

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 15, 2023 – Traditional Service with Holy Communion

“TELL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN INVITED:

**LOOK, I HAVE
PREPARED MY
DINNER...
EVERYTHING
IS READY;
COME TO THE
WEDDING
BANQUET.”**

MATTHEW 22:4, NRSV

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.

Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired. This guidance may change if our risk level changes.

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.

Please be aware that we are streaming our services. If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.

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In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

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

PRELUDE

"Meditation on a Shaker Hymn"

Harris

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God,
the one who forms us,
✠ Jesus who bears the cross,
The spirit who makes our joy complete.
Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility,
confessing our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

**Steadfast and faithful God,
you have revealed the ways of justice,
yet we fail to follow you.
We are overwhelmed
by the world's violence and suffering.
We are afraid to risk what we have
for the sake of others.
For the harm we have caused,
known and unknown, forgive us.
For the unjust demands we place on others
and your creation, forgive us.
For the ways we turn away
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.
Lead us back to you
and set us on the right path;
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.
God's compassion is beyond compare.
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.
In ✠ Christ, you are already and always forgiven.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Thine the Amen"

ELW 826



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
4 Thine the king - dōm thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Lord of the feast,
you have prepared a table
before all peoples and
poured out your life with abundance.
Call us again to your banquet.
Strengthen us by what is honorable,
just, and pure, and transform us into
a people of righteousness and peace,
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:1-9

*After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor,
the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death - which in ancient Canaan
was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone - will be swallowed up forever.
The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.*

¹O LORD, you are my God;

I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

²For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

⁴For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
⁵the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

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⁹It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

PSALMODY

Psalm 23

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

You prepare a table before me, and my cup is running over. (Ps. 23:5)

- ¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
- ²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**
- ³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- ⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

He restores my soul.

Psalm 23:3

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-4

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Pastor Barb Barry

ANTHEM

*“My God Is So Big”
Children's Choir*

Ruth Harms Calkin

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us 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 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 INTERCESSION

Names of family & friends in prayer found on page 17.

A brief silence.

Response following each petition:

L: God of grace,

R: hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you!



OFFERING

Thank you for your generous and faithful support. We are not currently passing the collection plates; instead you may place your offerings in the plates provided by the door as you enter or exit worship.

If you prefer, Trinity offers 5 other ways to give as well:

Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, & Online. Contact the church office for details.

Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.



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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus invites you to this table.

Come, eat and live.

Thanks be to God.



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

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.

Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.

*Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you
a cup of wine or juice from the tray.*

Wine is red. Juice is white.

After drinking, you may return to your seat along the side aisle.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

James Druckenbrod, Donald Grier,

Philip Lobaugh, Barb Montgomery, & Brenda Runshaw

Gracious God, as you have sent messengers of compassion to your people, we send these Eucharistic ministers in your name. Empower them to serve brothers and sisters who are unable to share the sacrament with us today. Fill them with your Spirit; give them the gifts of humility, patience, gentleness, kindness, and above all, love, that through their ministry others may know the peace of your presence, and that by the body and blood of your Son they may experience the joy of your salvation.

Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

1 Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r, wis - dom and
4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb! Take we the

rich - es and strength ev - er - more, be to the Lamb who our
robe and the harp and the palm; sing we the song of the

bat - tle has won, whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the
Lamb who was slain, dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to

throne; whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!
reign; dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

SENDING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

“Rondo”

John Bull

*Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of our father and grandfather,
Ronald Vogel
by Erich, Laurie, Jenna and Carly Vogel.*



*The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God,
and in honor of Trinity's children and for our
Granddaughter Raegan's 9th Birthday
by Merle and Emily Dentler.*

*Worship bulletins are given to the Glory of God
by Merle and Emily Dentler*



LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, October 8, 2023: 97

Online views: 92

*Be a
Sponsor*

SPONSORS NEEDED

*Sign-up on
bulletin board in hallway
or call the church office.*

Altar Flowers \$40+

Children's Bulletins \$3

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preacher /Presider	<i>Pastor Barb Barry</i>
Organist	<i>Robert Eyer, Jr.</i>
Ushers	<i>Brenda Runshaw Ken Runshaw</i>
Acolyte	<i>Luke Coder</i>
Lector	<i>Lynn Lerew</i>
Communion Asst.	<i>Ruth Cramer Phil Lobaugh</i>
Communion Prep	<i>Joyce McDonald</i>
Livestream Team	<i>Jason Brown</i>
Nursery	<i>Linda Hins</i>



SEWING GROUP

*Oct. 25, 2023 @ 11 AM
@ Pam H's home.*

*For more info call/email
the church office.*

Next week's Lessons:

