

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

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## Sunday, June 23, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

## **Service of Word and Prayer**

#### Gathering

The Holy Spirit gathers us into a community of prayer.

#### 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: Precious Lord, Take my Hand**

## Precious Lord, Take My Hand



#### Greeting

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

You are the treasured people of the Lord,

#### a people holy to the Lord our God.

Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

# Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

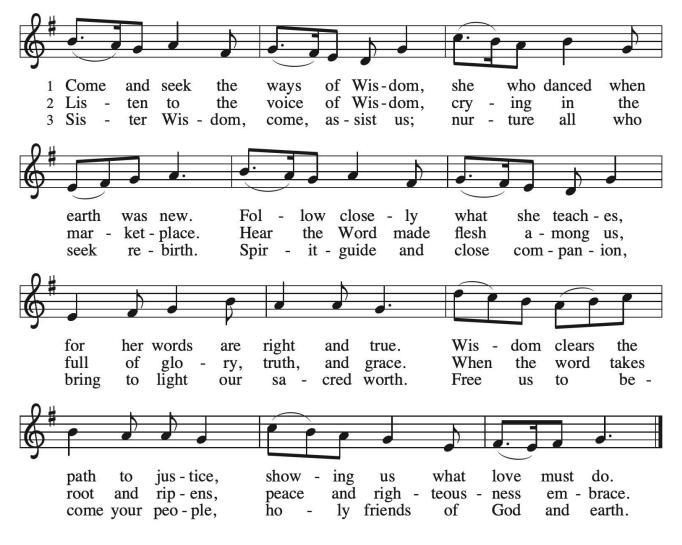
#### Prayer of the Day

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

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

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom



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#### Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, silence, reflection, and song.

#### First Reading: Job 38:1-11

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: <sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man, I will guestion you, and you shall declare to me. <sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk. or who laid its cornerstone <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?----<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors. <sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?" Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever. <sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim

that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup>Some went down to the sea in ships,

plying their trade in deep waters.

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep. <sup>25</sup>Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

- <sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.
- <sup>27</sup>They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.
- <sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.
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- <sup>29</sup>You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

- <sup>31</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.
- <sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

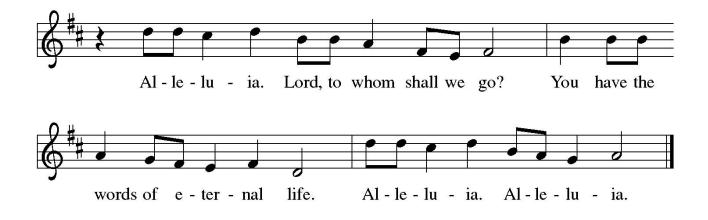
"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,

and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

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



#### Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

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

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

Children's Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: My Life Flows on in Endless Song

No. 763

My Life Flows On in Endless Song 763 D My life flows on in Through all the tu - mult What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth. 1 2 3 peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing! 4 The I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion. finds an ech - o It in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing? What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth. things are mine since I am his! All How can I keep from sing-ing? Refrain storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing. No Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

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TRUST, GUIDANCE

#### Thanksgiving for the Word:

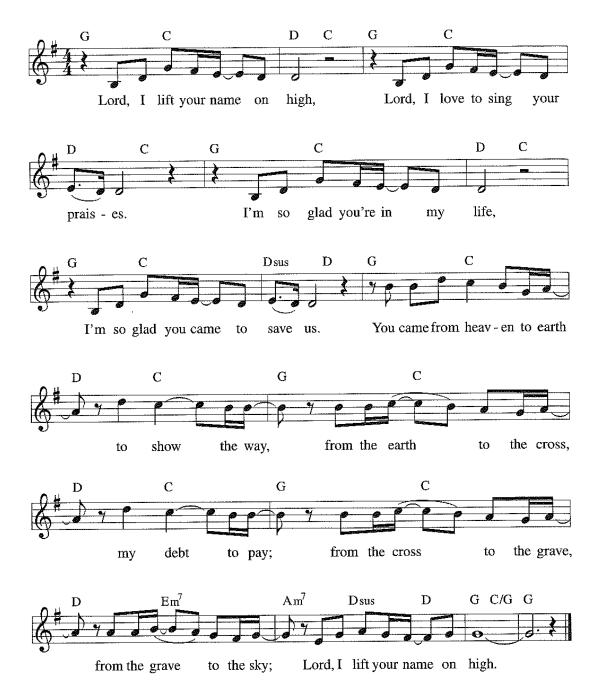
O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Offertory (Usher please bring the offering to the altar)

#### Offertory Song – Lord I Lift Your Name on High

No. 90



#### Prayer:

The Holy Spirit prays with us and through us.

