

**Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

**July 27th,
2025**

**Seventh
Sunday
after
Pentecost**

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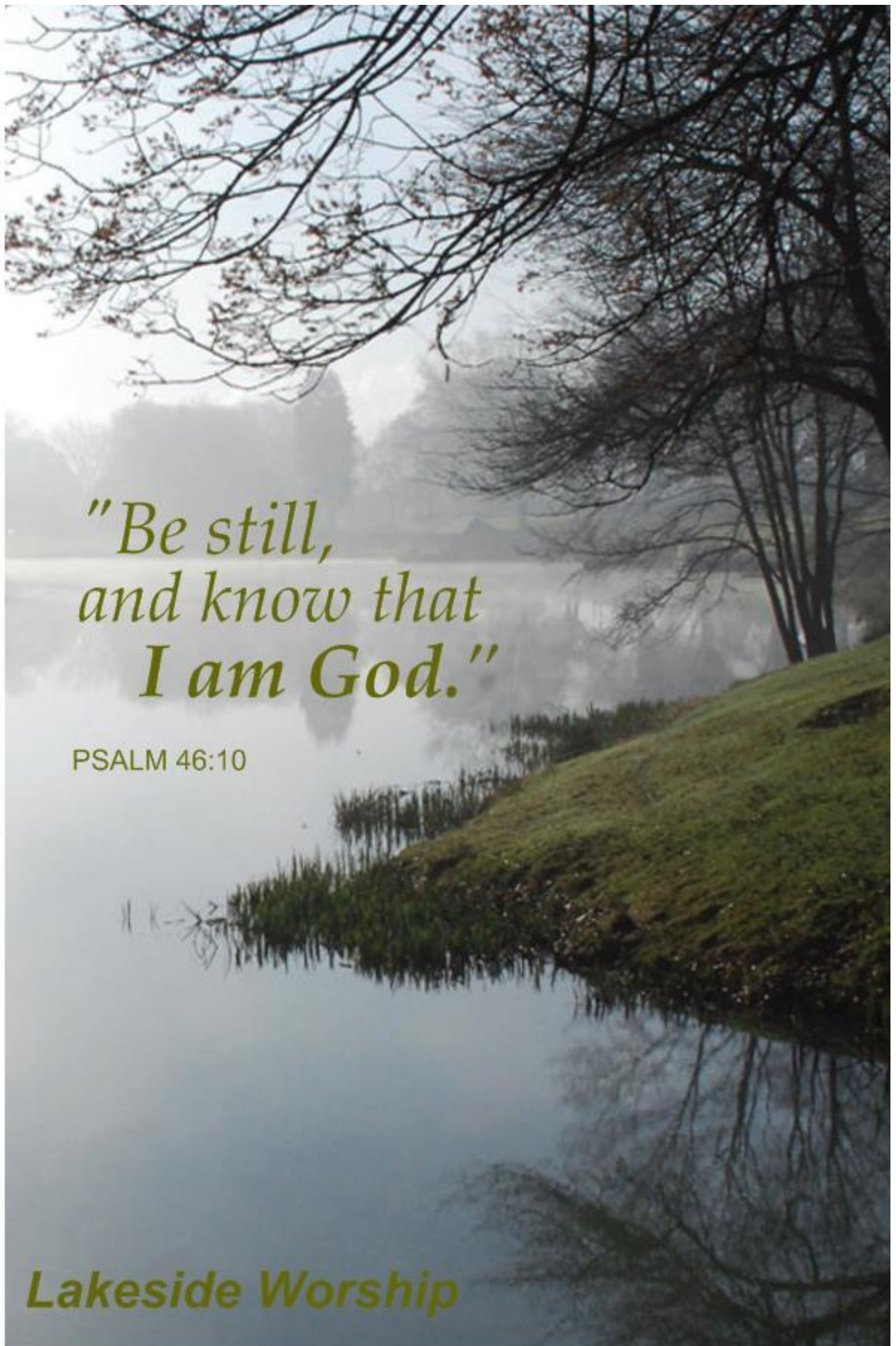
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*"Be still,
and know that
I am God."*

PSALM 46:10

Lakeside Worship

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ LECTION 17
LAKESIDE WORSHIP ~ HOLY COMMUNION
9 A.M. SUNDAY JULY 27TH, 2025



The Lord Jesus Christ welcomes all!

