Sunday, August 24, 2025 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am: Hope Lutheran Church 1801 62nd Avenue N

11am: Trinity Lutheran Church (Livestream)

401 5th Street N





₩ELCOME



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the

→ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Baptized into the love of God, let us confess our sin.

We take time to reflect on our actions and choices.

Merciful God,

you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us to 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.

but we grow weary in doing what is right In your mercy, forgive us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

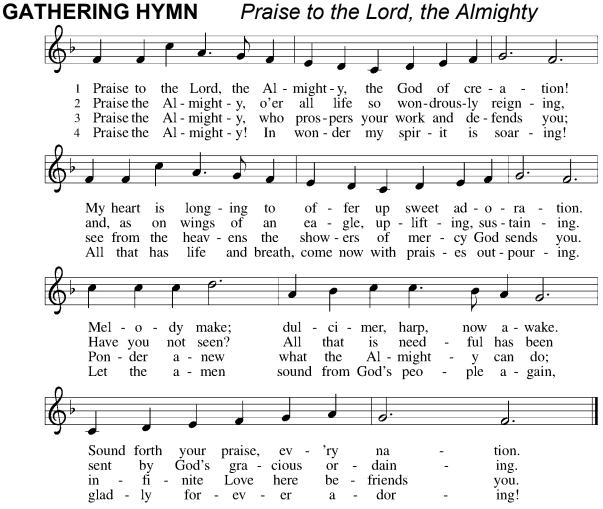
You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.









Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. composite

Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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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

"Kyrie eleison," Greek for "Lord have mercy," is one of the most ancient prayers of the Christian Church. Lutherans use it in a prayer that our time of worship will be blessed by God's presence.







PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, we are fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, by ourselves we cannot stand. Give us strength of body and spirit, so that, even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



GETTING BACK TO BASICS



FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.





PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8

The refrain will be played through once as introduction, and will then be sung by the congregation; the congregation will then repeat the refrain at the end of each set of verses, as indicated by "R"



- ¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name. R
- ² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits— ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's. R
- ⁶O Lord, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.
- ⁸ Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. R



SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷ This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and sing twice:



GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding "sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.

The good news of God's love according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

A brief period for silent meditation will follow at the conclusion of the sermon.





Text: Thomas Moore, 1779–1852, sts. 1–2; Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872, st. 3 Music: CONSOLATOR, Samuel Webbe Sr., 1740–1816

THE 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.

A PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Because God is near to us, let us pray for the church, for creation, and all people in need.

After each petition:

Hear us, O God; your mercy is great.

At the conclusion of the prayers:

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion. **Amen.**

in THE SHARING OF PEACE

Instead of putting a donation in the offering plate during the next hymn, you can use the appropriate QR code to make a contribution on the church website; or you can mail an offering to the church.





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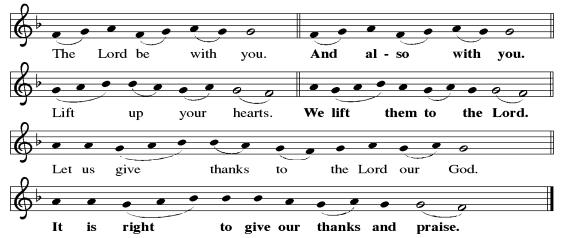
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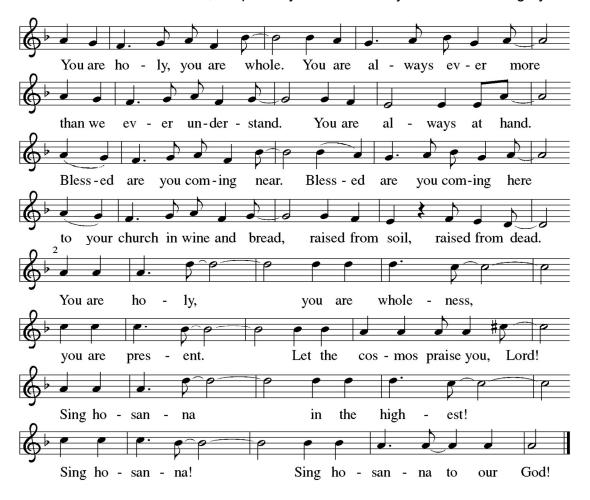
Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

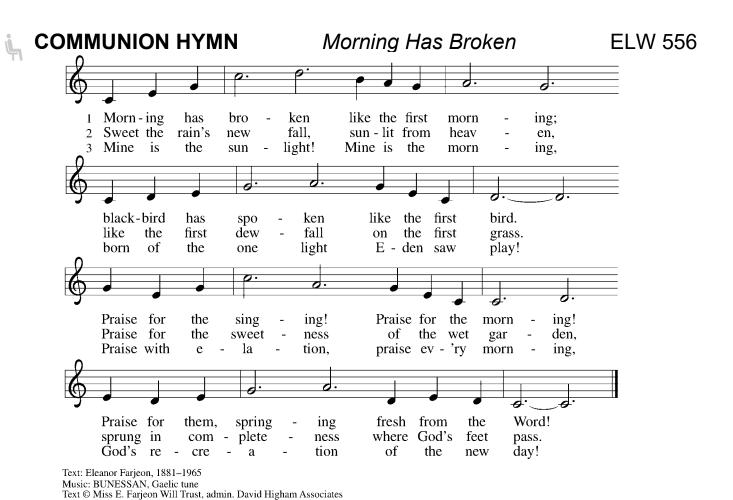
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. **So let us eat and rejoice.**

