

Trinity Lutheran Church

**May 29,
2022**

**Seventh
Sunday
of Easter**

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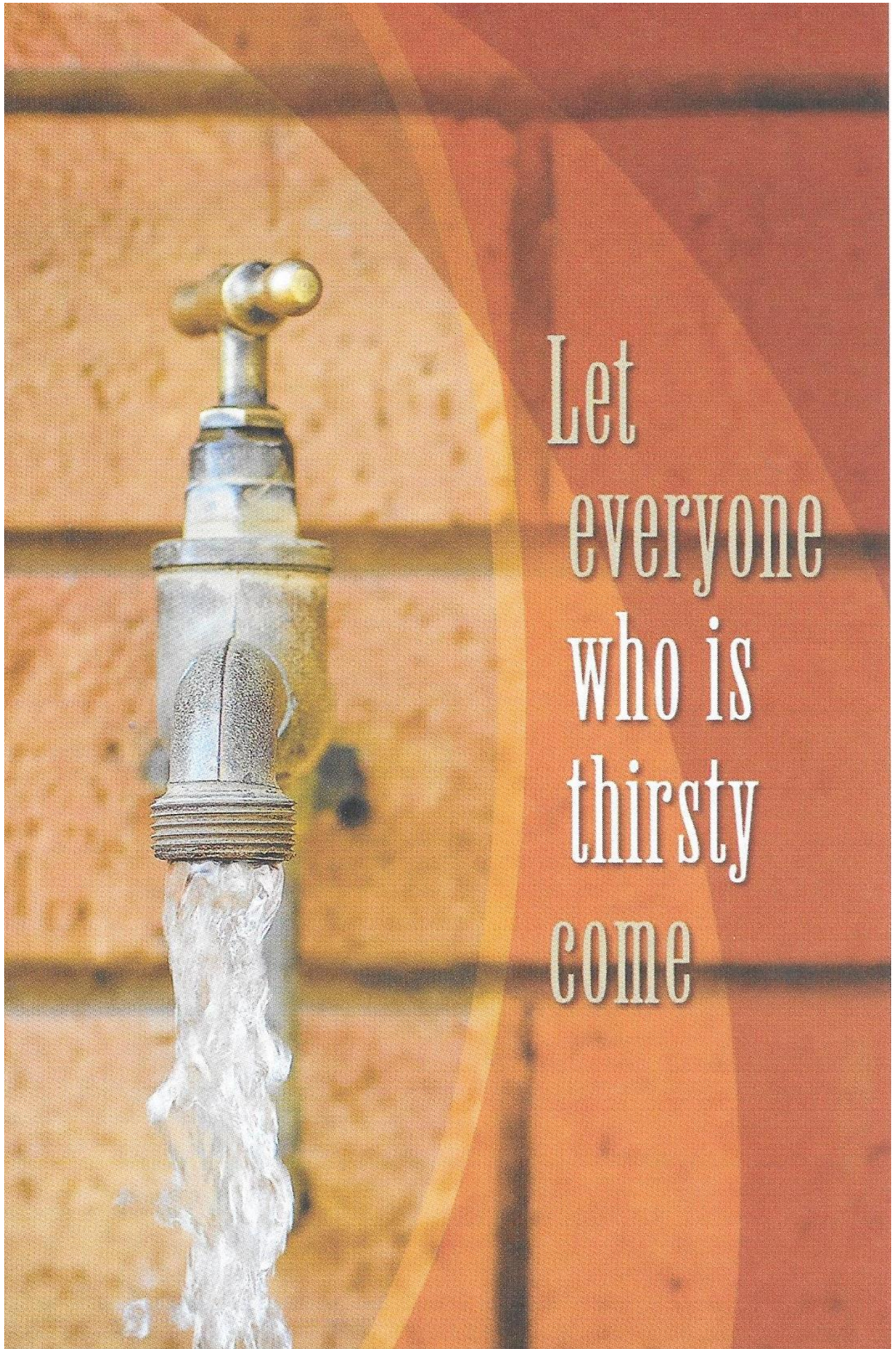
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Let
everyone
who is
thirsty
come

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
ELW SERVICE OF THE WORD
9:00 A.M. ~ SUNDAY, MAY 8TH, 2016



THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL

We are grateful to God for all who gather here today. If you are a first-time visitor, please receive a 'Trinity Mug' to take with you today as an expression of our hospitality. During the time of offering please sign the Friendship Pad as it is passed to you. Fellowship and refreshments follow our morning worship in the Library. Please come!

WORSHIP AIDS

Large Print Bulletins are available from the ushers.

