

Jesus Has Compassion on the Crowds

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, PA

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We want to be a congregation who continues: Trusting God

Loving and **C**onnecting with God and one another **R**eaching out to all God's children

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 21, 2024 10:15 AM

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Ministers to the World – Congregation of Trinity Lutheran

Mission – To Share Christ in Word and Deed

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WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. If you are seeking a church home, please contact the Pastor.
- Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. All are welcome to the table. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation.
- The Worship Service will be available on You Tube and the Website after the service.
- Congregational responses are in bold.
- Please stand

Welcome, Announcements, Opening Prayer

GATHERING

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*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn

*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.

*Prayer of the Day: We pray together: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Lesson – Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 (Read responsively)

- ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
 - ² The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
 - ³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Second Lesson – Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

Hallelujah! Where else would we go? Hallelujah! Words of life! Hallelujah! Where else would we go? Hallelujah! Words of life! Hallelujah! Words of life!

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*The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the sixth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed..

The gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Time of Silence: At our best Trinity is passionate about God. We respond to God's love becoming still, closing our eyes and opening our heart spaces to

*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 power of 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 Church - (Each petition ends with "In your mercy,". The Congregation responds "hear our prayer.)

*Sign of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** (If you are joining us on Facebook, please share Christ's peace with one another in the comments.)

MEAL You are invited to come forward for the traditional distribution of Communion or if you prefer, take a prepackaged kit available from the Usher and remain seated. The Pastor will give instructions to you prior to communing the Assistants.

*Offertory

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

*Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

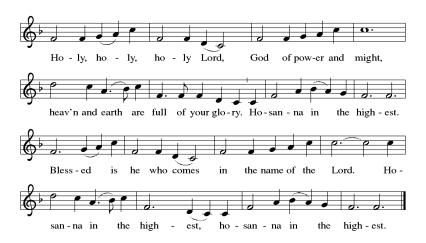
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*Words of Institution

The night in which he was betrayed, 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 for the remembrance of me. Again after supper, Jesus 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.

*Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Pew Communion: Those who wish to commune from their seats using the prepackaged kits please open them now. Take and eat and drink, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.

Assistants Commune

Communion

The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

Communion Music:

He is Our Peace (CCLI #2823825)

He is our peace Who has broken down ev'ry wall He is our peace He is our peace (REPEAT)

Chorus
Cast all your cares on Him
For He cares for you
He is our peace He is our peace

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All to Us (CCLI #2823825)

1 Precious cornerstone sure foundation You are faithful to the end We are waiting on You Jesus We believe You're all to us (REPEAT) Chorus

Let the glory of Your name
Be the passion of the Church
Let the righteousness of God
Be a holy flame that burns
Let the saving love of Christ
Be the measure of our lives
We believe You're all to us

2 Only Son of God sent from heaven Hope and mercy at the cross You are ev'rything You're the promise Jesus You are all to us Chorus

3 When this passing world is over We will see You face to face And forever we will worship Jesus You are all to us Jesus You are all to us

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*Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

*Post Communion Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

SENDING

*Benediction

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, \pm be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Sending Hymn

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy Like the wideness of the sea There's a kindness in His justice Which is more than liberty
- 2 There is welcome for the sinner And more graces for the good There is mercy with the Savior There is healing in His blood.

There's A Wideness in God's Mercy

- 3 For the love of God is broader. Than the measure of our mind And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.
- 4 If our love were but more simple We should take Him at His word And our lives would be all sunshine In the sweetness of our Lord

- 5 There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heav'n There is no place where earth's failings In the sorrows of the Head Have such kindly judgment giv'n
- 6 There is grace enough for thousands It is something more than all Of new worlds as great as this There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss
- 7 There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed There is joy for all the members
- 8 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus Greater good because of evil Larger mercy through the fall

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*Sending for Service Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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SERVING TRINITY TODAY

Director of Music – Saundra Wingert
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Communion Assistants – Mary Thomas and Darrell Swart
Communion Cups – Josie Thomas
Singers – The Choir
Usher – Donna Wolfe
Greeter – Sally Funk
IT Ministry – IT Team
Communion Preparers – Alice Marsh

TODAY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Gust Barbuzanes, Marie Dean, Sue Deardorff, Terry and Laura Ellis, Mason Ervin, Shirley Freeman, Charles and Nancy Freshman, Sally Funk, Dick Gardenhour, Erma Horn, Jake Johns, Roger Johns, Tracy Loucks, Pastor Blaine Lougheed, Gary Louder, Doug McCullough, Beth Miller, Phil O'Connell, Alan Shank, Don Swart, Bud and Donna Wolfe.. *The prayer list will be purged at the end of the month. If you wish a name to be retained (other than homebound members) please call or email the office – 717-597-9348/ tlcsecoffice @gmail.com.*

Each week we also remember four members and friends of our congregation: Pastor Martin and Pastor Denise Horn; Jacob Johns; Roger Johns; David, Michelle, Morgan and Darren Kline.