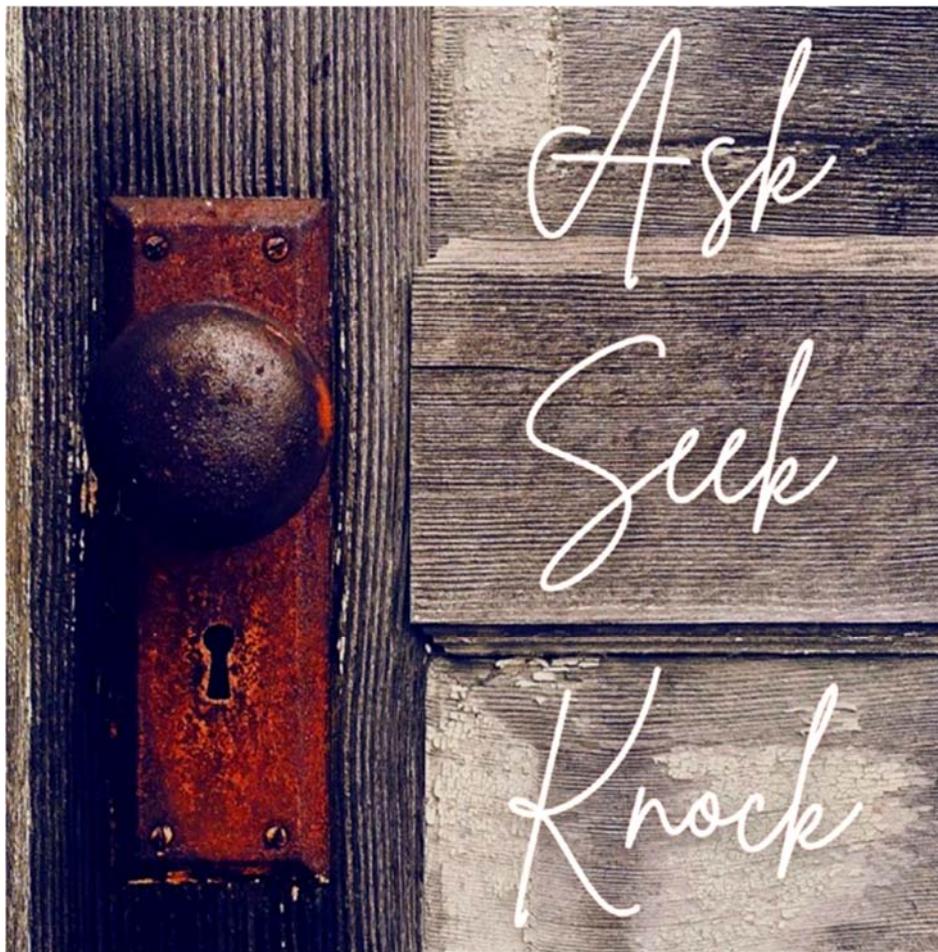




# 7TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Trinity Lutheran Church



July  
**27**  
2025

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

Together  
in Community  
Living  
with Christ  
Caring  
for Neighbors

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

Luke 11:9

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***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.***  
*We offer our thanks and welcome to Pr. Dinah Dutta for preaching & presiding at communion today. We pray that all are inspired by our worship.*

PRELUDE

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 5***

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**GATHERING**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

**C Amen.**

L 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.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L 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.**

L God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**ELW 742**

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear--  
 all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
 We should never be discouraged--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
 Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
 Precious Savior, still our refuge--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886

**GREETING**

L 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**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, 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 unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer 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



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's  
3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -  
au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes  
name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will breaks forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - might - y,  
sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to  
liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we  
ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.  
ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.  
God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

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## WORD

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### FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:20-32

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know." <sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 138

*Sung responsively*



- <sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup> **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because  
of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.**
- <sup>3</sup> When I called, you | answered me;  
you increased my | strength within me.
- <sup>4</sup> **All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**
- <sup>5</sup> They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,  
that great is the glory | of the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup> **The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty | from afar.**
- <sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand  
shall save me.
- <sup>8</sup> **You will make good your pur- | pose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the  
works | of your hands.**

**SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:6-19**

<sup>6</sup>As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him,  
<sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught,  
abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup>Watch out that no one takes you captive through phi-  
losophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental  
principles of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness  
of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of  
every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual cir-  
cumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ;  
<sup>12</sup>when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him  
through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And when you  
were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive  
together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>erasing the record that  
stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.  
<sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, tri-  
umphing over them in it. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of  
food or drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or Sabbaths. <sup>17</sup>These are only a

shadow of what is to come, but the body belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, initiatory visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with a growth that is from God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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.