Children's Activity Bags are available at the rear of the church—please return them after the service. Thank you.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE: *It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.*

PARISH NOTICES / BELL

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

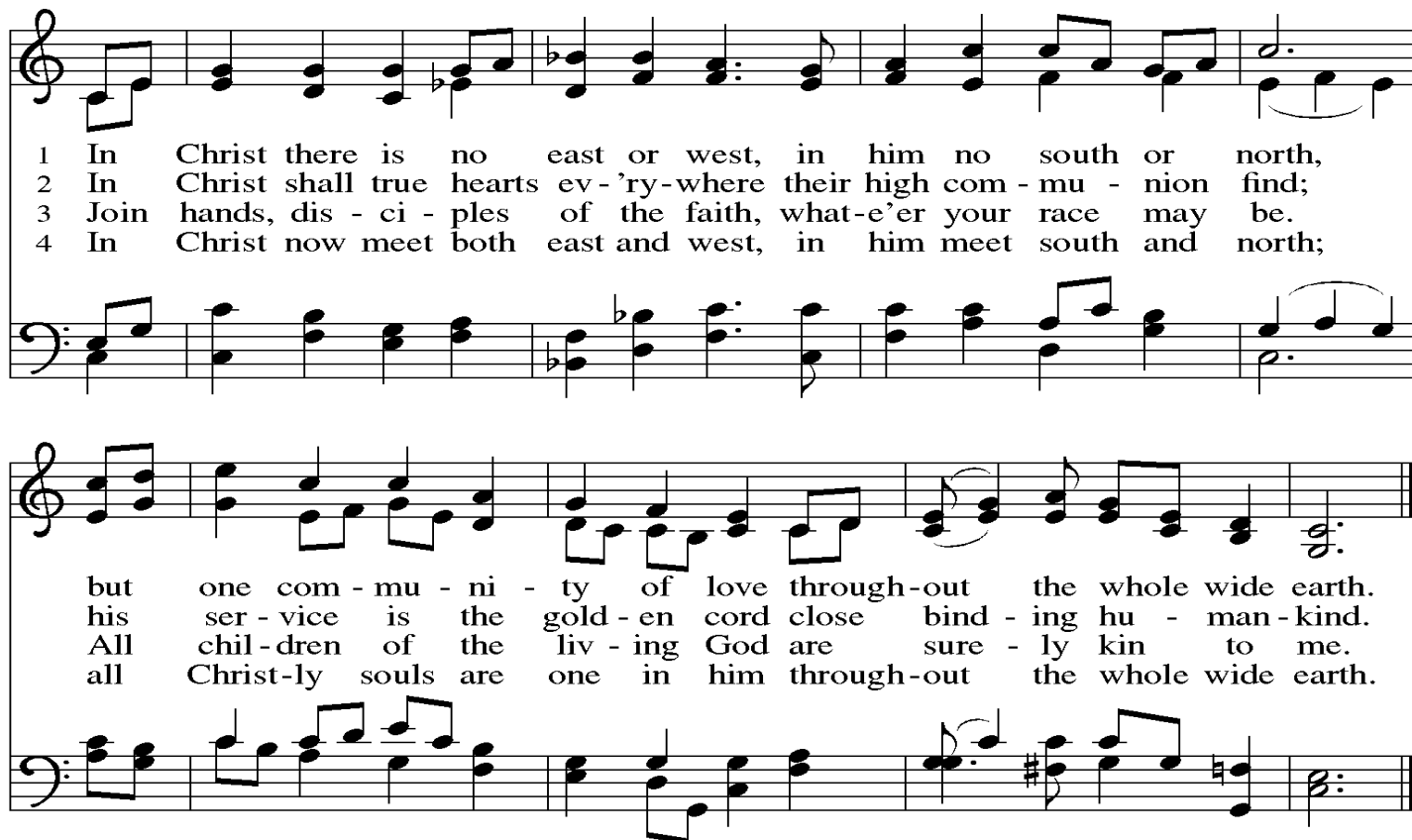
In the name of the Creator, the Christ, ✠ and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

We are here as the celebrating church, unashamed in our joy and again willing to be touched by the Gift of Life from God. **Into our nostrils God blew the breath of life.**
And we became living beings. **Amen.**

We have been given great gifts by our Creator—gifts for teaching, healing, and singing.
But we have not used the gifts as we ought. Instead, we choose to love the trinkets of this world, even though they rust in our hands.

We have been given talents and abilities for the betterment of the Kingdom in this world.
But we have chosen to build our own private kingdoms hidden in walls of fear and greed. Lord, forgive our neglected vows, our broken promises and the sin that separates us from you.

