TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 10, 2017 Service of Holy Eucharist—Setting 4

To all who join in worship, we are grateful that you are here today!

- We invite all believers in Christ to receive the Sacrament with us. White grape juice is available. Gluten-free wafers are also available. If you would like us to bring the bread and wine to you, please notify one of the ushers.
- Nursery attendants are available during worship just off the South Lobby area for children ages 5 years and younger. If you arrive and no one is in the nursery, please notify one of the ushers to get the attendant. A changing table is available in the nursery.
- Pew Pads are located at the end of each pew. Please sign in and pass them down to the end of the row so we can note that you attended worship with us today. If you or someone you know would like a visit from one of our staff, please inform the Pastor.
- Prayer request cards are in the pew racks. Please hand to an usher during the hymn following the sermon.

WELCOME... We pray this worship time is enriching for your spiritual life.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

As you prepare for worship, take a moment to pray. Thank God for the community of people around you. For their faults that give you the opportunity to learn how to love. For the gift of their patience when you are the one who needs to be loved. Look for opportunities to strengthen your connection with people in this community you don't know so well, or if you are new to this gathering, ponder what God's call to the blessings of community means for you at this moment in your life.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who forgives all our sin,

whose mercy endures forever.

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.

Gracious God.

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

GATHERING HYMN: Earth and All Stars! (ELW 731)

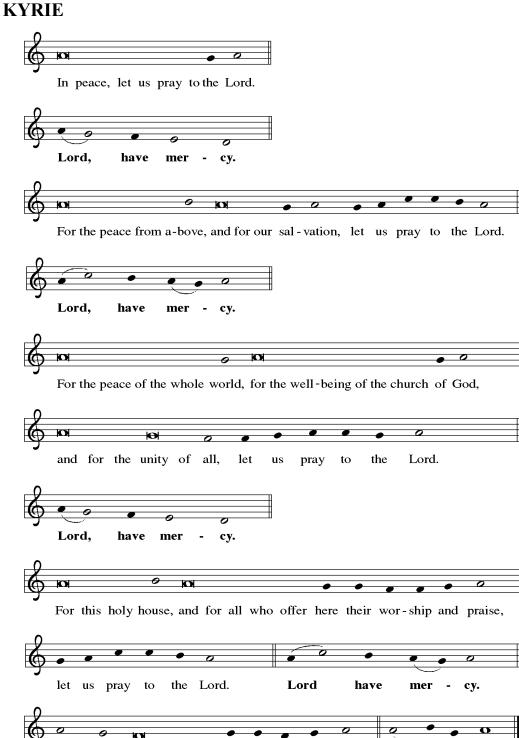
GREETING

Amen.

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.

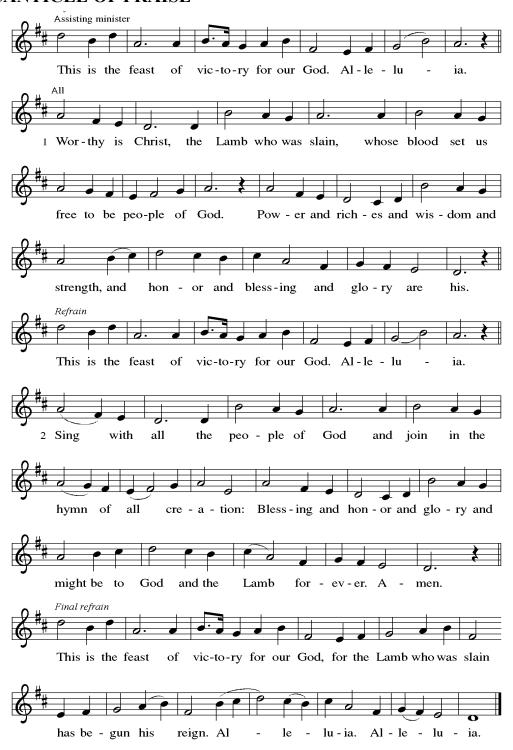




Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you give wisdom and knowledge. Help us to study diligently and to grow in all that is good. Support all who teach and all who learn, that together we may know and follow your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

CHOIR ANTHEM: Soul of My Savior (Richard Shephard)

Soul of my savior, sanctify my breast; Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest; Blood of my savior; bathe me in thy tide; Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be; O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me: Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me; So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign; *In death's dread moments make me only thine;* Call me and bid me come to thee on high; When I may praise thee with the saints for ave.

Pope John XXII (1249-1334)

FIRST READING: Romans 12:1-2, 9-18

In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by this age, but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.

