



*“Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority...”  
St. Matthew 10:1*

## **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*June 14, 2020 — 10:00 a.m.*

### **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**

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***“Come, Celebrate with Us”***

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**WELCOME**, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! To assist the office staff in serving you, **please sign the yellow Attendance & Communion Registration sheet included in the bulletin.** We also ask first time worshippers to sign the guest book on the table near the doors. Following worship, everyone is invited to the entrance area for refreshments.

Please direct all pastoral care concerns to Pastor, Rich Mueller at 914-388-2240.



## *Gathering*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*We face the font, remembering God's promise of forgiveness in baptism.*

*P:* In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*P:* God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*P:* Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection*

*P:* Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*P:* In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained

minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

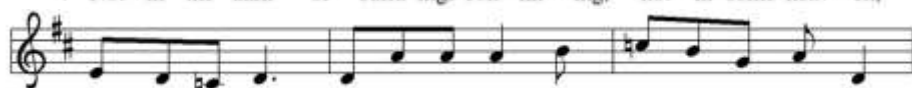
C: Amen.

## GATHERING HYMN

[532, "Gather us In"](#)



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



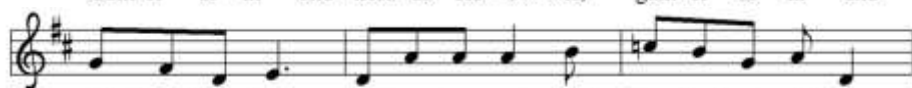
van-ish-ed a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion  
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.  
lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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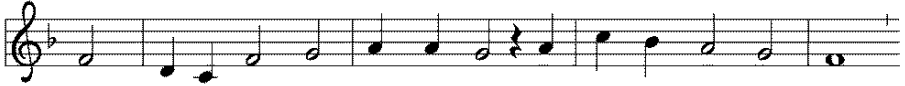
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## GREETING

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

*C:* And also with you.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;  
2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be ex - alt - ed thus!”  
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow’r di - vine;  
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.  
“Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply, “for he was slain for us!”  
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.  
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*P:* The Lord be with you.

*C:* And also with you.

*P:* Let us pray.

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*C:* Amen.

## Word

### FIRST READING

*Exodus 19:2-8a*

*At Sinai God assured Israel, “You shall be my treasured possession,” and commissioned them to serve as mediating priests for the nations. The people commit themselves completely to God’s will.*

<sup>2</sup>[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.<sup>3</sup>Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the

mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

<sup>7</sup>So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8a</sup>“The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

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

## **PSALM (Spoken)**

*Psalm 100*

*Sung responsively, **Congregation-Bold Parts***

*We are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture. (Ps. 100:3)*

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

<sup>2</sup>Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God’s presence | with a song.

<sup>3</sup>**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom | we belong;  
we are God’s people and the sheep | of God’s pasture. R**

<sup>4</sup>Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the | courts with praise;

give thanks and bless God’s | holy name.

<sup>5</sup>**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is | everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from | age to age. R**

## **SECOND READING**

*Romans 5:1-8*

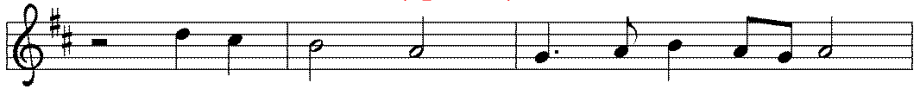
*We are no longer God’s enemies but have peace with God because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ’s death.*

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Spoken)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL LESSON

*Matthew 9:35--10:8 [9-23]*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.*

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

<sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [<sup>9</sup>Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup>Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>If anyone will not welcome you or

listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

<sup>16</sup>“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; <sup>20</sup>for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup>Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”]

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

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

Linda Veren

## SERMON

Rev. Richard H. Mueller

## HYMN OF THE DAY

[575, “In Christ Called to Baptize”](#)

1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,

and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.

