

July 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

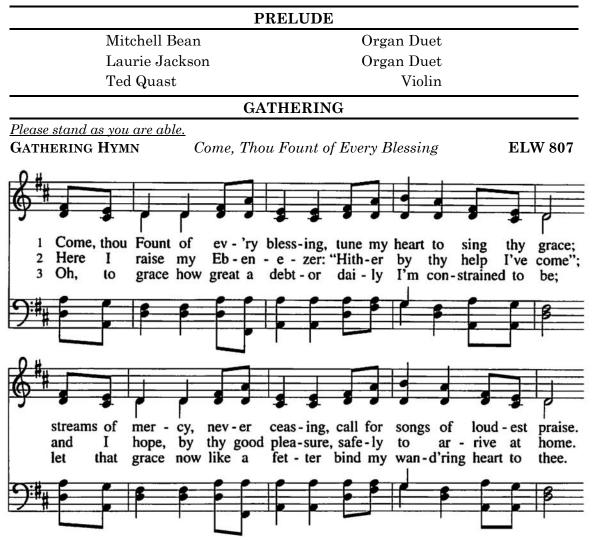
We are glad you are here!

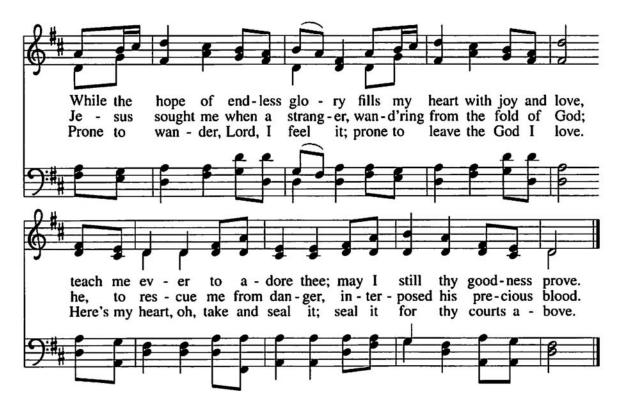
It is always good to be together, hearing the Word proclaimed and sharing in the Lord's Supper.

Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 8

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.





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

A Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal 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.

<u>Please be seated.</u>

WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-6

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.

⁵ The 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. ⁶ In 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 The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

Spoken responsively

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

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. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For 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. ¹⁵ He 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; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built 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; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Please stand as you are able.

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



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

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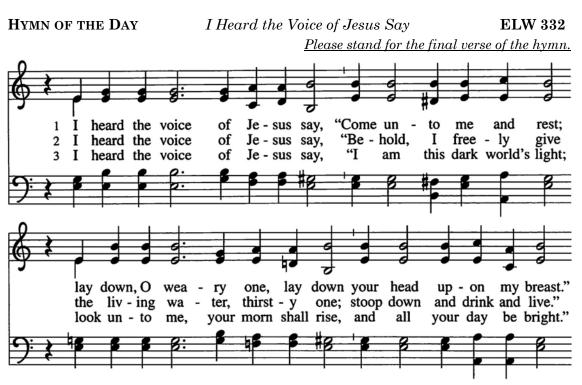
SERMON

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

The Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

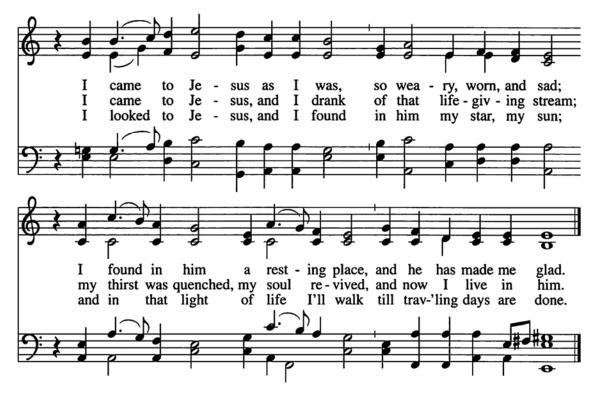
³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 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. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And 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.



PASTOR BARBARA JONES

Please be seated.



- 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 One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

A For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land: Through the One who is the cornerstone of a firm foundation, join us together and build us up as a temple of mercy and peace. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A For the leaders of nations and heads of tribes: Where peace seems far off, bring it near. Where justice seems fleeting, bring it to light. Where discord seems relentless, bring harmony. In your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick, especially Peggy Buchholz, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Dea Polzin, and Martha Nemeth. Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain. In your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A For this assembly and for the faith communities represented this week at the ELCA Youth Gathering: Nurture the faith of young people as they encounter new experiences and people. Break down dividing walls and inspire collaboration among people of every age. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A For those celebrating life events: We celebrate with Barbara Apps, Ted Quast, Kade Welp, and Hudson Ralph as they observe their birthdays, and with Andy & LaVell Winsor as they celebrate their wedding anniversary, In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P In thanksgiving for those who have died: Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

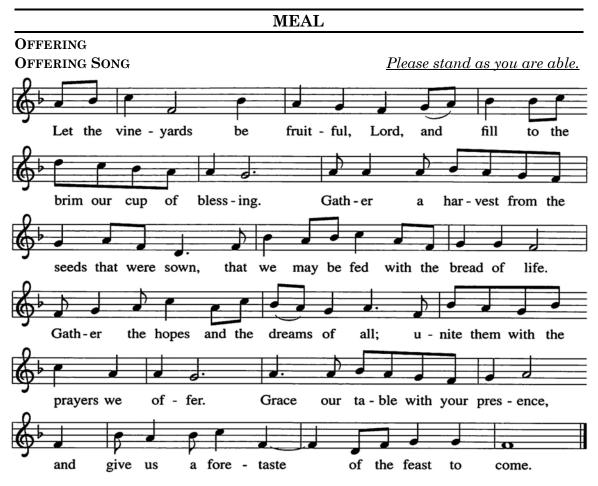
- P Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