A reading from Romans.

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to

the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 98:4-9

The psalm for the day is sung responsively.

⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands; lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD| with the harp, with the harp and the | voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound | of the horn shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.

⁷Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it, the world and those who | dwell therein.

⁸Let the rivers | clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to | judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the | world with righteousness and the peo- | ples with equity.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

A reading from Philippians.

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

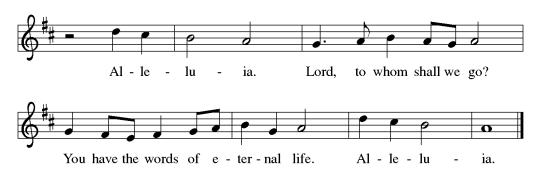
⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL: Matthew 19:13-15

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; ¹⁴but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." ¹⁵And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

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

SERMON

The assembly is seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Bind Us Together (WOV 748)

APOSTLES' CREED

The assembly stands.

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

Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church universal. Reconcile our differences. Forgive our divisions. Unite us at your table. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For your creation. Increase our stewardship of all that you have given to us. Let the earth flourish for those who come after us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For peace in the world. End conflicts among nations. Help leaders and citizens truly to listen to one another and to act for the good of all. Teach us by your example. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For this congregation on Rally Day, God together we thank you for the travels and joys this congregation experienced this summer. Your Spirit once again, calls, gathers, and enlightens us on Rally Day. Abundant God send your Spirit upon all our ministries; stir your Spirit upon those who lift their voices in song, send your Word upon our Sunday School, confirmation, and campus ministries, enlighten those who study your scriptures and call each of us into faithful service and witness. Bless the ministries of Trinity Lutheran and use our lives to engage the community around us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For all those in need. Bind up our hurts. Heal divisions in our families, friendships, and neighborhoods. Comfort those who need your special care, especially Rachel, Eleanore, Kylie, and Brooke. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for all the faithful witnesses who put on the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep us faithful until the day we rejoice in your majesty with them. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements will be made by the pastor and thanks given for what our offerings provide towards the church's mission.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW 184)

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.

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.

PREFACE

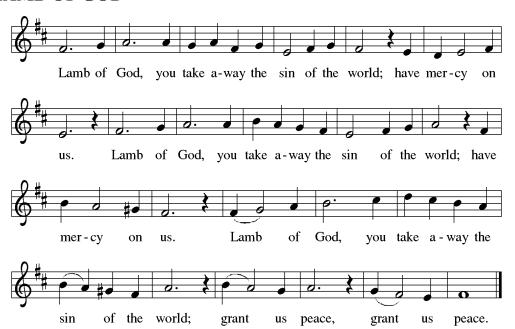
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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



COMMUNION

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.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

Reflective music provided for Communion contemplation.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands to receive the blessing.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.



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.

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.

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

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Blest Be the Tie That Binds (ELW 656)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Readings for Next Sunday, September 17, 2017

Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-7; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

***Find the weekly lectionary readings and more at www.textweek.com



Trinity Happenings

Sunday, September 10	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am 2:00 pm 6:15 pm	Worship Coffee and Fellowship Sunday School Campus Ministry Hike at Vedauwoo Youth Group
Monday, Sept. 11	5:45 pm	Church Council Visioning
Tuesday, Sept. 12	7:00 pm	Church Council
Wednesday, Sept. 13	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study — "A Woman Overwhelmed" Confirmation Orientation — Creation
Sunday, September 17	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am 6:00 pm	Worship Coffee and Fellowship Sunday School Methodist/Lutheran Youth Bowling
Wednesday, Sept. 20	10:00 am 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study — "A Woman Overwhelmed" Trinity Fall Picnic Chancel Choir

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Stephanie Long (9/10); Ray Garson (9/11); Jordan Klinker (9/11); Ryan Bock (9/12); Andrea Toven (9/12); Iris Brunett (9/14); Sydney McKim (9/14); Kent Henry (9/15); Jesse Sutherland (9/16).

THOSE NEEDING OUR PRAYERS: Please keep the following members in your prayers this week: Ed Dolan, Joan Dana, Bob Thymian, Jane Kidwell, Addie Hopper, Marilyn Moen, Daniel Travsky, Dick Babcock, and JoAnn Merrill. If you know of someone that could use a visit from Pastor Nate, just let him know, or if there is someone you would like added to the Trinity Prayer Chain, please inform Jennie Lawrence by email at missjennae@yahoo.com.

