

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY IS RALLY DAY, August 14th! Make sure to stop by the NEW Youth Room and check it out.

POOL PARTY - Sondra & Gary Hart's House, Saturday, **August 20, 2022, 2:00** until ???. Come jump, slide, and float with your friends. Dinner will be provided. 7983 Rhodes Farm Way, Chattanooga, TN 37421 Cell: 423-902-2297

CHURCH PICNIC – Our annual church picnic will be held Sunday, **August 28th**, at Chester Frost Park. Traditional service at church is at 8:15 am. We will gather at Chester Frost for a 10:30 am service followed by our picnic. The service will include Holy Communion with music provided by our 9:30 service band. A sign-up sheet is in the welcome center to let us know how many to expect. We have our usual location, Shelter 4.

DOUGHNUTS– For many folks at Trinity donuts and Sundays go hand in hand. One of the ways you can help us in maintaining this tradition is to sign-up to sponsor our donuts for the week. There is a sign-up sheet by the donuts and the cost per week is \$35. Thank you in advance for helping us to fill the donut hole and keep the yum coming!

OFFERING – We often receive a cash offering in an unmarked envelope, but this confuses the counters. They sometimes count it twice, once with the plate cash and once with money received in the envelopes. Please, help us out. If you would like to go unnoticed, please just add this money to the offering plate with the other loose offering. If you would like for this to be included in your offering record, please write your name on the envelope. Thank you!

ATTENDANCE- Let us know you are here! Please, remember to complete your **attendance slip** each week. We only need your name, **no address**, unless you are visiting or have a change.

VENMO– Our username is **@trinitylutheran**. Thank you to our members who use this service. We hope it is useful to your family.



***Trinity Lutheran Church
10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2022
8:15 & 11:15 am***

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **People: Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Kneel or sit)

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN How Firm a Foundation ELW 771



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

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.

Italics: Cantor

Bold: Congregation

O God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit down from a - bove to set us a - fire through the
pow - er of your love. O God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit down from a - bove to
set us a - fire through the pow - er of your love. O God, we a - dore you, we
praise your ho - ly name, great King of the U - ni - verse, from age to age the same. O
God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit down from a - bove to set us a - fire through the
pow - er of your love. You gave your Son, Christ Je - sus, who died and rose a - gain, to
break the an - cient bonds of death, our sal - va - tion to win. He sits now at your right hand, en -
throned for - ev - er - more. Lord Je - sus, ev - er be with us and hear our hum - ble prayer. O
God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit down from a - bove to set us a - fire through the
pow - er of your love. O Ho - ly Spi - rit, Breath of God, our Com - for - ter and friend,
guard and guide us al - ways un - til our lives shall end; then lead us up to hea - ven and

teach us how to sing e - ter - nal hymns of love and praise to God our heav'n - ly
 King! O God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit down from a - bove to set us a -
 fire through the pow - er of your love. O God, send your Ho - ly Spi - rit
 down from a - bove to set us a - fire through the pow - er of your love!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

(sit)

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 82 (read responsively)

¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled,
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

²**"How long will you judge unjustly,
and show favor to the wicked?"**

³Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;

⁴**rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶**Now I say to you, 'You are gods,
and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,
and fall like any prince.'"

⁸**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 11:29--12:2

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. ³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *Let the Whole Creation Cry* vs 1, 2 **ELW 876**



1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
"Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter.

Glory to you O' Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.** *(sit)*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Elise Anderson

SERMON

Pastor Elise Anderson

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ is the Life

OBS 52



1 Christ is the life of all that is, God's pure cre - a - tive Word,
2 Christ is the death of all that is, a broad and beck - 'ning tomb,
3 Christ is the death of all that is, a bright, con - sum - ing fire,
4 Christ is the life of all that is, Be - gin - ning and the End;



whose pow'r be - yond and through all space the worlds to Be - ing stirred.
who wel - comes us from well - worn ways to dark-ness of the womb.
whose flames re - quire our pri - or self as kin-dling for the pyre.
cre - a - tive force, most peace - ful death, trans - form - ing burn - ing brand.