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.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

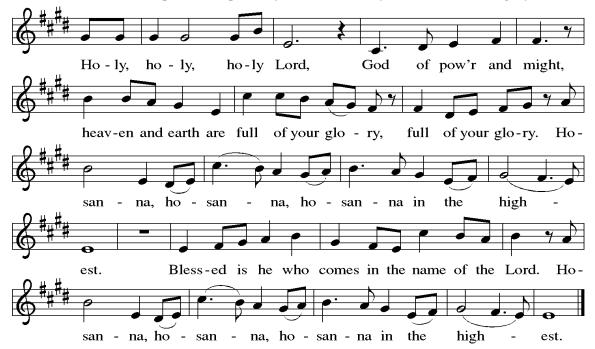
A Let us pray.

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.

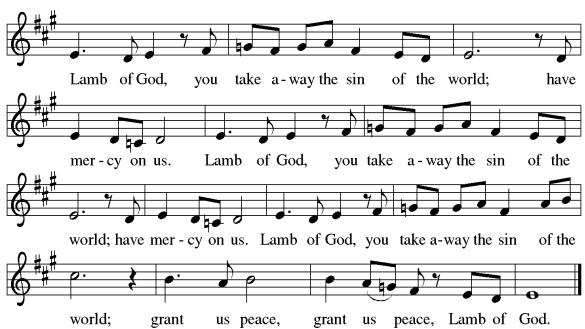
THE LORD'S PRAYER

- 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! <u>Please be seated.</u>



LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMN



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.

SENDING HYMN	All People That on Earth Do Dwell	ELW 883
		<u>See page 16.</u>

DISMISSAL

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

C Thanks be to God.

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

POSTLUDE



UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

 Community Relations meeting Worship with Holy Communion Coffee Hour Worship & Music Planning meeting.	10:30 AM after worship
Quilters 	
 Children's Sunday School Worship with Holy Communion Coffee Hour	10:30 AM

God's Love Made Real

A conversation with Bishop Eaton



Speaker Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton



Host Bishop Susan Candea, Central States Synod

Join us for a live online event for your region!



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Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
July 21	Ella Bosch, Curt Lewis	Dean McGinnis, Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson, Ted Quast, Mitchell Bean	Marcy Carlson	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Dean McGinnis
July 28	Cindy McGinnis	Bob Horton, Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Bob Horton	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Howard/Loni Reece
Aug. 4	Brayden Winsor	Marcy Carlson, Dean McGinnis		LaVell Winsor	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Janice Greenlee
Aug. 11	Cindy McGinnis	Howard Reece, Duane Pomeroy		Loni Reece	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Steve Luoma

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
June 23	\$293.00	\$0.00	\$293.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,918.54	23/21
June 30	\$945.00	\$0.00	\$945.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,266.54	32/30
July 7	\$3,405.00	\$25.00	\$3,430.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,218.46	30/28
July 14	\$511.00	\$1,630.00	\$2,141.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$70.54	34/32
		June 2024	\$6,554.00	-\$11,192.05	-\$4,638.05	
		Jan June	\$56,724.82	-\$62,478.39	-\$5,753.57	



Our quilting group is asking for donations so they can purchase more batting. Each bolt of batting can cost around \$100.

If you would like to help, you can put a check or cash in the offering plate, with a note to designate it for the quilters.

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



Wow! It seems that Adi's pep talk before church a couple of weeks ago had an impact! Our July collection did, in fact, beat our June collection by A LOT! There were 339 items delivered to Doorstep, totaling 319.6 pounds!



Our next collection date is August 4th.

Current Doorstep Needs ~ July 2024

<u>Clothing Room Needs</u>: (Gently Used, Not New) For the rest of this month, we need: Men's Underwear ~ All Sizes (greatest need) Women's Underwear ~ All Sizes Men's Belts ~ All Sizes Men's Shoes ~ All Sizes Sheet Sets ~ Queen & King <u>Hygiene Items:</u> (Full Size) Women's ~ 2 in 1 Shampoo/Conditioner Family Size Shampoo Bar Soap Toothpaste

Food Room Needs:

Spaghetti O's & Ravioli Pancake Mix & Syrup Pinto Beans (Dry) Boxed Potatoes (Variety) Rice Tuna Peas Spaghetti Sauce Cold Cereal Canned Fruit Egg Noodles Vegetable Soup

2024 Doorstep Events

July <u>Christmas in July</u> - collection of items for the 260 households we will adopt this year for Christmas.

<u>Summer Cash Bash</u> – requesting donations from our congregations, individuals, and the community to help us earn at least \$10,000 in matching funds from an anonymous donor.

<u>**Re-Imagined Jewelry**</u> – repurposed decorated tin turned into earrings can be purchased from Café Quetzal with the funds going to Doorstep.



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

Together in Community Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Caring for Our Neighbors

Jesus commands us that when we care for the least of these; that we are in the presence of Christ (*Matthew 25:44-45*). As a congregation, we deeply care about serving those in need in our community. We hope to be a place of refuge and support for our neighborhood and to be a place to uplift those people that struggle around us. We also support ministries both local, national, and global as a church in the ELCA. As a congregation, we focus our efforts to partner with community organizations like Doorstep, while expanding opportunities to help our neighborhood through activities like our food ministry and community garden. We continue to be open to the ways that God calls us to be a presence in our community and to create a world where all are cared for in our society (*Philippians 2:4*).

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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