

*Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

*Sunday, September 5, 2021 – Traditional Service with Communion*

“He even makes  
*the*

DEAF  
HEAR

*and the*

MUTE  
SPEAK.”

*Mark 7:37*

# WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. We are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope.

Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended.

***Currently, we encourage all those attending worship to wear a mask if not vaccinated, for your safety and the safety of others. Thank you for your cooperation.***

We track attendance for communion. If you plan to commune, you're invited to register yourself beforehand on our website ([trinitylutheranchambersburg.org](http://trinitylutheranchambersburg.org)), by calling the church office (717-263-8156), or ushers can register you when you arrive.

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary.

Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired, there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

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*James tells us to stop showing favoritism in the assembly, treating the rich visitor with more honor than the poor one.*

*Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophoenician woman in today's gospel.*

*Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children?*

*Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply?*

*Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality.*

*Everyone who brings a need to Jesus is received with equal honor as a child and heir.*

# WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Congregation responds in bold print.*

*Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.*

## PRELUDE

*"The Lord's Prayer"*

Malotte

*Please stand as you are able.*

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God our comforter:

**like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Amen.**

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.

**Amen.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*    **ELW 858**

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

**APOSTOLIC 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.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Gracious God,**  
**throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life.**  
**Open us to the power of your presence,**  
**and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world,**  
**through Jesus Christ,**  
**our healer and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# WORD

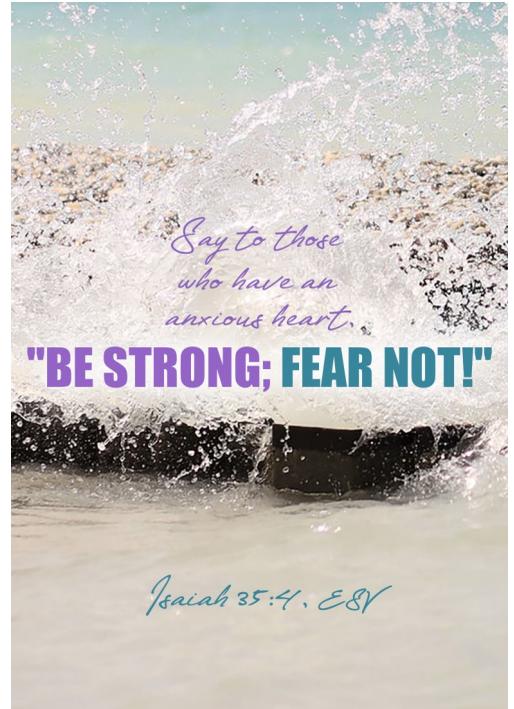
## FIRST READING

<sup>4</sup>Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
“Be strong, do not fear!  
Here is your God.  
He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.  
He will come and save you.”

<sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
<sup>6</sup>then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.  
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
<sup>7a</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Word of God. Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## Isaiah 35:4-7a



*We will speak the Psalm responsively.*

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

<sup>3</sup>Put not your trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup>**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,  
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

<sup>6</sup>**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;  
who keeps promises forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed,  
and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the captive free.

<sup>8</sup>**The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those  
who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup>The Lord cares for the stranger;  
the Lord sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>**The Lord shall reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**



Psalm 146:5, NIV

## SECOND READING

## James 2:1-17

<sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? <sup>2</sup>For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, <sup>3</sup>and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” <sup>4</sup>have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup>Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup>But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? <sup>7</sup>Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

<sup>8</sup>You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>9</sup>But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. <sup>11</sup>For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup>So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. <sup>13</sup>For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

<sup>14</sup>What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? <sup>15</sup>If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, <sup>16</sup>and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? <sup>17</sup>So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **GOSPEL**

**Mark 7:24-37**

*The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, <sup>25</sup>but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. <sup>26</sup>Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup>He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>28</sup>But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” <sup>29</sup>Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” <sup>30</sup>So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

<sup>31</sup>Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” <sup>35</sup>And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## **CHILDREN’S SERMON**

### **SERMON**

Pastor David

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

*“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”  
Gloria McCauley, Piano*

arr. Hayes

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **NICENE CREED**

With the ancient church,  
let us confess our faith according to the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As children and heirs of God's promises, let us now pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence*

Loving God, you bring your people together in together in community. Bless our worship and fill your church everywhere with a strong desire to share your love through word and deed.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the nations and all leaders. We pray especially for our President, Senators, Congress Representatives, and all local leaders. Help them to make wise decisions that affect the good of all.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

