

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

"A family where Christ is Head and the entire congregation are ministers."

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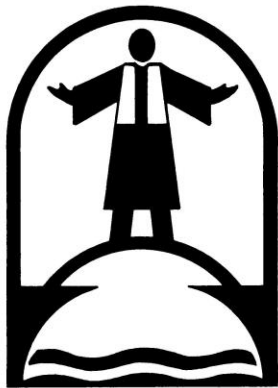
Good Morning! We welcome you today as a part of God's family here at Trinity!
We hope that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting.

Today's service is a unique service. Trinity is normally a liturgical church and follows the Divine Service from the Lutheran Service Book. We also normally celebrate Holy Communion weekly. The offering is also part of our service. Today though baskets are placed at the exits to collect your offering as you leave the service. We pray today's service will have special meaning for you.

Visitors – We are so happy you are joining us for Worship today. If this is your first visit at Trinity, please take a moment to complete the Visitor Card found in front of you in the pew. Then, place the card in the Offering Plate as you exit church today.

*Members, Returning Visitors and Active Guests –
We ask that you please fill out the Welcome Book found at the end of your pew.*

PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR – Flo and Richard Ball, Chuck Edsall, Pastor Charles Froehlich, Pat Gregory, Terry Ingmire, Jan Knickelbein, Paul Lass, Julie and Sam Locklear, Brenda Pendry, Viola Person, Bob and Carol Petrie, Pastor Timothy Utton, Linda Vernick, Marc Vernick and Sarah Von Moll.



On Saturday, June 3rd, Trinity Called Pastor Erik Sorenson to become our next Pastor. We are excited that Pastor Sorenson and his wife will be visiting Trinity before making their final decision concerning the Call. Please join us for a Meet and Greet on Wednesday evening, June 28th to casually meet them as they join us for dessert at 7:00 pm. The congregation is requested to help supply desserts. A sign-up sheet can be found in the Welcome Center. We pray for the Sorenson's safe travels, and we know everyone will make them feel welcome.

Ushers
Host/Hostess

Today's Worship Participants

*Doug Sulak and Scott Thieman
Anne Combes*

Ushers
Host/Hostess

Participants for Next Sunday

*Errol Jennings and Doug Sulak
LWML*

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 25, 2023

*The congregation sits quietly. Please be aware that some people use the time prior to the service for reflection and meditation in the sanctuary. You are encouraged to talk to God before the Service, let God talk to you in the Service, then talk to one another **after** the Service.*

Prelude

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

Tune: New Britain

Welcome and Announcements

Stand (as you are able)

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Sit

Sermon

The Autobiography of an Old Church Pew

Sermonette

Reading

Genesis 1:12

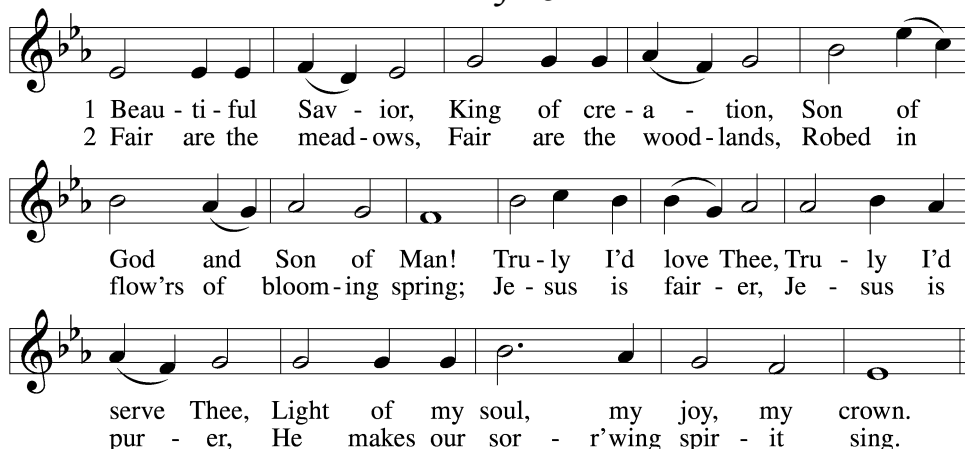
The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Beautiful Savior

LSB 537 vs. 1-2



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.

Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Joshua 22:5

Only be very careful to observe the commandment and the law that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways and to keep his commandments and to cling to him and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

May We Thy Precepts, Lord Fulfill

LSB 698 vs. 1



1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on
earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;
Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy
chil - dren and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.

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Sit
Sermonette

Reading

Psalm 16:11

You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

God Himself Is Present

LSB 907 vs. 1

1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him
And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His
tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in
deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne
Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!

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Sit
Sermonette

Reading

1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us.



Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

LSB 649 vs. 1-2



1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;

The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Genesis 2:23-25

Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.”

