

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church



**Sunday, October 6, 2019**  
**17th Sunday after Pentecost**

# *Welcome to Trinity!*

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

## **GATHERING HYMN: *Morning Has Broken* (ELW 556)**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

God is love and we are his children, There is no room for fear in love.  
We love because he loved us first. Let us confess our sins in  
penitence and faith.

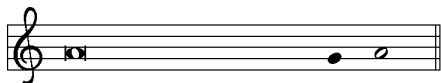
Gracious God,  
**we confess to you and to our fellow members in the Body of  
Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in  
what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. Forgive us our  
sins, and deliver us from the power of evil. For the sake of your  
Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

God, who is both power and love, ✚ forgives us and frees us from  
our sins, heals and strengthens us by his Spirit and raises us to new  
life in Christ our Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## **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.**

# KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



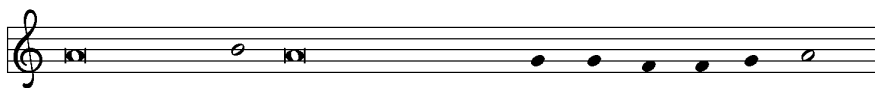
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - - men.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Assisting minister*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

*All*



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray together.

**God of our salvation, we thank you for the gift of faith. We thank you for all those who have taught us the good news. Kindle in us always this gift, this good treasure, that we may live the life to which you have called us, according to your purpose and grace. We pray in the name of the one who abolished death and brought life to light through the gospel, our Savior Christ Jesus. Amen.**

## ANTHEM: *Your Hands, O Lord in Days of Old*

*(Carson P. Cooman)*

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old were strong to heal and save;  
They triumphed over pain and death, o'er darkness and the grave.  
To you they went, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,  
The leper set apart and shunned, the sick and those in shame.

And then your touch brought life and health,  
gave speech and strength and sight;  
And youth renewed, with health restored, claimed you, the Lord of light.  
And so, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty now as then,  
In every street, in every home, in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still, O Lord of life and death;  
Restore and strengthen, soothe and bless with your almighty breath,  
On hands that work and eyes that see, your healing wisdom pour,  
That whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

## FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not listen?  
Or cry to you "Violence!"  
and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law becomes slack  
and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous—  
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost,  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup>For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come, it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM: Psalm 37:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by | evildoers;  
do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>**For they shall soon wither | like the grass,  
and like the green grass | fade away.**

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD | and do good;  
dwell in the land and | find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>**Take delight | in the LORD,  
who shall give you your | heart's desire.**

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust | in the LORD,  
and see what | God will do.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD will make your vindication as clear | as the light  
and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.**

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD and wait | patiently.  
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers,  
the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>**Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone;  
do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.**

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall | be cut off,  
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- | sess the land.

### **SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of  
the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our  
Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 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.

## GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would

obey you.

<sup>7</sup>“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table?’ <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?’ <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: *How Firm a Foundation* (ELW 796)**

## **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.**

## **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:  
to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**



People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray together.

**We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

*As the lector closes each petition:*

Lord, in your mercy,

*The people respond:*

**hear our prayer.**

Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERING**

## **OFFERTORY HYMN:**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW 184)*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray together.

**Gracious God, you are good news for a weary world. You are hope for people in despair, and you are home to exiles. Accept, we pray, the offerings we bring this day. Use them according to your own purpose and grace. We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be 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.**

## PREFACE

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

## LAMB OF GOD



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.

## COMMUNION

*White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

**We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

### BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, keep you in his light and truth and love now and forever.

**Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN:

*God of Grace and God of Glory (ELW 705)*

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

# Trinity Happenings

Sunday, Oct. 6	9:00 am	Worship
<b>17 Pentecost</b>	10:15 am	Fellowship
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	3:00 pm	Blessing of the Animals
Wednesday, Oct. 9	10:00 am	Women's Bible study
	<b><u>Oasis</u></b>	
	5:55 pm	Dinner
	6:30 pm	Worship
Thursday, Oct. 10	12 noon	MUGG @ Rendezvous
	7:00 pm	Church Council
Sunday, Oct. 13	9:00 am	Worship
<b>18 Pentecost</b>	10:15 am	Fellowship
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	<b>through 10/20</b>	<b>Family Promise</b>
Wednesday, Oct. 16	10:00 am	Women's Bible study
	<b><u>Oasis</u></b>	
	5:55 pm	Dinner
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:15 pm	Campus Ministry
Thursday, Oct. 17	12 noon	MUGG @ Rendezvous
Sunday, Oct. 20	9:00 am	Worship
<b>19 Pentecost</b>	10:15 am	Fellowship
	10:15 am	Sunday School
Wednesday, Oct. 23	10:00 am	Women's Bible study
	<b><u>Oasis</u></b>	
	5:55 pm	Dinner
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:15 pm	Confirmation
	7:15 pm	Chancel Choir
Thursday, Oct. 24	12 noon	MUGG @ Rendezvous

**THOSE NEEDING OUR PRAYERS:** Please keep the following members in your prayers this week: Ed Dolan, Addie Hopper, Marilyn Moen, JoAnn Merrill, and Emily Consonni. If there is someone that could be added to the Trinity Prayer Chain, please inform Jennie Lawrence by email at [missjennae@yahoo.com](mailto:missjennae@yahoo.com).

