



What does  
this mean?

Seventeenth Sunday  
after Pentecost

Contemporary Worship  
11:00 am  
September 24, 2023



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

## What's Happening

### **Sunday morning classes have resumed at 10 am**

It's not too late to join our classes. Children and youth classes have re-started and adult classes, too, like "Bible 101" with Beth Bard and "The Chat" with Linda Horner. There's also a one-session class on Trinity History's on Oct. 1.

### **New member class is coming up**

Thinking about becoming a Trinity member? We'll see you on Sun., Oct. 8, at 12:30. Lunch is provided. Go to our website to sign up.



### **New singing group is formed—it's the Trinity Trebles!**

This group sings music in the treble clef and is for girls (and boys with unchanged voices) in grades 6-12. Sweet! Rehearsals are most Sundays at 5:30 pm in the Chapel. If that all fits, Tim Koch is looking for YOU. Call or text him: 717-364-2422.

### **Tell us your "Impact Story" – an experience you've had at Trinity**

**Write about it!** Capture your emotion, whether funny or serious or sad. Keep it to **300 words**. Try to **include a pic** or two. Send it to [www.trinitycamphill.org/tellusyourstory](http://www.trinitycamphill.org/tellusyourstory). Or **scan the code**. We'll edit if needed and publish it in Trinity Stories and elsewhere.



### **Blessing of the Animals: Saturday, Sept. 30, at 10 am**

Bring your favorite animal friend to our parking lot for a brief service and blessing at 10 am on Sat., Sept. 30, during Camp Hill's Harvest Hop.

### **Senior Connect luncheon and FUN: Wed., Oct. 11, starting at 11:30**

If you are senior 60-plus, connect with the two step! Come for lunch, fun, and line dancing. No skill or experience required. Just bring yourself and we will teach you how to step lively. Sign up in the Gathering Space or online for the lunch.

### **Hey, golfers, register NOW for the Oct. 21 Trinity Golf Outing**

It's Sat., Oct. 21, at 10 am at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Club. \$45 greens fee includes cart, balls, prizes, goodies, and meal afterward. Contact Rick Sten by Sun., Oct. 15, for more info and to register: [rjsten58@gmail.com](mailto:rjsten58@gmail.com).

### **\$500,000 in bequests in the past year: Wonderful gifts, Wonderful people!**

Many thanks to those who include Trinity in their wills. What a notable way to honor your church AND to be remembered. With these gifts, we can reduce capital project debt, set aside funds for maintenance needs, and reserve funds for any potential operating budget shortfalls.

If you would like free assistance to create a planned gift, contact ELCA Legacy Gift Planner and Trinity member Marianne Brock at 717-574-9066.

**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** We're so glad you're here. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

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/check-in](http://trinitycamphill.org/check-in).



### **about today's service**

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. When God changes God's 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 Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

**P: Pastor      L: Lector      C: Congregation**

### **† Gathering †**

*We gather together to praise God and receive His love.*

### **Song: "Way Maker"**

#### **Verse 1**

You are here, moving in our midst.  
I worship You; I worship You.  
You are here, working in this place.  
I worship You; I worship You.

#### **Chorus**

Way maker, miracle worker,  
Promise keeper, light in the darkness.  
My God, that is who You are.  
Way maker, miracle worker,  
Promise keeper, light in the darkness.  
My God, that is who You are.

#### **Verse 2**

You are here, turning lives around.  
I worship You; I worship You.  
You are here healing every heart.  
I worship You, yeah, I worship You.  
And You are.

#### **Chorus**

#### **Bridge 1**

That is who You are. That is who You are.  
That is who You are. That is who You are.

## Bridge 2

Even when I don't see it, You're working.  
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.  
You never stop, You never stop working.  
You never stop, Jesus you are

### Chorus

### Tag

That is who You are. That is who You are.  
That is who You are. That is who You are.  
That is who You are.

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Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

## Song: "The Lord is Gracious and Compassionate"

### Verse

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.  
The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.  
The Lord is good to all, He has compassion for all that he has made,  
As far as the east is from the west  
that's how far he has removed our transgressions from us.  
As far as the east is from the west  
that's how far he has removed our transgressions from us.

### Chorus

Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord.

