

Trinity Lutheran Church

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 22, 2021

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

304 E. FERRIS St. GALESBURG, IL 61401

developing disciples-connecting to Christ

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Prelude Sing Praise arr. Marilynn Ham

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### + + + GATHERING + + +

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#### Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

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.

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.

Amen

#### **Gathering Song**

ELW #638

#### Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

#### Greeting

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

And also with you.

#### **Hymn of Praise**

## Glory to God ELW Setting 10 p.204



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

#### **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Holy God, you word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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# First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm: Psalm 34:15-22

Read responsively by whole verse.

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry.

The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed.

Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the LORD delivers them from every one.

God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.

Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

# Second Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of

God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

**Gospel Acclamation** 

Alleluia!

ELW Setting 10 p.205



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

# Gospel: John 6:56-69

The holy gospel according to John

# Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God." The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Sermon

Children's Message

**Rev. Carrie Carnes** 

(Stand)
Hymn of the Day

ELW #758

# You Are the Way



- 1 You are the way; to you a lone from sin and death we flee; 2 You are the truth; your word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part;
- 3 You are the life; the rend-ing tomb pro-claims your con-qu'ring arm;
- 4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,



all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free. you on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart. and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm. that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799–1859, alt. Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

#### **Apostles' Creed**

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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.

(Sit)

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

#### A brief silence.

God of courage, bless all leaders of your church. Make them ready to proclaim the gospel of peace and strengthen them to preach your loving word. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of creation, bless fields and orchards. Protect the land from drought and bring life-giving rain to support growth. Instruct your people in wise treatment of the world you have provided for all your creatures. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of community, bless all who seek justice between nations and peoples. Give guidance to bridge-builders, heal divisions, and inspire cooperation in times of crisis, disaster, and war. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of compassion, bless all who are in any need. Accompany all who are lonely and feeling abandoned and remind them of your

abiding presence. Accompany all who are persecuted and exploited and open us to their cries. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

God of change, bless our transitions. Guide all who are embarking on new stages in life such as a new job, new school, or new community. Sustain enduring friendships and kindle new relationships and interests. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

God of comfort, bless all who mourn the deaths of their beloved ones. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Renew our confidence in your promise of resurrection and life in the world to come. Lord, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

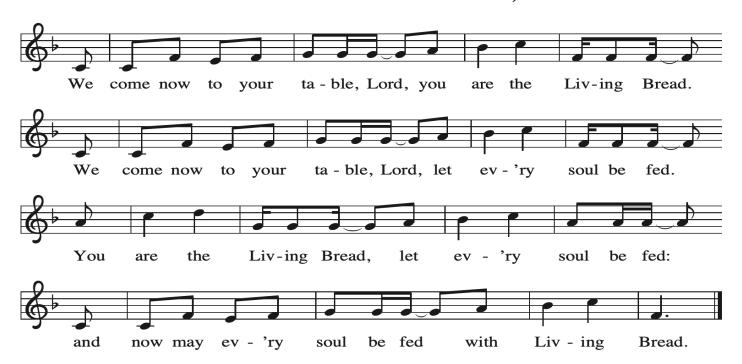
And also with you.

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#### Offering Song

ACS #970

#### We Come Now to Your Table, Lord



Text: Caribbean Conference of Churches Jamaica workshop Music: LIVING BREAD, St. Vincent traditional, adapt.; arr. Patrick Prescod, 1932–2013 Text and music © Caribbean Conference of Churches

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(Stand)

# **Offering Prayer**

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. **Amen.** 

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

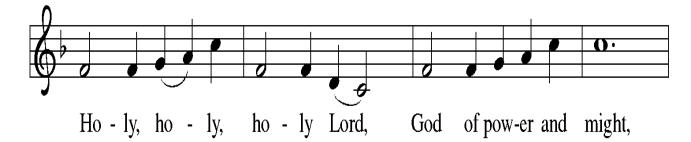
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

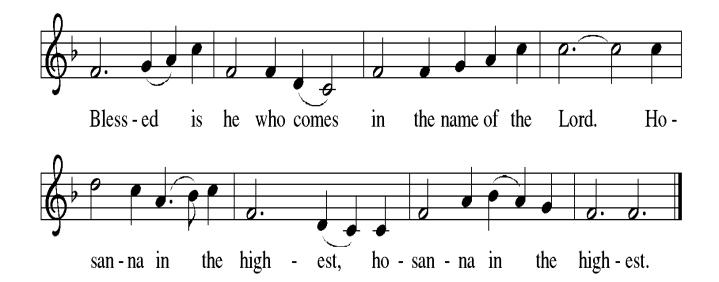
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

ELW Setting 10 p.207





heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



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

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

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

All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.

