



Trinity Lutheran Church

21st Sunday After Pentecost
October 22, 2023

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304 E. Ferris St.

Galesburg, IL 61401

Commitment Sunday

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As we have practiced remembering, releasing, and reimagining, we conclude our series by focusing on restoration. Ultimately, practicing faithful stewardship heals us as individuals and helps us restore right relationship with one another. In Genesis 33, Jacob and Esau experience a surprising reconciliation after years of strife and estrangement. In the final chapter of John's gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples and fills their empty fishing nets. Even after death, Jesus restores our hope and provides an abundant feast.

+ + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude

Rondeau

Jean Joseph Mouret

Welcome, Announcements & Friendship Registries-*Please Sign In*
Temple Talk Sandra Gray

(Stand)

Call to Worship

In worship we tell a story:

A story of an unfettered love that changed the world.

In worship we tell a story:

A story of how we live and how we long to live.

In worship we tell a story:

Because we are forgetful people.

So may we remember who we are.

May we release the narratives that trap us.

May we reimagine this world to see what God sees.

**And may we work toward restoration.
It's all that easy, and it's all that hard.
Let us worship holy God.**

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Confession and Forgiveness

**Holy God,
To restore is to bring back;
So today we bring our hearts back to you,
our thoughts back to love,
and our prayers back to peace.
We try to stay in this place, but we confess,
it's never been that easy for us.
We flirt with reconciliation and then back away.
We come face-to-face with an opportunity for justice, but get
scared. We are offered an opportunity to re-write our story,
but we lose our way. Bring us back to this moment.
Bring us back to your story where brothers extend grace to
one another
and even the one who denied it was forgiven. Bring us back.
Restore us. Forgive us. Gratefully 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 #531 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

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

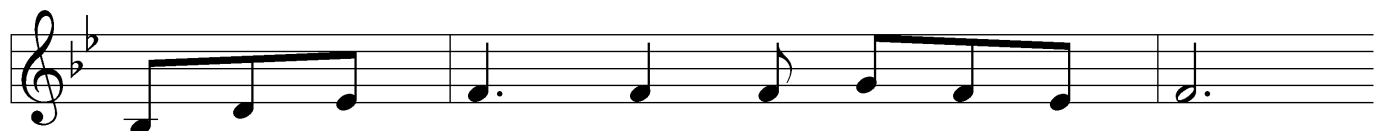
Glory to You



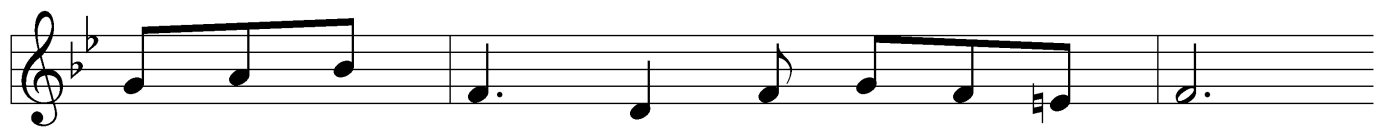
1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



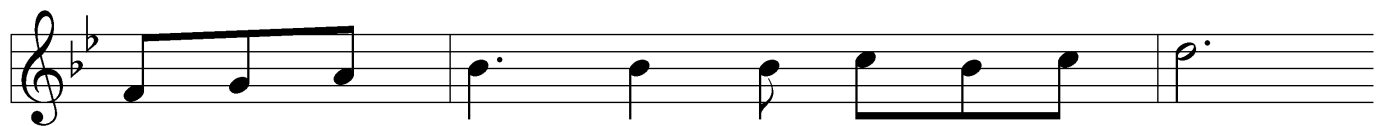
yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



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.

God,

We cannot do the work of restoration without your Word.

We cannot do the work of remembering, releasing, or reimagining without your Word. We need you like the earth needs rain and a sailboat needs wind.

We come to you in prayer to ask that you breathe new life into us.

Grant us the clarity needed to hear your Word anew.

And as you do, restore us to your breath.

Restore us to your Word.

Restore us to one another.

Gratefully we pray.

Amen.

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First Reading Genesis 33:1-17

Now Jacob looked up and saw Esau coming, and four hundred men with him. So he divided the children among Leah and Rachel and the two maids. He put the maids with their children in front, then Leah with her children, and Rachel and Joseph last of all. He himself went on ahead of them, bowing himself to the ground seven times, until he came near his brother.

But Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept. When Esau looked up and saw the women and children, he said, "Who are these with you?" Jacob said, "The children whom God has graciously given your servant." Then the maids drew near, they and their children, and bowed down; Leah likewise and her children drew near and bowed down; and finally Joseph and Rachel drew near, and they

bowed down. Esau said, “What do you mean by all this company that I met?” Jacob answered, “To find favor with my lord.” But Esau said, “I have enough, my brother; keep what you have for yourself.” Jacob said, “No, please; if I find favor with you, then accept my present from my hand; for truly to see your face is like seeing the face of God—since you have received me with such favor. Please accept my gift that is brought to you, because God has dealt graciously with me, and because I have everything I want.” So he urged him, and he took it.

Then Esau said, “Let us journey on our way, and I will go alongside you.” But Jacob said to him, “My lord knows that the children are frail and that the flocks and herds, which are nursing, are a care to me; and if they are overdriven for one day, all the flocks will die. Let my lord pass on ahead of his servant, and I will lead on slowly, according to the pace of the cattle that are before me and according to the pace of the children, until I come to my lord in Seir.”

So Esau said, “Let me leave with you some of the people who are with me.” But he said, “Why should my lord be so kind to me?” So Esau returned that day on his way to Seir. But Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built himself a house, and made booths for his cattle; therefore the place is called Succoth.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Poetic Reading: East of Eden by Sarah Are

I live somewhere east of Eden.

It is beautiful, but not complete.

There are children that play and laugh and sing, Music that moves me, sunsets that undo me. The spring is green, the rain is sweet,

But this is not where we're meant to be.

And we know that, but we're quick to forget, Because well-
intentioned people can always slip. But I don't want to forget.
I don't want to think
That daisies in the sidewalk are the same as a garden.
I don't want to believe
A cup of tap water's the same as the ocean.
I don't want to imagine
That this is the way,
That racism and climate change are just part of the day.
I don't want to forget that this somewhere-east-of-Eden Home
that we've built
Is not the place we are meant to be.
It's not the dream that we're meant to dream.
So every night as I fall asleep,
I pray, "God wake me up"—
A restoration plea.
"Don't let me confuse a little bit of rain For your downpour of
grace,
Or a little bit of progress For the end of the race."
And until heaven's on earth, That's what I'll pray.
For I live somewhere east of Eden.
Don't let me forget.

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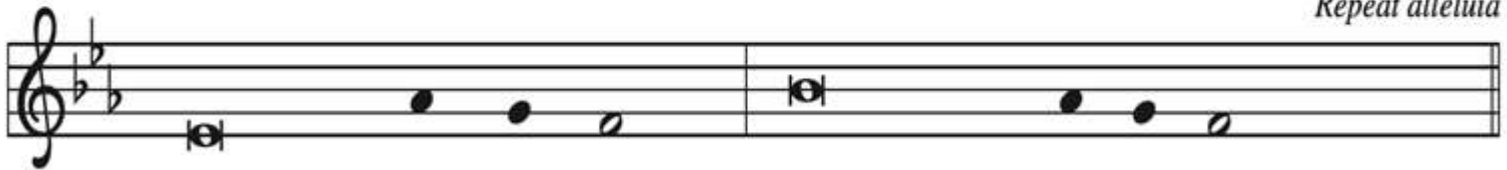
Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

ACS Setting 12



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 John 21:1-14

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

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 #485

I Am the Bread of Life

Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in a restoring God,
Who restores our bodies through the gift of Sabbath.
We believe in a restoring God,
Who restores our souls through the gift of grace and second
chances.
We believe in a restoring God,
Who restores this hurting world through the gift of mercy
and God's son Jesus Christ.
And we believe in a restoring God who invites us to join in
this restoration work.
As people of faith, we seek to restore creation to God by
feeding the hungry, loving our neighbors,
forgiving seventy times seven, welcoming the children,
seeing all, loving all, and living like we belong to all.
And so we will work until God's promised day.
This we believe. Amen.**

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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. Especially we pray for the people of
Israel and Palestine, create paths of peace where it seems
hopeless. End cycles of violence. Liberate hostages. Heal all who

are suffering. Strengthen us all to stand against antisemitism and islamophobia of any form.

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 Dena, Bonnie, Bev, Jean, Jen, and Jenna.

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 especially Jack Lundeen and Sara Siedel.