In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
 Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
 By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
 E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.

then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
 One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
 in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
 In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
 Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876, alt.  
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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 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.



## **THE PRAYERS**    *(Stand or kneel)*

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

Holy One, you bring us together and call us your own. Bless theologians, teachers, and preachers who help us grow in faith (*following the examples of Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory of Nazianzus, and the teacher Macrina, whom we commemorate today*). Guide your church, that we might be a holy people. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, the whole earth is yours. Where there is fire, bring cool air and new growth. Where there is flooding, bring abatement. Where there is drought, bring rain. Inspire us to care for what you have provided. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, we have created divisions you will not own. In places of conflict (*especially*), raise up leaders who work to develop lasting peace and reconciliation. Encourage organizations and individuals who care for all forced to leave their homes. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you care for those who are harassed and helpless. Protect and defend those who are abused. Heal those who are sick. Feed all who hunger. Empower all whose voices go unheard, and help us respond to the pressing needs of our neighbors. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you provide a plentiful harvest of gifts and resources. Prepare us to labor and gather the fruits of this congregation, that we might discover new ways of living. Minister to us in our work, that we do not lose heart. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Holy One, you bring all people to yourself. We give thanks for the holy people who have gone before us (*especially*). Sustain us in your mission until the day you bear us up to join the saints in light. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*P:* Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

*P:* The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

*We greet one another with a gesture of peace.*

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

## Meal

### OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

### 186 "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

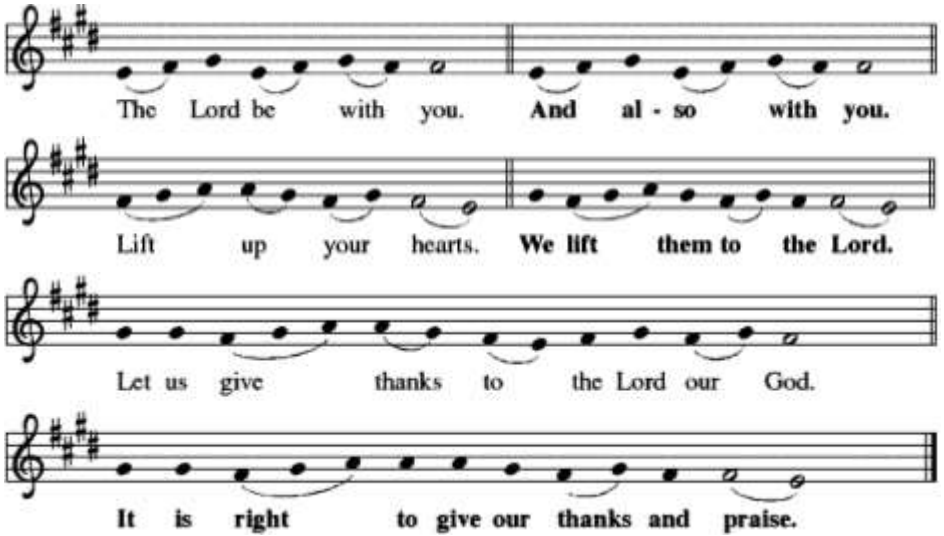
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of  
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

*A:* God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.

**C:** Amen

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...*Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The minister continues with the Words of Institution*

*Continue with the Lord's Prayer*

**C:** 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.

## COMMUNION

*P:* Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

*Christ is truly present in this sacrament. We trust the Word, "The body and blood of Christ given and shed for you." By Christ's invitation, all baptized people of God are welcome to receive Christ's gift of love and mercy. Cups are available to receive wine from the Worship Assistant's pouring chalice. If grape juice is preferable, it is available in the tray the Acolyte carries.*

*Those not wishing to participate in Holy Communion may come forward and receive a blessing. Please notify the usher if you are unable to come forward, but wish to commune in your seat. Approach the altar from the center aisle and return to your seat by a side aisle.*



- 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.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### 686, "We Give Thee but Thine Own"



- 1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
- 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
- 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
- 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:





all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee,  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.  
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.  
Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantata Louda*, 1850

## BLESSING

*The presiding minister may say a table blessing.*

*P:* The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.

