

Pentecost 9

August 11, 2019

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 2

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

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

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

ELW HYMN 400

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



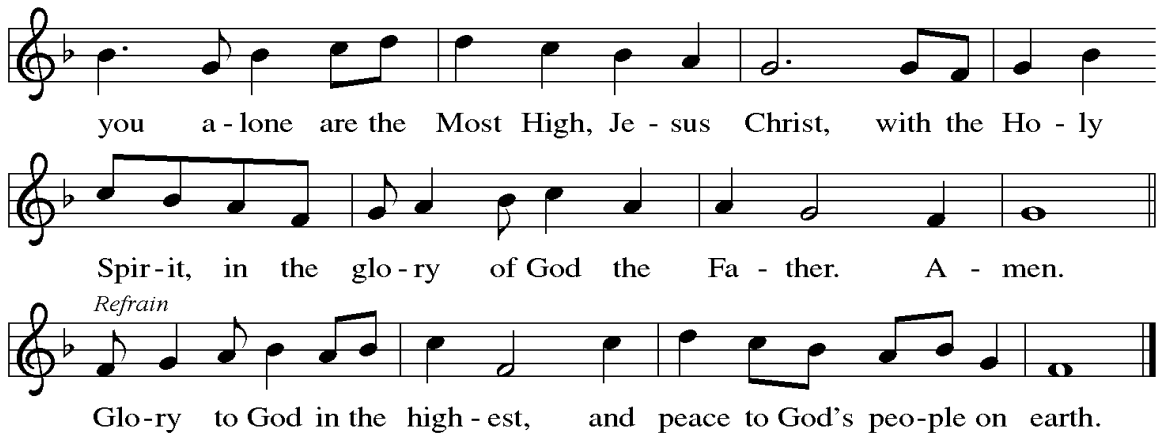
seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



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 God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you
wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:1-6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.” ¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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 twelfth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 12:35-40

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God’s reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God’s generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

Jesus said to his disciples: ³⁵“Gird your loins and light your lamps ³⁶and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at

table, and proceed to wait on them. ³⁸ And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. ³⁹ Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

ELW HYMN 436

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 Lord God, bless and send your church out from each place of worship, especially Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran in St. Ann and All Saints Lutheran in Blue Springs, Missouri and the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, Illinois, to be a light to the nations. Wherever we set out in faith, equip us to share our hope in Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Bless and protect your creation, raising up stewards and innovators to nourish and sustain natural wonders too many to number. Protect bees and butterflies, and send sun and rain where they are needed. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Bless and govern the nations, uniting all humankind in seeking justice and peace. Fashion our hearts and guide our deeds in love. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Bless and comfort those in need, providing shelter to those without homes, food for those who hunger, companionship to those who are lonely, and health to the sick, especially Linda Longren, Bill Pollock, and Susan Fitz. Be their help and their shield. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Bless and sustain those wanting but unable to bear children, those in the adoption process, and children longing for parents. Welcome in love those who seek homes in a new community or country, and give us eyes to see and hearts to respond to the needs of our newest neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Bless and give joy to Merle Adams, Ella Bosch, Glenda Visocsy, Bryah Wakes, Brian McGinnis, and Johnathon Brown as they celebrate their birthdays, Marilyn Heckman as she remembers her baptism and Tom & Mary Heald as they celebrate their wedding anniversary, Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Lord God, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses. Grant that we be encouraged by the example of your servant Jane Velen that we may share in your eternal joy with all the saints in heaven. Bless and support the family and friends of this saint as they celebrate her life. 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
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.

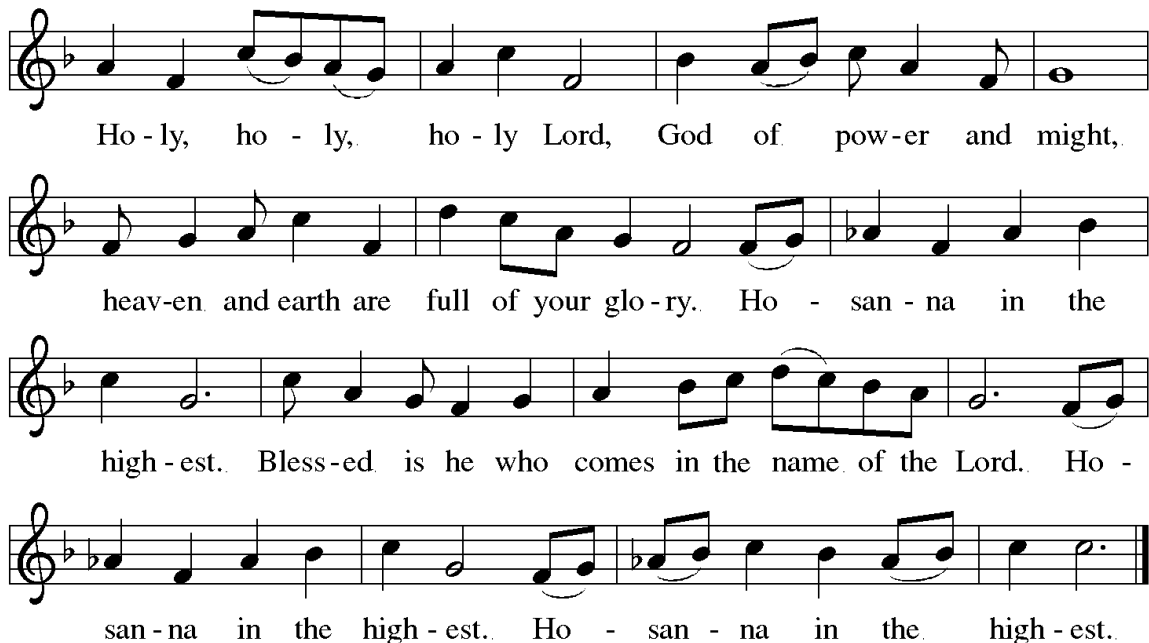
P Lift up your hearts.