All are welcome and called to share and give thanks for Christ's gifts of Promise and Presence! Through faith and trust in Christ's words we receive his promise of being present in his gifts of forgiveness, salvation and eternal life.

We thank God for guests who are here today & pray you will be blessed as you are a blessing to our gathering.

WORSHIP AIDS

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

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

GATHERING

WE PREPARE... *Persistence in prayer is encouraged by Jesus and wins the attention of God when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus—is to be nurtured with prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."*

PRELUDE / PARISH NOTICES / BELL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

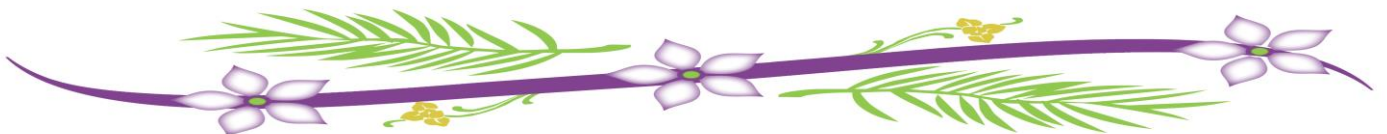
We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

God of grace and glory we confess:

you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly excesses. Jesus Christ loves you and + frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! **Amen.**

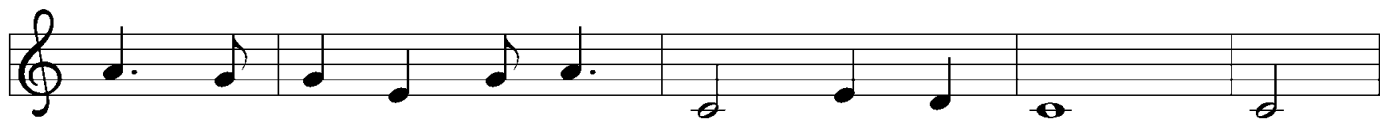


OPENING SONG

Give Me Jesus

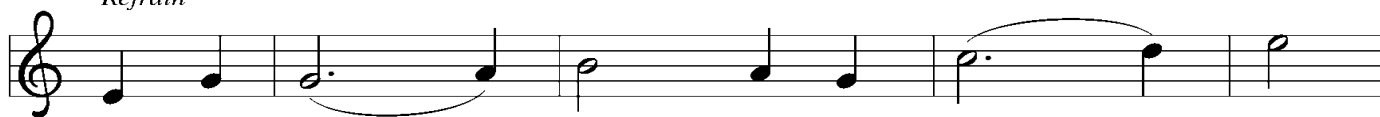


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God from which nothing can separate us, and the life-giving Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PSALM 16

I have set the LORD always before me.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD,

“You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
 never take their names upon my lips.**

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

**I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand,
 I shall not be shaken.**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
 and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:20-32

The first reading is in Genesis chapter 18, verses 20-32. In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?" Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

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

SECOND READING

Colossians 2:6-19

The second reading is in Colossians chapter 2, verses 6-19. Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him,

who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 11th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you

anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

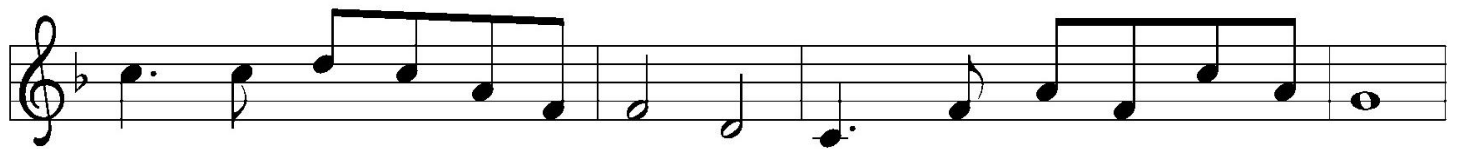
SERMON

Pastor Dave Nissen

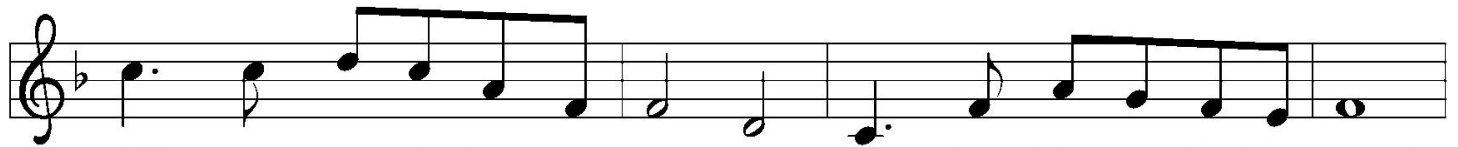
HYMN OF THE DAY

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

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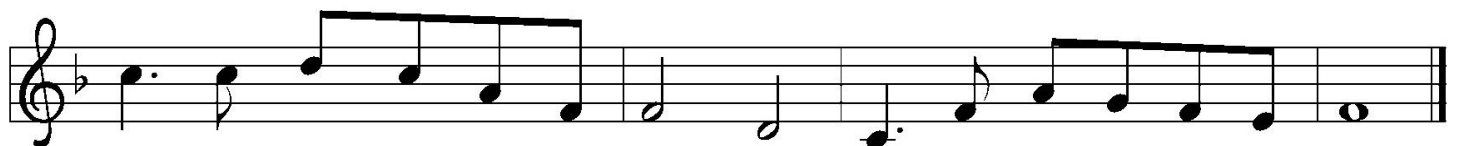
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

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: respond after Lord, God of grace,



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

SHARING THE PEACE

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

OFFERING

We Give Thee But Thine Own



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

(THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING)

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with your gifts, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

MEAL

COMMUNION WELCOME

All are welcome to the Lord's Table at Trinity. You are well prepared and worthy if by faith you believe these words, "given for you" and "shed for you...for the forgiveness of sin". Welcome to the Lord's Table. Come taste and see that the Lord is good.

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.**

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



PRAYER

Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

SENDING

DEPARTING BLESSING

The blessing of the living God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **Amen**



SENDING SONG

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

D A7 D

1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the

G A7

nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my
 love for the rest of the wea - ry a love that's
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing

D A7 D

ask - ing for me to fol - low.
 fish - nets and will for work - ing.
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.
 Friend, you have come to call me.

Refrain (Estrillo)

G D

Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes;
 Se - ñor: me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos;

A7 D

kind - ly smil - ing, you've called out my name.
 son - ri - en - do, has di - cho mi nom - bre;

G D

On the sand I have a - ban - doned my small boat;
 en la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca;

Em A7 D

now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.
 jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.

DISMISSAL

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

Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

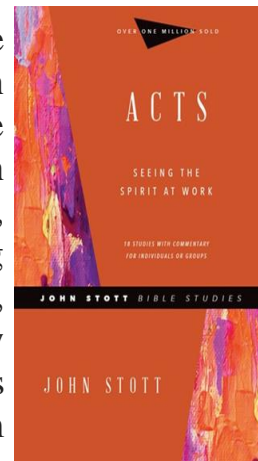
SUNDAY		9:00 Worship	
Accompanist	Pastor Dave and Alyssa Nissen		
Acolyte	AuDee Darnell		
Reader	Darlene Brummund		
Communion Assistant	Darlene Brummund		
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen		
Greeters	Keith & Sarah Lendt		
Ushers	Larry Baumgardt, Dennis Mangan		
Altar Guild	Joleen Dittbenner, Terry Newgord		

Please join in a Church Grounds clean-up day on **July 29th at 4:00.** Last week was cancelled due to the heat advisory. Bring your rakes, gloves, and help make the Grounds beautiful! Many hands make the work go faster, so join us please!