Today is an amazing day! This is the day which the Lord has made and we, as the children of God, are here to give our thanks and praise to God. For God has forgiven our sin. God has healed our broken promises and neglected vows through our Lord's death on the cross and the gift of his resurrection to eternal life. You are free because of his great love of us. You are made free to discover God's gifts and use them in service to others. You are free to live life at its fullest. You are free to love one another with the love of Jesus Christ our Lord! To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! **Amen.**



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu-nion find;
 3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;

but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
 his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close bind-ing hu-man-kind.
 All chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.
 all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Lord said, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

**Blessed are those who wash their robes,
 so that they will be a gift to the Tree of Life.**

And the Lord said, "*It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches.*" The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship 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.**

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

NOISY OFFERING

Children's
Message

for VBS



WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 16:16-34

The first reading is in Acts chapter 16, verses 16–34.

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

SECOND READING

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The second reading is in Revelation chapter 22, verses 12-14, 16-17 and 20-21.

See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift."

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

The Holy Gospel according St. John the seventeenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

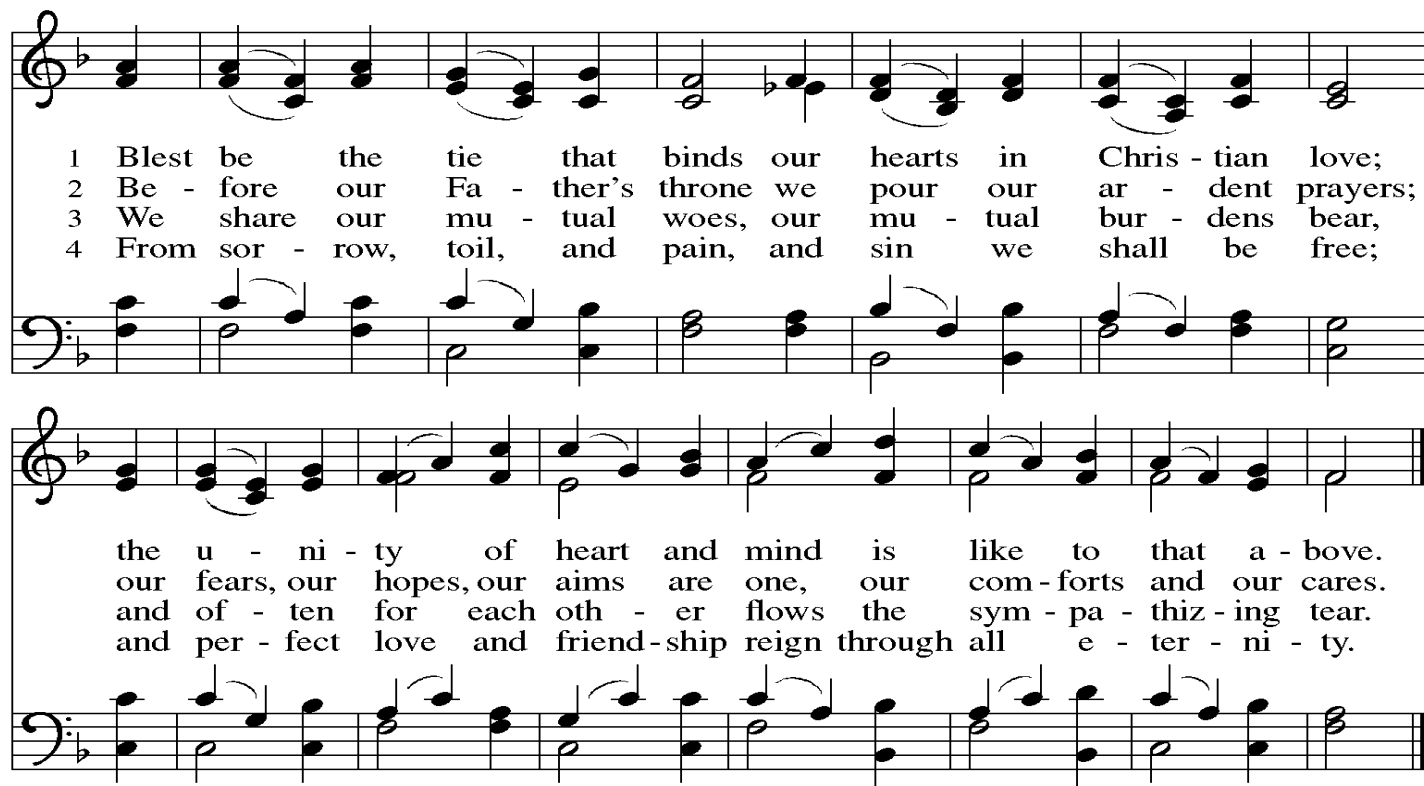
I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.





