanks be to God for this holy meal.

P: 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

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy. All are welcome.

THE DISTRIBUTION (You may be seated)

*All who celebrate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune today.
We commune by intinction. 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 celiac friendly individually packaged wafer/wine in the first pew.)*

COMMUNION SONGS

"Dance Together"

1. We have gath - ered from far and near. Lord, you've
2. We have trou - bles, we all have flaws. We're not
drawn us, You've brought us here Friends al - read - y and friends to
wor - thy to heed your call We cry, "Leave us! Lord, go a
be. Sis - ters, bro - thers, be - com - ing fam - il - y. Let us
- way." But you say, Take my hand and dance with me to - day!"
dance, dance to - geth - er, with love and laugh - ter and with - out fear. Hold - ing
hands with the Cre - a - tor at the cross - roads of our years. Dance to -
geth - er down the road to God knows where. where.

So here's the moment dis - tilled in time to leave this
fish - ing and these boats be - hind Trade things fa - mil - iar for things un
known. Lord we of - fer up our lives, and fol - low down Your road, Let us
dance, dance to - geth - er, with love and laugh - ter, and with - out
fear. Hold - ing hands with the Cre - a - tor at the
cross - roads of our years. Dance to - geth - er down the
road. For ev - er on Your road_ Dance to -
geth - er down the road to God knows where._

"Come Just As You Are"

1. Come just as you are; Hear the Spi - rit call.
 2. Come just as you are; Hear the Spi - rit call.

Come just as you are; Come and see, come, re - ceive;
 Come just as you are; Come, re - ceive Christ the King;

Come and live for - ev - er. Life ev - er -
 Come and live for - ev - er more. *Song Ending*

last - ing, and strength for to - day; Taste the Liv - ing
 Wa - ter, and nev - er thirst a - gain. *(repeat verse 2)*

"Here At the Table"

Christ is here, here at the ta - ble. Come gath - er and
 lay life's bur - dens down, here at the ta - ble, at the ta -
 ble where love and peace a - bound. Oh, oh, oh, oh.

Bring your hun - ger, bring your won - der,
 Bring your sad - ness, bring your mad - ness,
 Bring your yearn - ing, bring your turn - ing,

bring your thirst - ing heart. Bring your trou - bles,
 bring your si - lent shame. Bring your sigh - ing,
 bring your deep - est needs. Bring your doubt - ing,

bring your strug - gles, bring all that you are.
 bring your cry - ing, bring all of your pain.
 bring your shout - ing, bring all to be freed.

THE COMMUNION BLESSING (please stand as you are able)

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Loving Lord,

C: in this meal you have united us with Christ and with one another in love.

Send us now to be a welcoming people, offering kindness, patience, and care to all we encounter. Strengthen us to live as signs of your mercy in the world. Amen.

SENDING

P: God sends you into the world to be people of hope, mercy, and joy. Love your neighbor, care for creation, and trust the Spirit to lead the way. Thanks be to God.

C: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"This is My Song"



1. This is my song, O God of all the na - tions. a song of peace for
2. My coun-try's skies are blu-er than the o - cean, and sun-light beams on
3. This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king-doms. Your king-dom come; on



lands a - far and mine. This is my home, the coun-try where my heart is;
clo - ver-leaf and pine. But oth-er lands have sun-light too, and clo - ver,
earth your will be done. O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine. but oth - er hearts in
and skies are ev - 'ry where as blue as mine. So hear my song, O
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one. So hear my prayer, O



oth-er lands are beat-ing with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
God of all the na-tions; a song of peace for their land and for mine.
God of all the na-tions; my - self I give you; let your will be done.

THE DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stay for a coffee hour following the worship service.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

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