Summer Coffee Fellowship has begun. **We need volunteers for August!** 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!

Join women from our congregation and our community for a new study of the book of Acts. Together, we will dig into the story of how the Christian church began and continued to carry out the ministry of Christ. Topics covered include learning about the Holy Spirit, the persecution of early Christians, how Satan attacks, getting to know individuals such as Stephen, Philip, Saul, and Cornelius, resolving conflict within the church, understanding politics and religion, spreading the “good news,” and following God. There will always be coffee and prayer, sometimes a treat, good discussion with something to meditate about for a few days, and best of all, fulfilling connections in a faith-centered community. Join us when you can! All ages are welcome. We meet (almost) every Wednesday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Bring a friend.



MEALS THAT MATTER

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!

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

June 29th, 2025

God cares for the needy.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday	Luke 7:11-17	Jesus raises a widow's son
Monday	1 Kings 17:8-24	Elijah helps a widow
Tuesday	Acts 9:36-43	Peter restores Tabitha
Wednesday	Acts 20:7-12	Paul raises a young man
Thursday	Jeremiah 30:12-22	God will heal Zion
Friday	James 5:13-16	The prayer of faith
Saturday	Psalm 68:1-10, 19-20	God protects the widows
Sunday	Luke 7:36—8:3	A woman anoints Jesus' feet



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

When the Lord saw the woman, he felt sorry for her and said, “Don’t cry!”

Luke 7:13

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, please help us to see when others are hurting and to care for them. Amen. (Luke 7:13)

Mealtime Prayer:

Thank you Lord, for this our meal, for grace and love and gifts that heal. Give us willing hearts to share with those around us who need our care. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the compassion of Jesus shine through you today and always. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your home or small group:

Tell about a time you needed help from others.

Jesus showed compassion to the widow of Nain. Tell about a time you showed compassion for someone in need.

How does Jesus help us when we are sad or in need?

DEVOTIONS

The widow in Luke 7:11-14 had just lost her son. Without a husband or son to care for her, she now was a person who had little or no way of providing for her daily needs. This story from Luke is the first time Jesus is mentioned as “Lord.” Jesus is seen as Lord not because of military, economic, or political might but because of his great compassion. Read Luke 7:11-17, then with family and/or friends reenact the story with parts for the widow, son, crowd, and Jesus. Afterward, talk about what the experience meant to the widow, the son, the crowd, and Jesus. Conclude by offering prayers for people in need and the work of the church to be the hands and voice of Jesus in the world.

SERVICE

Who do you know who is in need of care and support? Plan an act of kindness to encourage them, such as putting together a bouquet of flowers, visiting with a plate of cookies, or sending them a card or a message using social media.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Practice Christian traditions that honor Jesus as Lord and the importance of compassion in the Christian faith.

Consider some of the following:

Regularly use mealtime prayers.

Sing or pray Christian hymns or praise songs during the week.

Go for a walk and pray for the care of creation.

Pray for people in need.

Gather with others in your household for bedtime prayers.

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

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"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeveonline.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:	82
Website	54
Bible Studies Attendance:	10+8= 18
Weekly Giving: (5730.00 Needed)	Not Available
July Giving:(\$23,640.00 .Needed)	Not Available
Yearly Contributions to Date	Not Available

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for Trinity...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

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 Gary, Alda, Mary, Jane, Krista, Trisha, Mark, Sherry, Kali, Isak, Vivian, Kim, Pam, Pat, Trish, Beth, Harold, Rita, Nip, Sarah, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Darrell, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, 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 Rod & Darlene Brummund in the loss of Rod's brother, Lawrence...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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