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.

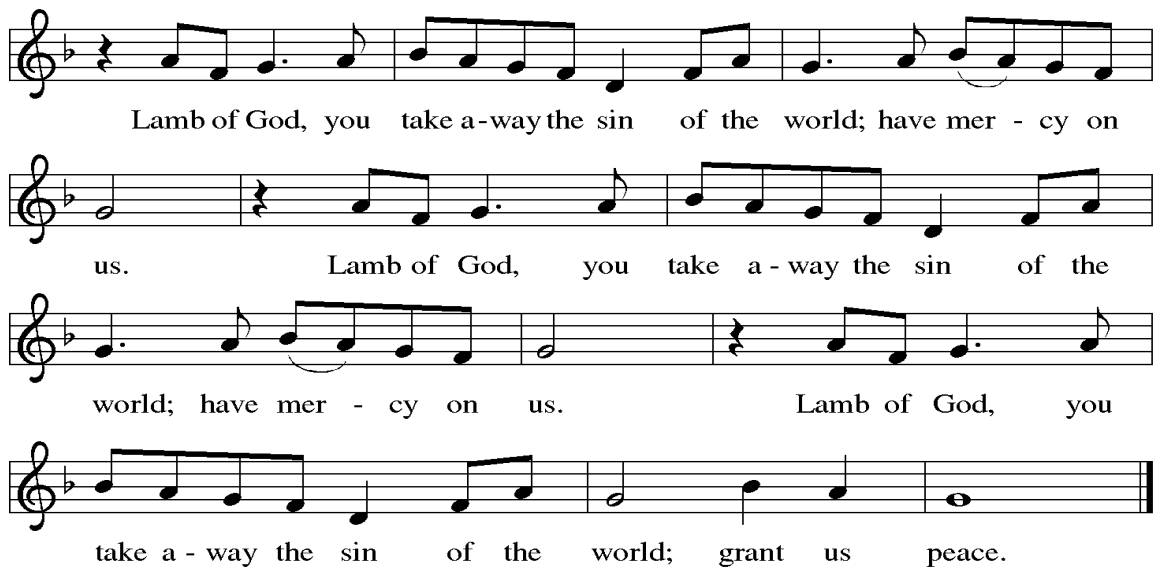
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



The musical notation for the 'Lamb of God' hymn is presented on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.' The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: 'Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.' The third staff continues the melody with the lyrics: 'Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.' The fourth staff concludes the melody with the lyrics: '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 *Blessed Assurance* **ELW HYMN 638**

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens **ELW HYMN 771**

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 *The Church of Christ, in Every Age* **ELW HYMN 729**

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:

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
August 11, 2019	Julie Reeves	Ted Murphy	Mitchell Bean	Diane Bottorff	Parker Jackson	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Junior & Liz Utech	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty
August 18, 2019	Dorothy Strom	David McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	Shelley Andrews	LaVell Winsor	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Andy & LaVell Winsor	Walt Laughlin	Pr. Andrew Patty

Please call the church office, 233-0767, Cindy McGinnis, 785-506-5614, or Pr. Andrew, 423-748-9922, if you or a loved one is hospitalized. Hospitals do not contact us when a member is admitted. It is also necessary that we be advised when a patient moves from one location to another, such as from home to a care facility or from hospital to rehab.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Aug. 11..... Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM
 Worship & Music Meeting during coffee hour

Mon., Aug. 12..... Women's AA..... 5:00 PM

Tues., Aug. 13..... Quilters 9:00 AM
Church Council Meeting..... 5:30 PM

Wed., Aug. 14..... Tidying Up..... 6:00 PM
 Historic Old Town NIA meeting..... 6:30 PM
 Women's AA..... 5:30 PM

Thurs., Aug. 15..... Men's AA 7:00 PM

Sunday, Aug. 18 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
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
July 28	\$1,279.50	\$0.00	\$1,279.50	-\$2,648.00	-\$1,368.50	44/39
Aug. 4	\$2,726.00	\$1,663.87	\$4,389.87	-\$2,648.00	\$1,741.87	34/33
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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