Trinity Lutheran Church
12th Sunday after Pentecost
August 11, 2024
9:30 Contemporary Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

PRELUDE
Come, Now is the Time to Worship

CHORUS

Come, now is the time to worship

Come, now is the time to give your heart

Come, just as you are before your God.

VERSE 1

Come.

One day ev’ry tongue will confess You are God

One day ev’ry knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains

for those who gladly choose you now.
Come, now is the time to worship

Come, now is the time to give your heart

Come, just as you are before your God.

Willingly we chose to surrender our lives

Willingly our knees will bow. With all our heart, soul, mind

and strength, we gladly choose you now.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed is the God of mercy. Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

TEMPLE TALK

FIRST LESSON 1 Kings 19:4-8
4[Elijah] went a day’s journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: “It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” 5Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” 6He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. 7The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.” 8He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Psalm 34:1-8
1 I will bless the Lord at all times; 
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
2 I will glory in the Lord; 
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; 
let us exalt God’s name together.
4 I sought the Lord, who answered me 
and delivered me from all my terrors.
5 Look upon the Lord and be radiant, 
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me 
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear 
the Lord and delivers them.
8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; 
happy are they who take refuge in God!

SECOND LESSON  Ephesians 4:25-5:2
25 So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. 26 Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and do not make room for the devil. 28 Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. 29 Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. 31 Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, 32 and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. 5:1 Therefore be
imitators of God, as beloved children, \(^2\) and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**THE GOSPEL**

John 6:35, 41-51

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

35 Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

41 Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” 42 They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” 43 Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**
Children’s Sermon  
Pastor Diana Bottin  

THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS  

SERMON  
Pastor Diana Bottin  

SERMON HYMN  
Here I am, Lord  

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  I have heard my people cry.  

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  

I, who made the stars of night,  I will make their darkness bright.  

Who will bear my light to them?  Whom shall I send?  

REFRAIN  
Here I am, Lord.  Is it I, Lord?  I have heard you  
calling in the night.  I will go, Lord.  If you  
lead me.  I will hold Your people in my heart.
VERSE 2

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have heard my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them? Whom shall I send?

REFRAIN

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord. If you lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.
VERSE 3

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them? Whom shall I send?

REFRAIN

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord. If you lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**AM:** Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

**AM:** Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, *(and remembering Clare of San Damiano, who was known for her powerful prayer,)* root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices.

**AM:** We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas.

**AM:** Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies.

**AM:** Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries *(especially).* We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more.

**AM:** We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill, *especially Paul Giesel, Marcia Kling (Painter family), Gayla Choate (Painter family), MaryLou Felske (McGuire family), Dixie Haynes, Marlene Hancock, Pat Stonecipher, Pat Sodowski (Joyce Davis), Chris Hansen, Debbie Greiner (Muncy family), Steve Kroger (Haar family), James Hale (Iles family), Mary Ann McMurtry (Muncy family), Tacy Gorton, Mark Bresnahan*
(Luker family), Christie Morgan (Burhenn family), Andy Doss, Frieda Jennings, Scott Chatham (Steve Wixon), the Clements family (DiStasio family), Kim Hencke, Jerry Ahlstrom, Suzanne Cyr (Minninger family), Cathy Muncy, Megan Muncy, Linda Draeger, Mary Schuldt (Crews family), Mary Conner Sparkman (More family), Lilan & Rebecca Barnikal (Moore family), Jennifer Marks (Tacy Gorton).

AM: We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places.

RECEPTION OF 2024-2025 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS
Herb Burhenn - Adult Education
Lyndsey Fugate - Pre K - Elementary School
Gary Hart - Pre K - Elementary School
Sondra Hart - Pre K - Elementary School
Tim Ortega - Middle and High School
Gloria Rawlston - Middle and High School
Amanda Rogers - Pre K - Elementary School & Youth Director
Kristin Vines - Confirmation

PASTOR: We lift up our teachers and our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.
Amen.

PEACE
AM: The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.
HOLY COMMUNION
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, gave thanks, blessed it, 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, Jesus’ 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.

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
Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come and be filled.
Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION  Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

Let us go now to the banquet, to the feast of the universe. The table’s set and a place is waiting; come, ev’ry one, with your gifts to share.

VERSE 1
I will rise in the early morning; the community’s waiting for me. With a spring in my step I’m walking with my friends and my family.
Let us go now to the banquet, to the feast of the universe. The table’s set and a place is waiting; come, ev’ry one, with your gifts to share.

God invites all the poor and hungry to the banquet of justice and good where the harvest will not be hoarded so that no one will lack for food.
Let us go now to the banquet, to the
feast of the universe. The table’s set and a place is waiting; come, every one, with your gifts to share.

May we build such a place among us where all people are equal in love. God has called us to work together and to share every thing we have.
POST COMMUNION PRAYER  (please stand)

*Let us all pray together*

Jesus, bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. AMEN.

COUNCIL REP: SENDING/GOD SPEED FOR PASTOR BOTTIN

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
Amen.
SENDING     All the People Said Amen

VERSE 1

You are not alone.

If you are lonely. When you feel afraid, you’re not the only.

We are all the same, in need of mercy, to be forgiven and be free. It’s all you got to lean on but thank God it’s all you need.

CHORUS

And all the people said A-men. Whoa. and all the people said A-

-men. Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.

And all the people said A-men.
If you’re rich or poor, well it don’t matter. Weak or strong, you know love is what we’re after. We’re all broken, but we’re all in this to gether.

God knows we stumble and fall, and

He so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all.

And all the people said A-men. Whoa. and all the people said A-

men. Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.

And all the people said A-men.
Bless-ed are the poor in spir-it who are torn a-part. Bless-ed are the perse-cu-ted and the pure in heart. Bless-ed are the people hungry for an-
other start. For theirs is the king-dom, the king-dom of God

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-men. Give thanks to the Lord, for His love nev-er ends.

And all the peo-ple said A-men.
AM: Please join me in the 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!