

# Neighbor[ing]

Love where you live.



July 28, 2019

**Pentecost 7**

**July 28, 2019**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 2**

*Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord—is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God’s own. “When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.”*

**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 Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts*

**ELW HYMN 658**

# 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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, 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 u - ni - ty 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE



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



1 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.



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



2 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



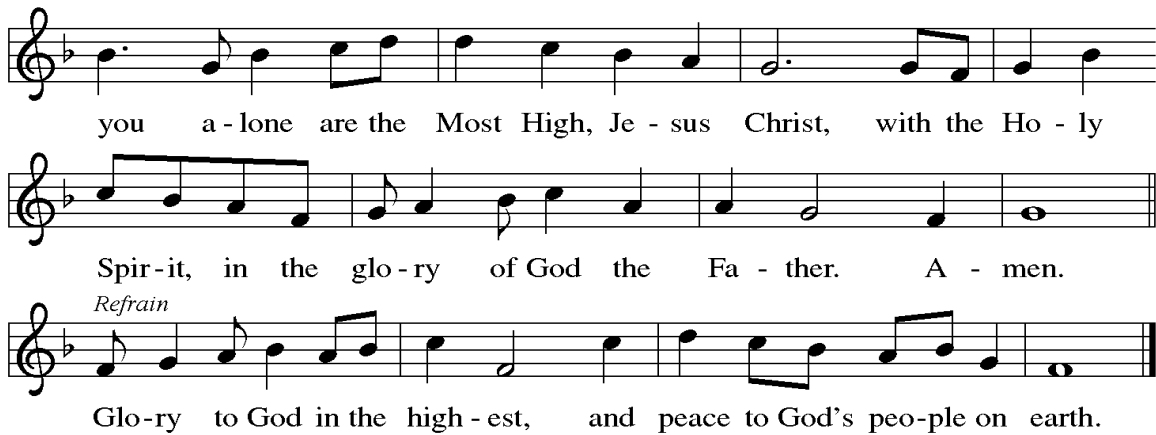
seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



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,



P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

---

## WORD

---

### FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:20-32

*In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.*

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." <sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and

ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

<sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it."

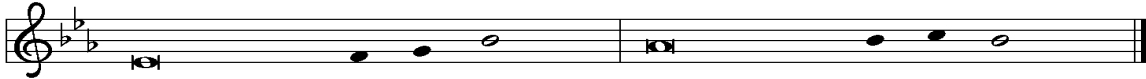
<sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 138

*Sung responsively*



<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because  
of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you | answered me;  
you increased my | strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>**All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,  
that great is the glory | of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty | from afar.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand  
shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the  
works | of your hands.**

### SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:6-19

*Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.*

<sup>6</sup>As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup>when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. <sup>16</sup>Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. <sup>17</sup>These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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 eleventh chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: LUKE 11:1-13**

*In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.*

<sup>1</sup>He was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread <sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test." <sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' <sup>7</sup>and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' <sup>8</sup>I tell you, if he does not get up to give him the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. <sup>9</sup>"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**     *If You But Trust in God to Guide You*     **ELW HYMN 769**

*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 Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.

*A brief silence.*

A Merciful God, you know your church. Guard and keep the whole body of Christ, especially St. James Lutheran in Kansas City, Missouri, Our Savior Lutheran in Topeka, St. Mark Lutheran in Emporia, First Lutheran in Manhattan, Kansas, and the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, Illinois. Increase in us strength, love, and peace so that we are a blessing to the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Merciful Creator, you know the work of your hands. Guard and keep your creation. Bless the work of those who tend the earth's resources and who seek to provide abundantly for all. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Merciful King, you know the nations, and you are the head of every ruler and authority. Guard and keep the world in justice and mercy, and let the words of your mouth bring peace on earth. Your kingdom come. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Merciful Lord, you know our needs. Guard and keep those who are hungry, those who are victims of violence or oppression, and those who are weary from illness, especially Jane Velen and Susan Fitz. Give us today our daily bread. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Merciful God, you know our congregation. Guard and keep those who enrich us with the gift of music, proclaiming the gospel in song. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Loving God, you know your people. Guard and keep Alex Nichols, Parker Jackson, Brooke Ralph, and Monica Spencer as they celebrate birthdays this week, LaVell Winsor as she remembers her baptism, and Andy & LaVell Winsor, David & Cindy McGinnis, and Bob & Pam Kobbeman as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, you know your saints. Guard and keep those faithful departed. Inspire our confidence in you until that day when we are all raised in the power and glory of Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

