

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH Information

28 May - Last Day of Sunday School

CHOIR – The Trinity Choir will begin their Summer hours on Sunday, **June 4th**. At 10:45, you are invited to **JOIN IN!** No commitment! No robes! Just come and sing.

VBS - If your children are attending VBS this year (July 23rd – 27th), or you are interested in helping, please join us for a meeting in the Paul George room at 10:30 on **June 4th**. This year's theme will be Sports Camp.

Non-traditional service takes back the chapel! - After an overwhelming vote, the folks who attend our 930 non-traditional service have decided to move from the gym back to the chapel for worship. The first service back in the chapel will be on **June 25th**! If you would like to be on the transition team, please let Pr. Elise know! Being on the team will involve planning the layout, moving furniture around, hanging the screens and quilts as well as setting up equipment.

CUMBERLAND PLAYHOUSE – The OWLS are going to the Cumberland Playhouse to see *Bountiful* on **July 25th**! Tickets are \$29, payable to Harold Humphries, **due July 8th**. Everyone is invited! They will stop along the way for lunch, which is not included in the \$29 cost.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH – **Would you like to help me out?** Want to help the congregation know each other better? Please, consider completing the “Member of the Month” questionnaire, located in the Welcome Center/coffee area. It's not showing off to let people know more about you! Even if you have been member of the month in the past, feel free to send it in again. Completed sheets may be left in Laura's

mailbox. **DON'T** forget your name. **I need someone for July!**
Children are eligible!

ROMEO's (Retired Old Men Eating Out') - Trinity is organizing a men's group that will meet at various mom and pop restaurants around town and enjoy breakfast and fellowship at least once a month. Greg Keith will be organizing the group, so please see the signup sheet in the atrium or get with Greg for more information. The first breakfast will be sometime in May.

BMRG needs YOU! - Are you handy? Do you know someone who is handy? If so, we could use you! Our BMRG (Building and maintenance) crew needs helpers to keep our building up and running! Skills we could use include - general handy-person skills, carpentry, electrical, HVAC, plumbing, grounds, painting, etc. If you (or someone you know) is interested in helping, please contact Mark or Gloria Rawlston! You can reach them by calling the church office.

DEADLINES - Announcements are needed by Monday to be included in the bulletin for the following week. Bulletins must be proofread, saved into several forms, distributed to service volunteers, and added to the website. Last-minute announcements do not allow time for much of that to happen. Please send newsletter articles or ideas for the newsletter as soon as possible. The deadline is always the **Monday before the LAST Sunday** of each month.



Trinity Lutheran Church
Pentecost
May 28, 2023
9:30 Service

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

PRELUDE

Awaken My Faith

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Hear us O God,

all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of † Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

GOSPEL READING John 7:37-39

³⁷On the last day of the festival [of Booths], the great day, while Jesus was standing [in the temple], he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Elise Anderson

SERMON

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SERMON HYMN

Thy Word

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Passionate God, you sent your Spirit through the gifts of fire, wind, and word. As you equipped the disciples for their work, equip us to bring the good news to all those who long for you.

Restoring God, wind and flame bring life and destruction throughout the world. We pray for those who work with wind energy, for migratory birds, for protection for lands facing destructive fire, for forestry managers and firefighters. Renew the face of the earth.

Ever-present God, your spirit embraces all. Send your spirit of understanding to immigrants, refugees, and any experiencing language barriers. Bless the work of translators, ESL teachers, ambassadors, and international peace organizations. Safely guide those fleeing war and danger.

Merciful God, you anoint us with your spirit. Bless nurses, doctors, midwives, chaplains, counselors, and hospice workers as they care for those in need. We pray for all who seek your comfort. Especially, do we pray for... **Kate** Halverson & Ruth McCutcheon (Carol Wilburn), **Leon** & **Marlene** (Joyce Davis), **Marg** Petersen, **Chris** Battle (Sue Coulliette), **Ray** Marler (Jenkins family), **Barb** Bakkom, **Sherry** & **David** Leach, (DiStasio family), **Anthony** & **Parker** Johnson (Giesel family), **Nancy** Hancock & **Pat** Stonecipher (Joyce Davis), **Chris** (Sue Coulliette), **Roger** Buck & **Robert** Baser (Buck family), **Kristen** Esparza (Steve Jackson), **Jeff** Crim, Tommy Dixon (Dale Elmblade), **Linda** Draeger, **Paul** Giesel (David Giesel), **Doris** Harsman, **Sheila** Hilley, **Marlene** Hiltunen, **David** Hopkins (Fran Balsis), **June** Hoover (Fran Balsis)... and those we name before you now, both aloud and in our hearts...

Generous God, you impart a variety of gifts. Set aflame the desire to learn from one another, especially those who differ from us. Make your presence known through missionaries, peace workers, and through the outreach ministries of our synod and community.

Life-giving God, we give thanks for those who have died to new life in you. As we observe Memorial Day, we remember those who died in military service. Comfort all who mourn, and usher in a world where war is no more.

Affirming God, we give you thanks for David and all of our young adult members, youth and children. We thank you for the energy and fresh eyes they bring to our community. For their dedication to their faith and continued curiosity. Continue to walk alongside them and help us to be good stewards of their journey.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

God of surprises, your Spirit brooded over the waters at creation and lived among your chosen people in wilderness, exile, and promised land.

Your Spirit filled Mary's womb at the moment of Jesus' conception and came upon him like a dove at his baptism. When Christ died on the cross your power raised him from the tomb on the third day, and that same evening he breathed your forgiving grace on those who had deserted him.

On the day of Pentecost, you sent your Spirit upon the fearful disciples, filling them with fire, with power, with wonder and joy, and making them your church.

God of comfort and strength, we look to your Holy Spirit to be with us in sorrow and in contentment, in crisis and in abiding stillness.

Come among us now through the power of your Spirit, that we may be transformed into your image, and that these gifts of bread and wine may become for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

Who on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, gave it to his disciples saying, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins, do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

God of dreams and prophecy, send down upon us your gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and faith; of healing, discernment, and interpretation, that your church may be built up in the likeness of your Son.

Let anyone who is hungry find in you the bread of life, and anyone who is thirsty find in you rivers of living water.

Speak your word to all who are alone and in fear or despair and let each one of your children hear your voice in their own language, whether that language be art or science, work or play.

Sanctify your groaning creation, that your universe may breathe your breath and be filled with your life anew, that we may love what you love, and do what you would do, in the name of the Creator, the Savior, and Holy Spirit, ever one God. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: **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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION Spirit of Gentleness

COMMUNION BLESSING (remain seated)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

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BLESSING

The God of all, who raised Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

SENDING Shine, Jesus Shine

DISMISSAL Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.
Thanks be to God!