

Pentecost 6

July 21, 2019

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 2

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” Almighty God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word from above. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, with Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the words of life.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

C Gracious God, bless our city and make it a place of safety for all people, rich and poor. Give us grace to work in neighborhoods that are vibrant and whole, where the lost and forgotten in society are supported, and where the arts flourish. Make the diverse fabric of this city be a delight to all who live and visit here and build a strong bond uniting our community around common goals that are good for all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P God of mercy,

C we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us ☩ all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

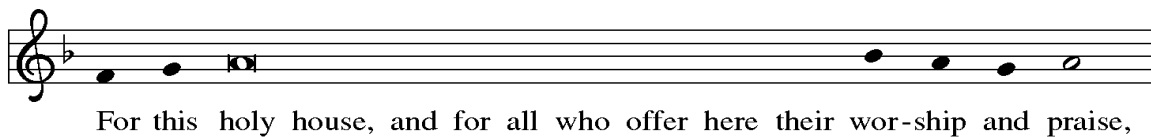
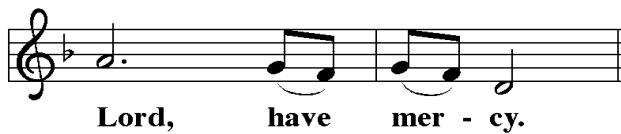
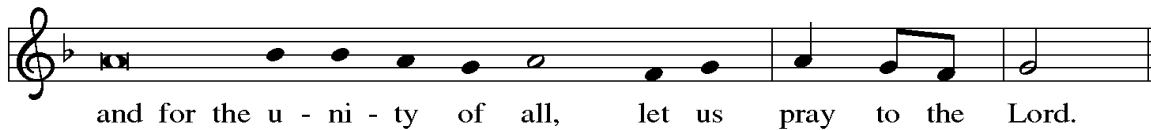
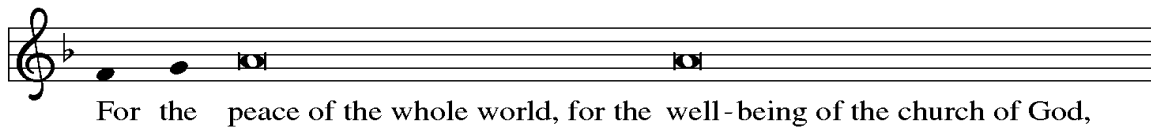
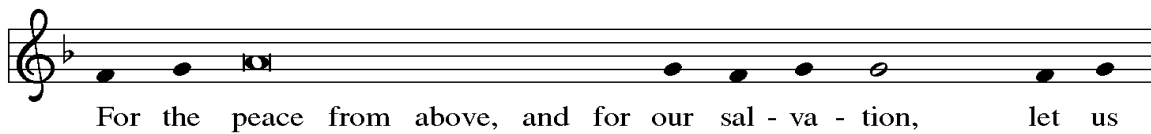
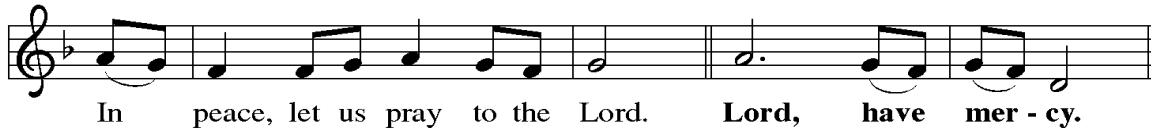
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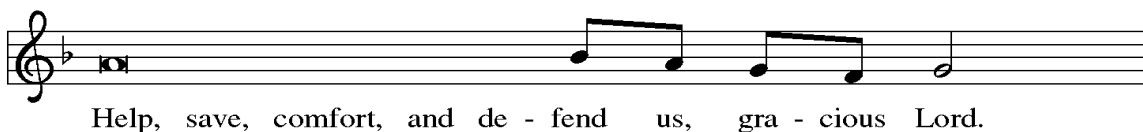
GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

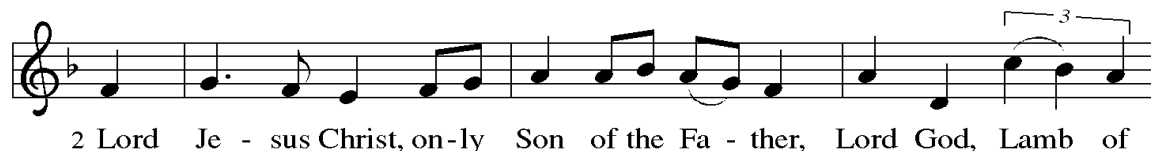
C And also with you.

KYRIE







HYMN OF PRAISE




Refrain



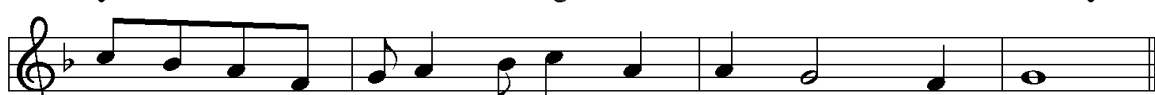
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 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.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:1-10A

The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after

that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” ^{10a}Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 15

Sung responsively



¹LORD, who may dwell in your | tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your | holy hill?

