

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

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## Sunday, June 2, 2024 Second Sunday of Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** 

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

#### Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, I the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.** 

#### **Opening Hymn: Gather Us In**

No. 532

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### Gather Us In

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#### Greeting

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, the love of Christ that guards our hearts and minds, and the joy and consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### This is the Feast





#### **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Hymn of the Month: Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

Come of Wis-dom, who danced 1 and seek the ways she when voice of Wis-dom, 2 Lis ten to the cry ing in the -3 Sis ter Wis dom, as - sist nur ture all who come, us; Fol what \_ low close - ly she teach - es, earth was new. made flesh mar ket - place. Hear the Word a - mong us, seek re - birth. Spir it - guide and close com - pan - ion, for her words right Wis dom clears the are and true. full of truth, and When the word takes glo \_ ry, grace. bring to light our sa cred worth. Free us to be -jus - tice, show ing what love path to must do. us peace righ root and rip - ens, and teous ness em - brace. come your peo-ple, ho \_ ly friends of God and earth.

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

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#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

<sup>12</sup>Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Psalm 81:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup>Raise a song and sound the timbrel,

#### the merry harp, and the lyre.

<sup>3</sup>Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,

and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

#### <sup>4</sup>for this is a statute for Israel,

#### a law of the God of Jacob.

<sup>5</sup>God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt, where I heard a voice I did not know:

#### <sup>6</sup>"I eased your shoulder from the burden;

#### your hands were set free from the grave digger's basket.

<sup>7</sup>You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

#### <sup>8</sup>Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:

#### O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

<sup>9</sup>There shall be no strange god among you;

you shall not worship a foreign god.

#### <sup>10</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

#### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

<sup>5</sup>We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. <sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



#### Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup>One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup>The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? <sup>26</sup>He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; <sup>28</sup>so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

<sup>3:1</sup>Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. <sup>2</sup>They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup>And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. <sup>5</sup>He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup>The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

Children's Message

Sermon

**Pastor Jen Herrmann** 

Hymn of the Day: O Day of Rest and Gladness No. 521

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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 was 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 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**

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

#### A brief silence.

Guide your church to expressions of faith that bring rest and release. Teach your faithful people to be attentive to the spiritual, physical, and societal weariness of our neighbors, that we proclaim your grace through tangible acts of mercy and justice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Keep us mindful of the rhythms of nature as the days lengthen and the seasons shift toward summer. Grant relief to areas facing flooding or drought and bring favorable weather for the flourishing of crops, gardens, and orchards. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Where there is affliction in our world, bring healing. Where world leaders are perplexed, bring clarity of vision. Give a spirit of discernment to political advisors, institutional researchers, economic analysts, and all vocations that inform the work of governments and policymakers (*especially*). Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Provide wholeness and respite to all who are weary: those who struggle in any way and those who care for them (*especially*). Strengthen first responders and health care workers in their times of exhaustion or frustration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Stir our hearts toward abundant generosity among neighbors who experience hunger and food insecurity. Bless feeding ministries and community food efforts, especially community gardens, farmers markets, food pantries and Little Free Pantries. Open both our hearts and our tables. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

#### Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the communion of saints whose lives made visible the saving life of Jesus Christ. Guide us by their example to embody the treasure of your love for the sake of our world, until we come to our final rest in you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

**Offertory** (Usher please bring the offering to the altar)

#### Offertory Song – Lord, I lift your Name on High





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#### **Offertory Prayer**

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Social Josue Christ.

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Holy, Holy, Holy



Holy, living, and loving God,

we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending Jesus to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection,

we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:

carry us in your arms from death to life,

that we may live as your chosen ones,

clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

#### The Lord's Prayer

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.

#### Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

(Just a reminder that there is grape juice available on the communion trays if you would prefer not to have wine during communion.)



#### Lamb of God







#### **Table Blessing**

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

#### Blessing

#### Closing Hymn: Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

No. 389





#### Dismissal.

# Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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#### AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00	
Pastor: Lectors: Communion Assistant: Usher: Acolyte:	Pastor Jen Herrmann Carrie Wiedenheft Sally Warner Fred Wobser & Kent Miller Mya Smith
At 10:30	
Pastor: Lectors: Communion Assistant: Usher: Acolyte:	Pastor Jen Herrmann Candy Beatty Cathy Wobser Barb Sessler & Volunteer Claire Conner
June Altar Care:	Cathy Wobser

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

To all affected by the war in Israel and Ukraine; for all directly or indirectly effected by tornadoes, and flooding, mass shootings happening nationwide; FAITH members, including, Brian Hickman; the Roman Catholic Parishes of Sandusky; the work of Joey and Mary Supina and the Sandusky Artisans Recovery Community Center.

#### Pastor Jen can be contacted at 419-822-7630 or jen.herrmann@gmail.com

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by the Faith Builders Committee in celebration of our graduates.

**THE MEMORIAL FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Shelby & Zoe Koch and Rex & Charlene Stierhoff in loving memory of Norm Stierhoff on his birthday, today.

**DONATIONS TO OUR "PENNY JUG"** support the global relief and habilitation efforts of ELCA World Hunger, a mission of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

**THIS MORNING'S LOOSE CASH OFFERING** (money not in an envelope or given without other designation) benefits Lutheran Disaster Response. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.

#### **This Week at Trinity**

TODAY	Communion Service Celebrating Graduates	8:00 am & 10:30 am
WEDNESDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	7:00 pm
SATURDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Service of Word & Prayer JAM Session	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:30 am

#### ATTENDANCE

May 26 = 56 + 23 = 79

#### **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS**

General Fund - \$2,840.00 Building Improvements - \$255.00

**USHER NEEDED** for second service in June and October to cover these months that Sonny would have served. Please let Mark Wiedenheft, Nancy Vollmer, or the church office know if you can do this.

**THE YOUNG AT HEART** are scheduled for a "cruise" on The Mystic Belle in Vermilion, Ohio on Wednesday, June 12 at 2:00 pm. They will meet at the church at 1:00 pm on that day and carpool to Vermilion. The cruise is limited to 22 people. The cost is \$15 per person.

**JUST A REMINDER** that the offering plate is not passed during the service. You can find the offering plates at the front of the sanctuary as you come in from the hall on the table or at the back of the church on the table. Thank you for your donations.

#### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA!

Margaretta Township and the surrounding community is once again participating in Wreaths Across America this year where we'll place a remembrance wreath on every veteran's grave in our four township cemeteries. Our goal is to honor, remember, and teach others about the sacrifice that our 980+ veterans and their families have made so that we may continue to enjoy the freedoms we have today.



Last year, our community ranked #17 in Ohio with over 200 groups participating and #288 nationally with over 2300 groups participating. The ranking was based on the number of wreaths sponsored. Margaretta Township proudly placed a wreath on every veteran's grave last year at Castalia, Graves, Sand Hill, and Venice. We even had a few extra that were donated to the Ohio Veterans' Cemetery on Columbus Ave in Sandusky.

This great success never would have happened without the support of folks like you. A \$17.00 donation will sponsor a wreath again this year and you may do it specifically for a veteran of your choosing or a general donation of any amount.

Starting on Sunday, May 26<sup>th,</sup> the Memorial Day weekend, we will have the paper wreaths for you to fill out again this year by the tree outside the office in the educational wing. Please follow the instructions on the wall for filling out your wreath. We will do this during the month of June and end on the Fourth of July. We have chosen to do this earlier this year to stay away from the busy time of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Wreaths will not be placed on gravesites until December.

Once again, Thank You for your past support and Thank You again this year for your continued support!