

Trinity Lutheran Church

"Send forth Your spirit, and..."



...renew the face of the earth."

August 17, 2025
10th Pentecost

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN: *How Firm a Foundation* (ELW 796)



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
3 "When through fi - ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply;
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said,
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand,"
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine,"
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sins,
for God is gracious and strong to save.

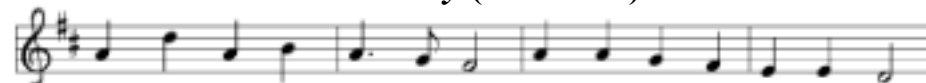
We pray together.

**God of goodness and truth,
we have failed to seek after your wisdom
and have followed paths that have led away from you.
Forgive our foolish ways,
and lead us in your truth,
that we may live in the fullness of life
as you intend through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sisters and brothers,
our sins are forgiven, for God is merciful and just.
Therefore, be reconciled to the Lord and to one another,
walking in the light of Christ.
Amen.

CONFESSIONAL HYMN:

Let the Whole Creation Cry (ELW 876)



1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song,
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
"Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

**Faithful God,
you have blessed us with the inheritance of grace
that we might live as people of justice and righteousness.
Stir in us your power and fill us with the love of Christ,
strong and true,
that we may be always eager
to serve your promised reign of peace. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, “I have dreamed! I have dreamed!” ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 82

- ¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled,
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:
² “How long will you judge unjustly,
and show favor to the wicked?
³ **Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;**
⁴ **rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**
⁵ **They do not know, neither do they understand;
they wander about in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.**
⁶ Now I say to you, ‘You are gods,
and all of you children of the Most High;
⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,
and fall like any prince.’”
⁸ **Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:29-12:2

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹ “I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!

⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

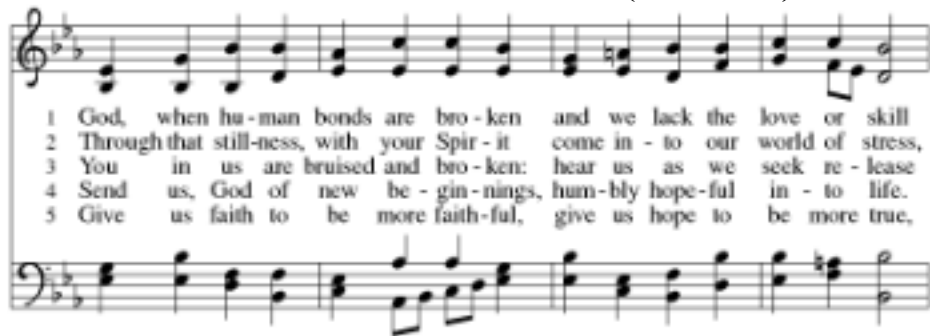
⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

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

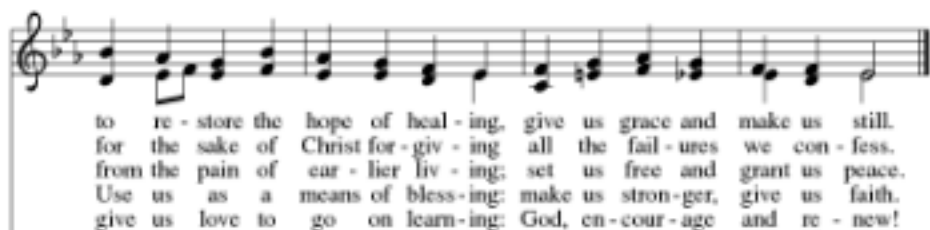
SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY:

God, When Human Bonds Are Broken (ELW 603)



1 God, when hu-man bonds are bro-ken and we lack the love or skill
2 Through that still-ness, with your Spir-it come in - to our world of stress,
3 You in us are bruised and bro-ken: hear us as we seek re - lease
4 Send us, God of new be - gin-nings, hum-bly hope-ful in - to life.
5 Give us faith to be more faith-ful, give us hope to be more true,



to re - store the hope of heal-ing, give us grace and make us still.
for the sake of Christ for-giv-ing all the fail-ures we con-fess.
from the pain of ear-lier liv-ing; set us free and grant us peace.
Use us as a means of bless-ing; make us stron-ger, give us faith.
give us love to go on learn-ing: God, en-cour-age and re - new!

APOSTLES' 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

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God,
for God is near.

As the reader closes each petition:

Hear us, O God.

The people respond:

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to
the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom
and companion.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and
may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

*Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the
end of worship as you leave the church.*

OFFERTORY: *Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil* (ELW 721)



Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;
light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is
ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is
ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**God of the ages,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
we faithfully add our gifts
to those who have gone before us
throughout the generations.
Bless these gifts that they may yield an increase
for the spreading of your love in the world. Amen.**

THE GREAT 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*These elements have already been pastorally consecrated: the
Communion Leader is re-reading the words of institution.*

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

LAMB OF GOD



Congregation: Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you break the chains of ha - tred and
you are the way of jus - tice and
you are the way of mer - cy and

Congregation:
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza
Congregation or Assistant:
mer - cy on us, Lamb of God, you
Congregation:
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to join in the gift of Holy Communion.

White grape juice is available and all altar bread is gluten-free.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Now may Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
grant us the perseverance and courage
to follow him in all justice, righteousness, and peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN:

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand (ELW 441)



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the
2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -
3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and
4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has



heav'n-ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the
self as Lord, and thou - sands meet in their new home which
love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and
made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the



new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song,
Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared,
bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace,
glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

DISMISSAL

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

BABY BAPTISM



SEPTEMBER 7,
2025
9:00 AM

TRINITY
LUTHERAN
CHURCH

You Are Invited to
Celebrate the
Baptism of James
Apronti Jr.

Could you host an out-of-town
guest in your home?

Contact James:

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917-603-7046

Trinity Happenings:

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| Sun, Aug 17: | 9:00am
10:15am | Worship Service w/ A. Huck
Fellowship in Gruver Rm |
| Tue, Aug 19: | 5:30pm | TheologyPUB <i>Light</i>
@ Coal Creek Downtown |
| Sun, Aug 24: | 9:00am
10:15am | Band Worship w/ D. Greller
Fellowship in Gruver Rm |



PLEASE JOIN US THIS TUESDAY!

THEOLOGY PUB LIGHT
FRIENDS TALKING
FAITH QUESTIONS



Serving in Worship

TODAY — Aug 17, 2025

Lights: Lindsay Conyers

Altar: Al & Bobbie Schimek

Sound: Rory Telander

Streaming: Paul Kunkel

Reader: Lily Conyers

Fellowship: Al & Bobbie Schimek

NEXT SUNDAY — Aug 24,, 2025

Lights: James Apronti

Altar: Al & Bobbie Schimek

Sound: Rory Telander

Streaming: Paul Kunkel

Reader: Martin Greller

Fellowship: Oolman Family