



Trinity Lutheran Church  
Saturday, May 31, 2025  
7th Week of Easter

\*Indicates please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*“On the Wind of Spirit”*

Mark Hayes

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**\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM\***

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

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: In the name of † the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

**C: Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

P: Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG\***

*"Come Now is the Time to Worship"*  
(Sing Twice)

Brian Doerksen

©1998 Vineyard Songs CCLI #2430948

Chorus

Come now is the time to worship  
Come now is the time to give your heart  
Come just as you are to worship  
Come just as you are before your God

Come

1. One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God  
One day every knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now

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

**O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**KID'S SERMON**

**Pastor Rick**

**READING**

**Acts 16:16-34**

L: A reading from Acts 16

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. <sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. <sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

<sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

**Pastor Rick**

### \*SONG OF THE DAY\*

*"The Peace of the Lord"*

**ELW #646**

Anders Ruuth; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford

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1. The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord  
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:  
the peace of the Lord is for you and for me,  
and also for all of God's children.  
The peace of the Lord is for you and for me,  
and also for all of God's children.
2. The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord,  
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:  
the peace of the Lord is among us right now,  
so open yourselves to receive it.  
The peace of the Lord is among us right now,  
so open yourselves to receive it.
3. The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord,  
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:  
the peace of the Lord kept within cannot live,  
so open yourselves now to share it.  
The peace of the Lord kept within cannot live,  
so open yourselves now to share it.

## \*MAASAI CREED\*

We believe in the one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and everything good in it. God created humans and wanted humans to be happy in the world. God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth. We have known this High God in the darkness, and now we know God in the light. God promised in the Bible, that God would save the world and all nations and tribes.

We believe that God made good this promise by sending the son, Jesus Christ, a human in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left his home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching about God and humanity, showing that the meaning of religion is love. He was rejected by his people, tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died. He was buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him, and on the third day, he rose from that grave. He ascended to the skies.

We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him. All who have faith in Jesus confess their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love, and share the bread together in love, to announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again. We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.

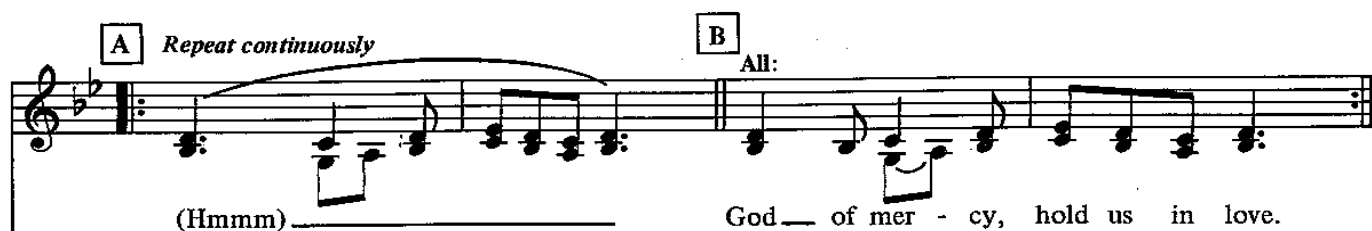
The Maasai Creed composed in 1960 by the Maasai people—an indigenous African tribe of semi-nomads located primarily in Kenya and northern Tanzania of East Africa — in collaboration with Roman Catholic missionaries from the Congregation of the Holy Ghost. The creed seeks to confess the promise at the core of the Christian faith within the daily life of Maasai culture.

[Edited with inclusive language for Trinity Lutheran Church, 2025.]