L The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the eleventh chapter.

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

**GOSPEL: LUKE 11:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”<sup>2</sup>So he said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ <sup>7</sup>And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ <sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

*Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.*

*Descant*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

D F#m G D G

1 Seek ye . . . first the king - dom of God and its  
 2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and  
 3 We do not live by bread . . . a - lone, but by

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

D Em A<sup>7</sup> D F#m

righ - teous - ness, and all these things shall be  
 you shall find; knock and the door shall be  
 ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

G D G D Em A D

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.  
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.  
 mouth . . of . . . God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

## APOSTLES CREED

L Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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 In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

*A brief silence.*

A Loving God, create in your church a desire for union with you in prayer. Raise up leaders to teach Christ's devotion to prayer and model Christ's way of prayer, until all people experience prayerful intimacy with you. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Reveal to humanity the sacredness of all creation. With the breath of your Spirit, realign the balances of nature. Grant persistence in prayer and action for the sake of the earth, our common home. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Teach rulers of the earth to sing of your ways, caring for the lowly and having no preference for the powerful. Direct the heart of every person to seek your will on earth as in heaven. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Give your good gifts to all whose prayers are cries for help. We pray especially for Shelley Andrews, Kelly Irwin Patton, Julie Reeves, Marilyn Heckman, Martha Nemeth, and David McGinnis. Gather them to your loving presence, that they may rest in the confidence of life with you. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Center the ministries of this assembly on prayer and service. Guide our relationships in our community; make us ready to assist those who seek help. Support feeding, clothing, and housing ministries. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We ask for blessings for Parker Jackson and Brooke Ralph as they celebrate their birthdays and for David & Cindy McGinnis and Bob & Pam Kobbeman as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

L We give thanks for all who have gone before us. May we trust your steadfast love and continue in hope until we are united with all your saints. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

L Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

### THE PEACE

L 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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### MEAL

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#### OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

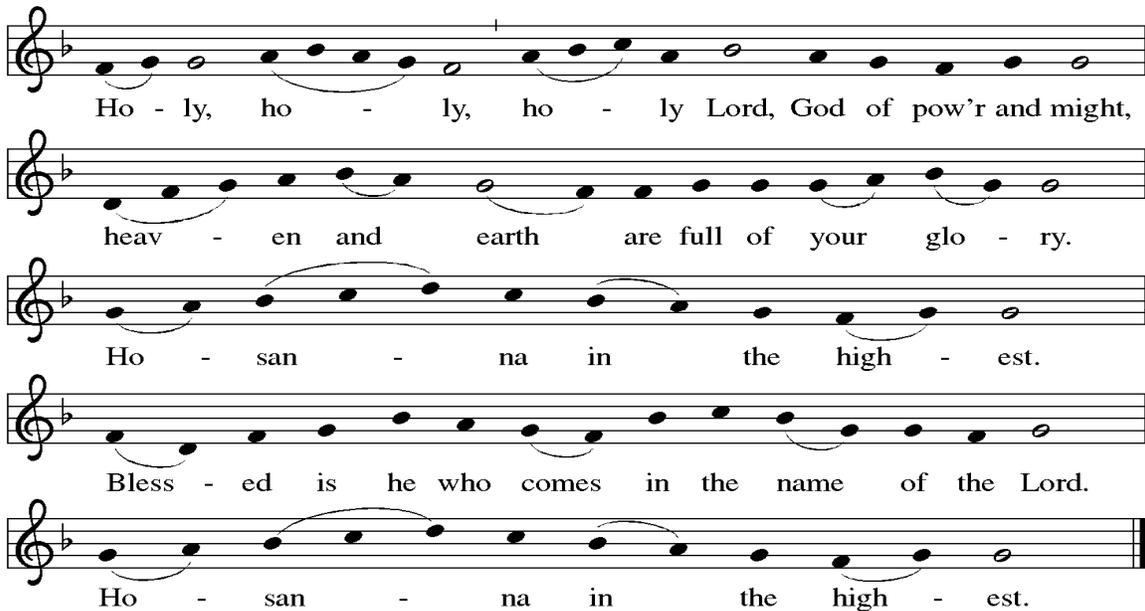
L The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**

