

2nd Sunday of Pentecost

June 2, 2024

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 8

Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should observe this freedom with a day of rest. No one should work seven days a week; even slaves and foreigners should be able to rest. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to restoration: the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.

HYMN SING ALONG

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS ELW 733
COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING ELW 408
HOW GREAT THOU ART ELW 856, VERSES 1, 3, 4

GATHERING

Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING HYMN

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

ELW 520





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.

A PRAYER FOR SYNOD ASSEMBLY

"The Spirit is calling us to move together as one church to share the grace and love we experience every day."

—Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

"We have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them" 1 John 4:16

- O Holy Spirit, lead and inspire us to walk in obedience to God that our lives may blossom and flourish.
 - O Holy Spirit, lead and inspire us to love as Jesus first loved us that our lives may encourage and support others.
 - O Holy Spirit, lead and inspire us to move together that our synod assembly may be pleasing in your sight.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen. Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

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

PSALM 81:1-10 Spoken responsively

¹Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

²Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp, and the lyre.

³Blow the ram's horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

⁴for this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob.

⁵God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt, where I heard a voice I did not know:

6"I eased your shoulder from the burden; your hands were set free from the gravedigger's basket.

⁷You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

⁸Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

⁹There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

¹⁰I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

SECOND READING: 2ND CORINTHIANS 4:5-12

⁵We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the second chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 2:23—3:6

²³One sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat,

and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

^{3:1}Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA JONES

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

ELW 72

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 We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

A Guide your church to expressions of faith that bring rest and release. Teach your faithful people to be attentive to the spiritual, physical, and societal weariness of our neighbors, that we proclaim your grace through tangible acts of mercy and justice. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- A Keep us mindful of the rhythms of nature as the days lengthen and the seasons shift toward summer. Grant relief to areas facing flooding or drought and bring favorable weather for the flourishing of crops, gardens, and orchards. Merciful God.
- C receive our prayer.

A Where there is affliction in our world, bring healing, especially in the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land as they face continuing conflict. Where world leaders are perplexed, bring clarity of vision. Give a spirit of discernment to political advisors, institutional researchers, economic analysts, and all vocations that inform the work of governments and policymakers. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Provide wholeness and respite to all who are weary: those who struggle, especially Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Liz Utech, and Martha Nemeth, and those who care for them. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Stir our hearts toward abundant generosity among neighbors who experience hunger and food insecurity. Bless feeding ministries and community food efforts, especially community gardens, farmers markets, food pantries and Little Free Pantries. Open both our hearts and our tables. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A We pray for all the participants of the 2024 Synod Assembly, for those nominated and elected as voting members to Churchwide assembly and for all the ministries of the Central States Synod. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Share your plentiful blessings with Charlotte Blenden, Duane Pomeroy, Camdyn Ralph, and Carsyn Ralph as they celebrate their birthdays, and with Liz Utech and Donna Allen as they remember their baptisms. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P We remember the communion of saints whose lives made visible the saving life of Jesus Christ. Guide us by their example to embody the treasure of your love for the sake of our world, until we come to our final rest in you. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

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.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG



OFFERTORY PRAYER

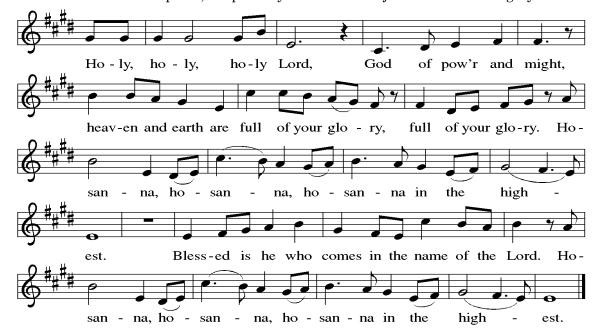
A Let us pray.

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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC 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.

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

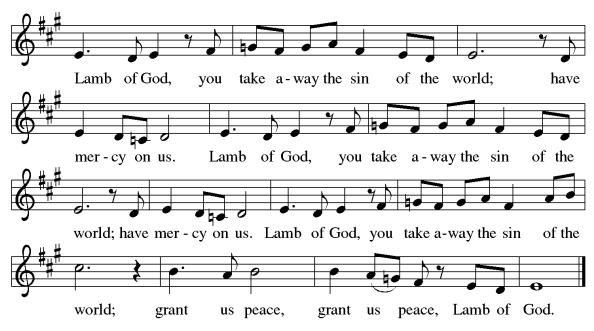
forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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





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 Let us pray.

