Trinity Lutheran Church

Sept.4th, 2022

13th Sunday after Pentecost

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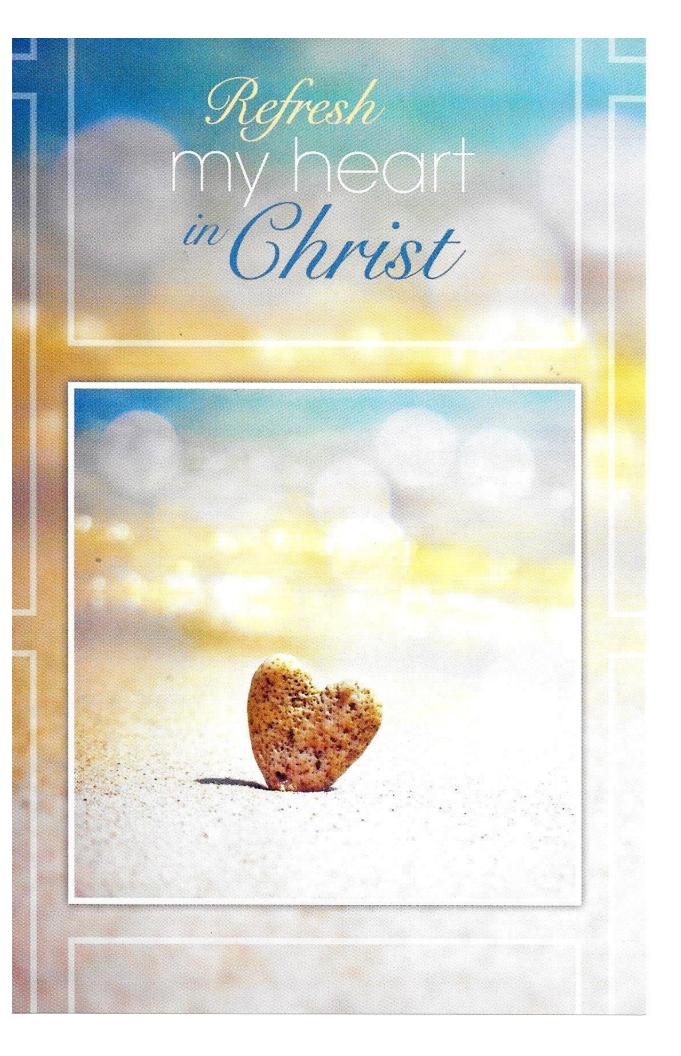
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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST ~ LECTION 23 HOLY COMMUNION ~ ELW 4

9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday, September 4th, 2022



THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL who enter this house of worship! We gather this Sunday to worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit reaching out with greetings of good cheer to all who are gathered.

If you are visiting, we hope you will join us again as your presence enhances our worship. Everyone is invited to join-in the fellowship and refreshments immediately following the Sunday morning service in the library.

WORSHIP AIDS

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from an usher.

ACTIVITY BAGS for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return after services. Thanks.

PLEASE SIGN the Friendship Pad as it is passed to you during the time of distribution.

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

I WISH CARDS are in your pews; please let us know your ideas to improve our Trinity home.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE... Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

PRELUDE / ANNOUNCEMENTS / BELL CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit + one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

Amen.

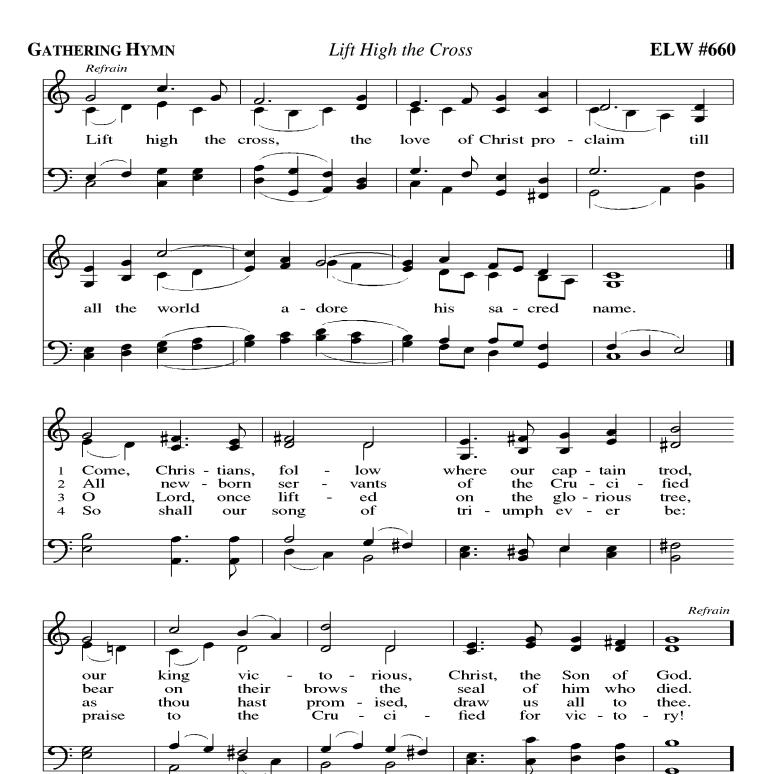
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal God our creator,

in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins. **Amen.**



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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



