

# Order of Service

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

## **PRELUDE**

#### **GATHERING**

## Welcome & Announcements

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

#### CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

- P Faithful God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ± Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN We Are Called PAGE 3



#### 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.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

# WORD

## FIRST READING: ISAIAH 25:1-9

After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death—which in ancient Canaan was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone—will be swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

<sup>2</sup>For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. <sup>4</sup>For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, <sup>5</sup>the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. <sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; <sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GoD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

Psalm 23

Spoken responsively

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

<sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

<sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, '6while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ¹The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹0Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

<sup>11</sup>"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

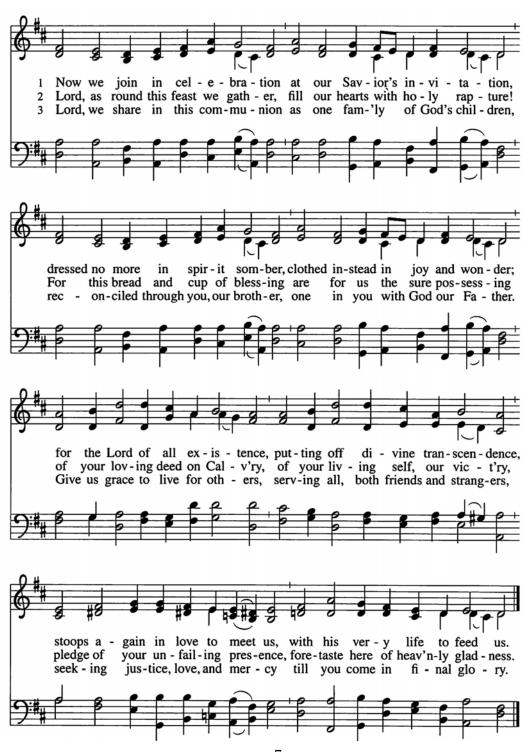
**SERMON** 

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Now We Join in Celebration

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- 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 With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

# A brief silence.

A Gracious host, fill your church with a spirit of joyous hospitality. We pray for bishops, teachers, church leaders, and all children of God as they invite others to your table of boundless grace. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, as creation waits with eager longing for redemption, protect your creatures that are mistreated. Restore valleys, mountains and pastures, and still and running waters. Lord, in your mercy,

## C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, as you set a table in the presence of enemies, so bless the efforts of diplomats, international peace workers, and world leaders who navigate conflict. May they proceed with dialogue and understanding, so that justice and peace prevails. Lord, in your mercy,

## C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, let your gentleness be known among those who are weary or ill, especially Don Longren, Don O'Brien, Helen Laughlin, and Lucille Brill. Strengthen doctors, medical care workers, and caretakers who see to their needs. Lord, in your mercy,

## C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, when we are quick to judge outward appearance, remind us how you clothe all in your mercy. We pray for ministries that provide needed clothing and other personal care assistance in this community. Lord, in your mercy,

## C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, be with our sister congregations. We pray for St. Mark Lutheran in Clayton and Trinity Lutheran in Russellville, Missouri, and Bethesda Lutheran in Winona, Kansas. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

A Gracious host, pour out your blessings of life and joy on Marlene Hassan, Rosemary O'Neil, and Tresa Johnson as they celebrate their birthdays this week, and upon Kade Welp, Ellen Irwin, and Bryah Wakes as they remember their baptisms. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Gracious host, as we remember those who have died and are gathered at the heavenly banquet, comfort us with your presence. Assure us of your peace at all times. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

- P Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

## THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- P Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- P God of all creation, all you have made is good and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- 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 and good that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

- P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary and rose again to make us living branches, drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world. Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power, to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord who comes to us in his body and blood.
- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me.

In the same way also he took the cup after supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen.

## 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.

# **SENDING**

## **PRAYER**

- A Almighty and merciful God, let your Word abide in our hearts and minds that our faith being increased may go into the world with more knowledge and love in all that we do, strengthened by our faith in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

## **BLESSING**

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

## DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Share the good news.
- C Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

# Remember our shut-ins!

Lucille Brill M Peggy Buchholz R Don Longren R

Marlene Hassan Roy O'Neil Ron Owensby Keith Springer Naomi Walker



UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY					
Today, Oct. 11Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM					
Mon., Oct. 12Watch Facebook for posts from fellow Lutheran ministries					
Tues., Oct. 13 40 Day Journey with Martin Luther on Facebook 6:30 PM					
Wed., Oct. 14Hearing the Hymns					
Thurs., Oct. 15 Midweek Prayer Service on Zoom 6:30 PM					
Sunday, Oct. 18Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM					

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS								
					Weekly			
					Income			
					Minus			
			Total	Average	Average			
			Weekly	Weekly	Weekly	Attendance/		
Date	General	Other	Income	Expense	Expense	Communion		
Sept 6 & 13	\$4,430.00	\$0.00	\$4,430.00	-\$2,792.00	\$1,638.00	24		
Sept. 20	\$730.77	\$0.00	\$730.77	-\$2,792.00	-\$2,061.23	0		
Sept. 27	\$2,720.00	\$0.00	\$2,720.00	-\$2,792.00	-\$72.00	0		
Oct. 4	\$1,160.00	\$0.00	\$1,160.00	-\$2,792.00	-\$1,632.00	13		
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead			
		Sept 2020	\$9,700.77	-\$9,300.23	\$400.54			
		Jan Aug	\$90,923.80	-\$90,634.44	\$289.36			

Doorstep is in need of the following food items:

Peanut Butter Cream of Mushroom Soup Other Varieties of Soup Canned Fruit—any kind Tuna



Peas

Donations of food are accepted at the south door Monday — Friday, 9 am to 2 pm.

Prince of Peace Preschool is currently seeking a special person to fill a part time teaching position in our preschool. For more information call Amy @785.271.0913



# 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 • Living with Christ • Caring for Neighbors

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