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

BLESSING

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

C Amen.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in Fellowship Hall downstairs immediately after worship.

SENDING HYMN

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

ELW 389

See page 16

DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- 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

Trinity Family,

Thank you for the special day celebrating Brayden's Confirmation. Thank you to Pastor Barb and Cindy for coordinating all of the details and making it a special service. Thank you to Dean, Brian, Steve, Diane and everyone who made the wonderful feast. Thanks to Marcy for videoing the service and Mitch and Laurie for the beautiful music. I'm sure there were other worker bees behind the scenes that we have missed. It was a very nice service that is a wonderful memory.

We also want to express our appreciation to First Lutheran and Pastor Jenny for instructing Brayden over the past two years. I love Pastor Jenny's engaging teaching style and that Brayden was in class with other kids his age. He learned so much.

Peace, Andy, LaVell, and Brayden

ELCA World Hunger has been working and serving in 64 countries for 50 years. To honor and continue this work, the offering collected at the Central States Synod Assembly June 6-8 will be given to the ELCA World Hunger.

Therefore, we are doing our 5th Sunday Special offering on the first Sunday this month so the funds will be available for Curt & Jane and Diane to take to the assembly meeting.

We as a congregation give generously to Doorstep and help our local community. By using the envelope included in your bulletin today, we can also give globally!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT T	RINITY
Today, June 2Food for Doorstep Da	ay
Hymn Sing Along.	10:15 AM
Worship with Holy Comm	nunion 10:30 AM
Coffee Hour	after worship
Congregational Life Committe	ee meetingNoon
Tues., June 4QuiltersQuilters	9:00 AM
ThursSat., June 6-8 CSS Assembly	
Sunday, June 9 Adult Sunday School	ol 9:30 AM
Worship with Holy Comm	nunion 10:30 AM
Coffee Hour	after worship
PFLAG meeting	2:00 PM
Vacation Bible School @ 1st	Lutheran4:00 PM

	Worship Assistants										
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts			
June 2	Brayden Winsor	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Marcy Carlson	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy			
June 9	Parker Jackson	Diane Bottorff, Bob Horton	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Marilyn Heckman			

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS									
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion			
May 5	\$2,751.53	\$0.00	\$2,751.53	-\$2,211.54	\$539.99	27/26			
May 12	\$618.00	\$0.00	\$618.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,593.54	31/30			
May 19	\$2,421.00	\$20.00	\$2,441.00	-\$2,211.54	\$229.46	28/28			
May 26	\$1,676.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,676.00	-\$2,211.54	\$464.46	60/40			
		Apr. 2024	\$9,871.00	-\$10,650.72	-\$779.72				
		Jan Apr.	\$42,704.29	-\$41,564.38	\$1,139.91				

Hymn Sing Along = Food for Our Soul Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors



Along with our Hymn Sing Along, the first Sunday of each month is now also a day to bring food to church, which will then be taken to Doorstep to help keep their shelves stocked with food for our neighbors.



Please add a few items to your grocery list and make a note on your calendars to remember to bring food to church on the first Sunday of each month.

Current Doorstep Needs

Clothing Room Needs: (Gently Used, Not New)

Men's Jeans, Slacks & Underwear

Men's Shoes (All Sizes)

Boys Jeans & Pants (All Sizes)

Boys Shorts & Shirts (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Jeans (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Clothing (Sizes 18-mo. - 12)

Teen Girls Tops - (All Sizes)

Sheet Sets - Twin, Queen & King

Comforters - All Sizes

 ${\bf Small\ Appliances}-{\bf Toasters},\ {\bf Coffee}\ {\bf Pots\ \&\ Blend}$

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Tampons & Maxi Pads (Greatly Needed)

Hygiene Items: (Full Size)

Bar Soap, Combs & Toothbrushes

Food Room Needs:

The need for food assistance remains high. Doorstep provided 704 food orders in the first quarter of 2024, giving out 38,800 pounds of food. Please help us stock our pantry shelves to continue to provide for our neighbors in need.

We need the following food items:

Spaghetti O's & Ravioli Jelly (any flavor) Tuna

Oatmeal (packets & canisters) Powdered Milk Canned Milk

Cream of Mushroom Soup Vegetable Soup Rice Boxed Potatoes Pancake Mix & Syrup Peas

Spaghetti Sauce Baked Beans

<u>Donations Accepted</u>:

Monday – Friday 9am – 2pm

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10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

Together in Community

Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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