WORD

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 30:15-20

The first reading is in Deuteronomy chapter 30, verses 15-20.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philemon 1:1-21

The second reading is in Philemon chapter 1, verses 1-21.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

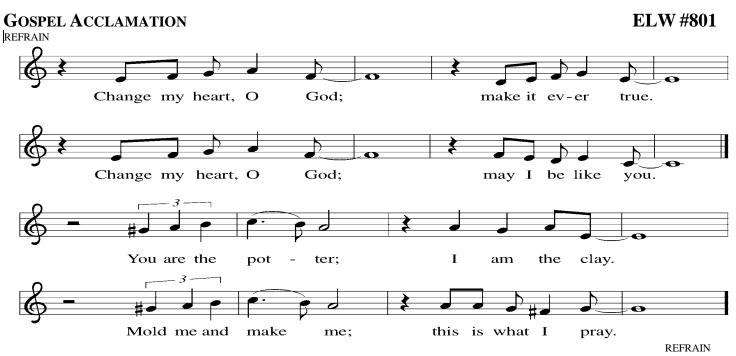
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love — and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother — especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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



GOSPEL Luke 14:25-33

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 14th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Now large crowds were traveling with him; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, ves, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.



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 INTERCESSION Merciful God, receive our prayer.

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

MEAL

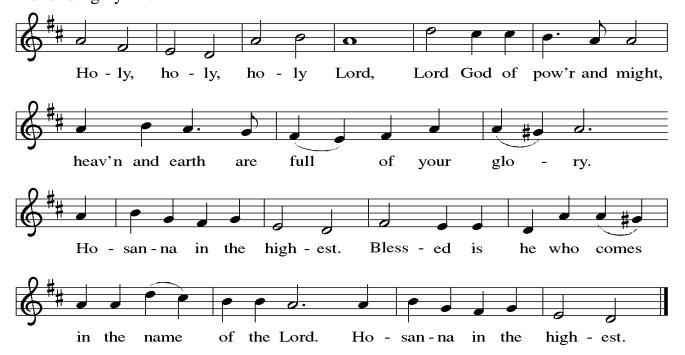
THANKSGIVING

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, who on overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened 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:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table.

Alleluia! Come to the feast.

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

Offering will be taken during Communion)

COMMUNION BLESSING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy. In your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

Amen.

(Ushers will bring the offering forward)

SENDING

BLESSING

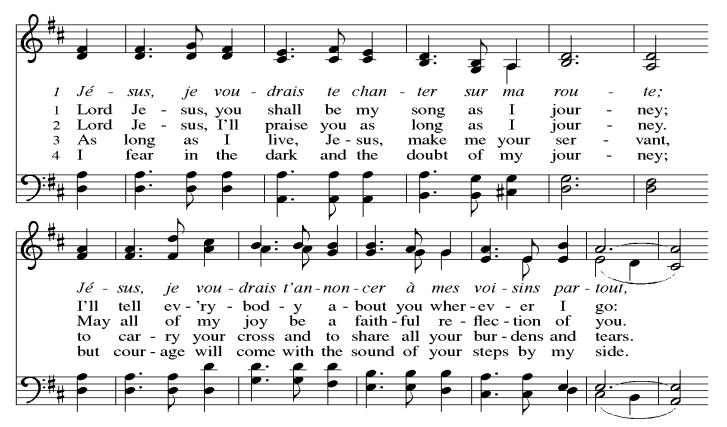
God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

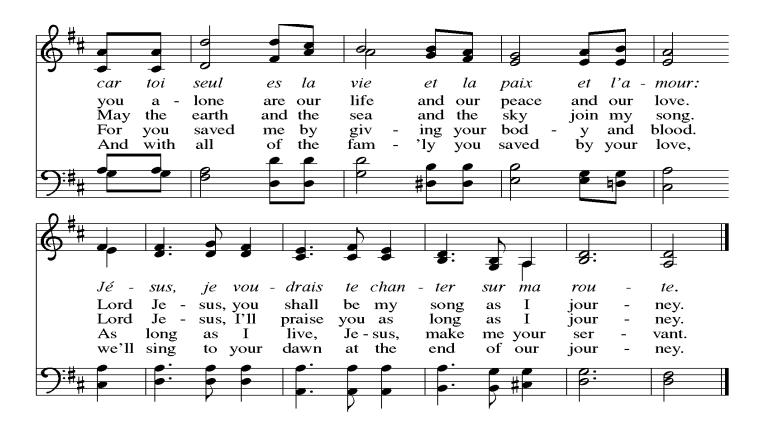
SENDING SONG

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

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BELL AND DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Father, Son and Holy 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	
Acolyte	Skylar Bohlin	
Reader	Sue Pedersen	
Holy Communion	Lee & Isaac Johnson, Sue Pedersen	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Jeff & Lynette Carlson	
Ushers	Doug Domeier, Keith Lendt	
Altar Guild	Sarah Lendt & Beth Klein	•



New Project: The Evangelism board is planning a fundraising project in September. We are hosting a Perennial plant/bush sale during the all city garage sale in our church parking lot. The sale dates are September 8, 9, & 10th. Times are, Thursday: 1pm- 4pm, Friday: 8am - 5pm, and Saturday: 8am - 12pm.

