

Trinity Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

Trinity Lutheran – ELCA is a welcoming and inclusive church. We welcome believers, seekers, and the curious, regardless of religious background. We are Reconciling in Christ and extend welcome and invitation to all regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; race, ethnicity, or immigration status; economic status; physical, mental, or developmental issues; or other life circumstance. God loves and welcomes all people. We welcome all people to the life of Christ at Trinity.

So, how can you learn more about Trinity?

Visit our website at www.trinitylutheranfc.org

Consider joining us for worship or one of our ministry events.

Contact our pastors for a chat.

We believe we are not a complete community, and that God is calling new people to join us and to find their place at Trinity.

**We invite you join us on the journey of faith!
Saturdays at 5p.m.; Sundays at 8a.m. and 10:30a.m.**

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Trinity Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO TRINITY!



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Guests and Visitors: A special **welcome** to you from Trinity's pastor and congregation members. We pray that this worship will bring you comfort, joy, and renewal. All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. If you have any questions about the worship service or about Trinity, our Hospitality Team members (at the Welcome Desk or identified by name tag) are happy to help. Please join us again!

Parents and Caregivers: Please know that God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. Younger kids are invited to bring one of our specially-prepared "busy bags" into the worship service along with crayons. Both are available in the narthex as you enter the sanctuary. If you wish to step out with your child at any time, there is a special room just outside the worship space where you will be able to view and hear the service. If you prefer, we also offer a staffed Nursery. Children cared for in the Nursery are brought into worship for the Youth Message.

Special needs: Hearing-assistance devices, as well as gluten-free wafers and grape juice for Communion, are available during our services. Holy Communion can also be brought to the seats of those with mobility trouble. Our Hospitality Team members can help with any of these special needs.

IN MINISTRY TODAY

Hospitality Team Dave Karst, Jim Frye
Assisting Minister Nancy Harrison
Lector Kate Stieben

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS: THE MEMBERS OF TRINITY

Rick Reiten, **Senior Pastor**
Paul Falk, **Director of Choirs**
Alice Crawford, **Church Musician**
Kevin Dragseth, **Minister for Faith Formation for FOCOLU**
Brenda Harju, **TLC Preschool Director**
Debbie Schwartz, **Financial Manager**
Deana Andrist, **Office Administrator**
Amanda Backsen, **Director of Communications**
Joshua Moore, **AV Technician**
Tiffany Klijewski, **Nursery Coordinator**

Please stand as you are able

BLESSING

P: May God bless us with *discomfort* at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that God's grace may penetrate our hearts.

May God bless us with *anger* at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that we may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless us with *tears* to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them.

May God bless us with enough *foolishness* to believe that we can make a difference in this world, offering Christ's blessing and love to those who have been pushed by powers to the fringe of society.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" **ELW #618**

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Be fed, to feed others.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Toccata Brevis" Daniel Gawthrop

Thank you for joining us on this beautiful Sunday morning. Please join us following the service for coffee, conversation and fellowship.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, holy 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

We come to the table by Jesus' invitation. All are welcome! As you come forward, receive the bread and the red wine or white juice. Let us know if you need a gluten free wafer. If you are not ready to receive communion, but would like a blessing, please come forward with your hands folded.

COMMUNION SONG

"Bread of Life from Heaven"

ELW #474

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C: **Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.**

Time After Pentecost

PRELUDE

"The Holy City"

Arr. by John Innes &
Bill Fasig

Piano Duet: Jill Rose & Alice Crawford

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Eternal God our creator,

C: **in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"
Verses 1, 2 & 4

ELW #521

INVOCATION

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

C: **And also with you.**

SONG OF PRAISE

"As the Deer"
Verses 1 & 3

Martin Nystrom



1. As the deer pant-eth for the wa-ter, so my soul long-eth af-ter

3. I want You more than gold or sil-ver, on-ly You can sat-is-



Thee. You a-lone are my heart's de-si-re, and I long to wor-ship
-fy. You a-lone are the real joy-giv-er and the ap-ple of my

CHORUS



Thee. You a-lone are my strength, my shield; To You a-lone may my
eye.



spir-it yield. You a-lone are my



heart's de-si-re, and I long to wor-ship Thee.

OFFERING SONG

"We Are An Offering"

ELW #692



We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an



of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our



lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,



all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.



We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:



we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

OFFERING PRAYER

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF THE DAY

"What Feast of Love"

ELW #487

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A: Lord in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

"Summer"

Neil Patton

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Beautiful Savior" Arr. by M. Ryan Taylor
Jill Rose & Ken Christensen

READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The 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." ⁴Then 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." ⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"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.'" ¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When 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."

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

Paul Baloche

O - pen the eyes _ of my heart, _ Lord, _ o - pen the eyes _ of my heart; .

I want to see You, _ I want to see You. _

To see You high and lift - ed up, _ shin -

ing in the light of Your glo - ry. _ Pour out Your powr and love; .

As we sing ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. _

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, _ ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly; _

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, _ I want to see You. _

see You. _

***GOSPEL ***

John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves." ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Rick