On this Labor Day, we give you thanks for all who have worked faithfully and diligently to make this country a strong and vibrant nation. Thank you for entrepreneurs and creative thinkers who have made our world a better place by their industry and innovation. Continue to motivate and inspire all in this nation we love and serve.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We continue to remember and pray for all those who are struggling in this world due to natural disasters, war, and greed. We ask your blessing to be with those who have endured flooding, Hurricane Ida, the fires in the West, the earthquake in Haiti, and for the people of Afghanistan during this time of transition. We pray especially for the women and children of Afghanistan and the thirteen military service men and women who lost their lives in the evacuation in recent days. We also pray for their families and all Americans still in Afghanistan.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

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You accompany those who are most in need. We pray for all those who are hurting and struggling due to illness and the like. Today we remember especially: Jim, Dottie, Shirley, Christine, Kayla, Larry, Mary, Cameron, Ron, Cheryl, Bernice, Ayano, Bob, Kelly, Denise, Jane, William, Rick, Phyllis, Sister Frances, Becky, Betty, Greg, Steve, Mark, Curt, Lois, Joe, Deb, Denny, Sandy, Pat, Susie, Dale, Steven, Doc, and Hirut, all our shut ins, and those we now name either with our lips or in our hearts... (PAUSE).

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

You support the work of your disciples. Continue to nurture the leadership and ministries of Trinity and all the families who make this community a blessing. We pray especially for Andrew, Deana, Brendan, Brooke, and Ty Nelson; Christine Newell; Doug & Debra Newman; and Garland & Trudy Oliver.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**AMEN.**



## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you!**

## **OFFERING**

*Please place your offerings in the plate provided by the door as you enter or exit worship. Thank you for your generosity and faithful support.*

# MEAL

## 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.**

## COMMUNION BLESSING

*Words of Institution*

**Pastor sings:** ...and as you drink it, remember Me...

24



**All Sing:** So, we thank You for\_ the wine \_ and for the bread; \_ For we

27



see the life \_ You gave \_ and the blood You \_ shed And we re -

30



-mem - ber Your won- drous\_ love, You gave Your bod - y, You shed Your \_

33



blood; And we re - mem - ber Your won - drous \_

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love, You gave Your bod - y, You shed Your \_ blood.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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.**

*Please be seated.*

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

*All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

*Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.*

*Collect an empty cup as you near the front of the sanctuary and proceed forward.*

*The pastor will place the bread in your hand.*

*Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant  
will pour wine from the chalice into the empty cup.*

*After drinking the wine, please return to your seat along the side aisle.*

*Grape juice is available; please request that from the communion assistant if you prefer it.*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.  
**Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN "Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing" ELW 545



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.  
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.  
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.



# SENDING

## THE BENEDICTION DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.  
Thanks be to God.

*Please be seated.*

## POSTLUDE

### "Trumpet Tune in C"

Johnson

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# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

<b>Interim Sr Pastor</b>	<i>Pastor M. David Kiel</i>
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	<i>10 AM</i>
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## LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

**Saturday, August 28, 2021** 44

**Sunday, August 29, 2021** 78

Online Worship Service Views: 54

*Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and  
in memory of loved ones  
and those who lost their lives on 9/11/2001,  
by Dave & Louisa Etter.*



*The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God  
and in honor of Trinity's children  
by Barbara Montgomery.*

## STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

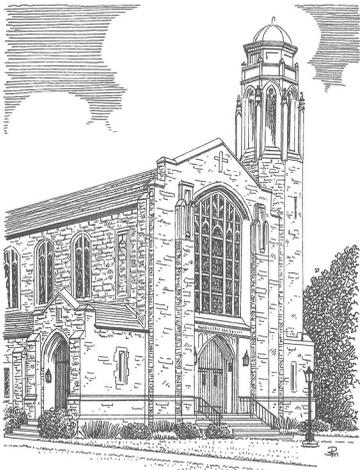
James 2:15 – If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that?

*For many of us who have more than we need, it's very hard to follow Jesus' command to love our neighbor as ourselves.*

*The questions steward/disciples have to ask prayerfully are,  
"How generous am I, really? Is God calling me to be more generous?"*

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 08/29/2021 Offering: \$5,944.66

Thank You!



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Secretary / Fin. Secretary	<i>Anne Crawford</i>
Sexton	<i>Elaine Hess-Strite</i>
Treasurer	<i>Dennis Alleman</i>
Asst. Financial Secretary	<i>Sage Brown</i>
Livestream Coordinator	<i>Jason Brown</i>

### **Vision**

*"Growing in God"*

### **Mission Statement**

*"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith  
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community  
Steward - Giving to all the love of God  
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"*