- Isaiah 45:1-7
- Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]
- 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
- Matthew 22:15-22



IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Judy Royce
Denny Verner
Sharon Emmons
Steve Frey
Carl Fahnestock
Bob Shannon
Bea Clark
Linda Remson
Martha Hoffman
Bernice Conner

Jean Baughman
Sue Lensbower
Diane Sterner
Doris Kriebel
Greg Wilson
Stanley Shilling
Doug Price
Ray Guldin
Deb Hutsler

Thomas Clarke
Brenda Zullinger
Marlene Fisher
Mary Royce
Phyllis Dusman
Floss Sterner
Curt Stambaugh
Cheryl Kelly
Cameron

MEMBERS

Herm & Pam
Hopple

Sue Horn

Shirley Howard

Michael & Tammy
Huntsberry

*****Names may be added / removed by calling the church office.***

*****Names will normally be removed after 4 weeks.***

OFFERING

Total Budgeted Giving Expected as of October 8, 2023: \$113,942.39

Amount received as of October 8: \$97,459.21

Thank You!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER OUTREACH ENVELOPE *Franklin County Shelter*

Our special offering for October is the Franklin County Shelter located on South Main Street. A number of years ago it became very apparent that emergency housing was needed for not only Franklin County residents, but also the many transients who go through our community. As the result of the efforts of many people, a shelter for the homeless was finally realized. The shelter continually needs the support of the community, especially the churches. We commend it to your care and support.



SWEET ROLLERS FUNDRAISER

Help Trinity's youth get to the
National Youth Gathering in New Orleans!

The youth are selling:

Cinnamon Rolls - \$6; Chocolate Chip Cookies - \$5; Coffee - \$12

Orders & Money are due October 22nd. Delivery is November 2nd.

Make checks payable to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.



Trinity will once again be hosting a community Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 28th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the church parking lot.

Volunteers are needed to decorate their cars and pass out candy.

Candy donations can be dropped off at the church any time before October 22nd. Helpers are also needed to man the event. If you are able to help, please contact Brenda Runshaw at brunshaw@gmail.com or 717-658-8099 or sign up on the church bulletin board.



Again this year, Trinity will be honoring our first responders as the **Saints Among Us** on **Sunday, Nov. 5** with blessings and baked goods. Bags for baked goods, in the church office, may be filled with a dozen cookies, a small loaf of sweet bread, 6 large brownies, or etc. Please bring the baked goods to the church on Thursday, **Nov. 2 by 1 PM**, or Sunday morning, **Nov 5**.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

Sunday - 10/15	9:00 AM	<i>Learning for all Ages:</i> Scripture and Coffee - Lounge High School Class - Social Hall - Stage Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery
	10:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary <i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>
Monday - 10/16	7-8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room
Tuesday - 10/17	6:30 - 8:30 PM	Girl Troop Committee - Scout Room
Wednesday - 10/18	5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Yoga - Library Choir - Sanctuary
Thursday - 10/19		National New Friends Day
Friday - 10/20	5:30 - 9:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM 8:00 - 10:00 PM NOVEMBER	Dance Works - Social Hall Cub Scouts - Scout Room Girl Troop - Scout Room NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Saturday - 10/21		National Apple Day
Sunday - 10/22	9:00 AM	<i>Learning for all Ages:</i> Scripture and Coffee - Lounge High School Class - Social Hall - Stage Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery
	10:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary <i>Twentyfirst Sunday after Pentecost</i>



CROP WALK *November 5, 2023 - 1 PM*

On November 5th, people from different congregations will walk together in Chambersburg to raise money for the program.

Registration starts at 1:00 at the Fourth Street Church of the Brethren 260 S. 4th Street for a 2 1/2 mile walk. Please get sponsors for your walk. Donations can be dropped off before the walk at the church.



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TRINITY STAFF TO SERVE YOU

Pastor	<i>The Rev. Barbara Barry</i>
Visitation Pastor	<i>The Rev. Ruth Smith</i>
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Administrative Assistant	<i>Priscilla Cullinane</i>
Treasurer	<i>Dennis Alleman</i>
Financial Secretary	<i>Cindy Scanzello</i>
Livestream Coordinator	<i>Jason Brown</i>

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Council President	<i>Evan Sutton</i>
Council Vice President	<i>Gloria McCauley</i>
Council Secretary	<i>Joyce McDonald</i>

COUNCIL MEMBERS

<i>Kathy Ashway</i>	<i>Ray Brindle</i>
<i>Heidi Hawbaker</i>	<i>Laura Pearce</i>
<i>Sarah Voight</i>	<i>David Wenerd</i>
<i>Wallace Whitworth</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"*