

# Trinity Lutheran Church

August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Tenth Sunday after  
**PENTECOST**  
Lectionary 18

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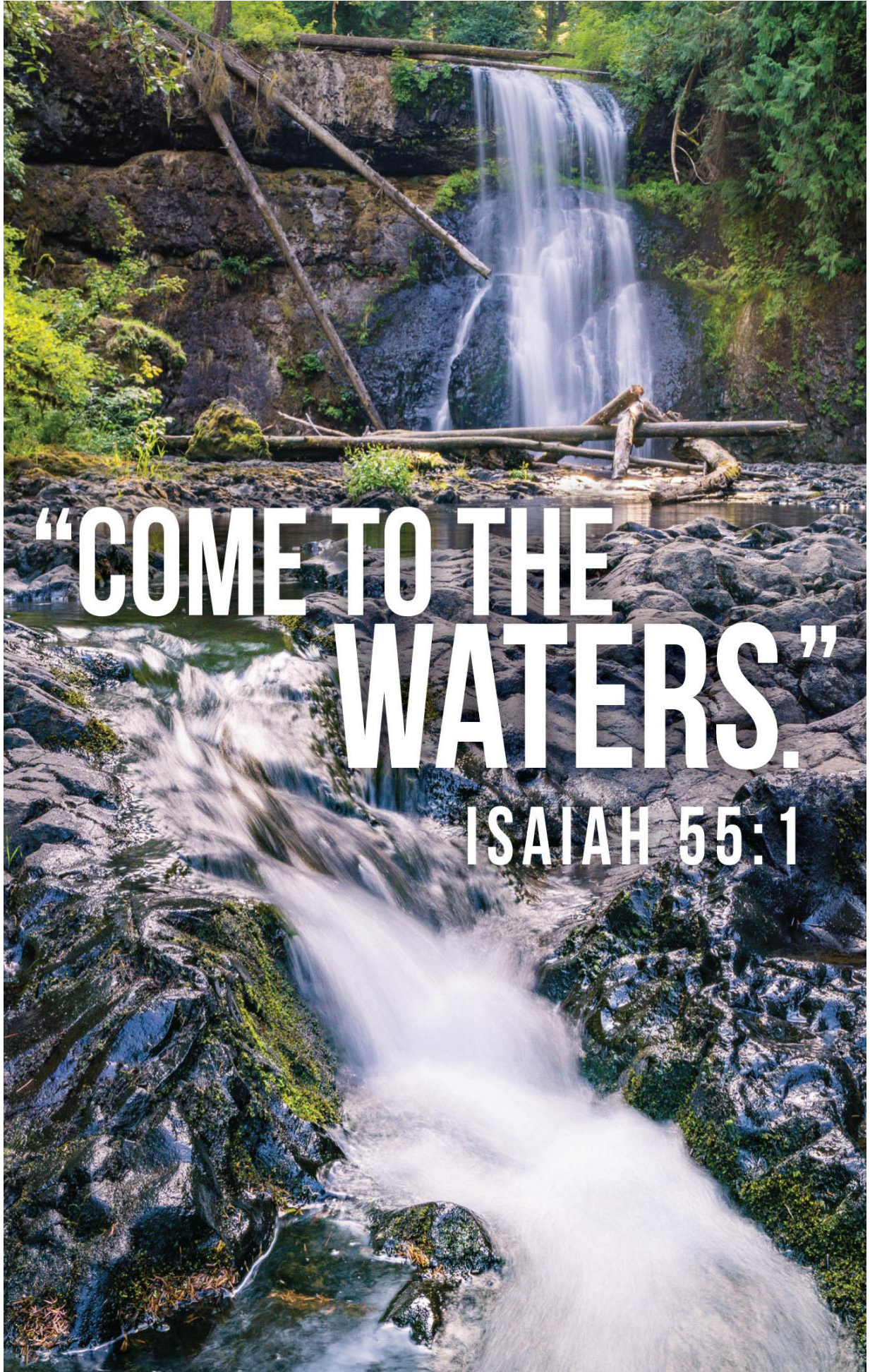
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**“COME TO THE  
WATERS.”**  
**ISAIAH 55:1**



# TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## HOLY COMMUNION ~ ELW SETTING 3 ~ LECTION 18

9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**EVERYONE SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG! HALLELUJAH!**



*All are welcome in this house of worship as we gather to share and give thanks for God's gifts of Word & Sacrament. Through faith God promises to all who believe to be present in and through the bread & cup as we gather in Jesus' name receiving the gifts of forgiveness, salvation and eternal life. Everyone is invited to fellowship and refreshments following our Sunday worship.*

### WORSHIP AIDS

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available from an usher ask the usher.

