



John the Baptist

Traditional Worship  
8:30 and 10:00 am  
June 24, 2018



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**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

*John the Baptist is a unique figure in Christian memory, a hinge between the Old Testament prophets and the first Christians. In the gospel stories he recognizes Jesus as one greater than himself, one for whose coming he prepares the way. But still from his prison he asks if Jesus is truly the Expected One. He is a figure of perpetual Advent and in that way stands for all of us who may be Christian believers but still wait and wonder, discern and doubt.*

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

### ✝ Gathering ✝

Prelude: Prelude on FINLANDIA

Wilbur Held

Christine Ream, French horn

Welcome

[Stand]

Confession and Forgiveness

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

**C: Amen.**

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Eternal God our creator,

**C: in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.

**C: Amen.**

*(10:00) Turn to face the cross as it enters our midst.*

Gathering Hymn No. 249: On Jordan's Bank

PUER NOBIS

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.**

## Hymn of Praise



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's  
3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -  
au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes  
name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will break forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - mighty - y,  
sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to  
liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we  
ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.  
ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.  
God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - - men.

## Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, by your gracious providence your servant John the Baptist was born to Elizabeth and Zechariah. Grant to your people the

wisdom to see your purpose and the openness to hear your will, that the light of Christ may increase in us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

[Sit]

## ✝ Word ✝

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

*The prophet Malachi announces the coming of one who will prepare a way for God's arrival. His burning program of reform will make God's people ready for salvation.*

<sup>1</sup>See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 141



A: O Lord, I call to you; come | to me quickly; \* hear my voice when I | cry to you.

**C: Let my prayer rise before | you as incense, \* the lifting up of my hands as the | evening sacrifice.**

A: Set a watch before my | mouth, O Lord, \* and guard the door | of my lips.



- C: Let not my heart incline to any | evil thing. \* Let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers, nor eat of | their sweet foods.**
- A: Let the righteous strike me; their rebukes, as oil upon the head, are not to | be refused. \* Yet my prayers are continually against the deeds | of the wicked.
- C: Let their rulers be thrown down up- | on the stones, \* that they may hear my words, for | they are sweet.**
- A: Just as one who tills the earth | breaks the rock, \* so let their bones be scattered at the mouth | of the grave.
- C: But my eyes are turned to | you, Lord God; \* in you I take refuge; strip me not | of my life.**
- A: Guard me from the trap that they have | laid for me \* and from the snares of | evildoers.
- C: Let the wicked fall into | their own nets, \* while I a- | lone pass through.**

Children's Message

(8:30) Sandy Gates; (10:00) Beth Yoffee

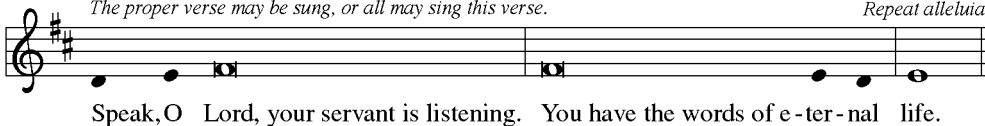
[Stand]

Alleluia



*The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.*

*Repeat alleluia*



- P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The birth and naming of John ends his father Zechariah's silence. He announces the child's name given by the angel and speaks a prophecy about the newborn infant.*

<sup>57</sup>Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. <sup>58</sup>Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. <sup>59</sup>On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. <sup>60</sup>But his mother said, "No; he is to be called John." <sup>61</sup>They said to her, "None of your relatives has this name." <sup>62</sup>Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. <sup>63</sup>He asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And all of them were amazed. <sup>64</sup>Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. <sup>65</sup>Fear came over all their neighbors, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. <sup>66</sup>All who heard them pondered them and said, "What then will this child become?" For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him. <sup>67</sup>Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: <sup>68</sup>"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. <sup>69</sup>He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, <sup>70</sup>as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, <sup>71</sup>that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. <sup>72</sup>Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, <sup>73</sup>the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us <sup>74</sup>that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, <sup>75</sup>in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. <sup>76</sup>And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, <sup>77</sup>to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. <sup>78</sup>By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, <sup>79</sup>to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." <sup>80</sup>The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

[Sit]

Sermon: "Advent in June"

Pastor Jack M. Horner

[Stand]

Hymn of the Day No. 553: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

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## Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the † resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

*Each petition ends:*

A: Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

Prayer Response (sung by all)



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.