L Lift up your hearts. **C We lift them to the Lord.**

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L 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; 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 all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

L 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

L 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

L The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

*We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share in Holy Communion. Grape juice is available as an alternative to wine as well as gluten-free wafers. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing.*

*Everyone who goes forward for communion will be viewed on camera. Should you prefer not to have your image recorded, please stay in your seat and tell an usher you would like to have communion served to you in your pew.*

## 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. A - men.

**COMMUNION HYMN***For the Troubles and the Sufferings***ACS 1051**

For the troubles and the sufferings of the world,  
 God, we call upon your mercy: the whole creation's laboring in pain!  
 Lend an ear to the rising cry for help from oppressed and hopeless people:  
 Come! Hasten your salvation, healing love!  
 We pray for peace, the blessed peace that comes from making justice,  
 to cover and embrace us. Have mercy, Lord!  
 We pray for pow'r, the pow'r that will sustain your people's witness:  
 until your kingdom comes. Kyrie eleison!

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**COMMUNION BLESSING**

L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his  
 grace. **C Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your  
 grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and pro-  
 claim your love in Jesus' name. **C Amen.**

**SENDING PRAYER FOR COMMUNION KITS**

L Gracious God, loving all your family with a parent's tender care: as you sent the  
 angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist us in this ministry on which we  
 are sent forth. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we  
 bring this sacrament, that through the body and blood of your Son we all may  
 know the comfort of your abiding presence.

**C Amen.**

**BLESSING**

L The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your  
 hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

**SENDING HYMN***Go, My Children, with My Blessing***ELW 543**

- 1 "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
 Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
 In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.  
 Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
- 2 "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
 Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory.  
 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

3 “Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
 Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
 Here my Spirit’s power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.  
 Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt. Text © 1983 Concordia Publishing House

**DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

<b>UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY</b>		
Today, July 27 .....	Children’s Sunday School .....	9:45 AM
.....	Temple Talk .....	
.....	Worship with Holy Communion .....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour .....	after worship
Tues., July 29 .....	Quilters .....	9:00 AM
Sun., Aug. 3 .....	Doorstep Food Collection .....	
.....	Hymn Sing Along .....	10:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion .....	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour .....	after worship
.....	Congregational Life meeting .....	Noon

Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolyte	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Sermon	Coffee Hosts
July 27	Brayden Winsor	Diane Bottorff, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	LaVell Winsor	Janeen Horton and Team 2	Parker Jackson	Pr. Dinah Dutta	Carol Marker
Aug. 3	Cindy McGinnis	Diane Bottorff, Curt Lewis	Laurie Jackson	Loretta Hoerman	Cindy McGinnis and Team 3	Ted Murphy	Deacon Dave Mareske	Howard & Loni Reece
Aug. 10	Ella Bosch	Marcy Carlson, Duane Pomeroy	Mitchell Bean	Duane Pomeroy	Cindy McGinnis and Team 3	Bob Horton	Deacon Dave Mareske	



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### OFFICE HOURS

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

**Together in Community**

**Living with Christ**

**Caring for Neighbors**

### **Together in Community**

We are a faith community brought together to worship God and to be of service to the needs of the world as the Great Commandment is our guide in our lives (*Matthew 22:36-39, Mark 12:29-31, and Luke 10:26-27*). We are a congregation that seeks to reach all those in our county with members spread throughout Topeka area, while being rooted in Historic Old Town. In our faith, we hope to be a symbol of Christ's love in the world (*John 15:12*), to be a community of support and care (*Galatians 6:2*), and to proclaim the good news that Jesus Christ came to be a Savior for all people (*Colossians 1:13-14*).

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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