



Nineteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am
October 3, 2021



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

==Weekly News & Announcements==

This Sunday and next: IKEA Church

Sermon series, plus 10-11 am Sunday activity for all ages. Just as IKEA gives you tools and pieces so you can build a project, Trinity gives you tools and pieces to build your church. This Sunday you'll compete in a fun and friendly challenge; next Sunday (10/10) you'll learn about more ways to engage at Trinity.



Confirmation classes start Sun., Oct. 17: Register by THIS Sunday, Oct. 3

For grades 7-9. Register at www.trinitycamphill.org/confirmation and get all details. Classes start Sun., Oct. 17, at 10 am. Parents should attend first class too.

All Faith Connect classes resume Sun., Oct. 17!

Preschool through adults, Sundays, 10 am. So much going on! Check out www.trinitycamphill.org/faithconnections/.

Building improvement project complete, your support still needed!

- **YAY!** Outstanding debt is decreasing, no additional expenditures.
- **BUT** we still have a \$195,000 bank loan, with lowered \$4,100 monthly payments for 4 ½ years after we borrowed \$83,000 short term from cash reserves.
- **AND** there are outstanding pledges/commitments of about \$100,000.
- **SO** we're counting on fulfillment of pledges to help decrease our loan.
- **YES**, we are extremely grateful for continued support via free-will offerings whether or not you've pledged. Remember that **every dollar you give now is one we won't have to transfer from our ministries in Christ. Thank you!**



Check out the new look to our website giving page

Visit www.TrinityCampHill.org/donate

Concert Series 2021-22!

First concert Sun., Oct. 17, 3 pm

- **Seraph Brass** is a dynamic ensemble of top female brass players
- Admission is free
- Check our website to see all concerts and to become a patron
www.trinitycamphill.org/concert-series



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here.

****those individuals leading worship, singing or speaking, unmasked are fully vaccinated.**

We would like to know you were here worshipping with us. Using a QR reader or camera on your mobile device, please scan this QR code to check you and your family into today's worship service. Or go to the following link:
trinitycamphill.org/checkin



about today's service

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

‡ Gathering ‡

We gather together to praise God and receive His love.

Song: "We Are Members of Each Other"

Chorus (2X)

We are members of each other,
More than friends and family.
We are members of each other,
All together one body.
We are members of each other,
One in this great mystery.
Our head is the Lord, we're one in His Word,
We are the body of Christ!

Verse

All put together, you and me, we are the body.
We fit together just like Jesus said.
Now, all together, we are one to give Him glory,
All in one voice, let this body rejoice!

Chorus (2X)

Tag: We are the body of Christ.

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Welcome

(Please Stand)

Song "Firm Foundation"

Chorus (2X)

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I put my hope in Your holy Word,
I put my hope in Your holy Word.

Verse 1

I have a living hope (I have a living hope), I have a future (I have a future),
God has a plan for me (God has a plan for me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus

Verse 2

Your Word is faithful (Your word is faithful),

Mighty with power (Mighty with power),

God will deliver me (God will deliver me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus (2X)

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Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God our comforter,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

C: Amen.

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: Let us pray. Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

(Please Sit)

† **Word** †

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

Reading:

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Quoting from the psalms, this passage from Hebrews emphasizes that Jesus, the one through whom God created everything and who sits at God's right hand, is also the one who experienced human suffering and death in order to blaze the path of salvation for us.

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

Jesus announced and enacted in history the new reality of God's surprising activity. These two stories demonstrate this new reality: Women and children are accepted and valued, not dismissed as inferior to adult men.

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." ¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Please Sit]

Sermon: "Building Relationships and Blessings"

Pastor Liz Frey

Children's Story

Pastor Jack Horner

Song: "Blessings"

Verse 1

We pray for blessings.

We pray for peace,

comfort for family, protection while we sleep.

We pray for healing, for prosperity.

We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering.

And all the while You hear each spoken need,

yet love us way too much to give us lesser things.

Chorus 1

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops?
What if Your healing comes through tears?
And what if a thousand sleepless nights are
what it takes to know You're near?
And what if trials of this life are
Your mercies in disguise?

Verse 2

We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear.
We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near.
We doubt Your goodness. We doubt Your love,
as if ev'ry promise from Your Word is not enough.
And all the while You hear each desp'rate plea,
and long that we'd have faith to believe.

Chorus 1**Bridge**

When friends betray us, when darkness seems to win,
we know that pain reminds this heart that this is not,
this is not our home.
It's not our home.

Chorus 2

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops?
What if Your healing comes through tears?
And what if a thousand sleepless nights are
what it takes to know You're near?
What if my greatest disappointments,
or the aching of this life
is a revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy?
And what if trials of this life, the rain, the storms, the hardest nights
are Your mercies in disguise.

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(Please Stand)

Apostles' Creed

P: Let us profess our common faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: **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

Following each petition are the words: "God, in your mercy."

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

† Meal †

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Please Sit)

Announcements

Faith Formation Video

Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts • Mail into the church office • Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the entrance to the worship space as you exit.

[Please Stand]

Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you,

C: **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.**

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life. When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child; When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life. You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. 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.

(Please Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. You will remain at your seat and at the direction of the pastor, you will be invited to commune, at which time, you will open the individually wrapped, prepackaged communion elements you received when you arrived. The bread is in the bottom and wine in the top. If you did not receive communion elements when you arrived, please see an usher.

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

(Please Stand)

Post Communion Prayer

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray. Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

✝ Sending ✝

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table.
Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.*

Blessing

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ✝ one God, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Song:" Majestic"

Verse

○ Lord our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

○ Lord our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

Chorus 1

The heavens declare Your greatness.

The oceans cry out to You.

The mountains, they bow down before You.

So I'll join with the earth, and I'll give my praise to You.

Verse

Chorus 2

The heavens declare Your greatness.

The oceans cry out to You.

The mountains, they bow down before You.

So I'll join with the earth and I'll sing...

The heavens declare Your greatness.

The oceans cry out to You.

The mountains, they bow down before You.

So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to You.

Bridge

I will worship You. I will worship You.

I will worship You. I will worship You.

We will worship You. We will worship You.

Chorus

Tag (2X): So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to You.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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Join us next week!

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Twentieth Sunday
after Pentecost

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Sermon Theme:

"Giving and Following"

Preaching: Pastor John Brock

Next week's music:

FaithX band

Worship notes

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website (www.trinitycamphill.org). If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office and we can mail one to you.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall are presented to the glory of God and in memory of our parents, Harold & Mary Mowery and Harold "Whitey" & Averil Shearer by the Phyllis Mowery family; the wedding anniversary of Dr. & Mrs. James F. Enterline by their daughter Joan C. Enterline; her parents, John D. & Eleanor S. Mashburn and brother Jack Mashburn by Anne Greenlund; their son, John Joseph Brady III, by parents, Ruth and John Brady, and sisters, Joan, Elizabeth, Miranda.

The sanctuary lamp candle that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence is presented to the glory of God.

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.