

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

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## Sunday, June 9, 2024 Third 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.** 



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: John Hughes, 1873–1932 3

#### 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.

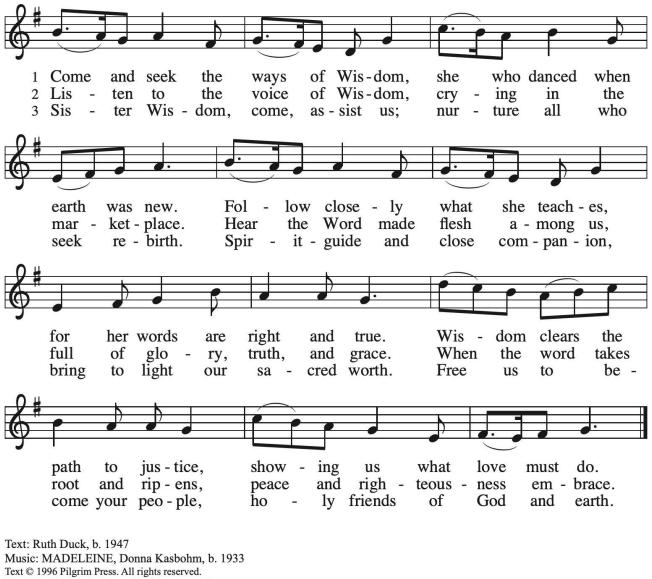
#### **Prayer of the Day**

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

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

# THE WAY 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: Genesis 3:8-15

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this,

cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.
<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

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

#### Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; <sup>2</sup>O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. <sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand? <sup>4</sup>Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared. <sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope. <sup>6</sup>My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning. more than those who keep watch for the morning. <sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption. <sup>8</sup>For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

#### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

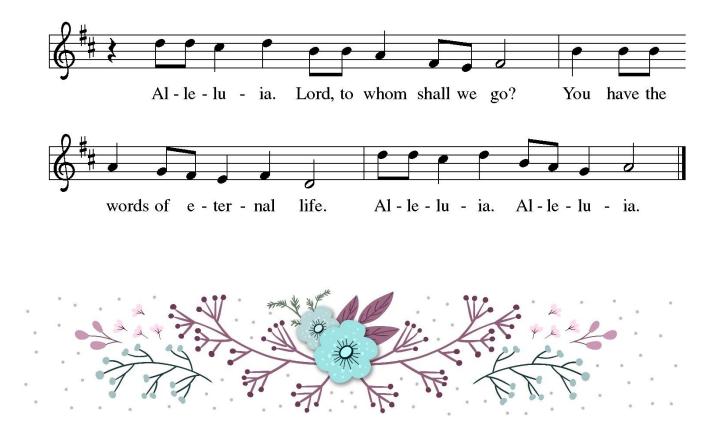
<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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#### Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

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

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

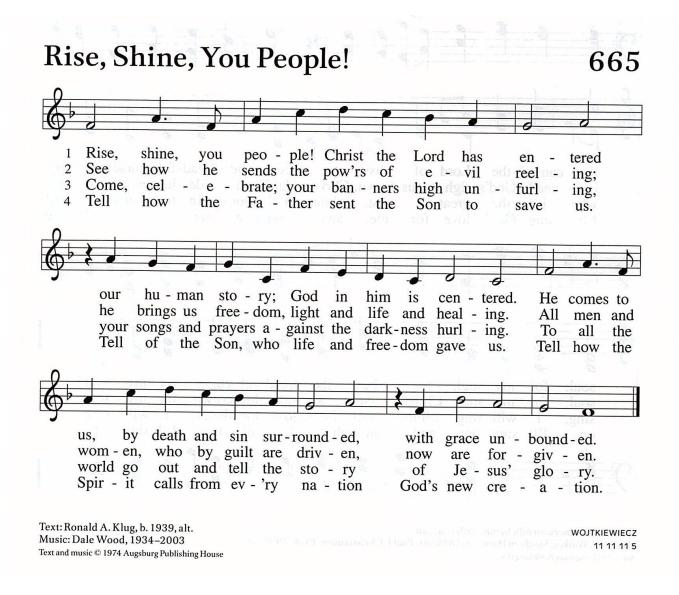
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

**Children's Message** 

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Rise, Shine, You People!

No. 665



#### 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 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.

You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age (*especially Columba, Aiden, and Bede whom we commemorate today*). Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness (*especially*). With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

#### Here other intercessions may be offered.

Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you (*especially*). Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. 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: On Our Way Rejoicing**



#### 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: Lectors: Usher: Acolyte: At 10:30	Pastor Jen Herrmann Sally Warner Fred Wobser & Kent Miller Lincoln Smith
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June Altar Care:	Cathy Wobser

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

For the family and friends of Phyllis Baum; who passed away June 5; 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, Judy Welser; the staff and students of Trinity Lutheran Seminary; personnel of the Sandusky Post of the Ohio Highway Patrol.

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



**POPSICLES WITH POP** will be happening Sunday, June 16 to help celebrate Father's Day. Kids bring your dad, grandpa, uncle, pops, papaw or any male friend and share a popsicle (or ice cream bar) with them. This will take place upstairs in the fellowship hall after each service on June 16. Guys feel free to join the celebration even if you don't have a young one to escort you.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Guy & Laura Miller in celebration of Kaitlin and Laura's June birthdays.

**THE MEMORIAL FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Wendy & Dave in loving memory of their mom, Barb Wiedenheft's birthday.

**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.

**BY THE WATERS OF HOLY BAPTISM,** Aiden Robert Nemitz, son of Ian Nemitz and Katie Fitz, and sponsored by Andrew Jackson and Claire Sainsbury, is being received into the Kingdom of God at the 10:30 service. Welcome to all joining us in celebrating this opening milestone in the faith life of this child!

#### This Week at Trinity

TODAY	Service of Word & Prayer JAM Session Baptism of Aiden Nemitz	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:30 am 10:30 am
WEDNESDAY	Young At Heart Mystic Belle Boat Ride Meet at church to carpool to Verm "We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	1:00 pm ilion 7:00 pm
SATURDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Communion Service Father's Day	8:00 am & 10:30 am

#### ATTENDANCE

June 2 = 58 + 23 = 81

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

General Fund – \$3,140.00 Building Improvements – \$260.00

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

**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.

**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!





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# MENU: BBQ PORK SANDWICH, POTATO SALAD, FRESH VEGETABLES & ICE CREAM



### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH 5:00 - 6:00 PM (OR UNTIL SOLD OUT) FREE DRIVE-THRU PICKUP IN BACK OF CHURCH

**PSALM 107:9** "FOR HE SATISFIES THE THIRSTY AND FILLS THE HUNGRY WITH GOOD THINGS."

> DELIVERY IS AVAILABLE FOR SHUT-INS CALL 419-357-3672 TO SCHEDULE A DELIVERY













# 70th Strawberry Festival



# Tuesday, June 11, 2024



## 5 –7 pm



Join us at St. Stephen UCC 905 E. Perkins Ave. Sandusky OH





Sandwiches: Shredded Chicken, Sloppy Joe, Hot Dog/Chili Dog includes a drink and chips Strawberries, shortcake and ice cream

Eat in or carry-out