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

Friends, I once again invite you into a time of embodied prayer using the pipe cleaner you picked up as you entered worship this day. As I offer our communal prayer of confession, I invite you to slowly shape your pipe cleaner into a heart.

As we pray, may we remember all the ways God's love restores us no matter the harm we have caused or neglected or received.

Holy God, To restore is to bring back; So today we bring our hearts back to you, our thoughts back to love, and our prayers back to peace. We try to stay in this place, but we confess, it's never been that easy for us. We flirt with reconciliation and then back away. We come face-to-face with an opportunity for justice, but get scared. We are offered an opportunity to re-write our story, but we lose our way. Bring us back to this moment. Bring us back to your story where brothers extend grace to one another and even the one who denied it was forgiven. Bring us back to love. Restore us. Forgive us. Gratefully we pray, **Amen.**

Please set your pipe cleaner hearts to the side, you'll drop them into the offering plate when the time comes. These will be added to our mandala project.

Offering God Has Work For Us to Do arr. by Mark A. Miller
Sr. Choir *Text Carl P. Daw, Jr.*

'Til all the jails are empty and all the bellies filled;
'Til no one hurts or steals or lies, and no more blood is spilled:
'Til age and race and gender no longer separate;
'Til pulpit, press, and politics are free of greed and hate:
God has work for us to do.

In tenement and mansion, in factory, farm, and mill,
In board room and in billiard hall, in wards where time stands still,
In classroom, church, and office, in shops, or on the street,
In every place where people thrive, or starve, or hide, or meet.
God has work for us to do.

By sitting at a bedside to hold pale, trembling hands,
By speaking for the powerless against unjust demands,
By praying through our doing, and singing though we fear,
By trusting that the seed we sow will bring God's harvest near:
God has work for us to do.

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

Holy God,
There was Eden, and then there was east of Eden;
Which is all to say—this world is not what you intended it to be.
You planted a garden and dreamed of Sabbath—and it was good.
It was so very good.
However, when we look around today, we know that we have lost
our way.
So today we bring our hearts, minds, and money back to you in
hopes that you will sow good. This is the work of restoration, for
we want to be a restoration people.
Use these gifts for your hurting world.
Restore us to you, oh God.

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.

Restoring God,

You have always been in the business of beginning again with us,
of restoration and return.

First you breathed life into dust.

Then you guided brother back to brother after years apart.

You sent prophets when the people lost their way.

You fed the hungry and healed the sick.

You let the little children come to you.

You forgave us from the cross,

And then you returned to remind us of our call.

And so, 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

You have always been in the work of restoration—
Of seeing us, claiming us, loving us, and inviting us to return to
you.

Today we come to you in prayer, asking that once more, you
would restore us—

All of all of us.

Restore our narratives about who we are to truth.

Restore our actions toward one another to love.

Restore our dreams for this world to your dream for us.

We trust that you hear our prayer.

And we trust that you are with us in this ordinary meal of bread
and cup, giving us a glimpse of what restoration looks and feels
like.

As we remember that on 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.

Holy God, you have always been in the business of beginning again with us, of restoration and return.

For we believe that a restored world will be a world where all are welcome at the table, where all are fed and where all belong. A restored world will be on earth as it is in heaven.

adapted from A Sanctified Art

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

On the night of his arrest, Jesus had dinner with his friends. And for a moment, all was right in the world. Betrayal would come, suffering would come, grief and death would come,
But for a moment—for that moment—they were together, and everything was holy.
So many years later, we gather around this table to get a glimpse of that moment. For when we gather around this table, we remember that all are welcome here. When we gather around this table,
we release the worldly narrative that only those with status or wealth deserve to be fed. When we gather around this table,

we can reimagine what could be—what a world could look like when all belong. And so we gather around this table as an act of restoration,

as an act of resistance, as an act of faith.

So, come.

Come with your dreams and your memories.

Come with your full authentic self—scars and all.

Come with your questions, your wonderings, your hopes, and your prayers. Come—not because you have to, but because you can.

Come because this is a moment of restoration, a moment where everything is holy. So, come.

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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.



