

JULY 18, 2021

All Creation Sings — Holy Communion Setting 12

Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

P The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, # one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C Amen.
- P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*
- P God, our provider,
- C help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, # the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

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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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- P O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen. Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-16

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

- L Word of God, Word of Life.
- C Thanks be to God.

- ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
- ²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- ³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- ⁴Though 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.
- ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶Surely 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: Ephesians 2:11-22

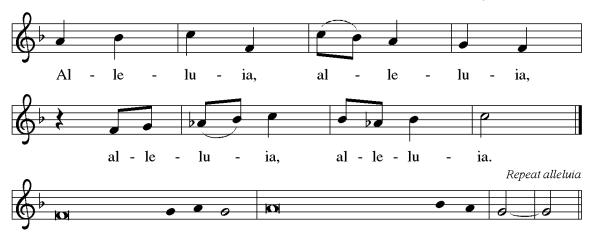
The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

- L Word of God, Word of Life.
- C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand as you are able.



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

P The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us As you are able, please stand for the last verse.

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- P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostle's 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 Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

- A Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry. Embolden all the baptized to embody your love and justice. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Restore your creation, O God. Sustain croplands and pastures and safeguard all farm animals and livestock. Preserve lakes, rivers, and streams that offer refreshment. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and protect coastlands threatened by rising oceans. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill, especially Helen Laughlin, Linda Longren, Don O'Brien, and Martha Nemeth. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.



A Nourish this congregation, O God. Prepare a table where we receive food for our hungering spirits. Renew our commitment to provide for one another and revitalize our ministries of feeding and nurturing hungry neighbors. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

- A God of joy, you give us lives to celebrate. Be with Rhonda Webb, Barbara Apps, and Ted Quast as they celebrate their birthdays, with David McGinnis as he remembers his baptism, and with David & Brooke Ralph as they celebrate their wedding anniversary. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P You lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with the saints. As you have received them into your heavenly home, so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our 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.

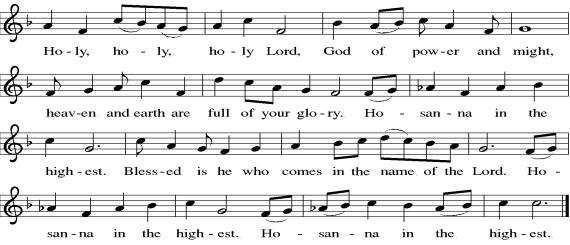
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.
- 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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P By your promise, you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures, granting them life and calling them to flourish, setting the sign of your bow in the clouds, the colors of your love and faithfulness. Your mercy endures forever.
- C Your mercy endures forever.
- P By your promise, you bound yourself to your people of old, blessing them with family outnumbering the stars and calling them to be a blessing to others, showing them steadfast love in every generation and calling them to be a light to the nations. Your mercy endures forever.
- C Your mercy endures forever.
- P By your promise, you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved, grafting us into your living Vine, and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

- 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.
- With this bread and cup we remember his life laid down and lifted up as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine. Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness. Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love. With the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus, in your Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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.

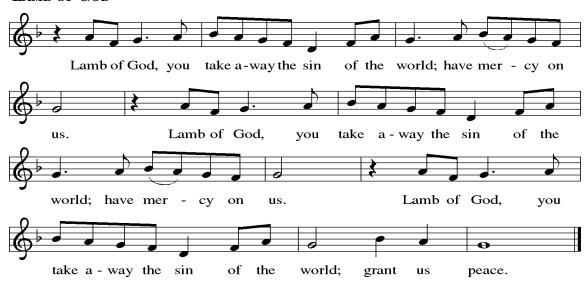
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

LAMB OF GOD



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 Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C Amen.

SENDING

P God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

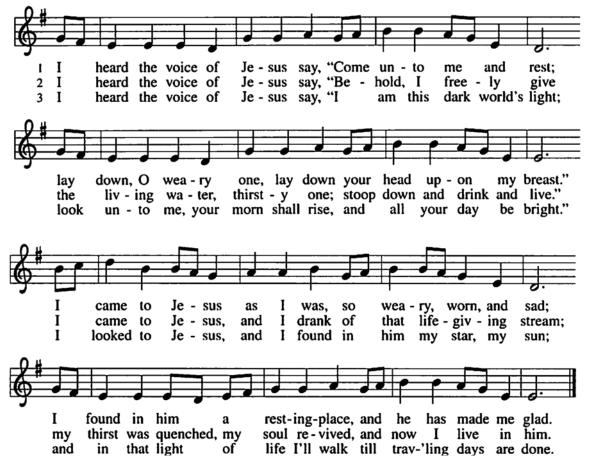
P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, \oplus be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