**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

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY

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.

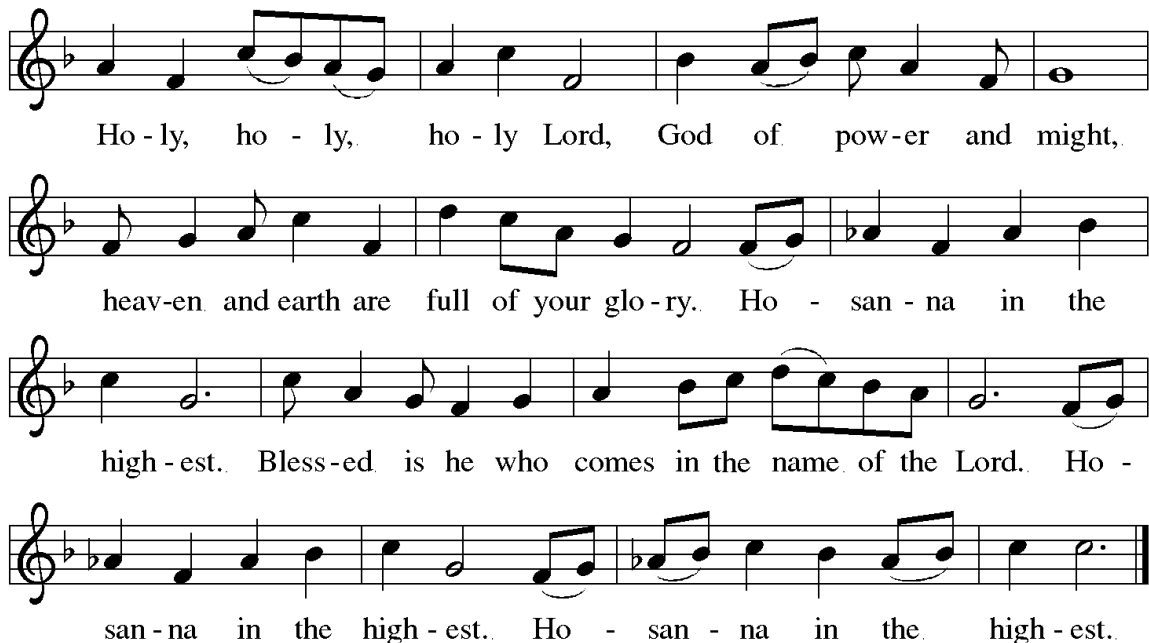
P Lift up your hearts.

