

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday, November 8, 2025
22nd Week After Pentecost
Amos: Justice Rolls Down
\*Indicates please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

"O God Beyond All Praising"

Gustav Holst arr. Mark Hayes ©2018 Hope Pub OL #109317

# **GATHER**

## \*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS\*

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

L: As we lift up our hands toward where home is...we know that you are with us, in the wilderness on our journey.

Silence for reflection

C: God who causes wars to cease, we come against gun violence in the entire community of Colorado.

God who casts out fear, we come against imposed terror on immigrant, undocumented families that may be deported or separated.

God who hears our hurts, we come against those in Israel, Russia, Somalia, and all nations who engage in institutionalized oppression.

Liberate us from death, liberate us from fear, liberate us from rampant racism that seeks to dehumanize, divide, and dismiss us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

#### Verse

I am rich in Him
Let the lost man say
I am found in Him
Let the river flow
Let the blind man say
I can see again
Let the dead man say
I am born again
Let the river flow
Let the river flow
Let the river flow

# Chorus

Let the river flow
Let the river flow
Holy Spirit come
Move in power
(Let the river flow)

# Bridge

Let the river flow (let the river flow)

Let the river flow (let the river flow)

Let the river flow (let the river flow)

Let the river flow

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY\*

God of all people, Show us how to let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an every flowing stream. Create justice and righteousness in us, that all may rejoice in your blessings. Amen.

# **WORD**

KID'S SERMON Pastor Rick

# GOSPEL READING Amos 1:1-2; 5:14- 15, 21-24

L: The good news according to Amos

<sup>1</sup> The words of Amos, who was among the shepherds of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of King Uzziah of Judah and in the days of King Jeroboam son of Joash of Israel, two years before the earthquake. <sup>2</sup> And he said: The Lord roars from Zion and utters his voice from Jerusalem; the pastures of the shepherds wither, and the top of Carmel dries up. <sup>14</sup> Seek good and not evil, that you may live, and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. <sup>15</sup> Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. <sup>21</sup> I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup> Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. <sup>23</sup> Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. <sup>24</sup> But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L: The gospel of God. C: Praise be to God.

SERMON Pastor Rick

**SONG OF THE DAY** 

"All Who Are Thirsty"

Brenton Brown & Glenn Roberts ©1998 Vineyard Songs CCLI#2489542

Verse
All who are thirsty
All who are weak
Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep
(We sing)

Chorus 1
Come Lord Jesus come
Come Lord Jesus come
(REPEAT)

Verse
All who are thirsty
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Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life
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(We sing)

Chorus 2 Holy Spirit come Holy Spirit come (REPEAT)

#### \*IMMIGRANT'S CREED\*

I believe in Almighty God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
a displaced Galilean,
who was born away from his people and his home,
who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger,
and returning to his own country suffered the oppression
of the tyrant Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power,
who then was persecuted, beaten, and finally tortured,
accused and condemned to death unjustly.
But on the third day, this scorned Jesus rose from the dead,
not as a foreigner but to offer us citizenship in heaven.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races.

I believe that the church is the secure home for the foreigner and for all believers who constitute it, who speak the same language and have the same purpose. I believe that the communion of the saints begins when we accept the diversity of the saints.

I believe in the forgiveness of sin, which makes us all equal, and in reconciliation, which identifies us more than does race, language, or nationality.

I believe that in the resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time.

Beyond this world, I believe in life eternal in which no one will be an immigrant but all will be citizens of God's kingdom, which will never end. Amen.

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#### \*PRAYERS\*

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

# \*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: Gracious God who supplies us with every blessing in abundance, guide us to be grateful for the gift of natural resources, which you have provided for us: the pure air, clean water, trees, plants, birds, and all animals we have taken for granted. We thank you for the fertile soil, abundant rain, and seasons of refreshment.
- C: Amen.

## MEAL

# \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING\*

L: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, so we thank you, God for your creation. For you so loved the world you gave us your Christ child, thank God for your salvation in sacred story.

