

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trinity Lutheran Church Saturday, June 21, 2025 Second week After Pentecost

*Indicates please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

Pastor Rick, Musician

GATHER

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

P: O Lord,

C: You invite us to ask for Living Water, water that satisfies our thirst. You are that Living Water poured out for us. We confess that we seek to quench our thirst in other ways.

We drink deeply, choosing these sweet waters that turn to fear in our bellies. We confess that rather than turning to you, we set out to be brave.

Seeing the fear outside ourselves, we try to force out fear by casting out others. Lord help us to drink deeply of your love remembering it is perfect love that casts out fear.

Strengthen us to practice love to ourselves, those close to us, and those we overlook. Fill us with Living Water until it overflows. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"Here I Am to Worship"

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Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

2. King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
(Chorus)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

KID'S SERMON Deacon Katie

GOSPEL LUKE 8:26-39

L: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 8

²⁶Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" — 29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. 34When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Christ.

SERMON Deacon Katie

SONG OF THE DAY

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

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- Praise the One who breaks the darkness
 with a liberating light;
 praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
 turning blindness into sight.
 Praise the One who preached the gospel,
 healing ev'ry dread disease,
 calming storms and feeding thousands
 with the very bread of peace.
- 2. Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word; praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand; from this well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.
 - 3. Praise the one true love incarnate:
 Christ, who suffered in our place;
 Jesus died and rose for many
 that we may know God by grace.
 Let us sing for joy and gladness,
 seeing what our God has done.
 Praise the one redeeming glory;
 praise the One who makes us one.

CREED

We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female.

We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.

A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.

He descended into the earth to the place of death.

On the third day he rose from the tomb.

He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and His kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life.

Amen

A Celtic Creed from the Iona Community

PRAYERS

P: God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

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: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C: Amen.

MEAL

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: God, lover of the unlovable, we give you thanks. In the fullness of time, Christ our liberator, redeemer, and sustainer came to live and be with the least of us. He lived as a child in a society where children were not recognized. He grew up and touched the untouchable, confronting the powerful. The lonely, the sick, the disabled, the widows, the orphans: these were never far from him. We give you thanks that in the same way all are invited to this table, regardless of their background, to receive your healing. Those whom society deems unworthy, those without daily bread, those exploited without heed for their humanity, and those on the very edge, the periphery, of our society.

WORDS OF PROMISE

- P: One night, in an occupied land, you took bread, blessed it, broke it, and offered to your friends, saying,
- C: Take. Eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.
- P: That night too, in an occupied land, you took wine, blessed it, and offered it to your friends saying,
- C: This is my blood, poured out for you. A new promise between God and humanity. Do this whenever you drink it in remembrance of me.
- P: Pour out your Holy Spirit now, we pray that these complicated and compromised gifts of bread and wine may become for us pure and simple gifts of your grace.

LORD'S PRAYER ELW pg. 112

Creator God, 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

As we have been embraced by Christ at this table, we now turn to embrace the world; our friends and neighbors, strangers and enemies. AMEN.

SENDING

FAREWELL & GODSPEED

Deacon Katie Kline Curtis, Theo & Raphael Kline

BLESSING

P: Go in peace, be of good cheer. May Mother Earth smile at you, may the Almighty Creator bless you with a spirit of *Ubuntu*.

C: Amen.

(*Ubuntu* is a South African word describing our interconnectedness to one another and all living things.)

SENDING SONG

"Here I Am. Lord"

ELW #574

Daniel L. Schutte ©1981 OCP Pub CCLI#80670

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
 I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin
 my hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night,
 I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear my light to them?
 Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain,
 I have borne my people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them.
 They turn away.

 I will break their hearts of stone,
 give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak my word to them.
 Whom shall I send?" Refrain

3. "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?" Refrain

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Pastor Rick, musician

Prayer List

Members

Carrie Hansen

Steve Cobb Patty Telleen Polly Sersen Kent Garvin Shirley Garvin Cooper Hopkins Mary Ann Armstrong

Madyson Hopkins

Friends & Family

Jim Belak, son-in-law of Barbara Baggs David Tomaschow, brother-in-law of Amy Jo Martinson Barbara Pardo, mother of Cheryl Dolan 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 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 watch a recorded service, go to https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC Or visit our website and click on "To view recorded services click HERE!"

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: Ron Bend

Communion Prep:
Welcome Table Host:
Fellowship Host: Ron Bend
Prayer Writer: Sara Mullarkey
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 Music Coord. & Organist

Tessa Espinosa Chancel Choir Director

Clinton Ellerbe Saturday Worship Leader

Jill Hunt Bells of Trinity Director

Brenda Harju TLC Preschool Director

Brenda Moore Financial Manager

Deana Andrist Office Administrator

Amanda Backsen Director of Communications

& Volunteer Coord.

Claire Pickerel AV Technician

Jennifer Reeve Shared Children's Minister

Tiffany Klijewski Nursery Coord.

Zoe Klaman Shared Nursery Attendant

Staff Emails are available on our website

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

Monday (June 23)

12 pm Sermon Discussion-Fireside

Tuesday (June 24)

6:30 pm Council-Room 2

Wednesday (June 25)

Bike to Work Day

Thursday (June 26)

7 pm Immigration Social Justice-Zoom

Friday (June 27)

10 am Quilting Group

NO Saturday Service!

Sunday (June 29)

9 am 301 FP Adult Forum-Room 2 10:30 am 301FP Shared Worship 11:30 am Shared Fellowship

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So, how can you learn more about Trinity?

Visit our website at 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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