## \*PRAYERS\*

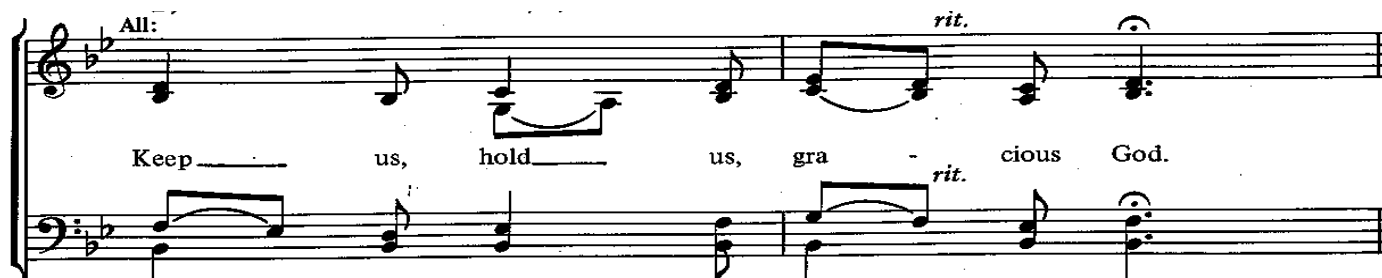
## HOLDEN LITANY & PRAYERS

Congregation will hum while the prayer petitions are sung [A], and sing the response [B].  
The final petition will be sung together [C].



A *Repeat continuously* B All: (Hmmm) God — of mer - cy, hold us in love.

L: Help us, comfort us, all of our days.  
[C]



All: Keep — us, hold — us, gra - cious God.

**\*PEACE\***

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

**MISSION MOMENT**

*If you have a monetary offering, please place in the plate as you leave worship today,  
or use this code to give electronically.*



**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER\***

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.  
Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may  
live as your risen body in the world.

C: **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\***

P: In the night...

...gave it to the disciples, saying:

C: **Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.**

P: ...gave it for all to drink, saying:

C: **This cup is the new promise in my blood, shed for you and for all people, for the  
forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER\***

ELW pg. 112

**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\***

## COMMUNION

### **\*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\***

**May this communion meal move us towards: a regenerative way of living with the planet; seeking peace with each other through welcome, mutual respect, and seeking common good; distributing power to support the poor, oppressed, and young; and seeking purpose and meaning through diverse spiritual communities. Amen.**

### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR THE 2024/2025 SMALL GROUP LEADERS\***

### **\*BLESSING\***

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: Amen.

### **\*SENDING SONG\***

*"Go Now"*

Hans Peterson & Larry Olson

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1. Filled with the Holy Spirit  
go now with God, go now with God.  
Into the world as a servant  
go now with God, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.

2. Offering a hand to a stranger  
go now with God, go now with God.  
Trusting in the risen savior  
go now with God, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.

3. Waters of mercy have found us  
Go now with God, go now with God  
Grace on the journey surrounds us  
Go now with God, go now with God  
Go now, go now, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.

4. Crossing every boundary, every nation  
Go now with God, go now with God  
Dancing in the gift of liberation  
Go now with God, go now with God  
Go now, go now, go now with God.  
Go now, go now, go now with God.

**\*SENDING\***

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*POSTLUDE\***

*"Go Now"*  
(reprised)

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Arr. Clinton Ellerbe

# Prayer List

## Members

### **Mourning for LouAnn DeLozier**

Steve Cobb  
Patty Telleen  
Carol Arnold  
Polly Sersen  
Kent Garvin  
Shirley Garvin  
Howard Smith  
Cooper Hopkins  
Mary Ann Armstrong  
Madyson Hopkins

## Friends & Family

### **Barbara Pardo, mother of Cheryl Dolan is very much alive! \*my apologies to Cheryl!**

Jay Slaybaugh, uncle of Rod McKenrick  
Jennifer & Dale Barnett, friends of Marilyn Morrissey  
Jan Johannes, sister of Jo Anne Gearhart  
Valerie Dorr, mother of Deana Andrist  
John Roland, father of Rebecca Roland  
Susie Kragmeier, daughter of Kate Stieben  
Carlos Alers, friend of Sara & Peter Mullarkey  
Beth Barnett, daughter of Carolyn & Eric Biedermann  
Erin Slocum, daughter of Patty & Don Heyse

**To all who gather:** We are Reconciling in Christ, which means we strive to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; and to work for racial equity and to commit to anti-racist work.

