

# **Trinity Lutheran Church**

Thirteenth Sunday of After Pentecost August 27, 2023

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

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#### Introduction

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

#### + + + GATHERING + + +

#### **Prelude**

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**

Righteous God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have failed to be honest.
We have lacked the courage to speak.
We have spoken falsely.
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.** 

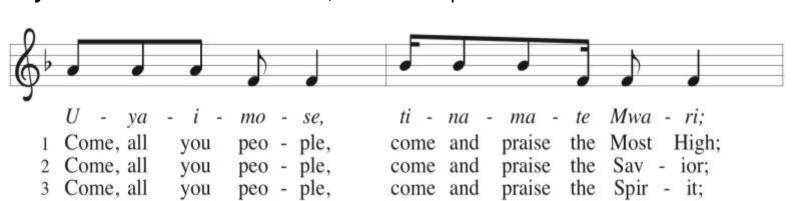
## **Gathering Song** ELW#524

What Is This Place

## 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.



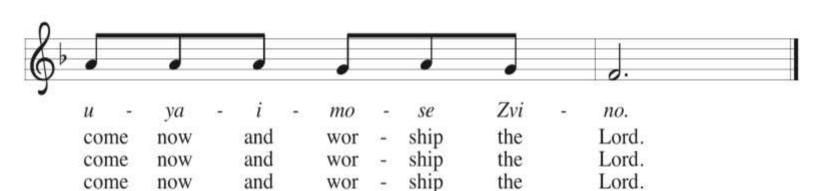


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ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri; come and praise the Most High; come and praise the Sav - ior; come and praise the Spir - it;



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## **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(Sit)

#### + + + WORD + + +

## First Reading Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm Psalm 138

(Read responsively by whole verse)

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

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 above all things.

When I called, you answered me;

you increased my strength within me.

All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

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.

You will make good your purpose for me;

O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

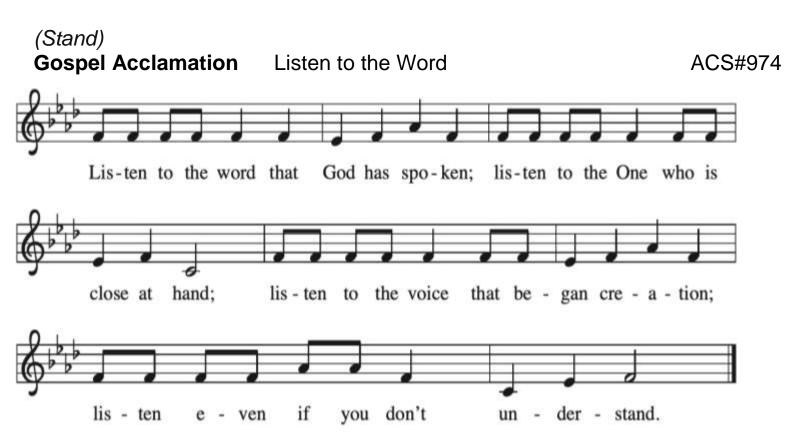
## **Second Reading Romans 12:1-8**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.



## Gospel Matthew 16:1-30

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others

Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

(Sit)
Children's Message
Sermon

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

(Stand)
Hymn of the Day ELW #597

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

## **Apostles Creed**

Let us join together in the confession of our faith. 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.

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God of Sarah and Abraham, inspire your church to pursue righteousness in its ministry. Equip us to share your compassion that unites us as one family of faith. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Remind us that from the beginning of creation, you knit together a world meant for harmony. Protect and restore the wasted places to joy and gladness. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Stir the leaders of nations and towns, militaries and courts, to respond to your teachings. Let your call for justice reach all people and bring deliverance where there is oppression. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Show your steadfast love and faithfulness to those in despair. Increase their strength, care for all who feel low, those who are in need of healing especially Kelvin, Lisa, Kathy, Janet, Jen, Jenna, Kay, & Bev, keep safe any in the midst of trouble, those leaving for college, especially Parker, Nate, Brady, & Kylie, and protect vulnerable people from harm. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Encourage those who offer their gifts and talents in service to your church. Energize this congregation's rostered and lay leaders, musicians, teachers, greeters, and administrators so they may be transformed in sharing your grace. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

God of all the saints, death is overcome in Christ's resurrection. We rejoice with the faithful departed. Sustain us in hope until we come at last to our heavenly home. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

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

A brief silence.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

+++MEAL+++

(Sit)

## **Offering Song**

(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.