WE NEED: Potted Perennials you have thinned from your gardens labeled with it's name and a picture, preferably. Water generously after placing in the planter by September 5. Call Cindy Steffl at 507-227-0824 to pick up.



Rally Day and "God's Work Our Hands" will be September 11th! Please be there for fun and Fellowship!

Sign up in the Narthex for your favorite projects!

Board of Education~ Pack School Kits for Missions

Evangelism~ Help with Trinity's Parade on August 20th ~ Thank You!

Fellowship~ Sundae's on Sunday! Here on September 11th

Stewardship~ Tie Fleece Blankets for Missions

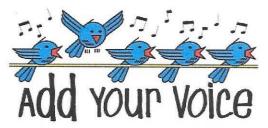
Church Properties~ Plant and Campus Cleanup

Lay Ministry~ Pack Blizzard Bags Social Ministries~ Pack Food Backpacks for Sleepy Eye kids at Mark Thomas Youth~ Visit residents of the Care Center

Welca~ Supply and Pack School Kits for Missions

"God's Work Our Hands" is our way of honoring our Lord and helping other people.
Together WE can all make a difference!

Please sign up today to help.



Trinity Choir is Wednesdays at 5 P.M. beginning
September 7th
All are welcome to practice
in celebration of the music to come!

Call Mary at 507 227-9880 with any questions.

Bell Choir is Wednesdays at 6 P.M. beginning
September 14th
All are welcome
to ring in the music to come!

Call Rose at 507 276-0013 with any questions.



September 4th, 2022

Faith changes us.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday Luke 14:25-33 The cost of being a disciple Monday Matthew 10:34-42 The cost of discipleship

Tuesday Philemon 1:1-21 Paul's request

Wednesday Acts 5:17-42 Suffering for Jesus' sake
Thursday Philippians 3:7-16 Sharing in Jesus' sufferings
Friday 1 Peter 4:12-19 Suffering as Christians
Saturday Psalm 101 Choosing God's law

Sunday Luke 15:1-10 The lost sheep and the lost coin



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

My friend, your love has made me happy and has greatly encouraged me. It has also cheered the hearts of God's people. Philemon 1:7

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, help us put you first in our lives and be a source of encouragement to others. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

For the food we share, for loved ones who care, and for days so fair, we thank you, God. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

Grace and peace to you from God the Creator and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (Philemon 1:3)

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your home or small group:

What is the best thing about being a follower of Jesus?

What is the most difficult thing?

In Philemon, the Apostle Paul gives thanks for the faith of Philemon and how he has been a loving servant of Christ. How would you like to be remembered as a follower of Jesus?

DEVOTIONS

In Luke 14:25-33, Jesus points out that there is a cost to discipleship. It puts following Jesus above family, friends, and even our own selves. These are challenging words from the one who comes to give us life and salvation. Jesus' words indicate that the goal of faith is a changed life. Write down a list of ways that following Jesus impacts your decisions and actions. Conclude by offering a prayer that seeks God's guidance and grace in all you say and do.

SERVICE

St. Paul gave his love, care, and support to a young man called Onesimus, whom he met in prison. Who in your community is experiencing hard times? Find ways to reach out to that person or persons with prayer and acts of loving service.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Congregations have mission statements that identify their purpose as a faith commu-nity. It is fitting for individuals and households also to have mission statements, believ-ing that the Christian faith makes a difference for our lives. Write out a mission state-ment and put it in a prominent place in your home. Recite it along with your mealtime prayer this next week. Refer to it regularly. An example would be, "I/We commit to love God and neighbor to the glory of God in Christ Jesus and for the sake of the needs of the world."

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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 <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message. TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> and let Darlene know you want your newsletter

TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK CHECK IT OUT!!

via email!

"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.

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	68
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$3241.97
August Giving:(\$23,360.00 Needed)	\$16,304.80
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$153,680.24
Budget Contributions needed	\$204,615.25
2022 Approved Budget	\$308,000.00

This Week's Prayer Concerns

<u>Pray for the Church</u>...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...

<u>Pray for our World</u>...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...

<u>Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...</u>that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to Dean, Jerry, Beth, Harold, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Cindy, Jerry, Emma, Ed, Carlos, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Tammy, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Ed, Kimora, and Mary Jo.

<u>Pray for the beloved...</u> 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....

<u>Pray for all families...</u> that the Holy Spirit would bring joy and spiritual growth to all who are separated from one another and each would be blessed with their safe return to us...

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...

<u>Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)</u>...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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