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.**

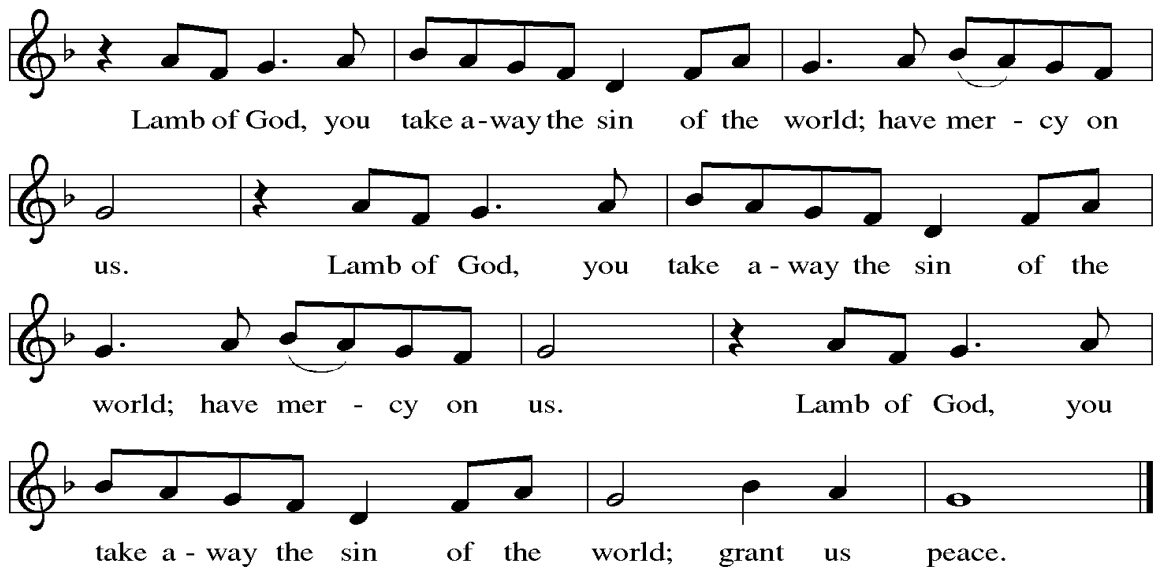
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **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.*

<b>COMMUNION HYMNS</b>	<i>Take My Life, That I May Be</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 583</b>
	<i>We Come to You for Healing, Lord</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 617</b>

*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.**

<b>SENDING HYMN</b>	<i>On Our Way Rejoicing</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 537</b>
---------------------	-----------------------------	---------------------

#### **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 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 28, 2019	<b>Diane Bottorff</b>	<b>Howard Reece</b>	<b>Mitchell Bean</b>	<b>Junior Utech</b>	<b>Duane Pomeroy</b>	<b>Donna Allen &amp; Team 3</b>	<b>Bill &amp; Marsha Ridinger</b>	<b>Marsha Ridinger</b>	<b>Pr. Andrew Patty</b>
August 4, 2019	<b>Dorothy Strom</b>	<b>Dean McGinnis</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Janelle Meredith</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Marilyn Heckman &amp; Team 1</b>	<b>Walt &amp; Helen Laughlin</b>		<b>Pr. Andrew Patty</b>

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 28 ..... Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM

Mon., July 29 ..... Women's AA..... 5:00 PM

Tues., July 30 ..... Quilters .....9:00 AM

Wed., July 31 ..... Learning Committee Meeting..... 5:00 PM  
 ..... Tidying Up.....6:00 PM  
 ..... Women's AA..... 5:30 PM

Thurs., Aug. 1 ..... Men's AA ..... 7:00 PM

Sunday, Aug. 4 ..... Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM

### OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Communion
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	40/39
July 21	\$1,415.00	\$0.00	\$1,415.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$1,233.00	33/30
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!

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

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**725 SW Buchanan St. • Topeka, Kansas 66606**

**Phone: 785-233-0767 • Email: [office@topekatlc.org](mailto:office@topekatlc.org)**

**Website: [trinitylutherantopeka.org](http://trinitylutherantopeka.org)**

**OFFICE HOURS**

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday

Noon to 5:00 PM Wednesday

Telephone: (785) 233-0767

**Congregation Council**

Pr. Andrew C. Patty _____ 423-748-9922			
<b>President</b> Diane Bottorff _____	271-7131	Bob Horton _____	640-5345
<b>Vice President</b> Mary Heald _____	221-2790	Curt Lewis _____	286-2728
<b>Secretary</b> Laurie Jackson _____	224-9683	Dean McGinnis _____	272-0255
<b>Treasurer</b> Bob Kobbeman _____	478-0381	Ted Murphy _____	817-0372