

**Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

August 20th, 2023

**Twelfth Sunday
after
PENTECOST
Lectionary 20**

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"O woman,
GREAT IS YOUR FAITH!
Be it done
for you as you desire."

Matthew 15:28

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY COMMUNION ~ ELW SETTING 3 ~ LECTION 20

9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday, August 20th, 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 Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.*

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 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old - who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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.**



WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56: 6-8

The first reading is in Isaiah chapter 56, verses 6-8.

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant — these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

The second reading is in Romans chapter 11, verses 1-2a and 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:10-28

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 15th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**”

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.



The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Tim Mason

SONG OF THE DAY

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW #612

Refrain

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,
 give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain

peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
 still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
 ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
 way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

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.**

MEAL

THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

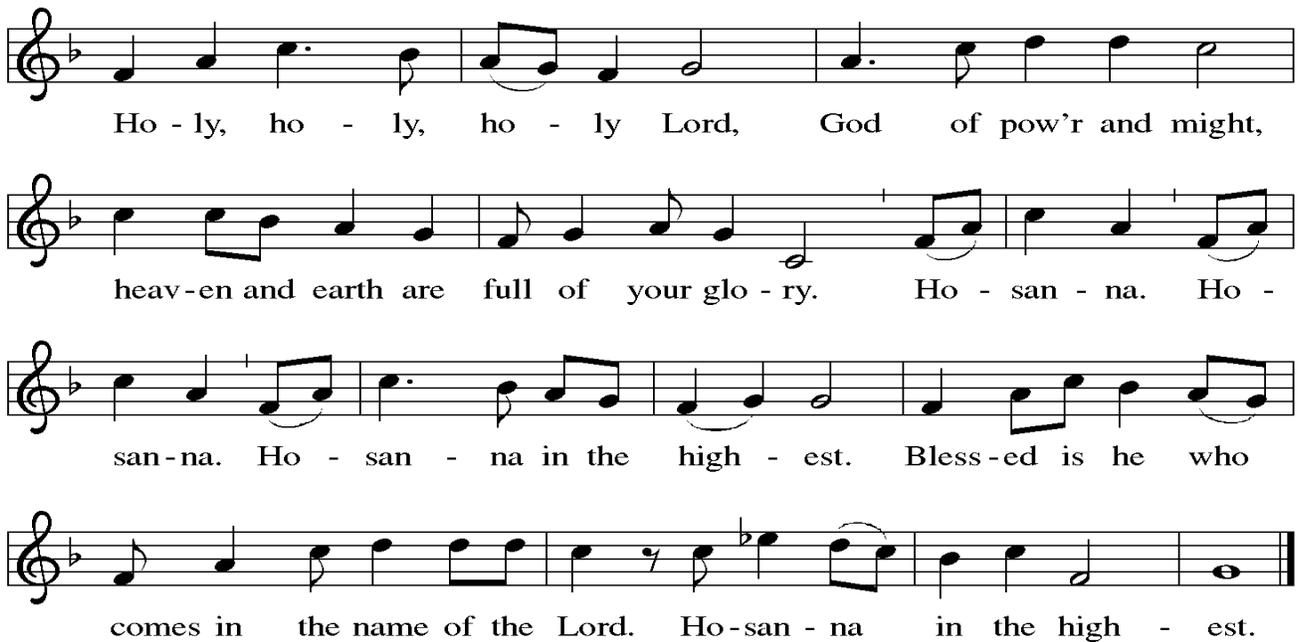
Lift up your hearts.

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:



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

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.**



SENDING

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.**



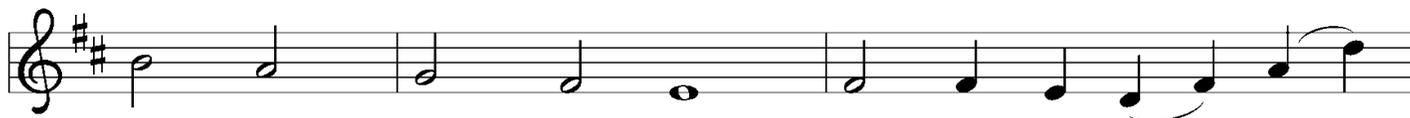
CLOSING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW#434



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

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	Michael Pool
Readers	Dave Vosbeck
Communion Assistant	Larry Baumgardt, Neil Neidt, and Dave Vosbeck
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen
Greeters	Chris Mangan
Ushers	Keith Lendt, Dennis Mangan
Altar Guild	Judy Johnson, Terry Newgord



We extend our Deepest Sympathies to Kellie Dunn and her family in the loss of her father, Rodney McNab. May God bless the memory of Rodney McNab.

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



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!

Parents of Trinity Sunday School students please respond the Remind invite that will be text to you for important Sunday school information for the upcoming 2023/2024 year.

Thank You Parents For All You Do!





Please sign up to help with this summer's deep cleaning of our church. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the back entrance. Make it a family project or join with another family to pick an area. Thank you for your help!

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. 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!***



**Senior Choir started Wednesday, August 23rd at 5:00 P.M.
All are welcome to practice
in celebration of the music to come!**

Call Mary at 507 227-9880 with any questions.

**Bell Choir starts Wednesday, September 6th
at 6:00 P.M.**

**All are welcome
to ring in the music to come!**

Call Rose at 507 276-0013 with any questions.



The LORD
bless you and
keep you.

Numbers 6:24





Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Coordinator

Trinity Lutheran Church

Sleepy Eye, MN

507 794-5051

Job Description

Trinity Lutheran Church is a welcoming church focused on evangelism and mission in the community of Sleepy Eye and beyond. As a welcoming and nurturing church, we are shaped by prayer, worship, scripture and the Holy Spirit, where everyone's gifts are valued, where people's spiritual needs are met, and God's love with the world is shared.

Position: Faith Formation Youth Ministry Coordinator (Part-time)

Summary of Position: Faith Formation Youth Ministry Coordinator oversees and directs Christian Education for the youth and children's ministries, and manages the development and growth of the Christian Education and Youth programs while building relationships with families and their children.

Supervision: Christian Education Board and Board of Young People's Work

Supported by: Senior Pastor(s), Personnel Committee other church staff and members of Trinity Lutheran Church

15 hours per week which are flexible to meet the needs of the church based on planned activities and evenings and weekends required as needed.

Compensation: \$16/hr

Further information and Application on our website www.trinitysleepyeye.org under About Us/Employment or in the Church office.



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 or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

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 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

Weekly Worship Attendance:	72
Weekly Giving: (5730.00 Needed)	\$3622.92
August Giving: (\$22,920.00 .Needed)	\$7790.49
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$137,601.92
Amount needed to meet Budget	\$189,080.00



Thrivent members are reminded to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1st 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, Sherry, Audrey, Kali, Jerry, Beth, Harold, Sarah, Kenny, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Milo, Ed, Carlos, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, 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.... Especially Bonnie Zarn in the loss of her husband, **Lannie Zarn** and Sarah Dunn in the loss of her father, **Rodney McNab**...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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