

*THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST*

# TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH | Saline, Michigan

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

October 15/18, 2020

**THANK YOU** for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our guests sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways.

**THANK OFFERING:** Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

**RESTROOMS** are located at the back of the upper level (the annex), and in the basement (down the back stairs of the sanctuary or annex). Handicap access is available, please ask an usher for assistance.

**YOUNG FAMILIES** – We are **GLAD YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHILDREN** to our worship service. Jesus said: *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."* We know that having little children in church can be a challenge, but **DO NOT WORRY** about it. Many of your fellow worshippers have been in your shoes and are just happy you brought your children with you. For your convenience, we have reserved the back rows of seating for parents with small children. These areas provide more flexibility for your family, as well as, easy access to move downstairs if necessary. A closed-circuit TV system allows families to continue participating in the service while downstairs. **Children's bulletins** are available for their enjoyment. Ask an usher for one to use during the service and please return the toddler bag afterwards.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION:

In His Word, God makes it clear that the Lord's Supper is to be shared by people of a common proclamation of faith (1 Corinthians 11:26; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Without judging anyone's hearts, we invite those who share in our confession by their membership in our congregation or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) and who are properly prepared (1 Corinthians 11:27-29) to receive the Sacrament. Page 156 in the front of Christian Worship provides a guide for preparation.

Guests, we would love to have you join us in communion fellowship in the future, and for that to be possible, we ask that you speak with one of the pastors so that we may speak with you on how that would be possible. We thank you for respecting the way we celebrate the Lord's Supper in our congregations.

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN

CW #477

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## What Is the World to Me



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed  
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the  
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mon - ey  
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my



plea - sure When you, and you a - lone, Lord  
might - y, Yet nev - er once re - flects That  
of - fers, Yet nev - er is con - tent Though  
trea - sure, My life, my health, my wealth, My



Je - sus, are my trea - sure! You on - ly, dear - est  
they are frail and flight - y. But what I tru - ly  
gold should fill its cof - fers. I have a high - er  
friend, my love, my plea - sure, My joy, my crown, my



Lord, My soul's de - light shall be; You are my  
prize A - bove all things is he, My Je - sus,  
good; Con - tent with it I'll be; My Je - sus  
all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly. Once more then



peace, my rest. What is the world to me!  
he a - lone. What is the world to me!  
is my wealth— What is the world to me!  
I de - clare: What is the world to me!

**PLEASE STAND**

## INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**C: Lord, have mer - cy.**

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;

you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and

ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,

but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,

you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;

you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the

King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

*The minister says the Prayer of the Day.*



**PLEASE BE SEATED**

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## *The Word*

### FIRST LESSON

**ISAIAH 5:1-7**

Let me sing for my loved one a song about my loved one's vineyard.

My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile ridge.

<sup>2</sup>He dug it up and gathered the stones out of it.

He planted it with the best vines.

He built a tower in the middle of it.

He also cut a winepress into it.

He expected it to produce clusters of sweet grapes,  
but it produced only sour grapes.

<sup>3</sup>So now, you residents of Jerusalem and you men of Judah,  
judge between me and my vineyard.

<sup>4</sup>What more could have been done for my vineyard  
that I have not already done for it?

When I expected it to produce clusters of sweet grapes,  
why did it produce sour grapes?

<sup>5</sup>Now, let me tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will take away its hedge, and it will become a pasture.

I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled down.

<sup>6</sup>I will make it a wasteland.

It will not be pruned or hoed.

So briars and thorns will shoot up.  
 I will also command the clouds not to pour rain on it.  
<sup>7</sup>Yes, the vineyard of the LORD of Armies is the house of Israel,  
 and the men of Judah are the planting that was pleasing to him.  
 He expected justice, but instead there was oppression.  
 He expected righteousness, but there was an outcry.

**PSALM OF THE DAY**

***Psalm 118***

*Refrain*

This is the day the Lord has made, let us re-  
 joyce and be glad! This is the day the  
 Lord has made, let us re-joyce and be glad!

*Psalm tone* \*

***Refrain***  
 The LORD is my strength and my song;\*  
 he has become my salvation.  
 The LORD'S right hand is lifted high;\*  
 the LORD'S right hand has done mighty things!  
 I will not die but live,\*  
 and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

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### ***Refrain***

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;\*  
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;\*  
the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;\*  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### ***Refrain***

## **SECOND LESSON**

## ***PHILIPPIANS 3:12–21***

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus also took hold of me. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it yet, but there is one thing I do: Forgetting the things that are behind and straining toward the things that are ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal, for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Therefore, let all of us who are mature continue to think this way. And if you think differently about anything, God will reveal this to you too. <sup>16</sup>Only let us think the same thing and walk in line with what we already have attained.

