



Trinity Lutheran Church

18th Sunday After Pentecost
October 1, 2023

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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Introduction

We begin our series by looking back at what our spoken and unspoken money stories have been and how those stories have impacted our practices of stewardship. In these texts, we remember God’s steadfast relationship with us throughout time and trials. We remember that Judas betrayed Jesus in exchange for money but was still invited to the table. We remember that the Israelites complained in the wilderness but were met with manna. Even in stories of desperation and deep betrayal, we are gifted with God’s provision—of the feast of enough, and the holy meal of remembrance.

+ + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude Remember and Rejoice George Brandon, Jan Bender, Healey Willian

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

(Stand)

Call to Worship

May we remember

That God created.

May we remember

That God liberated.

May we remember

That God fed.

May we remember

**That God is still creating, God is still liberating,
and God is still feeding us.**

Let this be our story.

Let this be where we begin.

Let us worship holy God.

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Confession and Forgiveness

Holy God,

We admit to remembering the wrong things.

We remember worldly lessons like, “Everyone for themselves,”

“An eye for an eye,” and

“All is fair in love and war.”

And yet, we forget to forgive 70 times seven,

To love our neighbors as ourselves,

And to live like the body of Christ.

Why is it so hard to remember the right things?

Release us from our muscle memory and Re-center us in a new place,

A fresh place,

A space grounded in your love.

Help us to receive your word anew,

And to consider stewardship not with the world’s rules, But with your rules.

Help us remember.

With hope we pray, Amen.

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Silence is kept for reflection.

Beloved in Christ,

God’s justice stretches beyond all understanding.

God’s compassion is beyond compare.

In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

Amen.

Gathering Song ELW #454

Remember and Rejoice

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.



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

Prayer of Illumination

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Holy God,

There is something about scripture that stirs us awake.

For when we hear of a deep love that made room for everyone at the table, We remember that we are hungry.

And when we hear of manna raining down in the desert, We remember that we are lost.

There is something about scripture that stirs us awake, And it feels like hunger and it looks like hope.

So stir us awake, oh God.

Remind us that this story starts with love and ends with love.

We are hungry, which is to say, we are listening. **Amen.**

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(Sit)

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First Reading Exodus 16: 1-18

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, ‘If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.’

Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.’ So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, ‘In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?’ And Moses said, ‘When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.’

Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.” ’ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then

you shall know that I am the Lord your God.” ’

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. This is what the Lord has commanded: “Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.” ’ The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Poetic Reading: Not Too Many Times

My great-grandfather would come home from work
To find his love at the kitchen sink— Scrubbing potatoes or freeing the
corn, Holy ordinary types of things.
And he would slide, Arms around waist,
To draw near enough
To ask her the phrase, “My dear,
Have I told you today?”
“Have I told you today that I love you?”

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Day after day
It was always the same,
Because some things
You can't not say.
So she would smile
And with heartbeat to spine, She would reply,
“Not too many times.”
And it seems to me
That he must have known
That certain truths
Must be told
Over and over

And over again
So that love has a chance
To slowly sink in.
And it seems to me
That she must have known
That stories of love Cannot be told
Too many times.
So tell me again
Of the love that serves
As beginning and end.
I guess what I'm trying to say
Is that we are forgetful people most days.
We remember the melody but forget the words. We remember the past
but forget the hurt.
We remember the face but forget the name. We remember who God is
but forget that
God stays.
So when Jesus said,
"Do this in remembrance of me,"
Maybe he was standing with us at the sink Saying to us, "Have I told you
today?"
For some things you can't not say.
So tell me that story And tell me again
Until my whole world Is caught up in
A love that lasts
And a God that saves.
And if you ask,
I will say,
"Not too many times."

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(Stand)



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



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

Gospel Luke 22:1-23

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus to death, for they were afraid of the people.

Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. So he consented and began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, 'Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it.' They asked him, 'Where do you want us to make preparations for it?' 'Listen,' he said to them, 'when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters and say to the owner of the house, "The teacher asks you, 'Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' " He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there.' So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

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 #661

I Love to Tell the Story

Affirmation of Faith

Let us join together in affirming our faith.

The story of God calls us to remember—

that creation was made good, and Sabbath is necessary.

The story of God calls us to remember—

that we belong to one another,

for we are bone of bone and flesh of flesh.

The story of God calls us to remember—

that reconciliation between siblings is holy, and slavery of any kind is evil.

The story of God calls us to remember—

that the wilderness is real,

and that God will be with us—

raining down manna and speaking in a still, small voice.

The story of God calls us to remember—

that love looks like healing the sick, eating with the outcast,

making room for the children,

and seeing the unseen.

The story of God calls us to remember—

because if we forget, we risk making God, love, and reconciliation small.

So as we remember, may we declare—

we believe in a God who made all things good, who stands with the suffering,

walks with us in the wilderness,

sees the overlooked,

loves with an untamed heart,

and makes room for all at God's table. Amen.

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(Sit)
Prayers of Intercession.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all people may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation especially Bonnie, Jean, Lynette, Tony, Sara, Dena, and Bev.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, 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.

Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Book of Common Prayer (Episcopal)

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

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(Sit)

Offering Meditation

As we collect the offering, you are invited to engage in a moment of personal reflection on this week's affirmation of faith. Take a moment to hold your pipe cleaner, grasping one end. Curl the tip inward to form the beginnings of a spiral. As you silently read back through the affirmation of faith, take note of each time that you read the word "remember", and slowly curl your pipe cleaner into a flat spiral. By the time you finish reading, your pipe cleaner should resemble a round spiral. Please place your spiral in the offering plate as it comes by along with your financial contributions. Your crafted spirals will be incorporated into our mandala mosaic art project.