#### **Distribution of Communion**

O Lamb of God

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- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is My Shepherd Will Supply My Need David Paxton Carl Simone

(Stand)

## **Prayer After Communion**

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.

Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

## **Blessing**

Amen.

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Graham Kendrick arr. Marilynn Ham

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This week's radio broadcast is sponsored by Carol & David Simpson In honor of all faithful listeners.

This week's altar flowers are given by Roger and Melissa Williamson In loving memory of family, in gratitude to a gracious God.

Worship Participants

Audio: Sarah Brakenbury

Video: Bill Sime

Usher: Hillary Hoffman

Check-in/Temperature: Kalyn Warner

Closing Duties: Nick Elders

Communion Set-Up: Sarah Helvey & Judy Holmgren

Reader and Communion Assistant: Lisa Shafer

Pianist: Brady Warner

Pastor: Rev. Carrie Carnes

As we have reopened, we would like to hear from you. Please take the time to reflect on these two questions and respond by sharing your thoughts with the church office.

 Are you comfortable relaxing restrictions? We would like to know what people are thinking. Understand that if the covid-19 trend reverses, we must act appropriately.

Please reply yes or no to the following:

Taking temperatures
Passing the Friendship Registry in pews
Using Hymnals in pews
Remove the alternate pew-closing ropes
Shaking hands
Resume Coffee Fellowship
Expanding communion procedures

2. How do you feel about youth who are not confirmed serving communion if they have had first communion training?

#### This Week at Trinity

# Tuesday, August 24th

Play Group 10:00 a.m.

## Sunday, August 29th

9:30 a.m. Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship, Sanctuary, Radio and Facebook

# Readings for Sunday, August 29th

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Psalm: Psalm 15

Second Reading: James 1:17-27 Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

# SAVE THE DATE!! — TRINITY YOUTH NIGHT RETURNS!

OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHTS WILL BE BURSTING WITH YOUTHFUL ENERGY AS WE KICK OFF A FRESH YEAR OF MUSIC, MEALS, LESSONS AND FELLOWSHIP WITH A BIG HELPING OF FUN BEGINNING ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>.

A KICK-OFF EVENT WILL BE AFTER WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS. STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!

#### **Employment Opportunities**

We are currently seeking a part time administrative assistant as well as an interim choir leader. Both positions are listed on Indeed.

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# You have the opportunity to sponsor or co-sponsor a radio broadcast

Trinity has been broadcasting our Sunday morning worship services to the community over the radio since October, 1992. This ministry is partially provided through our regular Evangelism portion of the budget. The weekly service is now broadcast on Sunday morning on WRAM 1330 at 9:30 AM. Due to radio station staffing, the prior week's service is broadcast each week.

The weekly cost for Trinity's radio ministry is \$60. If you would like to help defray some of these costs, consider sponsoring or cosponsoring a weekly radio broadcast. Names of sponsors appear in the weekly Sunday bulletin as well as those who are being honored or remembered.

To sponsor a radio broadcast, complete the form below and return it with a check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church, designated Radio. Please include your phone number. Contributions will appear on financial giving reports.

2021 RADIO BROADCAST SPONSOR/CO-SPONSOR Broadcast date requested (Check one of the following)									
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#### **HOW TO SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flower sign-up chart is in the Fellowship Hall on the bulletin board outside of the women's restroom. Choose a weekend to give flowers and sign up on the flower chart. Please include your name and phone number. Once you choose a date, the rest of the details will be taken care of for you as follows:

 You will be contacted to decide the bulletin message, the type of bouquet and to determine if you will be taking the flowers home with you or if Trinity will arrange to deliver them to a home-bound or hospitalized member.

We will contact the florist with the specific information regarding the flowers and your contact information. You will be billed directly from the florist. Billing may take from 4-6 weeks after you have given flowers.

 Altar flowers consist of two vases of flowers. The basic cost for the two is from \$30-\$40. A basic bouquet consists of all one type of flower in the color of your choice such as a fall or spring bouquet. Adding several types of flowers or a more elaborate

- design increases the cost. Several families or a group may give flowers and divide the cost to make it more affordable.
- If you have any questions please feel free to contact the church office at: 309.343.4191 or trinitylutheran@trinitygalesburg.org

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Hours 8:00 am-1:00 pm, Monday-Friday
Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion
Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook
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# Vision Statement Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ

# Mission Statement Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.

#### **Welcome Statement**

Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is frequently an unloving place. We extend welcome to ALL, including people of all gender identities and sexual orientations, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for justice, peace and love in all the earth.

#### **Our Guiding Principles**

- 1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
- 2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
  - 3. We invite and welcome everyone.
- 4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
  - 5. We serve local and global communities.