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## ✝ Meal ✝

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

[Sit]

Offering

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

(8:30) Solo: "The Strength of the Lord"

Phil McHugh

*Sometimes life seems like words and music that can't quite become a song;  
 So we cry and sigh, and we try again and wonder what could be wrong.  
 But when we turn to the Lord at the end of ourselves,  
 like we've done a time or two before,  
 We find His truth is the same as it's always been; We never will need more.*

*It's not in trying but in trusting, it's not in running but in resting,  
 Not in wondering but in praying that we find the strength of the Lord.*

*He's all we need for our every need, we never need be alone.  
 Still He'll let us go if we choose to, to live life on our own.  
 Then the only good that will ever be said of the pains we'll find ourselves in,  
 They are places to gain the wisdom to say, "I'll never leave Him again."*

Tim Dawson, soloist

(10:00) Anthem: "The Yearning"

arr. Craig Courtney

*There is a yearning in hearts weighed down by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow.  
There is a yearning in hearts that in the darkness hide and in the shades of death abide,  
a yearning for tomorrow.*

*There is a yearning for the promised One, the First-born of creation.*

*There is a yearning for the Lord who visited His own,  
and by His death for sin atoned, to bring to us salvation.*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.*

*There is a yearning that fills the hearts of those who wait the day of His appearing.*

*There is a yearning when all our sorrows are erased  
and we shall see the One who placed within our hearts the yearning...*

Summer Choir; Sara Schmehl, piano

[Stand]

Offertory



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the



brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



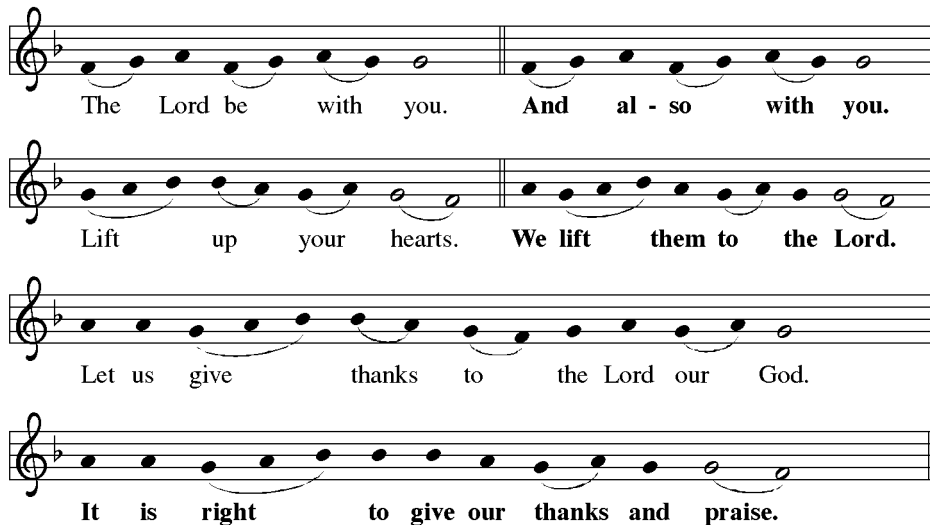
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Merciful God,

**C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

## Proper Preface

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

## Holy, Holy, Holy

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. It consists of five staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

*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.*

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

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: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

[Sit]

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

## 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't 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 gluten-free wafers, available upon request – please ask at the time of communion.*

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They are places to gain the wisdom to say, "I'll never leave Him again."  
Tim Dawson, soloist*

Hymn No. 466: In the Singing

[Stand]

Post Communion Blessing

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

**C: Amen.**

A: Let us pray. Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

**C: Amen.**

## ✝ Sending ✝

Blessing

P: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn No. 796: How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Toccata on FOUNDATION

arr. Craig Phillips

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### worship leaders

**Presiding Minister:** The Rev. John M. Brock

**Preacher:** The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

**Assisting Minister:** Jeff Weaver

**Lector:** (8:30) David Harrington; (10:00) Sylvia Stotler

**Communion Assistants:** (8:30) Myrl Busler, Dave Harrington, Grace Hoyt; (10:00) Bill and Sylvia Stotler, Amy Koch, Marcia Brown

**Acolyte:** (8:30) Jackson Seivard

**Crucifer:** (10:00) Elana Kanelos

**Book Bearer:** (10:00) Alexa Kanelos

**Soundboard:** (8:30); Jim Kincaid (10:00) Jay Killian

**Greeters:** (8:30) Jay Killian (head greeter), Dorothy Eshelman, Linda Eshelman, Sandy Nagy; (10:00) Dan Drury (head greeter), Bob Foster, Betty Brown

**Ushers:** H. L. Bishop, Jr. and Scott Wenrich (head ushers), David Addams, Alan Bowman, James Bowman, L. Kinch Bowman, Cindy Kuentzler, Frank Lentz, Kathy Long, Harry Prowell, Kevin Shivers, John Slike, Linda Waechter

**Altar Care:** Grace Hoyt, Michele Addams, Jan Lafaver, Margaret Parker, Inez Snyder

**Carillonneur:** Charlie Suhr

**Flower Delivery:** Bill and Kay Range

**Garden of Eatin':** (GOE I) Anne Stafford, Gretchen Brodie; (GOE II) Julie Evanish



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## worship notes

**Attendance at our worship services** last week was 561. 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](http://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 Marge Knisley by her family. You are missed, Sunny; our loved ones by Rick and Ardelle Barry; Sue L. Machemer by Arlene, Scott, Shawn, Steve and Jen Machemer; Jerry Hall by his wife, Robie, and family; William Banks by his wife, Elizabeth; our son James Soehnlein by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Soehnlein; my mother, Genevieve Steffy, by her daughter, Carol Steffy.

**United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.**