LAMB OF GOD







PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

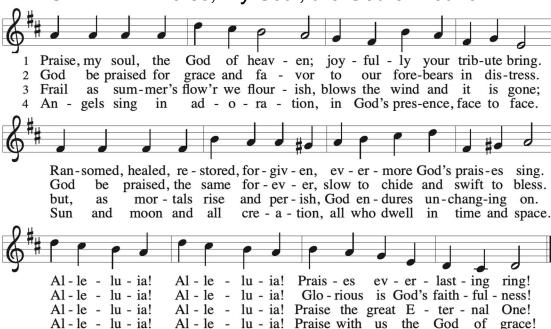
BLESSING

May the love of God abound in you; may the grace of our Savior fill your hearts; and may the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**





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Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847; alt. Walter R. Bouman, 1927–2005 Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

DISMISSAL

Go in peace; live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.





[Recording ends]



After the service, please stay for a time of refreshments and conversation

Thank you to those serving this month:

Service		Lectors	Communion Assistants	Altar Flower Sponsors
08/03	9:30	Combined service at Trinity Lutheran this week. No 9:30am service.		
	11:00	Gretchen Frederick	Lynne Tallon, Barb Macomb	The people of Hope – to the glory of God
08/10	9:30	Terri Craig	Betty Herzhauser	Linda Gascon – In memory of her parents
	11:00	Brenden Hall	Alan Due,	(open for sponsorship)
08/17	9:30	Gary Bartelt	Linda Gascon	The people of Hope – to the glory of God
	11:00	Teresa Zeoli	Paul Frakes, Ruth Kinsey	(open for sponsorship)
08/24	9:30	Rob Carter	Margarita Rodriguez	The people of Hope – to the glory of God
	11:00	Phil Rearick	Violet Prepost, Phil Rearick	Tom & Marty Snapp – In Honor of their anniversary
08/31	9:30	Lou Carter	Betty Herzhauser	(open for sponsorship)
	11:00	Ruth Kinsey	Lynne Tallon, Barb Macomb	Trinity Tabernacle Choir – in memory of Craig Mowrer

Birthdays this week:

08/27 - Barb Macomb

08/28 - Kim Forcino

Anniversaries this week:

08/24 - Marty & Tom Snapp



This Week's Calendar of Events:

Today (08/24)

11:00am - Baby Shower (CommUNITY Room)

12:45pm - Constitution Conversations (2nd Floor at TLC)

Monday (08/25)

4:00pm - Constitution Conversations (Library at Hope)

5:30pm - Trinity Council Meeting (2nd Floor at Trinity)

Tuesday (08/26)

7:00pm - Meadowlawn Assoc Meeting (CommUNITY)

Wednesday (08/27)

10:00am - WoH Bible Study (Library at Hope)

11:30am – Community Meal (3rd Floor at Trinity)

6:00pm - Faith 2 Life Series (CommUNITY Room)

Thursday (08/28)

6:00pm - Grace Family Bible Study (CommUNITY Rm)

Friday (08/29)

9:30am - TLC Pantry (1st Floor at Trinity)

9:30am - Dolores Food Pantry (CommUNITY Room)

8:00pm - Faith After Dark (CommUNITY Rm)

Saturday (08/30)

9:00am - Hope Chest (Thrift Store)

Other Items of Interest:

- Faith 2 Life: our Wednesday evening series, is currently exploring "How Jesus Became God."
- Calling All Knitters: We have a member who has been gifted several in-progress sweaters and is looking for people who might be interested in finishing them up! There may also be additional yarn available (unrelated to the in-progress sweaters). All interested parties, call Pat Shipley! (727-709-6256)
- **Food Pantry:** Our current focus for donations/ "in-gathering" is for anything required for our food pantries! The pantry at Trinity deals mostly with bagged lunches (ready-to-eat items). The pantry at Hope offers a wider array of grocery items for families suffering from food insecurity. Reach out to representatives from each for specific needs!

Prayer List:

For those ministering in our congregations:

Pastor Paul Gibson

Deacon Lynne Tallon

Music Director Ross Kimura

Music Director Brenden Hall

For those needing strength & healing:

Melody Cather

Mariorie Smetana

Petra Young

Jim & Edna Howell

Mike Lederhouse

Ana Rivera

Maureen Rogers

Bob Gascon

Elmer Goetz

Charlie Braitling

Brenda Braitling

Teri Fitzpatrick

Andrea Chambers

Eliza Walker

Paula Smith

Vickie Clark

Luke Mendenhall

Whitney & Greg Corrigan

For those suffering from cancer:

Frank Durilla

Rick Jackson Rev. Pam Smith

Jim Tallon

Rev. Ernest Knoche

Ron Oughton

Barbara

For those homebound:

Lorna Holder

Shirley Taylor

Betty Aker

Marion Cheslock

Judy Milanese

For those grieving the loss of a loved one:

Mary Regan – ex-husband, Paul Zalatel

Family & friends of Joanne Johnston

Family & friends of Liz Karshner

Family & friends of Craig Mowrer

Family & friends of Chan Ros

Family & friends of Barbara Johnson

Family & friends of Sheila Johnson

Prayer requests remain active for 3 months unless a shorter timeframe is requested. Please request a renewal if required after 3 months.