1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
 4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;

the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
 our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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

PEACE

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

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

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

MARY'S CHOICE

(The offering is brought forward by the ushers to the acolyte)

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.**

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.

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.**

SENDING SONG

This is My Song For Peace in God's World

ELW #887



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king - doms,

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give you; let your will be done.

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	
Acolyte	Megan Sellner	
Reader	Sue Pedersen	
Sound Tech	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Jeff & Lynette Carlson	
Ushers	Lee & Isaac Johnson	
Altar Guild	Nicole Stevermer & Nikki Nachreiner	



The Christian Education is seeking people willing to organize and help during this summer's Vacation Bible School. Please email education@trinitysleepyeye.com or swing by the office and let Jackie or Darlene know you are willing. We need help to make this a successful VBS.

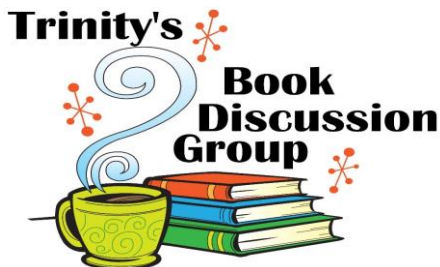
MEALS THAT MATTER

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.



*Meals
that Matter*

Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!











This summer the book chosen for a book discussion is "Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race" by Debby Irving. This book will give us a chance to think about and talk about this very important topic. Some copies of the book will be available for purchase at church. You can also buy a copy on your own or download the book to your Kindle or Nook.

We will use an email chain and Trinity Facebook site for discussion. We will also be scheduling times following services for those who want to meet and discuss in person. We want to be very flexible so anyone who has an interest in reading the book can participate in the way that suits them best.

After services on June 5th we will have a short meeting to kick things off. Please come if you are able. If you have any questions you can contact Michal Anderson-Lowther at lowthome@mchsi.com.