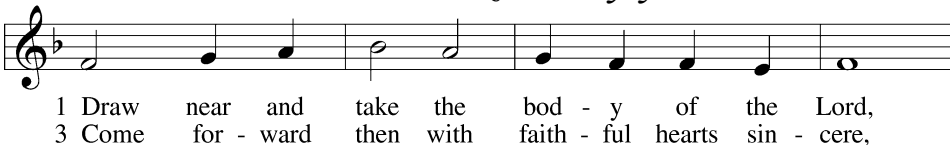
Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Stand (as you are able)

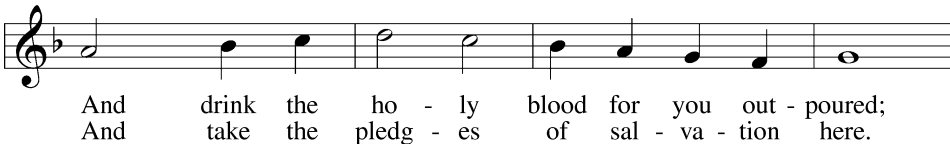
Hymn

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

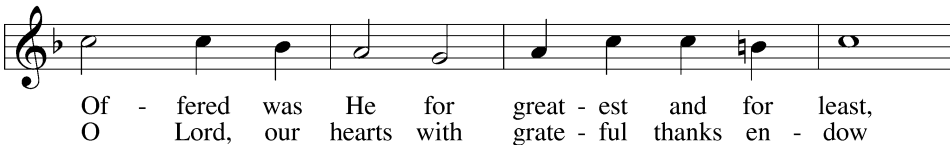
LSB 637 vs. 1, 3



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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Sit
Sermonette

Reading

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

LSB 592 vs. 1



1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com-
mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near
In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it
shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.

Sit
Sermonette

Reading

John 3:16

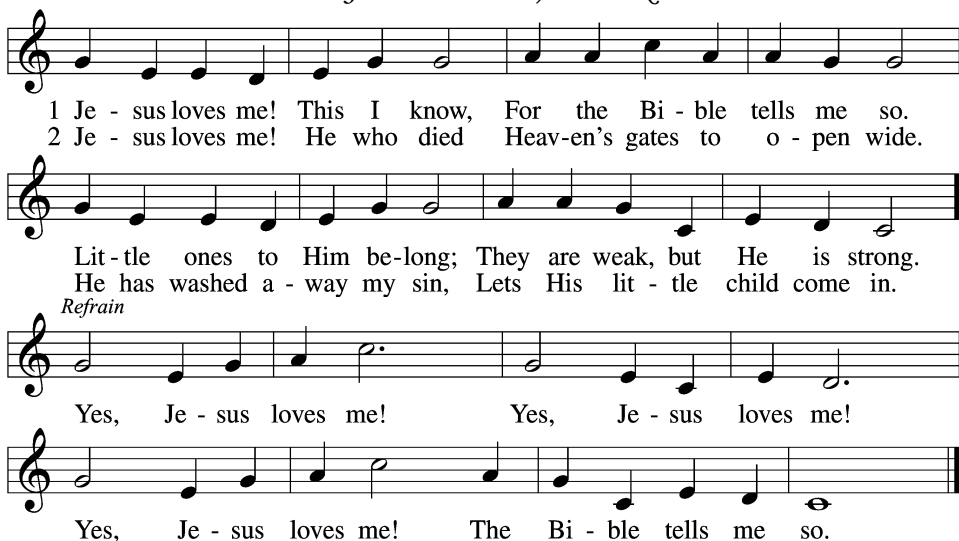
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

LSB 588



1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.
Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.
Refrain
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!
Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

Sit
Sermonette

Reading

1 Peter 3:15

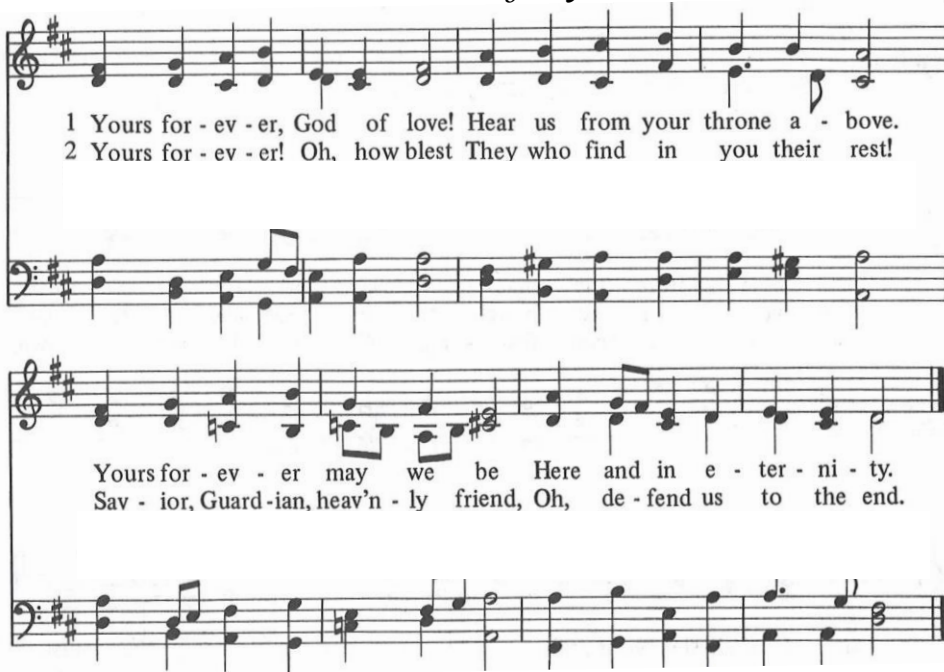
But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Yours Forever, God of Love

LW 256 vs. 1, 2



1 Yours for - ev - er, God of love! Hear us from your throne a - bove.
2 Yours for - ev - er! Oh, how blest They who find in you their rest!