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:



## **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

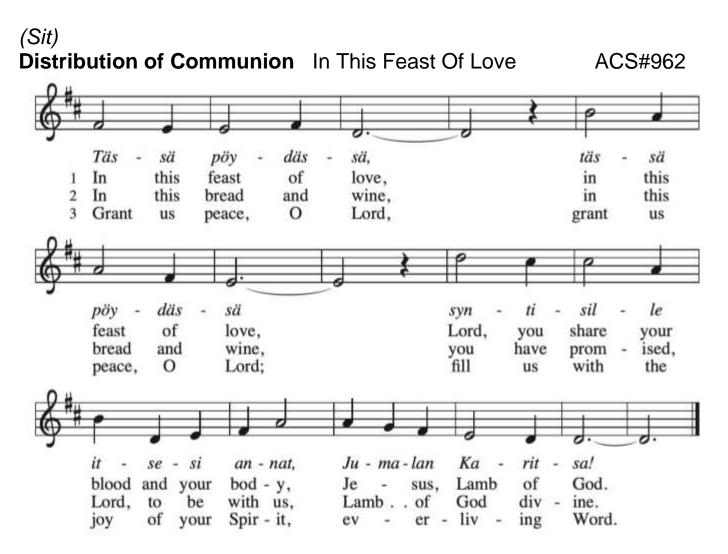
# kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **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.



# **Post Communion Hymn** Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken ACS#966 VS 3 & 4



(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 #576

We Are All On One Mission

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

### **Postlude**

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

## **Worship Participants**

Audio: Hillary Hoffman Video: Sarah Brakenbury

Usher: Norm & Linda Tippey, Melissa Williamson

Communion Setup: Judy Holmgren Assisting Minister: Isaac Triplett

Reader: Roger Williams

Wine Server: Nick Elders, Jennifer Holmes

Closing Duties: Sarah Brakenbury

Acolyte: Ryan Tapper

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Brian & Jen Robinson

Organist: James Hutchings

Director of Choirs: James Hutchings

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes



Today's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Dave & Carol Simpson**, *In Honor of all the faithful listeners*.

Today's Altar Flowers were donated by **Heather Hellenga**, *In memory of my beloved parents' wedding anniversary.* 

## Readings for Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

First Reading Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm Psalm 26:1-8

Second Reading Romans 12:9-21

Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

#### **Announcements**

Coffee Fellowship-Join us in Fellowship Hall immediately after service

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>-**Next Sunday is the Devotional Offering, Envelopes will be available in the Narthex

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>-** WHA don't forget that Wilbur will be hungry!

**Choir & Bells Update-**Choir Practices will resume on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and will continue weekly. Bells will have practice starting Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.

If you'd like to join either please reach out to James.

**Tidings Label & Seal-**Has been rescheduled for Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 9 am, thanks for your support and understanding

**Prayers:** If you're in need of prayer for yourself or a loved one, please fill out the salmon-colored slips in the Narthex and drop them into the collection plate.

## **Current Prayer List:**

Kelvin (No last name)	Prayers-healing after a serious accident
Lisa Thompson	Prayers-(Peace & Comfort) her best
	friend recently passed away
Bev Powell	Prayers-healing after a fall
Jenna (Crawford's Cousin)	Prayers-recovering from surgery,
	playing D1 volleyball
Kay (Crawford's Grandmother)	Prayers-healing after a neck injury &
	falling
Jen (Crawford's Cousin)	Prayers-Health Improvement
Parker & Nate (Crawford's Cousins)	Prayers-off to college
Brady Warner	Prayers-off to college
Kylie Tapper	Prayers-off to college
Janet Gilmer	Prayers-to reduce pain & heal
	infection
Kathy (No last name)	Prayers-healing after a hip surgery

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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.