

**Jesus said, "I am the living bread
that came down from heaven.
Anyone who eats this bread will
live forever; and this bread, which
I will offer so the world may live,
is My flesh.**

John 6:51

August 11, 2024
Twelfth 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 2

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

ELW 658

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
 2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
 3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

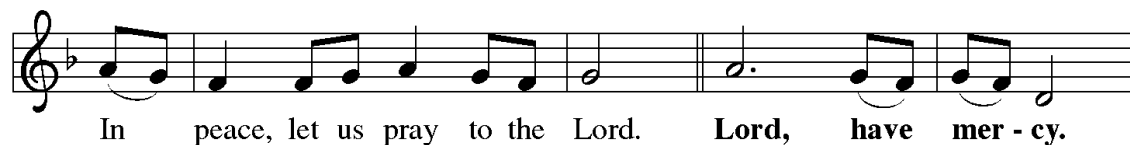
parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
 turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

GREETING

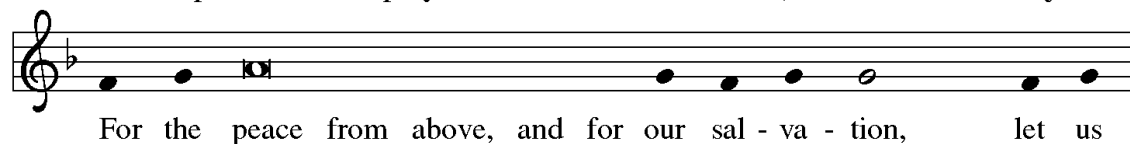
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

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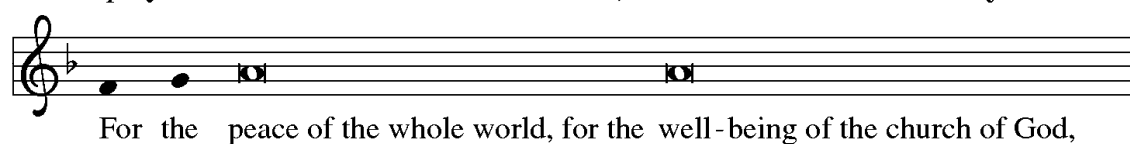
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



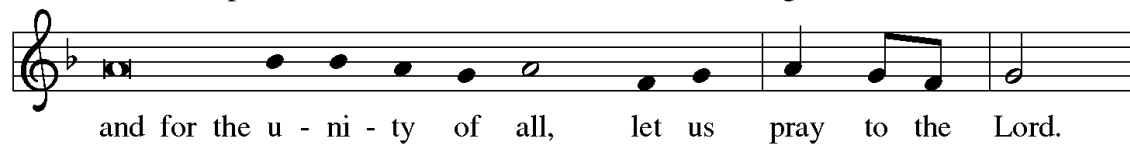
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



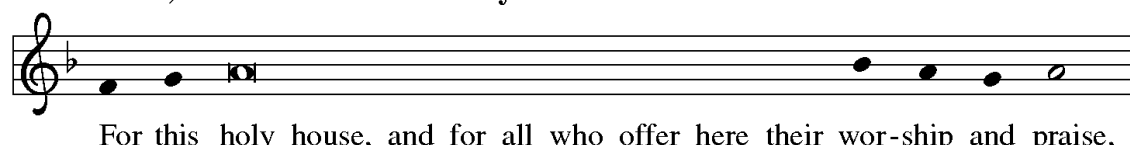
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



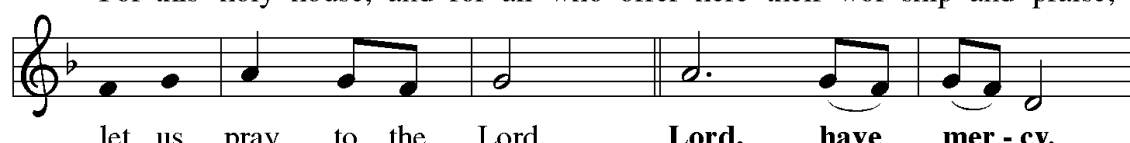
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



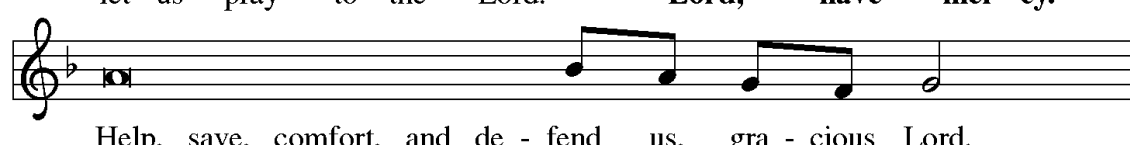
Lord, have mer - cy.



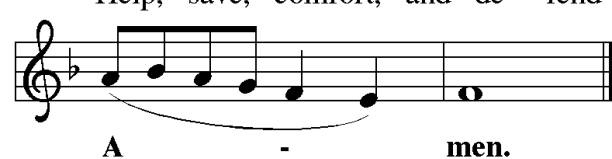
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



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

Refrain
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.