**OFFICE CLOSED:** The church office will be closed October 7-9. Pastor Nate and Andrea will be at the Rocky Mountain Synod Fall Theological Conference in Estes Park, CO.

**FAMILY PROMISE:** Trinity will be hosting Family Promise for the week of October 13-20. Our guests that week are a single father and his 13-yr-old daughter. Volunteer sign-up is LIVE at <https://signup.com/go/NdJVZgi>. If you have any questions before our hosting week, please contact Janet or Stephen Boss. Our coordinator for the week is Molly Bredehoft.

**GUEST STUDENTS NEEDED:** Dear Trinity friends, I am teaching a class in piano pedagogy this fall, and I'm looking for guest students to be taught by the members of the class. Total beginners would be the most helpful, but any age level or ability level would be great. It would involve just one 30 minute lesson that will be taught by a UW student in front of the class of 8 students and me. We need students the end of November into the beginning of December. Thanks for considering! Theresa Bogard ([fbogard@uwyo.edu](mailto:fbogard@uwyo.edu))

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals



**TODAY AT 3 PM  
IVINSON MANSION  
EAST LAWN**

In case of rain,  
we will gather at Trinity



# Trinity Lutheran Church

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.

Dearest Members of Trinity,

*"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."  
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

At three services this spring, Council members Martin Greller, Randy Wilkison, and I shared information with you about the financial position of Trinity and highlighted some of the Council's work. As your Council, we are excited to provide you with an update as we enter into the fall season.

Every week, through offerings, we come together to support the life of our Church and our faith in God. For many years, Trinity has had a consistent pattern of falling short with our offerings from time to time throughout the year. In April, we were \$7,000 short of what we needed in income to meet monthly expenses. As a Council, we asked each of you to faithfully consider your ability to give to Trinity; thank you for considering and responding to our call. As of the September Council financial statement, we are \$15,475 in the black and, at this point in time, we anticipate to be in a position to carry over funds into 2020.

*Your commitment to grow our ministry in service to God is deeply appreciated.*

Trinity has also been blessed with the hire of Linda Lebeda as the new Finance Director. Linda worked as a CPA in Laramie for many years and is excited to share her vocational gifts with Trinity. If you would like an accounting of your contributions at any point in time, please connect with Linda and she

will be happy to provide you with your records. Linda can be reached by email ([telc.finance.director@gmail.com](mailto:telc.finance.director@gmail.com)) or by calling the Church office (307-745-4222). And, if you are not receiving an electronic receipt each time you give to Trinity through offerings, please provide the Church office with your email address and these will be sent to you on a regular basis.

We are continuing work on the constitution by reviewing our current documents and revising them to be consistent with the national constitution. Our goal is to present a draft constitution at the annual meeting which is scheduled for January 26, 2020. If you are interested in assisting the Council with the revision process, please connect with the Church office to let them know of your interest.

Other projects slated to begin this fall include work to improve the drainage on the south side of the Church property and the development of fiscal policies and procedures. And you have all witnessed the transformation of the Gruver Room over the last year. Thank you for coming together in so many beautiful ways to give new life to this gathering space.

It's with deep gratitude that the Council serves Trinity. We are always open to your feedback, suggestions, and vision for our faith community. We look forward to the next chapters of our collective story in Christ's name.

May grace and blessings be in your path today and always.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Zenor".

Jennifer Zenor  
2019 Council President

# Serving in Worship

## THIS WEEK — October 6, 2019

**Lector:** Logan Raper  
**Ushers and Greeters:** Barb Rouse  
**Stewards:** Randy Wilkison  
**Altar Guild:** Margot Birkholz  
**Fellowship:** OPEN  
**Flowers:** OPEN

## NEXT WEEK — October 13, 2019

**Lector:** Lindsay Conyers  
**Ushers and Greeters:** OPEN  
**Stewards:** Randy Wilkison  
**Altar Guild:** OPEN  
**Fellowship:** OPEN  
**Flowers:** OPEN

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