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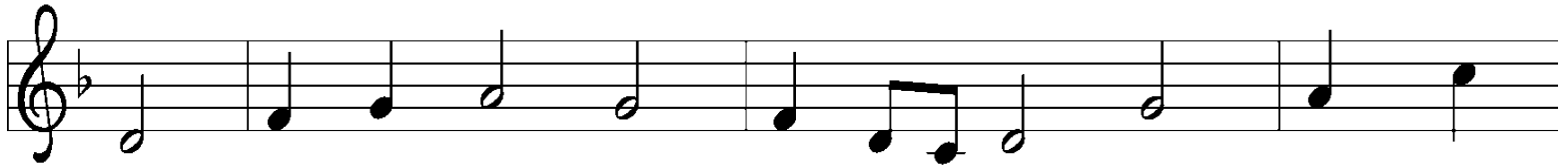


Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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

Post Communion Hymn ELW# 467 We Place Upon Your Table, Lord



1 We place up - on your ta - ble, Lord, where you by
 2 With - in these sim - ple things there lie the height and
 3 Ac - cept them, Lord; they come from you; we take them



grace have bid us dine, these to - kens of our dai - ly
 depth of hu - man life: our pain and tears, our thoughts and
 hum - bly from your hand; put these your gifts to high - er



work, the food of life, the bread and wine.
 toils, our hopes and fears, our joy and strife.
 use: the ho - ly meal that you com - mand.

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

Holy God,

We are not sure what restoration for this world will look like, But
 we're pretty sure it'll feel like this—
 a meal where all are fed,
 a place where all are welcomed,
 and a table with a seat saved for each and every one of us.

Remind us of this truth in the coming day, and continue to restore all of us to you. Gratefully we pray.

Amen.

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Quilt Blessing Hands and Feet

a litany inspired by Teresa of Avila, by Matt Hackworth

Gracious God, you created light in the darkness
You saw the light was good, and separated it from all that was bad
You created light in stars to lead your people from bondage,
And so that we might see the better way of living,
among one another, and for You

We are the hands and feet of Christ in Your world.

God, you created the very idea of home in a world full of chaos
the places where we feel safe, the places where we sense Your peace
You lead us to share this peace with one another, and with the world
The peace found in following the one You sent to lead us,
Christ Jesus

We are the hand and feet of Christ in Your world.

God, you created grace so we might survive the world and its evil
Grace for us, in showing us love even as we are not perfect and when
we commend

Grace for a world that can only feel it when we are compelled to act

We are the hand and feet of Christ in Your world.

Gracious God, we ask that You take these gifts of earthly meaning
We ask You to make them Your light in someone's darkness
We ask You to make them Your light in another's chaos
We ask that You make them Your grace so that your love can live
through us, as

We are the hand and feet of Christ in Your world. Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

Blessing

The God of all grace ✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Song ELW#439

Soon and Very Soon

Dismissal

Go in peace. Be Restored.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Finale from Concerto #5

G. F. Handel

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

Worship Participants

Audio: Norm Tippey

Video: Bill Sime

Usher: Linda Tippey, Roger & Melissa Williamson

Communion Setup: Janet Page

Assisting Minister: Nick Elders

Reader: Lisa Shafer

Wine Server: Sandra Woods, Charla Taylor

Closing Duties: Nick Elders

Acolyte: Julia Robinson

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Jean Hier, Hilma McDorman

Organist: Bette Mohr

Director of Choirs: James Hutchings

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Temple Talk: Sandra Gray

Announcements

Special Thank You to everyone who participates and is part of The Tie That Binds, your work doesn't go unnoticed and it's your work that

changes lives. Thank you for using your abilities to make the world a warmer place.

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

Bells Practice 11 am Sundays after Worship Service

Choir Practice 6:30 pm Wednesdays

Views & Brews with Pastor Carrie & Scott Carnes

Will meet on Monday 10/23 at Innkeepers at 10 am and also will meet on Thursday 10/25 at The Vault at 7 pm

The Tie That Binds-Will meet at 9 am on October 24th

Adult Bible Study-Tuesday, October 24th at 6 pm

Tidings Label & Seal- Join us at 9 am on October 26th

All Saints Prayer Flags- There's a table set up in Fellowship Hall with colored paper, writing utensils, and instructions. Please check that out and complete your flag!

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 Powell | Quick recovery & healing |
| Dena Garrison (Hilma McDorman's daughter) | Comfort, peace, & health Has cancer |
| Bonnie Winship | Peace & Comfort |
| Jean Musolf | Health answers, comfort |
| Jen Renstrom (<i>Andy Crawford's sister</i>) | Health |
| Jenna (<i>Erin Crawford's niece</i>) | Stable health, hope for a pain-free future |
| The family & friends of Jack Lundeen | |
| The family & friends of Sara Siedel | |

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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.