Trinity Lutheran Church

Chelmsford, MA July 20, 2025 10:00 AM– Hybrid Worship 6th Sunday after Pentecost *Holy Communion*



Vision: Sharing God's gifts, we joyfully serve!

Mission: We will nurture and grow our faith family, centered on Word and sacrament, by exemplifying the love of Christ as we respond to the needs of one another and our world.

Welcome to Trinity!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**



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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.

KYRIE







SALUTATION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10a

¹The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ^{10a} Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 15

¹ LORD, who may dwell in your | tabernacle? Who may abide upon your | holy hill?

²Those who lead a blameless life and do | what is right, who speak the truth | from their heart;

- ³ they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil | to their friends; they do not cast discredit up- | on a neighbor.
- ⁴ In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who | fear the LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take | back their word.

⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown.

THE SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

¹⁵ Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation,¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the 10th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

SERMON Kenton Goldsby, Seminary Intern



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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 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.

CREDO APOSTÓLICO

Creo en Dios Padre todopoderoso, creador del cielo y de la tierra.

Creo en Jesucristo, su único Hijo, nuestro Señor. Fue concebido por obra del Espíritu Santo y nació de la Virgen María. Padeció bajo el poder de Poncio Pilato, fue crucificado, muerto, y sepultado. Descendió a los muertos. Al tercer día resucitó, subió a los cielos, y está sentado a la diestra del Padre. Volverá para juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos.

Creo el Espíritu Santo, la santa iglesia católica, la comunión de los santos, el perdón de los pecados, la resurrección del cuerpo, y la vida eterna. Amén.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

After each petition: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Trusting in your loving kindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray, 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. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

EL PADRENUESTRO

Our Father in heaven, hallowed 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. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's table. Jesus is the host, inviting us to experience the gift of forgiveness, the communion of saints, and a foretaste of the feast to come. We are also nourished with renewed strength and courage for the living of our daily lives. Ushers will direct you to come forward down the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten free); then turn left or right to take a communion cup prefilled with **red wine or white grape juice**. Deposit your used cup in a basket on your way back to your seat. Livestream worshippers are invited to have bread and wine ready at home. Children who have not received communion instruction are invited forward to receive a blessing.

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD





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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

O Savior, Precious Savior



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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Save the Dates	
Sunday 7/27	10:00 AM Hybrid OUTDOOR Worship with Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Hour
Monday 7/28	6:00 PM Zoom Bible Study
Sunday 8/3	10:00 AM Hybrid Worship with Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Hour
Sunday 8/10	10:00 AM Hybrid Worship with Holy Communion– Kenton's Last Sunday 11:30 AM Coffee Hour
Monday 8/11	6:00 PM Zoom Bible Study
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