

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, July 25, 6 PM | Sunday, July 26, 9 AM

Divine Service – Setting Two, p. 167

(The ringing of the bell signals the beginning of worship. Please direct your attention to the Prelude offered for your personal worship preparation and silence all electronic devices.)

PRELUDE

(6:00).....“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” - arr. Cherwein
Marilyn Mark, Associate Organist

(9:00).....“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Forgiven

WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

HYMN: “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”.....LSB 821

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
like a might - y flood: “Je - sus out of
for - ty days were o’er, Shall our hearts for -
ev - ’ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood.”
get His prom - ise: “I am with you ev - er - more”?

Hymn continues on the next page

3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to You from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
Earth Your footstool, heav'n Your throne.
As within the veil You entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest,
Here on earth both priest and victim
In the eucharistic feast.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by His blood."

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION.....Page 167

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy spirit.

People: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT.....*Psalm 105:2-6; antiphon: Psalm 105:1*

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

People: make known his deeds among the peoples!

Pastor: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

People: tell of all his wondrous works!

Pastor: Glory in his holy name;

People: let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Pastor: Seek the LORD and his strength;

People: seek his presence continually!

Pastor: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

People: his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

Pastor: O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

People: children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

**All: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

People: make known his deeds among the peoples!

KYRIE.....Page 168

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

(♪) HYMN OF PRAISE: “Gloria in Excelsis”..... Page 170

Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**People: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY.....Page 172

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING.....Deuteronomy 7:6-9

⁶ “For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷ It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸ but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹ Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL.....Romans 11:33, 36

Pastor: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

People: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

Pastor: For from him and through him and to him are all things.

People: To him be glory forever. Amen.

EPISTLE.....Romans 8:28-39

²⁸ And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

(♪) ALLELUIA and VERSE (Stand).....Page 173

People: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL..... Matthew 13:44-52

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter.
People: Glory to You, O Lord.

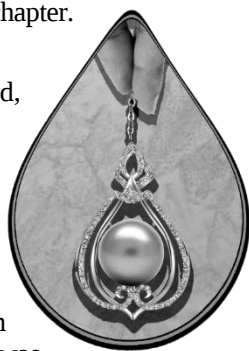
⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶ who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸ When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ “Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” ⁵² And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ.



HYMN: "Your Kingdom, O God, Is My Glorious Treasure".....LSB 654



1 Your king - dom, O God, is my glo - ri - ous trea - sure,
 2 Your king - dom, O God, is a - live with the pow - er
 3 Your king - dom, O God, is a field for the grow - ing



My pearl of in - com - p'ra - ble worth.
 Your Word and Your Spir - it be - stow.
 Of seeds that Your mer - cy has sown;



Its val - ue ex - ceeds ev - 'ry stan - dard of mea - sure,
 Like yeast, they af - fect the whole mea - sure of flour,
 But still in our midst is the en - e - my sow - ing



Sur - pass - ing the wealth of the earth.
 En - a - bling Your king - dom to grow.
 The weeds that im - per - il Your own.



Lord, give me Your grace and the pow'r of the Spir - it
 Em - pow - er me, Lord, as I live Your com - mis - sion,
 Sus - tain me, O Lord, till Your day of re - turn - ing



To val - ue this trea - sure a - right
 Though hum - ble my ser - vice may be,
 And har - vest me home - ward at last,



That, nev - er al - lured by the world, I in - her - it
 And bring ev - 'ry plant - ing to per - fect fru - i - tion,
 To shine in the home - land that qui - ets all yearn - ing,



Your king - dom of glo - ry and light.
 A mus - tard seed grown to a tree.
 Where sor - row and dan - ger are past.

SERMON: “About the Kingdom of Heaven...”.....Matthew 13:44-52

- 1) The kingdom is _____ to the eye and revealed to faith.
- 2) The kingdom is _____ to the seeker and worth everything.
- 3) The kingdom is _____ as will be seen in the resurrection.

In your own words, how would you combine these three Scriptural aspects of the kingdom of heaven into a single statement (or maybe even a question), and how would that summary shape your life as a believer in Christ?