TRUMPET DEADLINE: Please submit any items for the weekly Trinity Trumpet in writing by 9 am on Wednesday. The Trumpet is emailed at noon each Wednesday.

FALL CHURCH PICNIC: Join us for Trinity's fall picnic! The grill will be on! Please bring your favorite meat to grill and a side as we enjoy a picnic on Wednesday September 20 from 5:30 to 7 pm. We will be gathering at our north lawn. See you soon!

<u>COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP</u>: We are in need of some treats to go along with the great conversations and coffee following church services. Please kindly consider this act of service to others. The sign up list is in the Gruver Room. Please provide 4 dozen treats. Thank you!

A WOMAN OVERWHELMED: The ladies' Wednesday Bible study group will be taking part in a study about Jesus' mother, Mary, beginning this Wednesday, September 13th. "A Woman Overwhelmed" by Haley DiMarco is a six week study with a DVD presentation, a study guide, and a discussion time. We would be happy to have you join us. If you have questions, call Darlene Chytka at 605-430-1559 or the church office at 307-745-4222.

<u>CONFIRMATION STUDENTS</u>: Confirmation begins this week! 7th and 8th graders and their parents/guardians are invited to gather on **Wednesday**, **September 13**, **at 7:00 pm in the Gruver Room** for orientation and a workshop on Creation. Letters and a schedule were mailed to each Confirmation-age student in August. If you or your child did not receive a letter, or if you have questions, please talk to Andrea or Pastor Nate!

PROTESTANT REFORMATIONS: 500 YEARS AND COUNTING

The Protestant Reformations Through Music

Sunday, October 15, 2017 3:00 PM

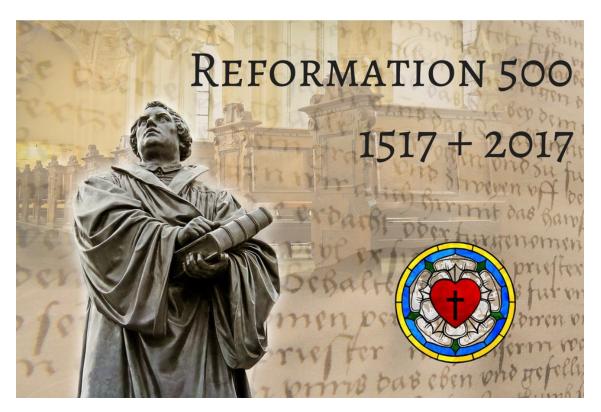
Buchanan Center for the Performing Arts

"Singing Theologies: Luther and Church Music"

- Dr. Kristine T. Utterback Associate Professor and Department Head, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies
- Dr. Holly Dalrymple Associate Professor, Department of Music, University of Wyoming
- Assisted by Laramie Civic Choir, composed of University of Wyoming Students and Laramie community members.
- And Martin Luther, ably portrayed by Dr. Klaus D. Hanson, Professor Emeritus of German and Laramie City Councilman

Cantata - Ein Feste Burg, by Johann Sebastian Bach

- Laramie Civic Choir, composed of University of Wyoming Students and Laramie community members, Soloists and Orchestra
- Dr. Holly Dalrymple, Conductor



At Trinity Lutheran we will be celebrating 500 years of Reformation over five Sundays as together we preach, sing, reflect, and grow through the five Solas of the Reformation.

October 22 Sola Scriptura "Scripture alone"

The Bible alone is our highest authority.

October 29 Sola Gratia "Grace alone"

We are saved by the grace of God alone.

November 5 Soli Deo Gloria "To the glory of God alone"

We live for the glory of God alone.

November 12 Sola Fide "Faith alone"

We are saved through faith alone in Jesus Christ.

November 19 Solus Christus "Christ alone"

Jesus Christ alone is our Lord, Savior, and King.

Serving the Church

NEXT WEEK—September 10, 2017

NEXT WEEK—September 17, 2017

Janet Talbott

Thom Edgar Lector: Lector: Debbe Convers

Ushers: Mike Nutter **Ushers:** The Buckner Family

> Mike Smith **Greeters:** Debbe, Lindsay, and Lily Convers

> > Stewards:

Greeters: Janet Talbott MacKenzie Muhsman Nursery:

Iris Brunett

Kate Jablin Nursery: Kris Oolman

Janet Talbott Stewards: **Altar Guild:** Al and Bobbie Schimek Kris Oolman

Coffee Fellowship: Altar Guild: Al and Bobbie Schimek

Denise Greller

Coffee Fellowship: Flowers: **OPEN**

The Keith Family

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Flowers:

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