²**Those who lead a blameless life and do | what is right,
who speak the truth | from their heart;**

³they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil | to their friends;
they do not cast discredit up- | on a neighbor.

⁴**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who | fear
the LORD.**

They have sworn upon their health and do not take | back their word.

⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst
the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

Sometimes Paul preaches with great attention to theological concepts. Here, however, Paul offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is “Christ in you.” Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:38-42

Jesus uses his visit to two sisters as an occasion to remind disciples that an important aspect of obedience is single-minded devotion to Jesus and his word.

³⁸Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him.

³⁹She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. ⁴⁰Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me."

⁴¹The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. ⁴²There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. *Please be seated.*

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

ELW HYMN 520

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C 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.

THE PRAYERS

A Joining with God's people around the world, we offer our prayers for all in need.
A brief silence.

A For the church, visible and invisible; for all servants of the gospel; and for the holy people of God, that we hear your word and share your supper, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For favorable weather; for calm waters and seas; and for all creation, that it become for us a reflection of God's glory. For those affected by natural disasters, that they be provided relief, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

- A For those who help make our communities safe: police officers and firefighters, military and international peacekeepers, local and national leaders, that God's peace and compassion come also to us, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- A For the sick, the hungry, the imprisoned, those living with HIV/AIDS, those awaiting the birth of children, and all people in need, especially Jane Velen and Rosie Nichols, that Christ, our great physician, care for all who are in distress, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- A For those who are distracted by overwork and those who seek more adequate employment, that we recognize God's goodness in vocations of all kinds, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- A For all congregations in the Central States Synod, especially St. Mark Lutheran in Great Bend, St. Paul Lutheran in Herington, Hebron Lutheran in Burdick, Kansas, and Peace Lutheran in Hollister, Missouri, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- A For Barbara Apps, Ted Quast, Don Longren, Kade Welp, Hudson Ralph, and Audrey Horton as they celebrate their birthdays this week, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- P In thanksgiving for those who have died and are now at peace, and for their lives that bear witness to the hope promised in the resurrection, let us pray.
- C Have mercy, O God.**
- P Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERING
OFFERTORY

Please stand as you are able.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

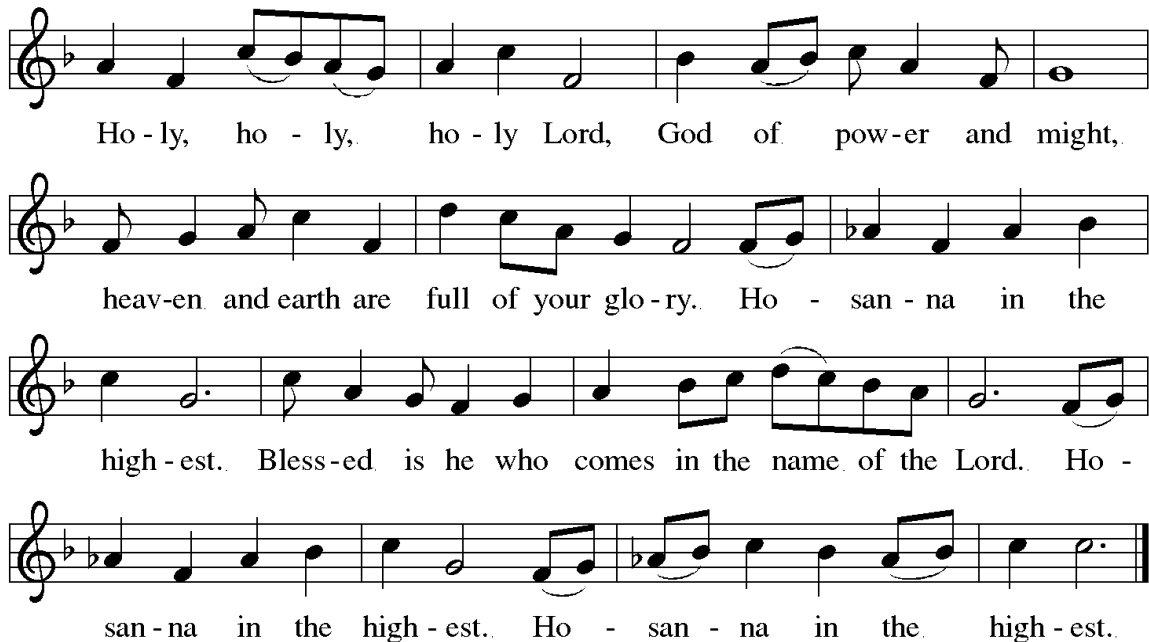
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C **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.