Christ is the life be - yond all time, cre - a - tion's birth and breath,
Christ is the death, the sink - ing down past all de - sire and fear,
Christ is the death of dust - y days of un - cre - a - tive strife,
Christ is the life, in whose wise love cre - a - tion lives and dies



whose la - bor brings all things to be and brings all things to death.
whose prom - ise in the gen - tle dark bids new - ness to ap - pear.
for out from fire we tread up - on the thresh - old of new life.
and thus for - ev - er - more shall bless the Source, the liv - ing Christ.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

AM: Arise, O God, and sustain your church. We pray for all who dedicate their lives to serving your people. Renew our commitment to our siblings in faith around the globe, and bless the work of our ecumenical and interfaith partners. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Arise, O God, and sustain your creation. We pray for all places affected by natural disasters especially those recovering from the floods in Kentucky and heat waves around the world. Transform the devastation of floods and fires into fertile ground for new life and growth. Fill heaven and earth with your life-giving Spirit. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Arise, O God, and sustain the nations. We pray for all elected officials. Kindle in them a desire to administer your justice. Strengthen their resolve to defend those who are vulnerable and to stand publicly against all forms of oppression. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Arise, O God, and sustain those who are oppressed. We pray for people harmed by racist discrimination, ableist discrimination, and all people discriminated against based on their gender identity or sexual orientation. Rescue us from all systems that degrade our fellow human beings. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Arise, O God, and sustain this assembly. We pray for this community, celebrating with those who rejoice and weeping with those who weep. Especially, do we lift up to You... **Beth** Painter, **Jean** Painter, **Mark** Crawley (Muncy family), **Laura & Klaus** Peucker, **Kirby** Iles, **Art** Ives & **Valerie** Marchman, **Kathy** Behling, **Frank & Sheila** Hilley, **Margaret** Jones, **Bobbie** House, **Warren** Henegar (Keith family), **Daniel & Faith** Huey (Anne Cain), **Brent** Taylor (James Craig), **Buck** Mayfield, **Shawn & Mark** (Marlene Hiltunen), **Lynn** Ayers (Cree Giesel), **Scott** Baily (Fran Balsis), **Alice** Barnett, **Colin** Bakse (Sondra Hart), **Bill** Balsis, **Susan** Bolinger (Ginny Minninger), **Amy** Bradshaw (Joyce Davis), **Gene & Laura** Cline... as well as those whom we name in our hearts or out loud before you now.... Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Arise, O God, and nourish the minds and hearts of our students both young and old. As we begin another school year be with all our teacher, students, administrators, volunteers, and parents. We also ask that you be with us as we learn more about you and your Word in our Sunday School classes this coming year. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we remember the saints especially those in our own community who we have recently lost. May we run with perseverance the race set before us until we find our rest in you. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER *(stand)*

AM: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

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, that we should at all times and 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo-ry, ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san- na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

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

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet. **Thanks be to God.**

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

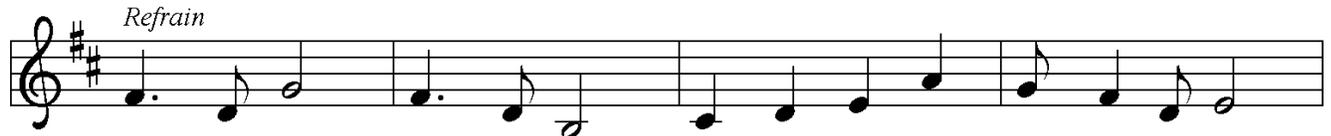


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

Eat This Bread

ELW 472



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - diant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Let us pray together. **Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

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BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you,
comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.
Amen

SENDING HYMN

Lead On, Eternal King

ELW 805



- 1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
- 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
- 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

DISMISSAL

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for
the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Go in peace,
Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**