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join together in imitating me and in paying attention to those who are walking according to the pattern we gave you. <sup>18</sup>To be sure, many walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. I told you about them often, and now I am saying it while weeping. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their appetite, and their glory is in their shame. They are thinking only about earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven. We are eagerly waiting for a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>By the power that enables him to subject all things to himself, he will transform our humble bodies to be like his glorious body.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**PLEASE STAND**

**GOSPEL**

**MATTHEW 21:33-43**

M: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 21, verses 33-43

<sup>33</sup>Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a tower. He leased it out to some tenant farmers and went away on a journey. <sup>34</sup>When the time approached to harvest the fruit, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. <sup>35</sup>The tenant farmers seized his servants. They beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. <sup>36</sup>Then the landowner sent even more servants than the first time. The tenant farmers treated them the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said. <sup>38</sup>But when the tenant farmers saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and

take his inheritance!' <sup>39</sup>They took him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>So when the landowner comes, what will he do to those tenant farmers?"

<sup>41</sup>They told him, "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end. Then he will lease out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him his fruit when it is due."

<sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?

<sup>43</sup>"That is why I tell you the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruit."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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I'm But a Stranger Here



1 I'm but a stran - ger here; Heav'n is my home.  
 2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home.  
 3 There at my Sav - ior's side— Heav'n is my home—  
 4 There - fore I mur - mur not; Heav'n is my home.



Earth is a des - ert drear; Heav'n is my home.  
 Short is my pil - grim - age; Heav'n is my home.  
 I shall be glo - ri - fied; Heav'n is my home.  
 What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home.



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand.  
 And time's wild, win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;  
 There are the good and blest, Those I love most and best,  
 And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand.



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land; Heav'n is my home.  
 I shall reach home at last; Heav'n is my home.  
 And there I, too, shall rest; Heav'n is my home.  
 Heav'n is my fa - ther - land; Heav'n is my home.

SERMON

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-21

“Home Is Where the Heart Is”

PLEASE STAND

## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*PLEASE BE SEATED*

## **OFFERTORY (AS ALTAR IS PREPARED FOR HOLY COMMUNION)**

*PLEASE STAND*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **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.**

# The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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Trinity Lutheran Church follows the historic Christian practice of *close communion*. We ask that only members of Trinity or one of our sister congregations partake of the sacrament. If you are not a member, please see the note about Holy Communion in the beginning of the Worship Folder.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat. This is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



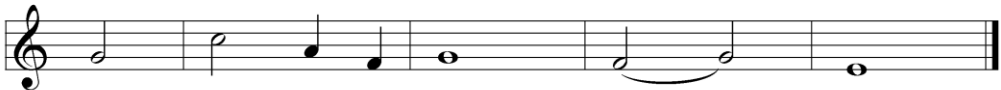
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

*PLEASE BE SEATED*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**CW #312**



# 312 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, you have pre - pared This feast for  
 2 Al - though you did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel  
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, you are not con - fined To an - y  
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious  
 5 Though rea - son can - not un - der - stand, Yet faith this



our sal - va - tion; It is your bod - y  
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in your pres - ence  
 hab - i - ta - tion, But you are pres - ent  
 Word be - liev - ing That your true bod - y  
 truth em - brac - es: Your bod - y, Lord, is



and your blood, And at your in - vi - ta - tion  
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,  
 ev - 'ry - where And with your con - gre - ga - tion.  
 and your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.  
 ev - 'ry - where At once in man - y plac - es.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to  
 And though your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry  
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by  
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, And there is  
 I leave to you how this can be; Your Word a -



you for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.  
 and your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,  
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.  
 naught you can - not do, For you, Lord, are al - might - y.  
 lone suf - fic - es me; I trust its truth un - fail - ing.

6 Lord, I believe what you have said;  
Help me when doubts assail me.  
Remember that I am but dust,  
And let my faith not fail me.  
Your supper in this vale of tears  
Refreshes me and stills my fears  
And is my priceless treasure.

7 Grant that we worthily receive  
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,  
And, truly grieving for our sins,  
May prove by our behavior  
That we are thankful for your grace  
And day by day may run our race,  
In holiness increasing.

8 For your consoling supper, Lord,  
Be praised throughout all ages!  
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place  
The world against it rages.  
Grant that this sacrament may be  
A blessed comfort unto me  
When living and when dying.

## THANKSGIVING

**PLEASE STAND**

### THANK THE LORD



**C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.**



**Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.**



**He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with**



**shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!**

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**CW #203**

# 203

# Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your Word; Curb those who  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, For you are  
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would seek to o - ver - throw your  
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend your Chris - ten - dom that  
 u - ni - ty on earth. Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And to de - stroy what he has done.  
 we May sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
 strife, And lead us out of death to life.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

- Liturgy ..... Pastor Smith
- Preacher ..... Pastor Smith
- Organist ..... Linda Smith
- Deacons ..... (Thursday) Dave Frey and Duane Mason  
 ..... (8:30) Dave Boswell and Ed Wheeler  
 ..... (11:00) Robert Niethammer and Brian Zahn
- Altar Guild ..... Sandy Kirkpatrick and Barb Neuburger
- Videographer ..... Jake Vershum

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