

# Trinity Lutheran Church



Sunday, August 22, 2021

# WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.*

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

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN:**      *You Are the Way* (ELW 758)



1 You are the way; to you a-lone from sin and death we flee;  
2 You are the truth; your word a-lone true wis-dom can im-part;  
3 You are the life; the rend-ing tomb pro-claims your con-qu'ring arm;  
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,



all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free.  
you on-ly can in-form the mind and pu-ri-fy the heart.  
and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm.  
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e-ter-nal flow.

**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.**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE:**

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray together.

**Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal.**

**Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## PSALM: Psalm 34:15-22

<sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous,  
and God's ears are open to their cry.

<sup>16</sup>**The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,  
to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.**

<sup>17</sup>The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them  
and delivers them from all their troubles.

<sup>18</sup>**The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves those whose spirits are crushed.**

<sup>19</sup>Many are the troubles of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers them from every one.

<sup>20</sup>**God will keep safe all their bones;  
not one of them shall be broken.**

<sup>21</sup>Evil will bring death to the wicked  
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

<sup>22</sup>**O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.**

## READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

A reading from Ephesians.

*Like a general giving a rousing speech to troops before battle, this letter closes by calling on Christians to be equipped for spiritual warfare against evil. The full armor of God includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, the gift of salvation, and the word of God inspired by the Spirit.*

<sup>10</sup>Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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:**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, <sup>56</sup>“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

<sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

## HYMN OF THE DAY: *Blessed Assurance* (ELW 638)



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



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Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

## 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.**





# 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.**


# BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

# SENDING HYMN:

## *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds (ELW 620)*

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were




gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



*Refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

# DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

# POSTLUDE

## Trinity Happenings:

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| <b>Sunday, August 22:</b>   | 9:00 am Worship Service: Jacob Burnett<br>10:15 am Fellowship |
| <b>Wed, August 25:</b>      | 10:00 am Women's Bible Study                                  |
| <b>Sunday, August 29:</b>   | 9:00 am Worship Service<br>10:15 am Fellowship                |
| <b>Wed, September 1:</b>    | 10:00 am Women's Bible Study                                  |
| <b>Sunday, September 5:</b> | 9:00 am Worship Service<br>10:15 am Fellowship                |

**MEAL TRAIN FOR SALLY EDGAR:** Kathy Oliver is coordinating a Meal Train for Sally on Tuesdays & Thursdays, if you would like to sign up please contact her at (307)761-0657. Also, please visit Sally's Caring Bridge Online Health Journal to read about her treatment and to get updates and share messages of encouragement during this time.

**THOSE NEEDING OUR PRAYERS:** Please keep the following friends in your prayers this week: Jack Corson, Charis, Gerry & Jace Stockwell, Karen Johnson, Sally Edgar and Family, Mike Boyd & Family, The Baldwin Family, the Murdock Family, 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).

**QUESTIONS ABOUT GIVING?** If you ever have any questions about your financial gifts to Trinity, please contact Trinity's financial secretary, Alison Shaver, at [alebeda@uwyo.edu](mailto:alebeda@uwyo.edu). If you need an up-to-date statement of giving, please contact the church office.

### **2021 Year-To-Date as of July 31, 2021**

**Expenses - \$119,799.90**

**Income - \$139,611.36**

# Trinity Day Center Meeting

## Sunday, September 12



Join us after worship in the Gruver Room as the Church Council shares updates and progress on our plans to open a Community Day Center

## Women's Bible Study

Resumes on

Wed, August 25 at 10:00 am

Join the Fellowship



## ELCA Listening Event

### Sunday, September 19

The ELCA is engaged in a multi-year process of developing a social statement on Church, State and Civic Participation. The objective of Listening Events is to hear what topics people think the social statement should cover and their other hopes for the statement. This is an opportunity for people to share what's important to them, rather than a debate or even a discussion.

For more information, please go to [elca.org/civicsandfaith](http://elca.org/civicsandfaith). If you have feedback you would like to give to the task force and can't attend a listening event, please email your thoughts to [civicsandfaith@elca.org](mailto:civicsandfaith@elca.org).

# Serving in Worship

**TODAY: August 22, 2021**

**NEXT SUNDAY: August 29, 2021**

**Lector:** OPEN

**Flowers:** Norm & Mary Johnson

**Communion:** OPEN

**Altar Guild:** Lindsay Conyers

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**Ushers and Greeters:** OPEN

**Communion:** OPEN

**Altar Guild:** Lindsay Conyers

If you wish to serve in worship  
Sign Up sheets are at the Hub.  
Thank you!

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