Refrain
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.

Refrain
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,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:4-8

⁴Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:1-8

Spoken responsively

¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me**
and delivered me from all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**
and saved me from all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the LORD is good;**
happy are they who take refuge in God!

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:25—5:2

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**⁴²

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 John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:35, 41-51

³⁵Jesus said to the crowd, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can

come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA JONES

HYMN OF THE DAY

What Feast of Love

ELW 487

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

1 What feast of love is of-fered here, what ban-quet come from heav-en?
 2 What light of truth is of-fered here, what cov-e-nant from heav-en?
 3 What wine of love is of-fered here, what crim-son drink from heav-en?

What food of ev-er-last-ing life, what gra-cious gift is giv-en?
 What hope of ev-er-last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv-en?
 What stream of ev-er-last-ing life, what pre-cious blood is giv-en?

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.

Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

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 Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries. We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill, especially Donna Allen, Peggy Buchholz, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Dea Polzin, and Martha Nemeth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Grant joy to Ella Bosch and Brian McGinnis as they celebrate their birthdays and to Marilyn Heckman as she remembers her baptism. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.

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

Please stand as you are able.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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.

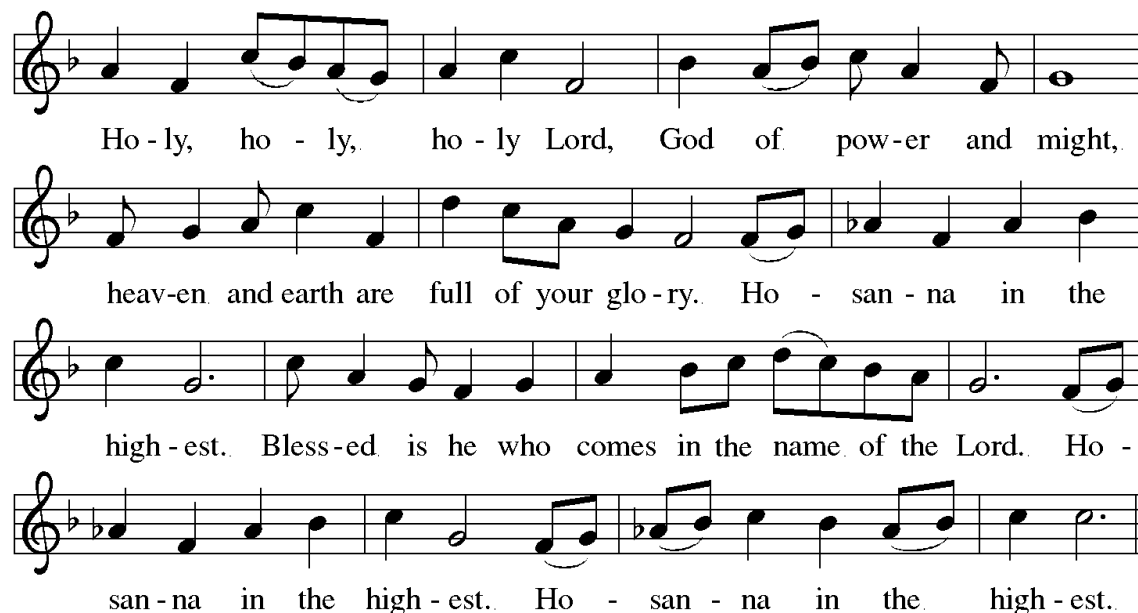
P Lift up your hearts.

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:



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.

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.

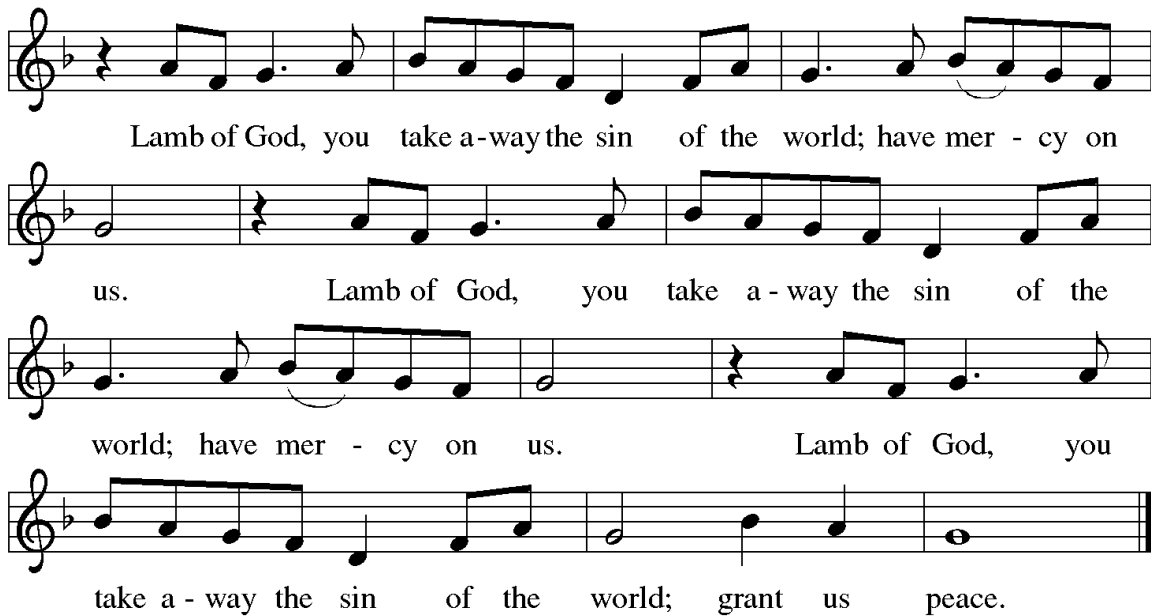
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