#### **Apostles' Creed**

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

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.

In Christ Jesus we meet the God who knows our weakness and bears the wounds of the world. Therefore, let us be bold as we pray, trusting that God draws near to those in any kind of need.

#### **Silent Prayer**

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

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

#### A brief silence.

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work (*especially*). Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling (*especially*). Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

#### Here other intercessions may be offered.

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. 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.** 

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

#### 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.

#### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.** 

#### **Closing Hymn: The Church's One Foundation**

No. 654

#### 654 The Church's One Foundation one foun - da - tion is The church's Je - sus Christ, her Lord: 1 E lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth. 2 3 Though with a scorn-ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed, Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of 4 her war. u - nion with God, the Three in One, 5 Yet she on earth has and the word. she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth: by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis-tressed, waits the con-sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more: she mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is and won. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride; one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food, keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How saints their watch are yet long?" glo - rious her long - ing eyes are till with the vi - sion blest, cho - rus! Lord, save us by your bless - ed heav'n-ly Oh. grace, with his own blood he bought her, and for her life died. he and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en dued. and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song. and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest. that we, like saints be - fore us. may see you face face. to

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

#### Dismissal.

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### Thanks be to God.

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#### AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00...

Pastor:	Pastor Jen Herrmann	
Lectors:	Erica Miller	
Usher:	Fred Wobser & Kent Miller	
Acolyte:	Carlie Wiedenheft	
At 10:30		

Pastor:	Pastor Jen Herrmann	
Lectors:	Cathy Wobser	
Usher: Acolyte:	Barb Sessler & Bonnie Lieb Eli 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 earthquakes, tornadoes, and flooding, Covid, Mass Shootings happening nationwide; FAITH members, including, Laura Allen; the people of St. John, Union Corners and their pastor, Stacy Lauer-Scovanner; the ministry of Nehemiah Partners in providing activities and services for Sandusky youth and their families.

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

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God in celebration tomorrow of their grandson, Vinny Carrozzino's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday from Tom & Peggy Kingsborough.

**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 Current Expenses Fund. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.

#### This Week at Trinity

TODAY	Service of Word & Prayer	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	8:00 am & 10:30 am

#### ATTENDANCE

June 16 = 60 + 20 = 80

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

General Fund – \$4,405.46 Building Improvements – \$620.00

**PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW** if you have discontinued your home phone or have a new address or phone number.

**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.

**REMINDER** that there is a phone in the First Aid room if needed for emergencies and the church address is posted there along with being on the front of your bulletin each week. There is also an AED in the cabinet along with other various first aid items. **TRY TRINITY'S NEW QR CODE** if you would like to easily make donations to the church. Just place your phone camera over it like you are going to take a picture. The link will show up on your phone and you can just tap on it and go to the website with the donation button.

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Online Offering



**THE YOUNG AT HEART** are collecting donations for Cancer Bags for the Cancer Services in Sandusky. Below is a list of items being collected for the bags. We will be collecting through June and July. Bags will be assembled in early August. Items may be placed in the baskets in the upstairs hall. Monetary donations to The Young At Heart will be used to purchase needed items. Thank you very much.

Chapstick Water Bottles Individually Wrapped Hard Candies/Lemon Drops Hand Sanitizer Tissues Individually Wrapped Chocolates Gum Hats **Unscented Hand Lotion** Comfy Socks Face Masks Adult Coloring Books Small Devotions **Puzzle Books** Notebook and Pen/Journal and Pen Pencils, Crayons, Markers Fleece Blanket (used during treatment)

#### 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.

Make checks out to Trinity Lutheran Church and in the memo put WAA.

The paper wreaths are out for you to complete 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 chose to do this earlier this year to stay away from the busy time of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

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

