



Trinity Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday of After Pentecost
July 2, 2023

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

304 E. Ferris St.
Galesburg, IL 61401
“the welcome place”

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Introduction

The welcome of baptism is for all God’s children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today’s gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God’s merciful welcome.

+++ GATHERING +++

Prelude All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name arr. Jay Rouse

Welcome, Announcements & **Friendship Registries-Please Sign In.**

(Stand)

Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails,
whose promise is sure.

Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.
God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy:
you are freed and forgiven
in the name of † Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Gathering Song ELW#523

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

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 Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator

ACS#1097



1 Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing praise to your Cre - a - tor, sun, moon, and
2 Praise the Lord, all moun - tains and o - ceans, roll - ing thun - der and
3 Give to God all glo - ry and hon - or. From the depths to the



stars and an - gels a - bove. Praise the Lord, whose word es -
wind and storm clouds on high. Praise the Lord, your Mak - er,
heights let prais - es re - sound to the Lord, the source of



tab - lished the heav - ens, who up - holds all the earth in pow - er and
all liv - ing crea - tures, all the beasts in the fields and birds in the
strength and sal - va - tion for all peo - ple on whom God's fa - vor is



love. God reigns on high, let the heav - ens re - joice! (Oh,
sky. Both young and old, come and join in the song! (Oh,
found. Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own! (Oh,



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Both young and old, come and join in the song!
Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own!

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(Sit)

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First Reading Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 89:1-4, 15 *(Read responsively by whole verse)*

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**'I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.'**"

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!

They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

They rejoice daily in your name;

they are jubilant in your righteousness.

For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

**Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

Second Reading Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW #172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Gospel Matthew 10:40-42

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Children’s Message

Sermon

Rev. Mike Lawyer

(Stand)

Hymn of the Day ELW #641

All Are Welcome

Apostles Creed

Let us join together in confession 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

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church. For wisdom to heed the voices of prophets in our midst who cast a vision of God's promised future. For courage to welcome people whom society rejects. For resolve to serve all in need. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for creation. For all rivers, lakes, oceans, and streams. For lands experiencing scorching heat, drought, or wildfires. For conservation organizations and environmental activists. For scientists working on clean energy solutions. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for this nation and all nations. For (*national elected leaders and*) presidents, governors, and legislators. For judges, juries, district attorneys, and public defenders. For military personnel. For those who are incarcerated. Guide us in ways of freedom that promote the common good. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for those in need. For exiles, immigrants, refugees, and those seeking asylum. For victims of harassment, torture, or abuse. For those who are ill especially Dena, Darcie, Mary, Charlie, Kay, and Jenna. For any near death and for all who grieve. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for children. For their safety at home and in childcare settings. For their flourishing at summer programs and camps. For the many people who care for them including parents and grandparents; childcare workers and teachers; coaches, counselors, and mentors; pediatricians and psychologists. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the saints and prophets who have received the free gift of God, which is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. May their lives of humble service inspire us in faith. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our hearts.

A brief silence.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

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(Sit)

Offering Song I Need Thee Every Hour

arr. Jay Rouse

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

God of field and forest, sea and sky,
you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,
and multiply your graciousness in us,
that the world may be fed with your love,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Life 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:



Eucharistic Prayer

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 together as Christ taught 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

All people are called to Christ's table.

Come, eat what is good.

*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.*

(Sit)



☩ 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, grant us peace.

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the
 Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

We thank you, generous God,
 for the refreshment we have received
 at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,
 through the one who is our dearest treasure,
 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+++ SENDING +++

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos

and speaks in the smallest seed
✠ bless, keep, and sustain you
now and to the end of the age.
Amen.

Sending Song ELW #546

To Be in Your Presence

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the harvest.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude **Amazing Grace**

arr. Jay Rouse

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As you leave, please take a moment and greet one another.

Worship Participants

Audio: Grant Robinson

Video: Bill Sime

Usher: Mike Gehring, Gordon Holmgren, Harold Watters

Communion Setup: Janet Page

Assisting Minister: Carol Simpson

Reader: Lisa Shafer

Wine Server: Nick Elders, Janet Page

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Fran Ploessl, Brenda Patterson

Closing Duties: Julia Robinson

Acolytes: Julia Robinson

Organist: James Hutchings

Pastor: Rev. Mike Lawyer

Altar flowers were donated today by **Carol Brown in honor of Quentin Brown's July 4th Birthday and their July 24th Wedding Anniversary.**



This week's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Brenda Patterson, to God be the Glory.**

Readings for Sunday, July 9th

First Reading	Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm	Psalm 145:8-14
Second Reading	Romans 7:15-25a
Gospel	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Announcements

Coffee Fellowship Immediately after service-Everyone's welcome

Office Closed-We will be closed July 4th for Independence Day

Pastor Vacation: Pastor will be out of the Office until Sunday, July 9th please contact the Office with questions and/or emergencies

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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 sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, 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 racial equity, 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.