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16th Sunday after Pentecost Traditional Worship 8:30 and 11:00 am September 24, 2017





Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear---we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

about today's service

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables, in which Jesus says the reign of God is like workers who get paid the same no matter when they start. When God changes his mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

P: Presiding Minister A: Assisting Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

+ Gathering +

Prelude: "You are Holy"

P. Harling/arr. David Cherwien

You are holy, You are whole. You are always evermore than we ever understand.
You are always at hand. Blessed are You coming near.
Blessed are You coming here to your church in wine and bread,

raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, You are wholeness, You are present. Let the cosmos praise You, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!
Mark and Kierra Heinly, violin and percussion
Tim and Alison Koch, organ and percussion

Welcome and announcements

[Stand]

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + who fashions us, who heals us, who reforms us again and again.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

- P: Source of all life,
- C: we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.
- P: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

(8:30) Please turn to face the processional cross as it enters our midst.

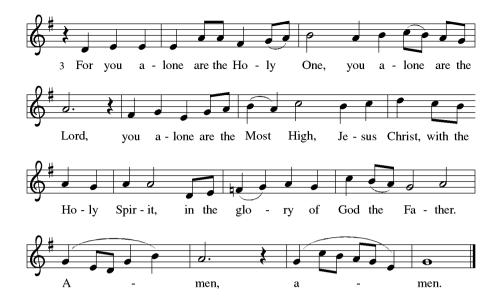
Gathering Hymn No. 853: When Morning Gilds the Skies

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Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.





Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

[Sit]

+ Word +

First Reading Jonah 3:10—4:11

After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but should not I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites who do not know the difference between their right and left hands?

¹⁰When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said

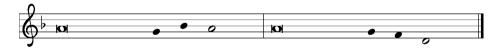
he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. 4:1But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishina, 3And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be anary?" 5Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. 7But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. 8When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." ⁹But God said to Jonah. "Is it right for you to be anary about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." 10Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 145:1-8



- A: I will exalt you, my | God and king, * and bless your name forev- | er and ever.
- C: Every day | will I bless you * and praise your name forev- | er and ever.
- A: Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised! * There is no end | to your greatness.

- C: One generation shall praise your works | to another * and shall de- | clare your power.
- A: I will speak of the glorious splendor | of your majesty * and all your | marvelous works.
- C: They shall tell of the might of your | wondrous acts, * and I will re- | count your greatness.
- A: They shall publish the remembrance of | your great goodness; * they shall sing joyfully | of your righteousness.
- C: The Lord is gracious and full | of compassion, * slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

Second Reading Philippians 1:21-30

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L: The word of the Lord.

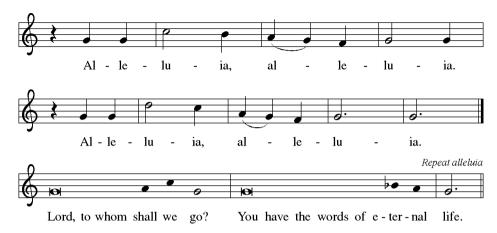
C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Pastor Jennifer A. Crist

[Stand]

Alleluia



Gospel Acclamation

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the 20th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. 3When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace: 4 and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. 5When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same, 6And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' 7They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' 9When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. 11 And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²sayina, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made

them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon: "Mr. Objection" Pastor John H. Brock

[Stand]

Hymn of the Day No. 765: Lord of All Hopefulness

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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

Each petition ends:

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Prayer Response (sung by all)



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Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

[Sit]

Offering

Optional methods of giving: text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$"); use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space to donate by credit card.

Worship Witness: (Please sign booklet and return to center aisle.)

(8:30) "Soon Ah Will Be Done"

spiritual/arr. Dawson

Soon ah will be don' a-wid de troubles of de worl', Goin' home to live wid God.

I want to meet my mother, I'm goin' to live wid God.

No more weepin' an' a-wailin', I'm goin' to live wid God. I want to meet my Jesus, I'm goin' to live wid God.