We welcome believers, seekers, and the curious, regardless of religious background. God makes no distinction based on race; ethnicity; immigration status; economic status; physical, mental, or developmental circumstances; or other life circumstances. God loves and welcomes all people. Therefore, we welcome all people to the life of Christ at Trinity.

*From Pastor Rick:* This community affirms its welcome by accepting me in this place. Diagnosed with Huntington's (HD), my progressing symptoms and neurodiversity are displayed publicly. The uncontrolled movements (chorea) may limit my functionality, or appear in other ways; yet, it is an opportunity to learn and love alongside one another. HD is part of me, but I am not defined by the diagnosis. As for all of us, I am defined as child of God.

**Guests and Visitors:** All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion (gluten free wafers and juice are available). Your offering is your presence in worship. Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate as you leave. Don't forget your 'Sweet Treat' plate from the welcome desk!

**Worship Note:** The red hymnal *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) page numbers are found in the front while song numbers are in the back. If you have any questions about worship or Trinity, our clergy or welcome table hosts are happy to help.

**Parents and Caregivers:** God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If helpful, please use the Family Break Room outside the worship space or a "Worship Activity Bag" - available near the welcome table. On Sundays through June 8, if needed, we offer a fully trained Nursery; staffed by Tiffany K. and Zoe K.

**Special needs:** Hearing-assistance devices are available during our services. Holy Communion can also be brought to the seats of those who are unable to come forward. Our Welcome Table Hosts can help with any of these special needs.



### In Ministry Today

**Worship Assistant:** Vicki Volbrecht  
**Communion Prep:**  
**Welcome Table Host:**  
**Fellowship Host:**  
**Bread Baker:** Dan Merz  
**Flower Arrangement:** Volunteers from  
St Paul's Episcopal

### Trinity's Clergy Leaders:

Deacon Katie Kline & Pastor Rick Reiten

### Trinity's Staff:

Carrie Hansen	<b>Music Coord. &amp; Organist</b>
Tessa Espinosa	<b>Chancel Choir Director</b>
Clinton Ellerbe	<b>Saturday Worship Leader</b>
Jill Hunt	<b>Bells of Trinity Director</b>
Brenda Harju	<b>TLC Preschool Director</b>
Brenda Moore	<b>Financial Manager</b>
Deana Andrist	<b>Office Administrator</b>
Amanda Backsen	<b>Director of Communications &amp; Volunteer Coord.</b>
Claire Pickerel	<b>AV Technician</b>
Jennifer Reeve	<b>Shared Children's Minister</b>
Tiffany Klijewski	<b>Nursery Coord.</b>
Zoe Klamann	<b>Shared Nursery Attendant</b>

*\*Staff Emails are available on our website\**

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

#### **Monday (June 2)**

9:30 am Trinity Readers-Fireside  
12 pm Sermon Discussion  
1:30 pm Communication/Media Mtg-Fireside

#### **Tuesday (June 3)**

7:30 am Men's Breakfast @ Breakfast Club  
1 pm 301 Clergy Meeting-Fireside  
5:30 pm Social/Eco Justice  
6:15 pm 301FP Social/Eco Justice

#### **Wednesday (June 4)**

5:15 pm Bells of Trinity

#### **Friday (June 6)**

10 am Quilting Group-Room 2

#### **Saturday (June 7) Pentecost**

5 pm Saturday Worship

#### **Sunday (June 8) Pentecost & Confirmation**

10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Fellowship

## **Trinity Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.**

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So, how can you learn more about Trinity?

Visit our website at [www.trinitylutheranfc.org](http://www.trinitylutheranfc.org)

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

Contact one of our clergy 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. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

Sundays 10:30 a.m. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

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

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