Trinity Lutheran Church

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Twentyfirst
Sunday
of Pentecost
Lection 29

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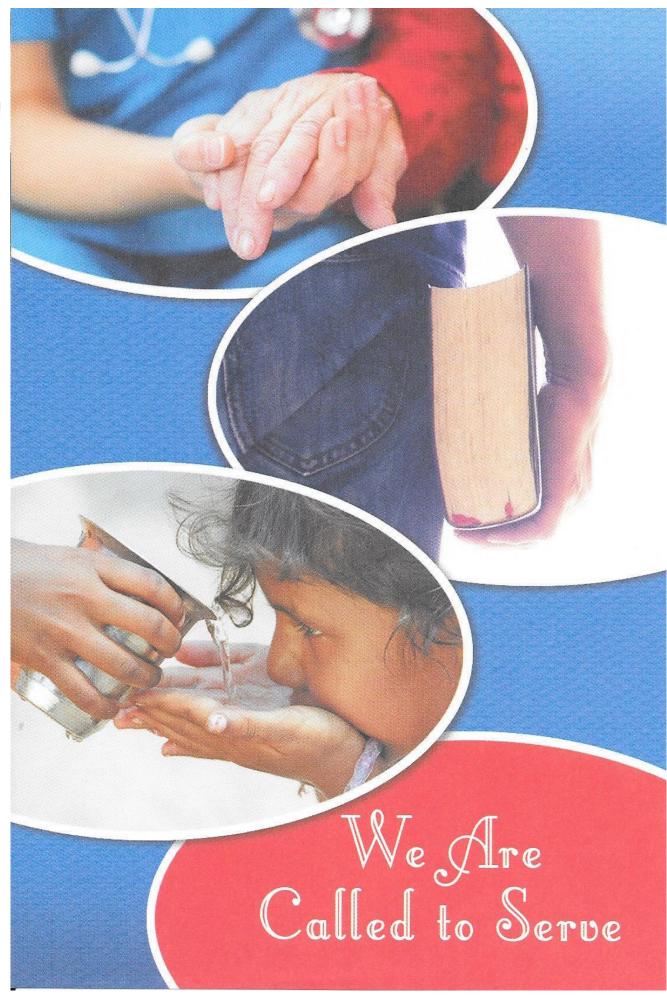
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TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY OF PENTECOST ~ LECTION 29 HOLY COMMUNION



9:00 AM OCTOBER 17TH, 2021

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL!

We pray, as we enter the presence of the Lord, He would send His Spirit to help us offer our prayer, praise and thanksgiving in our service of worship. If you are worshipping in person and unvaccinated, thanks for keeping your mask on over your nose and mouth all the time you are in the building. You help protect us all, especially our children.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE... Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

PRELUDE / BELL/ PARISH NOTICES

(Please stand if able)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of 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.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **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

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will. We worship today in a sanctuary decorated with quilts pieced together by members of our congregation from remnants and bits of discarded cloth. It is our purpose to dedicate these quilts to the use of a holy God who is always taking common and discarded things and using them for holy purposes. With joy and humility, therefore, we offer these quilts to our Creator and Redeemer, as an extension of ourselves and of the discipleship with which God has entrusted us. Let us pray.

Gracious Lord God:

Receive these quilts, the work of our hands, and go with them into the streets and homes where we cannot go. Shelter from sin and sickness those who wrap themselves in these, our gifts. Grant that your children, who find warmth in these quilts, may also know the comfort of your fatherly arms; and renew us in Christ-like compassion, through him in whom all who are weary and heavy laden can find rest. Amen. (You may be seated)



WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 53:4-12

The first reading is in Isaiah chapter 53, verses 4 - 12. This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ. And now the Reading.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases;

yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,

and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth;

like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future?

For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich,

although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors;

yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

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

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:1-10

The second reading is in Hebrews chapter 5, verses 1 - 10. Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation. And now the Reading.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

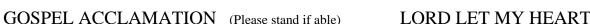
So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Thanks be to God. The Word of the Lord



LORD LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL



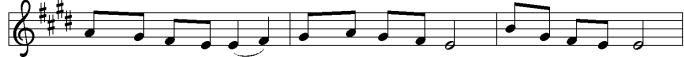
Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.



Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.



When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,



warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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



CREED (Please stand if able)

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. (You may be seated)

MEAL

OFFERING (Mary's Choice)

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OFFERING PRAYER

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUION

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. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Come, eat, drink, and live the life God has for you.



COMMUNION BLESSING

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THANKS

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

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.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Our Thanks To All Who Serve The Body Of Christ

SUNDAY	9:00 am Worship
Accompanist	Mary Mulry
Reader	Harold Pettis
Communion Assistant	Harold & Bonnie Pettis
Sound Tech	Russ Sorensen
Greeters	Diane Evers & Connie Johnson
Ushers	Larry & Sherry Baumgardt
Altar Guild	Terry Newgord & Nicole Stevermer



The WELCA women of Trinity have never stopped their work for missions and helping those in need these many months of Covid-19. Our ministry of work has sent out quilts, baby care kits, school kits, newborn kits, health kits, and bandages with the wonderful help of the Mark Thomas Company defraying shipping costs. The quilts on the Communion Rail are a small token of the 100 quilts that have been sent out this year. May God bless their servant hands as they continue Your work.

Dear Quilt Committee,

I wanted to thank you for taking the time to make my quilt. I appreciate it greatly as it probably took a lot of time to make. I will get a lot of use out of it as I will bring it to college with me.