I Am the Bread of Life

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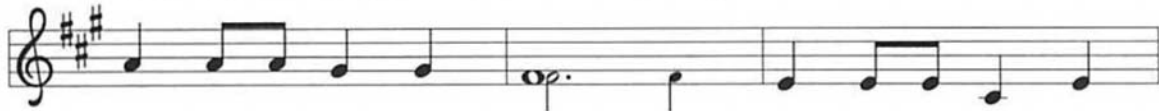
Leader or All



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
 3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion,
 5 Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man and . . .
 I am the life. . . . If you be -
 you are the Christ, the . . .




lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat of this bread, you shall . . live for -
 drink of his blood, and drink of his
 lieve in . . . me, e - ven . . though you
 Son of . . . God, who have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er, you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to the world. . . .

Refrain All



“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.”

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

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death

ELW 452

1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear re - lease,
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,
4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.

so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.
to give the Spir - it's u - ni - ty, the ver - y bond of peace.
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

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

Today, Aug. 11	Adult Sunday School.....	9:30 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship
.....	PFLAG meeting.....	2:00 PM
Tues., Aug., 13	Quilters	9:00 AM
.....	Church Council meeting.....	5:30 PM
Sunday, Aug. 18.....	Community Relations meeting.....	9:30 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship

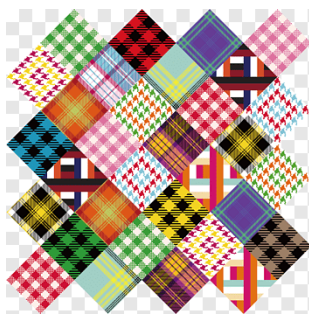
Council Members, there will be an extra council meeting on Tuesday, August 20, at 6:00 pm.



A thank you to Duane Pomeroy and teenagers Hank & Harley Stamper (Triple H Services) who tidied up landscaping around the church this past week.

Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Aug. 11	Cindy McGinnis	Howard Reece, Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Steve Luoma
Aug. 18	Parker Jackson	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Duane Pomeroy	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Marilyn Heckman
Aug. 25		Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Laurie Jackson	Shelley Andrews	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Diane Bottorff

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Commun-
July 14	\$511.00	\$1,630.00	\$2,141.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$70.54	34/32
July 21	\$1,460.00	\$0.00	\$1,460.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$751.54	30/26
July 28	\$1,426.00	\$40.00	\$1,466.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$745.54	36/28
Aug. 4	\$3,270.95	\$110.00	\$3,380.95	-\$2,211.54	\$1,169.41	30/26
		June 2024	\$6,554.00	-\$11,192.05	-\$4,638.05	
		Jan. - June	\$56,724.82	-\$62,478.39	-\$5,753.57	



Thank you, thank you, thank you! The quilting group thanks everyone who contributed money so they can pay for quilt batting. This church family always comes through when needed.

Current Doorstep Needs ~ August 2024

Clothing Room Needs: (Gently Used, Not New)

- **Men's Underwear & Belts** ~ All Sizes (greatest need)
- **Men's Shorts, Jeans & Ball Caps**
- **Women's Socks & Bras** ~ All Sizes
- **Boys Shorts & Jeans** ~ All Sizes
- **Girls Tops Sizes 4-12 & Jeans** ~ All Sizes
- **Teen Girls Tops and Jeans** ~ All Sizes
- **Sheet Sets & Comforters** ~ Queen & King
- **Bathroom Hand Towels & Washcloths**

Hygiene Items: (Full Size)

- 2 in 1 Shampoo/Conditioner
- Family Size Shampoo
- Razors ~ Men & Women
- Bar Soap
- Combs

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**Food Room Needs:**

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

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Even though Christmas in July has passed, there are still school supplies needed to fill backpacks that will be handed out with Christmas gifts. And with back-to-school shopping happening now, this would be a good time to pick up a few items.

They need:

loose-leaf notebook paper	2-pocket folders	rulers
glue (not sticks)	big erasers	back packs
black & blue pens		



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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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