Chancel Choir

(11:00) Anthem: "I'll do My Best"

Love, I'll love, I'll love you, Lord, forever.
I'll do my best, oh, I'll do my best for you.
Serve, I'll serve, I'll serve you, Lord, forever
Praise, I'll praise, I'll praise you, Lord, forever.
Cherub Choir

[Stand]

Offertory

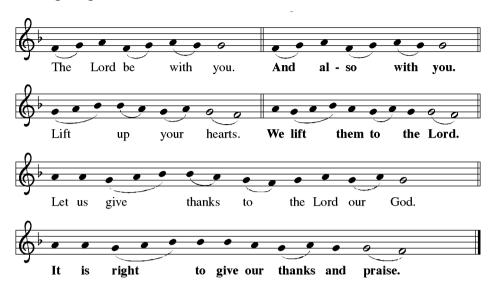


Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. God of life,

C: you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.

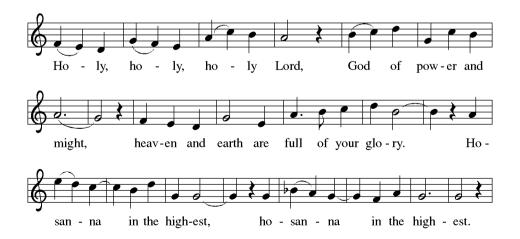
Great Thanksgiving

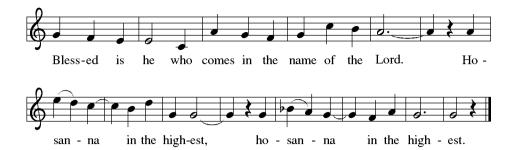


Proper Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy





P: O God most mighty, O God most merciful ...

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

C: Amen.

P: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

C: Amen.

P: O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope. O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer

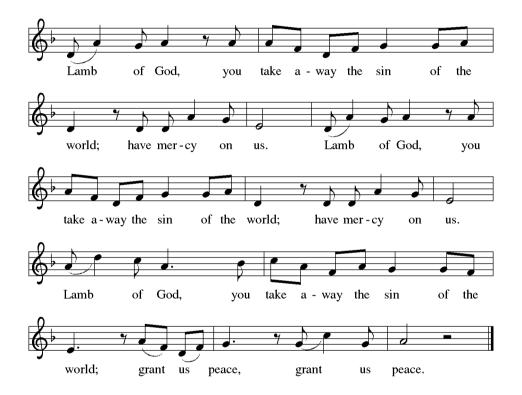
C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

- P: Jesus says, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."
- C: Lord, give us this bread always.

[Sit]

Lamb of God



Distribution of Holy Communion

We invite all baptized Christians to the Lord's Table to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. Communion is by intinction. You will receive a wafer. Dip it in the chalice of wine before consuming. You may then return to your seat or come to the altar rail for prayer. Children and adults who aren to communing may come forward to receive a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality, we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer glutenfree wafers, available upon request – please ask at the time of communion.

"Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling" with "Give Thanks" arr. Mark Albrecht

Hark, the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting, who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the master calls you; rich reward He offers free.
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I. Send me, send me"?

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son; And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."... Give thanks. Kierra Heinly, violin

(8:30) Hymn No. 770: Give Me Jesus

[Stand]

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray. Mighty God, you are our fortress who leads us in mission and ministry to serve our neighbor in need. Thank you for your presence in this meal of love that unites and empowers us to worship, connect and serve. To you be all glory and honor.

C: Amen.

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Blessing

P: God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn No. 543: Go, My Children, With My Blessing

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Toccata (Gothic Suite)

Leon Boellmann

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worship notes

Attendance at our worship services last week was 692. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website (www.trinitycamphill.org).

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Richard D. Peters by the Peters family; the Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Winters by his wife, Elizabeth, and family; Joan Conrad by the family; Larry Dromgold by his wife, Joyce, and son, Clark; and in honor of our mother and grandmother, Jeanne Dell, on her birthday by Sharon and Jennifer.

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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