

# Trinity Lutheran Church

October 28, 2018

10:30 a.m.

**Time After Pentecost  
Solomon's Wisdom**

**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](http://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. Visitors— 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. 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.

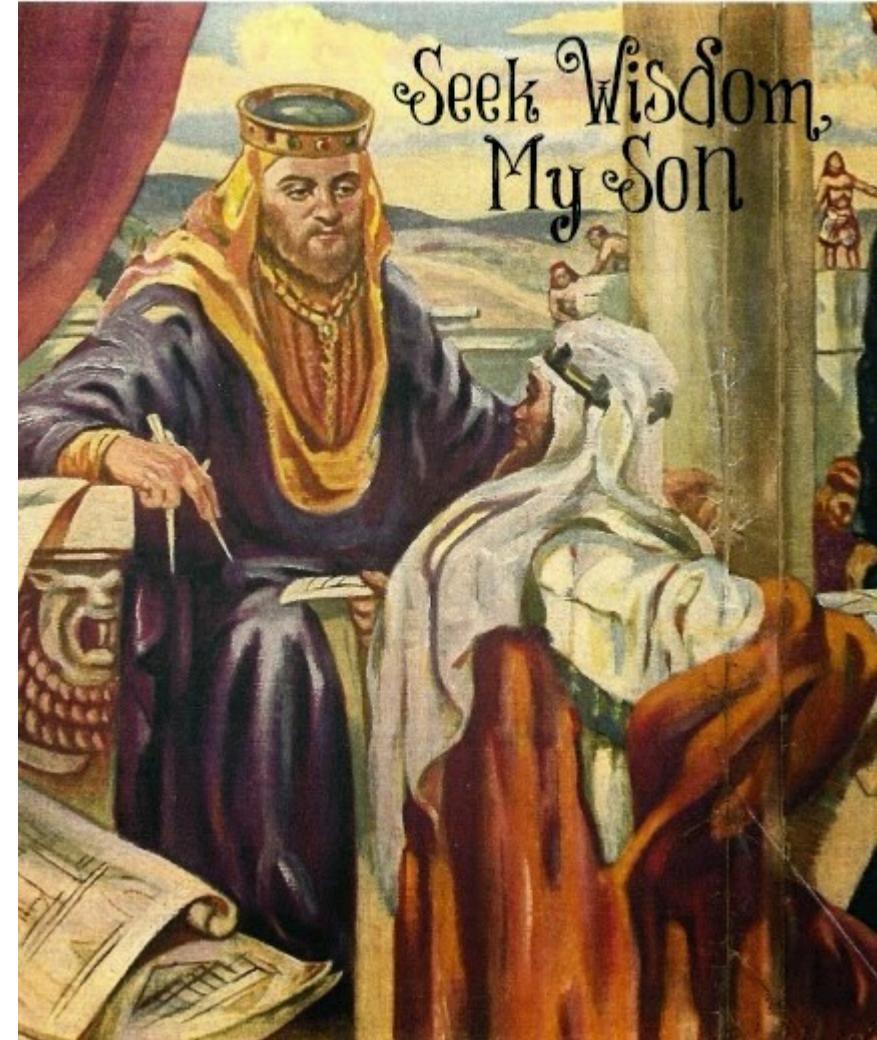
## IN MINISTRY TODAY

**Hospitality Team**  
**Assisting Minister** Gerry Olsen  
**Lector** Paul Schairer

## CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS: THE MEMBERS OF TRINITY

Rick Reiten, **Senior Pastor**  
Kaari von Bernuth, **Pastoral Assistant**  
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**  
Joshua Moore, **AV Technician**  
Tiffany Klijewski, **Nursery Coordinator**

**\*Please stand as you are able\***



**\*SENDING\***

P: Go in peace. Sound the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**\*POSTLUDE\***

*“Faith of Our Fathers”*

David Paxton

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

## Time After Pentecost

**PRELUDE**

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”  
Jill Rose & Paul Falk, Duet

John B Dykes

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TEMPLE TALK**

Andy Sprain

**\*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, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us,  
the one who reforms us again and again.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Source of all life,

C: **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

P: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG\***

*“Gather Us In”*

**ELW #532**

**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\*** "O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"  
Verses 1 & 6

ELW #886

1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,  
the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!

The musical score consists of two systems. The first system has a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef. The second system also has a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp and a bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble clef lines.

6 To God all glory, praise, and love  
be now and ever giv'n  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heav'n.

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY\***

**C:** Generous God, you gave your servant Solomon wisdom so that he might govern your people well. Grant us your wisdom, so that we might perform our life's duties with gratitude and wisdom. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**GOD'S STORY**

**1 Kings 3:4-9, 16-28**

*Solomon prays for wisdom; two women and a child*

<sup>4</sup>The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the LORD

**COMMUNION SONG** "When Peace Like a River"

ELW #785

**\*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:** Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.  
Amen.

**\*BLESSING\***

**P:** God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**C:** Amen.

**\*SENDING SONG\***

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"  
Verses 1, 2 & 4

ELW #504

**\*OFFERING PRAYER\***

**C: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.**

**\*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\***

*"The Lord's Prayer"* Setting by Joan J Pinkston  
Trinity Chanel Choir

**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.*

appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." <sup>6</sup>And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. <sup>7</sup>And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup>And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. <sup>9</sup>Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" <sup>16</sup>Later, two women who were prostitutes came to the king and stood before him. <sup>17</sup>The one woman said, "Please, my lord, this woman and I live in the same house; and I gave birth while she was in the house. <sup>18</sup>Then on the third day after I gave birth, this woman also gave birth. We were together; there was no one else with us in the house, only the two of us were in the house. <sup>19</sup>Then this woman's son died in the night, because she lay on him. <sup>20</sup>She got up in the middle of the night and took my son from beside me while your servant slept. She laid him at her breast, and laid her dead son at my breast. <sup>21</sup>When I rose in the morning to nurse my son, I saw that he was dead; but when I looked at him closely in the morning, clearly it was not the son I had borne." <sup>22</sup>But the other woman said, "No, the living son is mine, and the dead son is yours." The first said, "No, the dead son is yours, and the living son is mine." So they argued before the king. <sup>23</sup>Then the king said, "The one says, 'This is my son that is alive, and your son is dead'; while the other says, 'Not so! Your son is dead, and my son is the living one.'" <sup>24</sup>So the king said, "Bring me a sword," and they brought a sword before the king. <sup>25</sup>The king said, "Divide the living boy in two; then give half to the one, and half to the other." <sup>26</sup>But the woman whose son was alive said to the king — because compassion for her son burned within her — "Please, my lord, give her the living boy; certainly do not kill him!" The other said, "It shall be neither mine nor yours; divide it." <sup>27</sup>Then the king responded: "Give the first woman the living boy; do not kill him. She is his mother." <sup>28</sup>All Israel heard of the judgment that the king had rendered; and they stood in awe of the king, because they perceived that the wisdom of God was in him, to execute justice.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**SONG OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

*"Celtic Alleluia"*

**ELW #174**

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

**MESSAGE**

**Pastor Rick**

**\*SONG OF THE DAY\***

*"Thy Strong Word"*  
Verses 1-3

**ELW #511**

**\*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**

*"Amazing Grace"*  
Jill Rose & Paul Falk, Duet

Virginia Harmony

**\*OFFERING SONG\***

*"For the Fruit of All Creation"*

**ELW #679**

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
 fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.