

Trinity Lutheran Church

November 24, 2019

10:30 a.m.

Time After Pentecost Josiah's Reform

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.

Trinity - 3 congregations, 1 faith community

You may notice there are other church folk around this place of worship who are not Lutheran! Trinity Lutheran shares office and worship space with St. Paul's Episcopal and Mary of Magdala Ecumenical Catholic Community, as partners in ministry. Together we are better, as we share the ministry that God has given to us in the place and time. We are grateful for our partnership together, accompanied by the joys and challenges of living under the same roof. Thanks to God for this opportunity.

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.

So, how can you learn more?

Visit our website at www.trinitylutheranfc.org or contact our pastor for a chat.

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



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WELCOME TO TRINITY!

Trinity is a welcoming faith community living together in God's love to share the joy of Jesus Christ.

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.

Your offering is your presence with us in community. We encourage you to fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate. 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, located to the east of the fellowship hall. 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 & Georgia Lee Laird
Assisting Minister	Steve Dugger
Lector	Paul Johnson

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS: THE MEMBERS OF TRINITY

Rick Reiten, **Senior Pastor**
Katie Kline, **Education & Family Minister**
Paul Falk, **Director of Choirs**
Alice Crawford, **Church Musician**
Brenda Harju, **TLC Preschool Director**
Debbie Schwartz, **Financial Manager**
Deana Andrist, **Office Administrator**
Amanda Backsen, **Director of Communications**
Liz Johnson, **Volunteer Coordinator**
Joshua Moore, **AV Technician**
Tiffany Klijewski, **Nursery Coordinator**

Please stand as you are able

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C: We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

BLESSING

P: Signed and sealed by the Holy Spirit, you are Christ's message of love for this troubled world. May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father,
† comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.
C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Jesus Shall Reign"
Verses 1, 3 & 5

ELW #434

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

A Thanksgiving Blessing for our Trinity Family
"Bless This House"
Jill Rose, Soloist

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*A special thank you to our guest musicians **Jenny Crumb, Ann Schnaidt, Rachel England & Bill Smith** for sharing your gift of music with us.*

Thank you **all** for being with us on this beautiful Sunday morning. Please join us in the fellowship hall immediately following the service for coffee, conversation and fellowship.

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.

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION SONG

"O Christ, What Can it Mean for Us?"

ELW #431

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: **Amen.**

Time After Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:25 am)

PRELUDE

"At the River"

John Atteberry

Bells of Trinity & Jenny Crumb, Cello

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, healer of our every ill, source of unending mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let us turn again to God, confessing the truth about ourselves.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: **we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us. Amen.**

P: At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are † forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

ELW #634

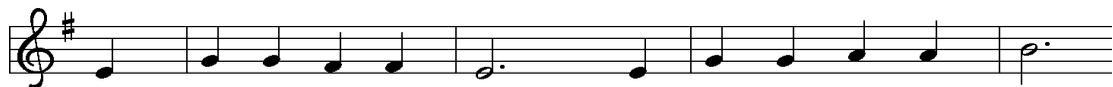
Verses 1, 2, 5, 7 & 6

INVOCATION

P: Beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

SONG OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

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.**
P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus!"
Paul Johnson, Piano

Arr. by Jack
Schrader

*Children are invited to bring their offering forward for the mission jug,
supporting ELCA World Hunger.*

OFFERING SONG

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **ELW #885**



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all



crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye



heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

C: **God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring,
and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your
saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your
promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world,
spoken in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: **God of faithfulness, your servant Josiah restored your holy words to
a people longing for your guidance. Help us learn your Scriptures so
that we might carry your words in our hearts, in our words and in our
actions.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Down to the River to Pray"

Sheldon Curry

Trinity Chancel Choir with Jenny Crumb-Cello,
Ann Schnaidt-Viola, Rachel England-Violin & Bill Smith-Guitar

GOD'S STORY

2 KINGS 22:1-10, 23:1-3

¹Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; he reigned thirty-one years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jedidah daughter of Adaiah of Bozkath. ²He did what was right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right or to the left. ³In the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the king sent Shaphan son of Azaliah, son of Meshullam, the secretary, to the house of the LORD, saying, ⁴Go up to the high priest Hilkiyah, and have him count the entire sum of the money that has been brought into the house of the LORD, which the keepers of the threshold have collected from the people; ⁵let it be given into the hand of the workers who have the oversight of the house of the LORD; let them give it to the workers who are at the house of the LORD, repairing the house, ⁶that is, to the carpenters, to the builders, to the masons; and let them use it to buy timber and quarried stone to repair the house. ⁷But no accounting shall be asked from them for the money that is delivered into their hand, for they deal honestly." ⁸The high priest Hilkiyah said to Shaphan the secretary, "I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD." When Hilkiyah gave the book to Shaphan, he read it. ⁹Then Shaphan the secretary came to the king, and reported to the king, "Your servants have emptied out the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of the workers who have oversight of the house of the LORD." ¹⁰Shaphan the secretary informed the king, "The priest Hilkiyah has given me a book." Shaphan then read it aloud to the king.

23:1-3

¹Then the king directed that all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem should be gathered to him. ²The king went up to the house of the LORD, and with him went all the people of Judah, all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the priests, the prophets, and all the people, both small and great; he read in their hearing all the words of the book of the covenant that had been found in the house of the LORD. ³The king stood by the pillar and made a covenant before the LORD, to follow the LORD, keeping his commandments, his decrees, and his statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. All the people joined in the covenant.

A: The word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

SONG OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

MESSAGE

Pastor Rick

SONG OF THE DAY

"At the Name of Jesus"
Verses 1, 3 & 5

ELW #416

CREED

**I believe in Almighty God,
who guided the people in exile and in exodus,
the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon,
the God of foreigners and immigrants.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean,
who was born away from his people and his home, who fled
his country with his parents when his life was in danger.**
**When he returned to his own country
he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate,
the servant of a foreign power.**
**Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured, and unjustly condemned to
death.**
**But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead,
not as a scorned foreigner but to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us,
who speaks all languages, lives in all countries,
and reunites all races.**
**I believe that the Church is the secure home
for foreigners and for all believers.**
**I believe that the communion of saints begins
when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity.**
**I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God,
and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness.**
**I believe that in the Resurrection
God will unite us as one people
in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time.**
**I believe in life eternal, in which no one will be foreigner
but all will be citizens of the kingdom
where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A: Let us pray.
C: **Have mercy, O God.**