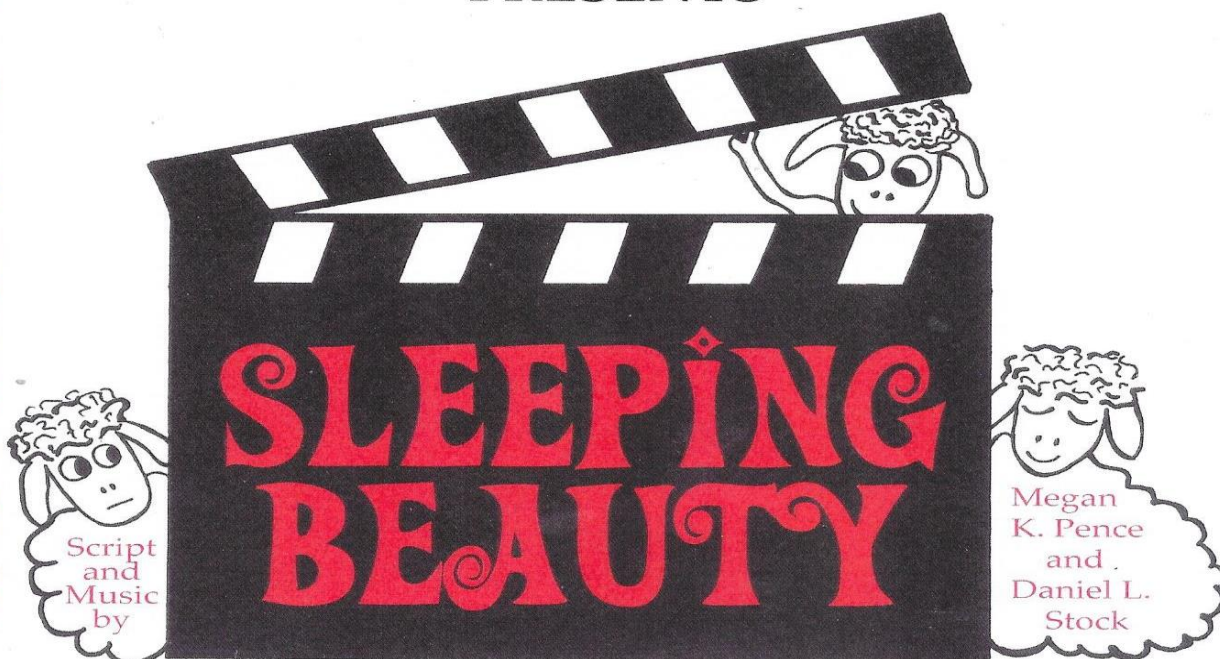




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9 am-Women's Fellowship 6:30 Summer Worship	2	3	4 New Land Church in the Fellowship Hall~ Pastor Alvarez
5 9 am-Holy Communion ~ Installation of Boards and Officers 10:00 am Fellowship Hour 	6 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI anon	7 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA	8 9 am-Women's Fellowship 6:30 Summer Worship	9 "I will pour out my Spirit on all people." Joel 2:28		10
12 9 am- Worship 10:00 am Fellowship Hour 	13 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI anon	14 Pastor Tim on Vacation til 7/5 7am-Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm AA 	15 9 am-Women's Fellowship	16	17	18
19 9 am Holy Communion 10:00 am Fellowship Hour 	20 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI anon Tidings Articles Due	21 7 am-Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm AA 	22 9 am-Women's Fellowship	23	24	25
26 9 am-Worship 10:00 am Fellowship 	27 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI anon	28 7 am-Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm AA	29 9 am-Women's Fellowship	30	 Summer Office Hours Tues-Thurs: 9-3 Fri: 9-Noon	



**Prairie Fire Children's Theatre
and
Sleepy Eye Community Education
PRESENTS**



When: Friday, June 3, 7:30 p.m. and
Saturday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Sleepy Eye High School Auditorium

Tickets: Available at the door
Adults - \$5; Ages 13-18 \$3; Ages 3-12 - \$1

Auditions: Monday, May 30, 1 p.m. for students age 7
and older (Parts for 74 students & tech crew)

For more information: **507-794-7873**

**CATCH
THE FIRE...**

May 29th, 2022

God is always with us.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 17:20-26	Jesus prays for the disciples
Monday	Romans 15:1-6	A spirit of unity
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	An appeal for unity
Wednesday	Philippians 2:1-4	One in spirit and purpose
Thursday	Ephesians 2:13-22	Christ himself is our peace
Friday	1 Peter 3:8-12	Live in harmony
Saturday	Psalm 133	How pleasant is unity
Sunday	Act 2:1-21	Filled with the Holy Spirit



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

***Father, I want everyone you have given me to be with me,
wherever I am.*** John 17:24a

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, may the Spirit of Christ unite us all as one in the church. Heal our divisions and unite our witness to you in the world. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God, your love for us has filled our table. May our love for each other bring praise to you. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May you go into the world united by the love of Christ so that our love points others to you. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

In John 17:20, Jesus prays for us, his future followers. What does it mean to you that Jesus offered a prayer for you?

What things cause people to fight? At home? In the church?

Jesus prayed to God in Heaven that his followers would have "unity" (John 17:23). What do you think he meant?

DEVOTIONS

Jesus prayed that his disciples would be "one with each other." Make Christian unity a focus in your home devotion times this week.

Here are some prayer suggestions:

Sunday—Pray for peace and unity in your congregation.

Monday—Pray for peace and unity in your church denomination.

Tuesday—Pray for peace and unity in the homes of your congregation.

Wednesday—Pray for peace and unity between churches of different types.

Thursday—Pray for peace and unity between marriage partners.

Friday—Pray for peace and unity between parents and children.

Saturday—Pray for peace and unity in your own home.

Conclude your prayer with a candle ritual. Light one central candle and give each family member an unlit candle. At the same time, light your individual candles from the central candle. Pray this prayer together: **Jesus, Light of the world: Draw us to your light, so that we grow together, united in your love. Keep us at peace with each other. Amen.**

SERVICE

May 8th was Mother's Day. Show appreciation to mothers, grandmothers, and other women who have cared for you. If a mother lives in your home, plan ways to serve her. If your mother is absent, take time to pray for her or say a prayer of thanks for her role in your life. If possible, phone or write to her.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

As you come to the end of the "Great Fifty Days of Easter," recall that the Easter liturgy includes the words, "Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" Greet or text family and friends with these words of faith, hope, and love. Begin mealtime prayers with these words. Say goodbye to people with these words. Let the message ring in your ears and sing to your hearts as the church continues to affirm the resurrection and the joy it brings. "Christ is risen, He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!"

Please take your bulletin home for weekly family devotional time



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.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeve.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.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:	67
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$5862.57
May Giving: (\$29,230.00 Needed)	\$16,474.77
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$100,549.67
Budget Contributions needed	\$122,769.15
2022 Approved Budget	\$308,000.00

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 **Beth, Harold, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Dylan, Emma, Ed, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Tammy, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Ed, 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 Phyllis Kleven and the family and friends of her husband, **Ron Kleven....** 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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