#### \*WORDS OF PROMISE\*

- L: Our communion story begins with a seed in the ground, watered, tendered, and harvested with human hands.
  - The wheat is prepared for baking by the craft of human hands.
- C: This is the bread Jesus blessed, broke, and shared.
- L: Similarly, in the vineyard, the seed was sown, watered, tended and harvested by human hands. The grapes were crushed, the juice collected, by the craft of human hands.
- C: This is the wine Jesus blessed, poured, and shared. Take, eat, and drink in remembrance of me.
- L: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.
  Christ was sown, Christ was reaped, Christ will nourish again.
- C: Make us one in you!
- L: Transforming spirit, we ask your blessing upon workers in the field and the vineyard, laborers who prepared and brought these gifts to us and to your people gathered here. Transform these common elements into something extraordinary.
  - We praise you God, for your people and for all blessing that flows from you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

\*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\*

May this communion meal send us out! Agitated, yet blessed; Challenged but determined. Energized but fatigued. Gifted to sing God's Alleluias. AMEN.

# **SENDING**

#### \*BLESSING\*

- P: May life surprise you every day with its new dawn where hope remains present. May love nurture, your life with what is necessary to strengthen your desire to life. And may peace, the fruit of justice, accompany you today and all the days of your life.
- C: Amen.

\*SENDING SONG\*

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

**ELW #708** 

Tom Colvin

M: Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin ©1969 Hope Pub CCLI #7199418

Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve

the neighbors we have from you.

- Kneels at the feet of his friends,
   silently washes their feet,
  master who acts as a slave to them. Refrain
- 2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away. Refrain
- 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you. *Refrain* 
  - 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you. *Refrain*

#### \*SENDING\*

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

\*POSTLUDE \*

"Let the River Flow" (reprised)

Darrel Evans ©1995 Mercy/Vineyard Pub OL#50236

Arr. Clinton Ellerbe

# **Prayer List**

## **Members**

Brenda Harju and family Mary Ann Miller Barb Klaman Pastor Paul Schairer Steve Cobb Sara Mullarkey Patty Telleen Shirley Garvin Cooper Hopkins Mary Ann Armstrong

Madyson Hopkins

# Friends & Family

## Jules Webb, daughter of Martha Webb

Members of All Saints Lutheran in Austin, CO Members of American Lutheran Church in Grand Junction, CO

Marilu Ritzman, friend of Rob & Aida Schmidt Douglas Hardie, friend of Rob & Aida Schmidt David Horton, brother of Sara Mullarkey Jim Belak, son-in-law of Barbara Baggs Barbara Pardo, mother of Cheryl Dolan Jennifer & Dale Barnett, friends of Marilyn Morrissey

Jan Johannes, sister of Jo Anne Gearhart
Susie Kragmeier, daughter of Kate Stieben

Beth Barnett, daughter of Carolyn & Eric Biedermann Erin Slocum, daughter of Patty & Don Heyse

To watch a recorded service, go to <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC">https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC</a>
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 Sunday, 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: Sherry Albertson-Clark Communion Prep: Sherry Albertson-Clark

Welcome Table Host: Fellowship Host:

**Prayer Writer:** Pat Wiedower **Bread Baker:** Dan Merz

Flower Arrangement: Volunteers from

St Paul's Episcopal

# **Trinity's Clergy Leader:**

Pastor Rick Reiten

# Trinity's Staff:

Carrie Hansen Music Coord. & Organist

Tessa Espinosa Chancel Choir Director

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Brenda Harju TLC Preschool Director

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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 (November 10)

9-2 pm TLC Preschool 10 am TLCP-Chapel

12 pm Sermon Discussion-Fireside

5:30 pm Trust-Zoom 6p (FS) Property-Fireside

6:30 pm (5) NoCo Male Spirituality

# Tuesday (November 11) Veteran's Day

4:30 pm Birdhouses for Habitat-Room 2

6:30p (FS) Exec Council

## Wednesday (November 12)

9-2 pm TLC Preschool

5:15 pm Bells of Trinity-Room 1

6:30 pm Chancel Choir

## Thursday (November 13)

9:30 am Bible Study-Room 2 3-5 pm Spanish Class-Room 2

3:30 pm 301FP Get Together @ Horse & Dragon

4 pm Finance-Zoom

6:15 pm 301FP Co-Op Meeting-Sunroom

#### Friday (November 14)

9-2 pm TLC Preschool
10 am Quilting Group

6:30 TGIF @ Rod & Bonnie McKenrick's

## Saturday (November 15)

4-5 pm Meet & Greet our Clergy Candidate

5 pm Worship

# **Sunday (November 16)**

9 am Adult Forum-Room 2

9 am Confirmation-Room 8

9 am Sunday School-Room 3

9 am Youth Group-Room 6

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Congregational Meeting

#### **Coming Up:**

Sunday, November 23 Turkey Round Up 830am-1230pm

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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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