### Verse

### Chorus (2X)

**Tag:** The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

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Confession and Forgiveness

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** 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.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Most merciful God,

**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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**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. 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.**

[Please be seated]

**† Word †**

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

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 shouldn't I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites?*

<sup>10</sup>When 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. <sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He 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 punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup>And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" <sup>5</sup>Then 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. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When 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." <sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup>Then 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. <sup>11</sup>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.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Gospel

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:] <sup>1</sup>"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And 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?' <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.'  
<sup>8</sup>When 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.' <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, '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.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

(Please be seated)

Sermon: "What Does this Mean? - Fairness"

Pastor Liz Frey

Children's Story

Pastor Jack Horner

### **Song: "The Wonder of the Cross"**

#### **Verse 1**

O precious sight, my Savior stands,  
dying for me with outstretched hands.

O precious sight, I love to gaze,  
remembering salvation's day,  
remembering salvation's day.

Though my eyes linger on this scene,  
may passing time and years not steal  
the pow'r with which it impacts me,  
the freshness of its mystery,  
the freshness of its mystery.

#### **Chorus**

May I never lose the wonder,  
the wonder of the cross.  
May I see it like the first time  
standing as a sinner lost,  
undone by mercy and left speechless,  
watching wide-eyed at the cost.  
May I never lose the wonder,  
the wonder of the cross.

## Verse 2

Behold the God-man crucified,  
the perfect sinless sacrifice.  
As blood ran down those nails and wood,  
history was split in two,  
yes, history was split in two.  
Behold the empty wooden tree,  
His body gone, alive and free.  
We sing with everlasting joy,  
for sin and death have been destroyed,  
yes, sin and death have been destroyed.

### Chorus

### Instrumental

### Chorus

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(Please stand as you are able)

## 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: "Merciful God,"*

*Please respond with: "**Receive 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 the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**



[Please be seated]

## Announcements

### Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the 'Vanco Mobile' app on your device • Text an amount to 717-963- 2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts or scan the QR to the right • 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 as you are able]

### Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray. God of power, God of plenty,

**C: All things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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: We give you thanks and praise, Lord God, for in your Son Jesus you became the true bread from heaven, the manna sustaining us in every wilderness, the bread of abundant life that never runs out. Send down your Holy Spirit upon us now, that we might become living bread for your hungry world. Give us your very self in these gifts of bread and wine and make them for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ:

*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: Great is the mystery of faith.

**C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

P: Ever-bountiful God, listen to the hunger of your children and nourish their true life in you. Draw near to those who toil for daily wages and all who wonder where they will find daily bread. Bless any whose days are spent looking for work or waiting for hire. Give each of your sons and daughters a place in your kingdom and fruitful work in your vineyard, not only for a passing day but for eternity. By your Holy Spirit, make the labors of our hands tell the good news of your harvest of plenty. Hasten the day when in one great sharing around your table, we shall taste and see that you are good. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: 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 be seated)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

*All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. If you'd like to receive communion via intinction, please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisle. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request—please ask the pastor at the time of communion. Additionally, you may receive communion by prepackaged communion elements, which you can get from the baskets as you enter the worship space. Just 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. 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.*

*The presiding minister will now invite those receiving communion, by prepackaged communion elements, to commune at your seat.*

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

*Those who wish to receive communion by intinction,  
please come forward at the direction of the usher.*

(Please stand as you are able)

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.**

P: Let us pray. Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

**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: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Song: "Lord of Justice"**

**Chorus (2X)**

Lord of justice, Lord of life. Help us to do what you know is right.

Oh, Lord of justice, Lord of life, guide us through the day and night.

**Verse 1**

To the stranger may we give welcome, to the hungry may we give bread.

To the naked may we give clothing, to the homeless, a place to lay their head.

**Chorus**

**Verse 2**

To the wounded may we give healing, to the voiceless may we give words,

To the captives may we give freedom, to the tortured, release from all the hurt.

**Chorus (3X)**

**Tag:** Guide us through the day and night.

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Dismissal

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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### **Worship notes**

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website ([www.trinitycamphill.org](http://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 by the Peters Family in memory of Dr. Richard C. Peters; by his wife Elizabeth and family in memory of The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Winters; by Sharon and Jennifer in memory of Mother and grandmother, Jeanne Dell; and by the family in memory of Joan Conrad.

**The sanctuary lamp candle** that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence is presented to the glory of God; and by his wife Elizabeth and family in memory of The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Winters.





**Join us next week!**

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**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**Sermon Series theme:**

**“What Does this Mean?”**

**Sermon theme: “God’s Will”**

**Preaching:**

**Pastor Jack Horner**

# **Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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