NICENE CREED..... Page 174

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

- (6:00)..... “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” -arr. Schmaltz
- (9:00)..... “You Are My All in All” -Jernigan/Grant
Hunter Spicka, vocalist

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Out of love for our members and guests, and with sincere concern for the spiritual welfare of all, and in the desire to honor Christ our Lord and to be faithful to His Word, Trinity Lutheran Church abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. All who are communicant members in good standing of Trinity Lutheran Church or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to come in true repentance to receive Christ's body and blood in the fellowship of this altar. All others are welcome to gather at the altar rail with arms folded across your chest, indicating your desire to receive a word of blessing from the pastor.

PREFACE..... Page 177

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

(♪) SANCTUS..... Page 178

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING..... Page 178

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD.....Page 179

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST.....Page 179

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER.....Page 179

People: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

PAX DOMINI.....Page 180

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

(♪) AGNUS DEI.....Page 180

People: **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace,
grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS (Sit)

(6:00)

“God Himself Is Present”	LSB 907
“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”	LSB 641

(9:00)

“God Himself Is Present”	LSB 907
“Hope is Dawning”	

Open up the skies and rain the heavens down, the heavens down
Father open up the skies and rain the heavens down on us

Open up our eyes to see Your glory found, it’s all around
Jesus open up our eyes to see Your glory’s all around

Chorus: We are longing Hope is dawning
Heaven’s falling Come Lord Jesus

Open up our hearts to say, “Have Your way, have Your way”
Spirit, open up our hearts *to say, “Won’t You come and have Your way”*
(Chorus twice)

CCLI Song # 5444481 Words and music by Johnny Parks, Matt Maher, Michael Gungor, Aaron Keyes

(🎵) CANTICLE: “Thank the Lord” (Stand).....Page 181

People: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ryone what He has done.
Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT.....Page 183

Pastor: Let us pray.
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(9:00) FAREWELL AND GODSPEED to TLS teacher Hope Muehler

BENEDICTION.....Page 183

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

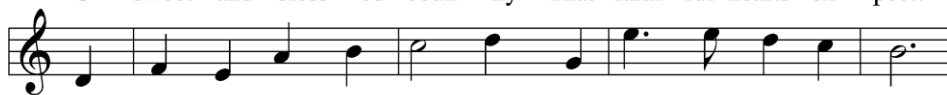
HYMN: "Jerusalem the Golden".....LSB 672



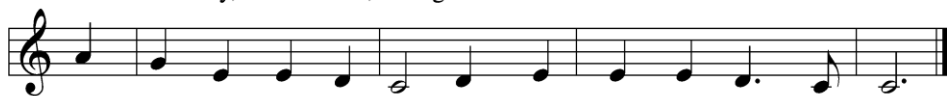
1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and hon - ey blest—
2 With-in those walls of Zi - on Sounds forth the joy - ful song,
3 A - round the throne of Da - vid, The saints, from care re - leased,
△ 4 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of God's e - lect!



The prom - ise of sal - va - tion, The place of peace and rest—
As saints join with the an - gels And all the mar - tyr throng.
Raise loud their songs of tri - umph To cel - e - brate the feast.
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try That faith - ful hearts ex - pect!



We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:
The Prince is ev - er with them; The day - light is se - rene;
They sing to Christ their lead - er, Who con - quered in the fight,
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest



The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!
The cit - y of the bless - ed Shines bright with glo - rious sheen.
Who won for them for - ev - er Their gleam - ing robes of white.
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

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POSTLUDE

(6:00)..... "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" -arr. Held



PRAY

without ✠ ceasing

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THESE GENERAL & SPECIFIC NEEDS AT TRINITY

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- Danika Burkett; Danielle Hundley and her newborn son, Alex; Rod Kula's dad, Tom; Chris Rosell

GOD'S BLESSINGS UPON

- **Hope Muehler** as she embarks on new adventures in Maryland
- Relatives and friends of Trinity on active military duty

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

- For **Payton & Maddie McCarty**, who welcomed their healthy baby boy, Beckham, on July 14

GENERAL CHURCH & WORLD CONCERNS

- For the children of Gboawuta, Liberia
- Thanks for God's care through Word & Sacrament
- For opportunities to share Jesus with others
- For the Spirit-empowered readiness to love, confess, forgive, and be reconciled
- For persecuted Christians worldwide and for the conversion of their persecutors
- For the well-being of pregnant mothers & their preborn children, in both body and soul
- For an end to racism, terrorism, and every evil
- For our national, state, and local government leaders
- For all those who are chronically ill and suffering

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