Yours for - ev - er may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.
Sav - ior, Guard - ian, heav'n - ly friend, Oh, de - fend us to the end.

Sit
Sermonette

Reading

Philippians 4:6

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.



Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

LSB 770



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share?
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

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Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in your mercy...

C ...hear our prayer.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Sit
Sermonette

Reading

Romans 14:8

For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Be Still, My Soul

LSB 752 vs. 1, 4



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear pa - tient-
4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on When we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to or - der
be for - ev - er with the Lord, When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; In ev - 'ry change He faith - ful will re -
fear are gone, Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly Friend
stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Text: Catharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel, 1697–1752; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt.

Tune: Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957, adapt.

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Sit
Sermonette

Reading

Joel 2:13

Rend your hearts and not your garments.
Return to the LORD your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
and he relents over disaster.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

LSB 729 vs. 1, 6



1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
6 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus; Nev - er let me fall.



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
I am trust - ing Thee for - ev - er And for all.

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Take My Life and Let It Be

LSB 783 vs. 1, 4–5



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;
5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no long - er mine;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy roy - al throne.

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Luke 15:22-24

But the father said to his servants, “Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.” And they began to celebrate.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB 700 vs. 1-2



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Psalm 18:3

I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

call
upon him

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Abide with Me

LSB 878 vs. 1–2, 5



1 A - bidē with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bidē.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
Ills have no weight and tears no bit - ter - ness.



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?



Help of the help - less, O a - bidē with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bidē with me.
I tri - umph still if Thou a - bidē with me!

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

John 15:7

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

ASK,

IT WILL BE DONE FOR YOU

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Just as I Am, without One Plea

LSB 570 vs. 1, 4

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,
blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to
Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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Sit

Sermonette

Reading

Luke 18:13

But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!"

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Amazing Grace

LSB 744 vs. 1, 3

1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
now am found, Was blind but now I see!
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., Tune: Columbian Harmony, 1829, Cincinnati
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Sit
Sermonette

Reading

2 Corinthians 1:20

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

Stand (as you are able)

Hymn

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

LSB 917 vs. 1, 4



1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise
4 Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,
With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;
Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,
Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.
Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

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Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
C Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

- P** Go in peace and serve the LORD.
C Thanks be to God.

Following the service, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Postlude

I Love You, Lord

arr. by Mark Hayes

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, June 25th

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Adult Bible Class

9:00 am

Special Worship Service

10:00 am

Thursday, June 29th

Ladies Bible Study

11:30 am

Sunday, July 2nd

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Communion Worship Service

10:00 am

Scriptures for July 2nd

Jeremiah 28:5-9 ~ Romans 7:1-13 ~ Matthew 10:34-42

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class will NOT meet in July and August.

***PORTALS OF PRAYER* for July - September are now available.** You may pick one up from the Narthex as you exit this morning.

Vacation Bible Picnics - In lieu of Sunday School and Adult Bible Class this summer, Christian Growth will be hosting two picnics with a Noah's Ark themed mini-Vacation Bible School in order to continue our growth and fellowship as a congregation. One will be on July 23rd and the second on August 20th, immediately after worship service. These events are for all ages and lunch will be provided by Special Ministries. Everyone is encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets to enjoy the weather on the front lawn. Sign-up sheets for attendees and volunteers are on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center to ensure we have enough food and supplies. Please sign up for July 23rd no later than July 16th.

Sunday, June 18, 2023
Worship Attendance – 72
General Offerings - \$3,600.00



The Board of Stewardship continues in its campaign for the building improvement fund raiser – **MOVING TRINITY FORWARD**. You should have received a letter and pledge form in the mail from the Board of Stewardship. As we embark on our 104th year and beyond, we are asking that you prayerfully consider joining us in making a meaningful pledge, *in addition to your regular tithes and offerings*. This fund will support renovations of our heating and cooling systems, updates to the building (safety and security), improvements to our roof, and wiring upgrades throughout the building. This is a time-bound campaign, with a spiritual commitment to an amount for each year from 2023 to 2027. Please fill out and return the pledge form to commit to your gift by July 15, 2023. Your envelope/pledge form can be placed in the offering plate or returned to Trinity by mail. Thank you for your prayerful consideration as we continue the “Moving Trinity Forward” Campaign to help Trinity “move forward” as we proclaim the Word of God!