**ACTIVITY BAGS** for children are on a stand at the back of church; please return after services. Thank you.

**PREFERENCE** to receive grape juice is indicated by raising your index finger to the server.

**GLUTEN FREE** wafers are available. Simply tell the server you wish to receive *gluten free*.

## GATHERING

**WE PREPARE...***In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.*

### PRELUDE / PARISH NOTICES / BELL

#### 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: cleansed 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 Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

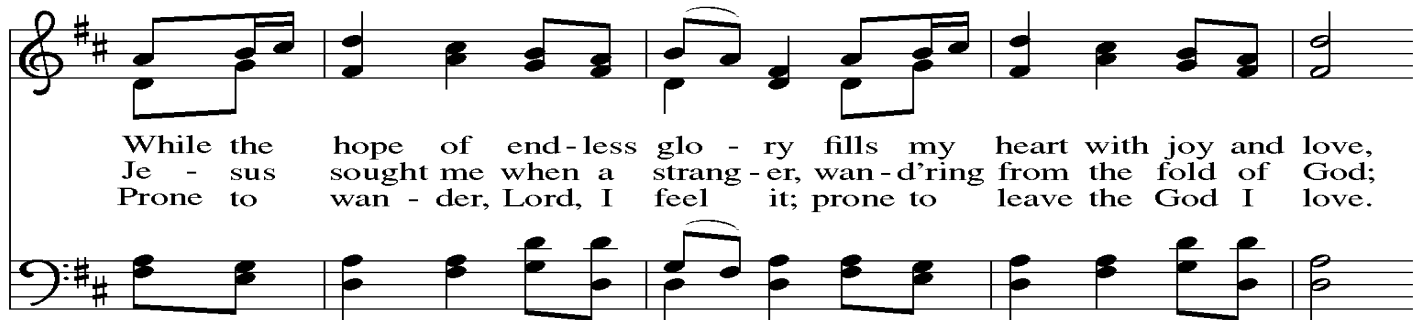
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith - er by thy help I've come";  
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

**GREETING**

God of hosts most gracious, God the Son who saves us, and God the Spirit placed upon us,  
 be with you all. **And also with you**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

# Children's Message



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## WORD

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### FIRST READING

Isaiah 55: 1-5

The first reading is in Isaiah chapter 55, verses 1 - 5.

*Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?*

*Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.*

*Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.*

*I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.*

*See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.*

*See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.*

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

### SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

The second reading is in Romans chapter 9, verses 1 - 5.

*I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit — I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.*

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**"

*Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.*

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Tim Mason

SONG OF THE DAY

*Break Now the Bread of Life*

ELW #515

1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you  
 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you  
 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly

broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page  
 blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,  
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live

I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.  
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!  
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

## THE APOSTLE'S 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 THE CHURCH** God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

**PEACE**

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

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## MEAL

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**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.**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave Himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## WORDS OF JESUS

### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### DISTRIBUTION

*(Please sign the Welcome Pads and pass to your neighbor.)*

### COMMUNION BLESSING

### PRAYER

Let us pray. Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*(The offering is brought forward by the ushers.)*

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



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## SENDING

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### BLESSING

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.**





1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things  
 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our  
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's  
 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -

liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the  
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work  
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -  
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will

or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.  
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.  
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.  
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

**BELL AND DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The Father, Son and Spirit sends us forth to serve. **Thanks be to God.**

**Our Thanks To All Who Serve The Body Of Christ**

SUNDAY		9:00 Worship
Accompanist	Mary Mulry	
Acolytes	Kelsey Ladd	
Readers	Mike Peterson	
Communion Assistant	Lee Johnson	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Chris Mangan	
Ushers	Keith Lendt, Dennis Mangan	
Altar Guild	Judy Johnson, Terry Newgord	

**Join us for the next "Breaking Bread Together" August 20th!  
 Sign up in the office for the Fellowship and Fun!**







Our Float in the Parade!

Trinity's Evangelism Board has started planning a community project, "God's Work Our Hands", entering a church vehicle in the Sleepy Eye Summerfest Grand Parade this August 19 from 6pm -8pm.

We are in need of:

- parents and students to walk close to the curb handing out candy
- We are ordering bulk candy.
- We will decorate the unit in the church parking lot prior to the parade.

We have 3 weeks left to make this a successful event!

A Thrivent Card has been approved to cover costs.

Please call Cindy Steffl with any questions at 507 227-0824.

**SUMMER COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HAS BEGUN.** There is a signup sheet by the ramp door for your convenience. Coffee will always be available even if there is an open Sunday. Thank you for serving.



With the delicious meals available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty, readymade dinner. Remember, you are the hands of Jesus in our world.

*Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!*

This summer the Board of Social Ministry would like to challenge our congregation to support Ivy House in New Ulm through donations both monetary and actual. Ivy House (formerly known as the Southern Minnesota Crisis Nursery) is a 24/7 crisis nursery which provides direct care to children aged 0-12 whose families are in crisis or a stressful situation. In addition to providing up to 72 hours of direct care they also connect families with community resources. You can learn more about Ivy House from their website: [ivyhousemn.org](http://ivyhousemn.org). Items needed by Ivy House include: Children's Activities: Play-Doh; Kinetic sand; Finger paints; Fidget toys. Personal Care: Pull-ups: Girls and boys (5T); Girls underwear sizes 10-12 or 14/16. House needs: Unscented laundry detergent; Clorox wipes, Dishwasher soap; Hand soap; Dish soap; Kleenex; Garbage bags. Office supplies: Postage stamps; Business size envelopes; Printer paper; HP 952XL toner - black and color. Other: Five point harness NEW car seats; New computer monitors. We will be collecting both monetary donations for Ivy House or individual items from this list. A basket will be placed in the narthex for your donations. We will be collecting donations through the end of August. Thank you in advance for your support.



***Remember...Our Food Shelf Box is in the back of the Sanctuary.  
The Good Work of this Church continues!***



**August 6, 2023**

Jesus has the power to help and to save.

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	Matthew 14:22-33	Jesus walks on water
Monday	Job 38:1-11	God halts the waves
Tuesday	Psalms 107:23-32	He stilled the storm
Wednesday	Matthew 8:23-27	Jesus stills the storm
Thursday	Genesis 7:11-8:5	Noah saved from the flood
Friday	2 Kings 6:1-6	An ax head floats
Saturday	Psalms 18:1-19	God saves from the waters
Sunday	Matthew 15:21-28	A woman's faith



Tenth Sunday of  
*Pentecost*

## **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

**But Jesus quickly spoke to them,  
“Have courage! It is I. Do not be afraid.”** Matthew 14:27 (NCV)

### **SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, please take hold of us when we are scared. Keep us from taking our eyes off you. Amen. (Matt. 14:29-31).

Mealtime Prayer:

You who walked upon the sea, come and join our meal, we plea. Thank you for your care this day; lead us, Jesus, in your way. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord Jesus take hold of you when you are scared. May he give you faith to trust in him. Amen.

### **CARING CONVERSATION**

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Share about a time when you found yourself out of your “comfort zone” or “sinking.” How did you feel?
- Matthew 14:29-30 tells us that Peter stepped out of a boat to walk on water, but he soon became scared because of the wind and waves. What are some “winds” or “waves” in your life at the moment?
- How does Jesus help us when we are in trouble? In what ways has he calmed the “winds” or “waves” of your life?

### **DEVOTIONS**

Peter was sinking, but Jesus reached out his hand and caught him (Matthew 14:31). In your home devotional times this week, share your fears or concerns with one another. After each person has shared, join hands with them and say these words: *“Take courage. Jesus is with you. Do not be afraid.”* Give your worries to Jesus in prayer.

### **SERVICE**

Romans 10:15 says, *“The feet of those who bring the Good News are beautiful.”* Do you know of a fellow Christian who is serving as a missionary overseas or in another part of your country? Find out their address and put together an “encouragement package” to send to them. Let them know that you are praying for them, and commit to doing so during your household prayer times over the coming weeks.

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Jesus came to the disciples in the middle of the night and calmed their fears. Bedtimes are special opportunities for household members to talk, listen, share and pray with one another. This week, make an effort to engage with one another around bedtime. Pray that Jesus will come and remain with you during the night, and calm any “storms” that those in your household may be experiencing. Recite together the words: *“I can lie down and sleep soundly because you, Lord, will keep me safe”* (Psalm 4:8).

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***Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotions***



## Trinity's Mission Statement

*We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.*

**TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN** Send an email to [secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org) or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

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**TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK CHECK IT OUT!!**

*"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"*

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on [www.sleepyeyeonline.com](http://www.sleepyeyeonline.com) watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You. *Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!*

### Last week at Trinity

Not Available



*Thrivent members are reminded to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.*

## This Week's Prayer Concerns

*Pray for the Church*...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

*Pray for our World*...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

*Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering*...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Diane, Cindy, Lauren, Sherry, Audrey, Kali, Jerry, Beth, Harold, Rodney, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Milo, Ed, Carlos, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

*Pray for the beloved*... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones.... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

*Pray for all families*...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

*Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home*...for **Brady Augustin** and his wife ...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

*Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)*...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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• JESUS FEEDS THE 5,000 •

AND ALL ATE AND WERE  
FILLED AND THEY TOOK  
UP WHAT WAS LEFT OVER  
OF THE BROKEN PIECES  
TWELVE BASKETS FULL.

MATTHEW 14:20