Morgan

To our Church family and friends,

Words cannot express how thankful we are for your cards, calls, and concern during our recent illness. Thanks to Pastor Tim and you all for the prayers. The power of prayer is awesome. We could feel it and are grateful for you all. Also thanks for the food that was brought in. Blessings to you all and again, thanks.

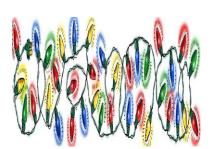
Jerry & Linda Schueler





WREATHS for sale! Please consider buying your greenery from Trinity's Youth Group this Christmas season. Youth will be selling wreaths and other greens following Worship on October Sundays in the Narthex. We hope you will support them!

Holiday Lights in Motion is looking for volunteers to help set up the park for the upcoming season. We need volunteers Saturdays and Sundays 10am-4pm, starting October 16th through November 21st. We are also looking for volunteers to provide rolls or a lunch meal for our set up crews. Please visit <u>signupgenius.com</u> / Sleepy Eye Holiday Lights in Motion or contact Crystal at 507-227-4017 to sign up. Service hours are available for students and times are flexible!





For an hour each Wednesday morning, beginning at 9:00 a.m., our church hosts a women's Bible study. We meet in the library, and participants are welcome to bring their own coffee or beverage. There is a time to connect socially, learn about our role as women of faith, and pray together. Lesson materials are provided.

Finally, in following the advice of our health professionals and out of care and concern for our neighbors, masks are perfectly acceptable (and required for those not yet vaccinated). We space ourselves out around several library tables for even greater precaution. Finally, a Zoom link will be sent for those who wish to listen or participate from afar. Let the church office know if you would like to receive that link to the weekly meeting. All are welcome!

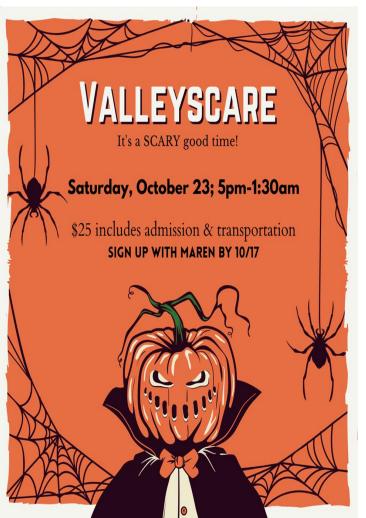
Thrivent members are invited to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1^{st} of the year.



Please consider naming Trinity for your Choice Funds. Call 800-847-4836 and have your ID Number available



Brown County Public Health will be hosting multiple opportunities for vaccination to the 12+ population. Vaccine clinic dates and announcements will be posted on the Brown County Public Health Facebook page, in newspapers, announced on the radio, or please call 507-233-6820 to inquire about vaccine clinic dates and times.





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October 17, 2021

Jesus gives us an example of service.

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 Mark 10:35-45 The Son of Man came to serve Monday Jeremiah 31:7-9 The Lord will ransom Jacob Tuesday Luke 22:24-27 The service of Christ Galatians 5:13-14 Wednesday Serve one another in love Thursday 1 Peter 4:7-11 Use your gifts to serve others Friday 1 Timothy 1:15-17 Christ has ransomed us Saturday Psalm 55:16-18 The Lord ransoms me Mark 10:46-52 Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus Sunday



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, thank you for serving us. Teach us how to serve others from the heart. Amen. (Mark 10:42-45) Mealtime Prayer:

Lord, you fill each cup, you fill each plate. Help us your love to imitate. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May you know the love of Jesus, your Savior. May you grow in serving others, reflecting the heart of Christ. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Share about a time when you felt important.
- Who is considered important in your town or city? Why?
- What makes someone great in God's kingdom? (Read Mark 10:43-44).
- How did Jesus make himself the "slave of all?" In what ways can we follow his example?

DEVOTIONS

Jesus told his disciples that following him would involve suffering (Mark 10:39). In your household devotion times this week, pray for Christians who are being persecuted for their faith. Visit the website, www.persecution.org, to read about specific people and situations in need of prayer.

SERVICE

There are many in our churches and communities who serve God and others humbly and faithfully without much recognition. Identify one person you would like to honor. Send them a thank you card or prepare a small gift for them in recognition of their efforts.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Introduce into your home life the practice of recognizing ways in which household members have served Christ through their words or actions, however large or small. This could take the form of a weekly or monthly gathering where "Servant of Christ" certificates are handed out to each household member, noting ways in which God has used them to show his love to others.

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In addition to Taking Faith Home, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotion



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 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 Giving: \$5274.16 October Giving: \$10,192.16 Yearly Contributions to Date \$189,472.46 We are \$54,161.80 below budget. Your help is needed.

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 Beth, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Abby, Emma, Ed, Story, Tina, Tammy, Robyn, Beth, Carmen, Julia Ann, Nathan, Steven, Tammy, John, Sandy, Tony, Ted, Connor, Sue, 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 compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

<u>Pray for those preparing for marriage and those newly</u> <u>married</u>...that God would be glorified in their union, filling every couple with the light and truth of God's grace and power throughout their lives ...

Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home...for Brady Augustin and his wife (Donna Augustin's son stationed in Italy)...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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I am giving permission for free use of any of my hymns to churches during the pandemic, knowing that many churches are struggling right now with their budgets. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette "To sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for

Whom thas been prepared."

Mark 10:40