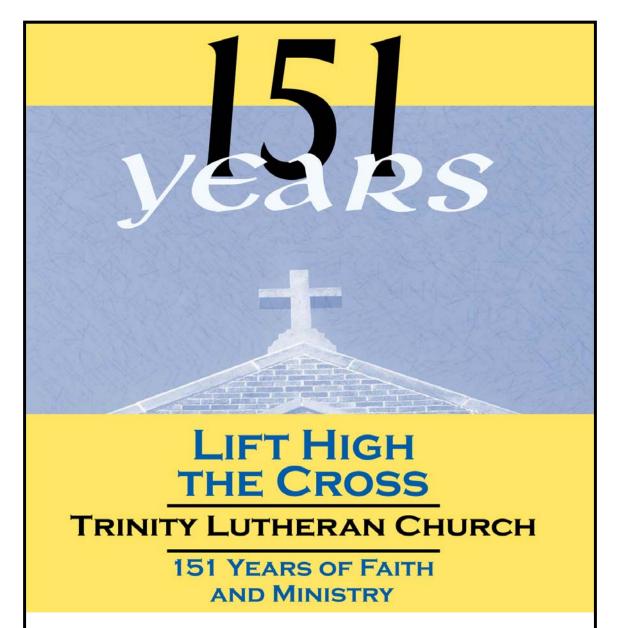
UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY						
Today, July 18						
Mon., July 19 August Trinity Tidings deadline						
Tues., July 20						
Sunday, July 25						

Worship Assistants						
Date	Usher(s)	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
July 18, 2021	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty
July 25, 2021	Diane Bottorff,	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty
August 1, 2021	Marcy Carlson, Bob Horton	Laurie Jackson	Betty Quarnstrom	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Vickie Jacobs	Pr. Andrew Patty



We are in need of a second usher for July 25th and August 8th. Please call or email the office if you can help. Thanks!

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
					Weekly	
					Income Minus	
				Average	Average	
			Total Weekly	Weekly	Weekly	Attendance/
Date	General	Other	Income	Expense	Expense	Communion
June 20	\$2,000.00	\$150.00	\$2,150.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$61.54	20
June 27	\$968.00	\$40.00	\$1,008.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,203.54	37
July 3	\$2,320.00	\$0.00	\$2,320.00	-\$2,211.54	\$108.46	26
July 11	\$1,370.00	\$235.00	\$1,605.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$606.54	23
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		June 2021	\$8,148.00	-\$9,672.63	-\$1,524.63	
		Jan June	\$71,757.94	-\$65,201.01	\$6,556.93	



Our 151st Anniversary Celebration is planned for August 8 with Bishop Susan Candea joining us for worship.

July 25 is the deadline to reserve your place for the catered meal after worship on August 8th. Call or email the office soon to make your reservation.

DOORSTEP'S CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Each year we adopt 260 households for Christmas. There will be 800+ individuals in these households and we need your help in providing gifts & necessities.

Last year with the pandemic we did not have our 'normal' Christmas Store, and only gave out blankets and health kits with the food and gift cards. Therefore, we still have gifts in the basement ready for this year. For Christmas in July we are focusing on replenishing the blankets and health kit items we used, and toys which we rarely have enough of for the adopted children.

Below are specific items we need this Christmas.

Health Kit Items

Towels (new) bath & hand, and washcloths, Combs, Bar Soap, Deodorant, Toothpaste/brushes, Shampoo, Razors







<u>Toys</u>

Games - All Ages
Baby Dolls,
Balls - Football, Soccer,
Basketball
Teen Girls Gifts Make Up & Nail Kits
Back Packs
Color & Reading Books
School Supplies
Toys for Ages 2-12
NO Barbies Please



Quilts & Blankets

Full, Queen & King





Please Bring Items To Doorstep In July For Families Who Will Be Adopted This Christmas.



The MAPS unit will be at 1st Lutheran Church on July 24th, 8 am to 3 pm. MAPS is a state of the art mobile facility that provides shower, laundry, and restrooms to Topeka's unsheltered population and other individuals in need. This project is a collaboration between Valeo Behavioral Health Care, the Topeka Rescue Mission, Stormont Vail Health, and the Topeka Police Department's Behavioral Health Unit.

We are looking for a few volunteers to help set up tables at 7:45 am.

While clients are waiting for laundry services to finish, they are offered refreshments. So we are also asking for donation of some ready-to-eat food items, such as granola bars, cheese & crackers, etc. We need enough for about 15 to 20 people. Thanks so much for your generosity.

Remember our shut-ins!

Peggy Buchholz Keith Springer Marlene Hassan Naomi Walker 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!

 ${f T}$ ogether in Community • ${f L}$ iving with Christ • ${f C}$ aring for Neighbors

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