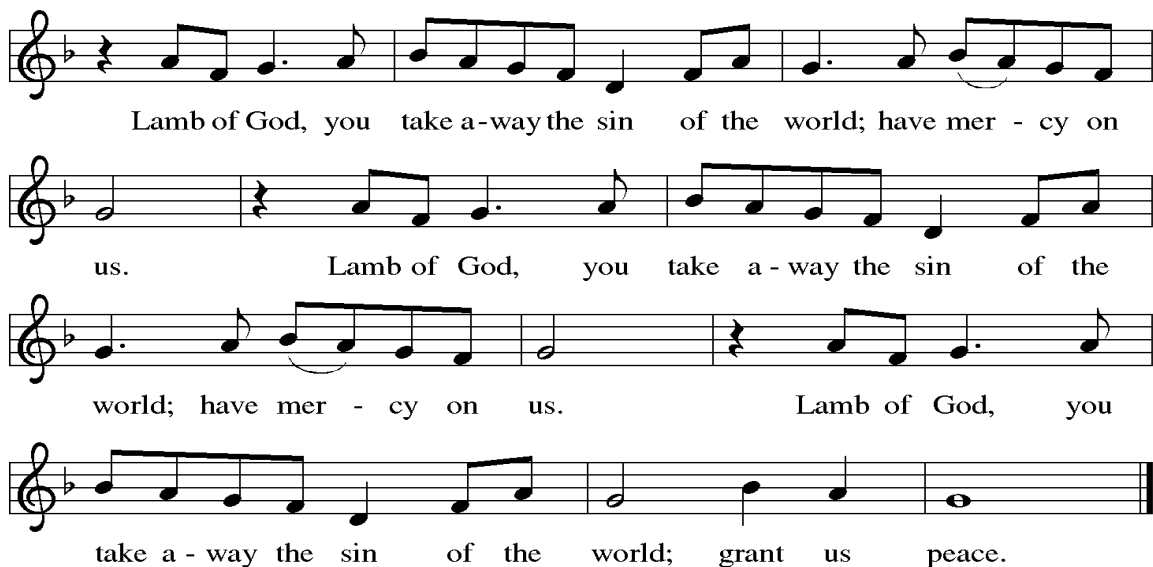
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready.

Please be seated.

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.

We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate a desire to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing. We now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.

COMMUNION HYMNS

*Be Thou My Vision
Beloved, God's Chose*

**ELW HYMN 793
ELW HYMN 648**

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

God, Whose Almighty Word

ELW HYMN 673

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, found the Spirit of God in our midst.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767

Tidying Up- Church Edition

For those that are fans of shows on Netflix or Hulu, I am sure you have seen the hit show *Tidying Up with Marie Kondo*. Her phrase for this is “Does it spark joy?” In Trinity Hall and the basement of church, we have items that have not sparked joy in a very long time. Therefore, this summer on Wednesdays, we will do our own version of Tidying Up. At 6pm, we will gather to clean out a designated space and we will only take an hour. Decisions will be made to keep, sell, or trash items. Here are the dates and tasks that will be at hand:

Wednesdays from 6pm to 7pm:

July 24- Children’s Chapel and Middle Classroom

July 31- Teen/Luther League Room

August 7- Church Basement Rooms

August 14- Reorganize Nursery into New Children’s Room.



Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
July 21, 2019	Cindy McGinnis	Walt Laughlin	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Laurie Jackson	Donna Allen & Team 3	Don & Charlotte O'Brien	Mary Heald	Pr. Andrew Patty
July 28, 2019	Diane Bottorff	Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Junior Utech	Duane Pomeroy	Donna Allen & Team 3	Bill & Marsha Ridinger	Marsha Ridinger	Pr. Andrew Patty

Due to a change in his teaching schedule, Pr. Andrew will now be in Topeka on Mondays and Wednesdays.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, July 21	Adult Sunday School.....	9:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
Mon., July 22	Women's AA.....	5:00 PM
Tues., July 23	Quilters	9:00 AM
Wed., July 24	Tidying Up.....	6:00 PM
.....	Women's AA.....	5:30 PM
Thurs., July 25	Men's AA	7:00 PM
Sunday, July 28.....	Adult Sunday School.....	9:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM

Neighboring - that's what it's all about!

Join our neighbors and friends today at the Old Town NIA/Trinity Block Party on the lot north of Trinity Hall, 4 - 7 pm. There will be food and activities for all ages!



OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Communion
June 23	\$832.00	\$0.00	\$832.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$1,816.00	30/27
June 30	\$2,220.00	\$1,156.00	\$3,376.00	-\$2,648.00	\$728.00	54/48
July 7	\$3,126.00	\$100.00	\$3,226.00	-\$2,648.00	\$578.00	50/47
July 14	\$3,202.00	\$150.00	\$3,352.00	-\$2,648.00	\$704.00	
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.						
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		June 2019	\$10,456.00	-\$11,782.28	-\$1,326.28	
		Jan. - June	\$62,345.04	-\$65,487.11	-\$3,142.07	

Remember our shut-ins!

Kathryn Axelton	Don Longren	Keith Springer
Lucille Brill	Shawn Nowak	Naomi Walker
Peggy Buchholz	Roy O'Neil	
Marlene Hassan	Ron Owensby	





The mission of
**Trinity Evangelical
 Lutheran Church**
 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

Together in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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