Offering Song We Place Upon Your Table, Lord

Kim Kondal Patterson

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

Gracious God,

As we come to you today in prayer, we admit that giving is complicated. At times it is easier to remember our shame or guilt around giving, as opposed to your joy or generosity.

We all have our money narratives, and they affect us in different ways. So today as we offer our gifts to you,

we pray that you would re-center our narrative. Remind us that we do not give out of shame or guilt. We do not give out of obligation.

We do not give to feel worthy.

And we do not give to buy your grace.

We give out of a desire to participate.

We give as a sign of gratitude.

We give because we belong to one another.
We give to build a more just and equitable world. We give because we love, and that's what love does.
So take these gifts and remind us that we belong to one another. Remind us that all money narratives are welcome at this table. Remind us that whatever shame or guilt we bring with us will be washed away with your empathy and love.
Remind us, and then help us to build that more beautiful world.
In hope we pray, **Amen.**

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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.

Creator God,

Prayer has never been easy for us.

Our mind flutters with news updates and questions of faith—
our thoughts like a river that won't stop.

So today we take a deep breath—

Inhaling your name into the cobwebs of our lungs,

Willing your presence to wipe away the dust of self-doubt and fear. And
with that breath,

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer.

We ask you that you would tell us again:

Tell us again how you moved over the waters.

Tell us again how you led them with a pillar of fire.

Tell us again of that still, small voice,

And then tell us of the prophets.

Tell us of Mary and Joseph and that angel chorus.

Tell us of the blind man, and the leper, and the crowds that you healed. Tell us what it was like to walk on water.

Tell us of the little children that ran to you.

Tell us of the justice you preached.

Tell us of the hosannas and the palm branches.

Tell us again of the love that changed the world.

Tell us again, because we are forgetful people.

It is part of our human nature;

That is why we long for this space week after week,
So that we might be reminded of who we are and whose we are. So tell us
again.
For our anxiety is loud. Our scarcity is loud. Our fear is loud.
Our anger is loud.
Our shame is loud.
Our loneliness and self-doubt are loud. Mental illness is loud.
Doubt is loud,
So tell us again.
Tell us again how it all began.
Tell us of manna in the wilderness and the disciples around the table. Tell us
again of your love for this world.
Tell us again how it changed everything.
Tell us again, so that we have the strength to tell others.
Tell us of that night in which he was betrayed
And 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 in remembrance of me.

And how 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.

And as you do, pour out your Spirit on this table.
Tether your Spirit to our fragile bones.
Be with us in these ordinary symbols of extraordinary love, And give us the
strength to remember your story anew.

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The Lord's Prayer

We remember and we speak that truth out loud, praying together,
**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

The dinner table is always a place where we tell stories.

We tell stories of growing up and falling in love, of making mistakes and figuring it out.

We tell stories that make us laugh, stories that make us cry, and stories that help us remember.

This table is no different.

For at this table we tell stories about a God who loves us unconditionally.

We tell stories about a man who fed the hungry, washed the feet of his disciples, and said, “This is my body—for you.”

So friends, as you come to this table today, bring your stories—

Stories about who you are and who you want to be.

Stories of shame and disappointment, stories of fear and faith.

Bring your money stories, your faith stories, your love and heartbreak stories—bring them all. For no matter the narrative, God welcomes us at this table.

You belong here.

There is a seat saved for you.

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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)

Distribution of Communion Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

ACS Setting 12



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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

Arioso

J.S. Bach



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,
 2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,
 in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

Holy God,
 As we leave this table, help us to remember this moment.
 Help us remember that with you, all are invited.
 Help us remember that with you, there is a seat for everyone.
 Help us remember that with you, there is enough food to go around,
 that even Judas was invited to the meal,
 and that there is manna in the wilderness.
 Help us remember so that as we go, we can build tables like this in the
 world. We need more tables like this in the world.
 Gratefully we pray,
Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

Blessing

The God of all grace † bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song ELW# 583

Take My Life, That I May Be

Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the story.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Amen, We Praise Your Name

J. Wayne Kerr

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

Worship Participants

Audio: Matt Warner

Video: Sarah Brakenbury

Usher: Danny & Mary Lou Lindberg, Jim Woods

Communion Setup: Janet Page

Assisting Minister: Jen Robinson

Reader: Heather Hellenga

Wine Server: Marilyn Gehring, Annie Maier

Closing Duties: Sarah Brakenbury

Acolyte: Ryan Tapper

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Layton & Nancy Sandall

Organist: Bette Mohr

Director of Choirs: James Hutchings

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

HAPPY
Anniversary

Today's Altar Flowers
were donated by
Kristy Johnson,
*In Memory of Steve
Johnson on our
anniversary.*

Today's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Carolyn Park**,
In Memory of Shirley Park's Birthday.



Announcements

Coffee Fellowship-Everyone is welcome, meet us in Fellowship Hall

You're Invited Rev. Scott Carnes Installation at First Presbyterian starts at 3:30 pm, please join Pastor Carrie

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:

Praying For	Prayer
Bev	Quick recovery & healing
Dena	Comfort, peace, & health Has cancer
Bonnie	Health improvement
Jean	Healing
Lynette & Tony	Peace
Sara	Comfort, Health improvement, Healing

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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.