**C: Amen**

*The assisting minister leads the prayer after communion.*

*A:* God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

**C: Amen.**

## *Sending*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BLESSING

*P:* Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, ✚ Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**C: Amen.**

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
 and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936  
 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893  
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## DISMISSAL

*A:* Go in peace. Christ is with you.

*C:* Thanks be to God.

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HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Announcements for Sunday, June 14, 2020

**TO KEEP IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS:** Those worshipping for the first time at Holy Trinity. Cancer/Illness: **Joyce Dyas, Danny Inlow, Bruce Peterson and Dot Peterson;** Those serving in military, firefighters & law enforcement including: **Marc Alverson, Daryl Bogle, Adam and Cathryn Cormier, Steve Duke, Shawn Ethington, Brent Massey, Jordan Miller, Christopher Mueller, Rich Peacock, Derrick Thorsrud and Dylan Winslow;** Holy Trinity's Mission Partner: **Bethel Lutheran Church – Biloxi, MS and Pastor Kelly Pensinger;** ELCA Leaders: **SE Synod Bishop Rev. Kevin Strickland, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Pastor Rich Mueller.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Our stewardship last week:** Attendance – N/A Offerings - \$4,240.00.

**SCRIPTURE JUNE 21:** *Jeremiah 20:7-13; Psalm 69:7-18; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

- Today** 9:00am Choir Practice  
10:00am Service of Holy Communion
- Tues., Jun. 16** 9:00am - 2:00pm Office Hours  
12:00pm **Cancelled:** Lunch Bunch  
6:00pm **Cancelled:** WELCA - Phoebe's Circle @ The Gathering Place
- Wed., Jun. 17** 9:00am - 2:00pm Office Hours
- Thurs., Jun. 18** 9:00am - 2:00pm Office Hours  
2:00pm Deadline for July's Newsletter submissions  
5:00pm – 6:00pm Worship & Music Commission Meeting
- Sun., Jun. 21** 9:00am **Cancelled:** Sunday School  
9:00am **Cancelled:** Choir Practice  
10:00am Service of Holy Communion

# Assisting in Worship

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Richard H. Mueller
<b>Musician</b>	Joy M. Sullivan: Piano Steve Horlebein: Guitar
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Jeff Ramsland
<b>Acolyte</b>	Erika Oldham
<b>Lector</b>	Andy Veren
<b>Cantor</b>	Tommy Fuller
<b>Children's Sermon</b>	Linda Veren
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Kathy Fuller
<b>Greeters</b>	Ann & Rick Massey
<b>Ushers</b>	Katrina Schonemann, Rich Peacock & Derek Thorsrud
<b>Tellers</b>	Mena Teal & Fred Fassbender
<b>Flower Pickup</b> ( <i>Saturday, June 20</i> )	Gary Lee

*The flowers at the Alter today are given to the Glory of God with Great Thanksgiving by Bruce and Ginny Peterson in honor of their 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary.*



## **PURPOSE STATEMENT**

God's purpose for Holy Trinity is to grow faith that moves us beyond ourselves.

## **GUIDING PRINCIPLES:**

1. Faithfully living with Christ at the center.
2. Prayerfully listening with open hearts and minds.
3. Selflessly welcoming all without preconceptions.
4. Courageously bearing our neighbor's burdens
5. Relating to one another with respect and honesty
6. Boldly sharing our blessings with other.



**JUNE 14, 2020  
SECOND SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**



*We are sent by Jesus to bless others.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Matthew 9:35–10:23</b>	<b>The sending of the twelve</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Exodus 19:2-8a</b>	<b>Israelites go to Mt. Sinai</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Romans 5:1-8</b>	<b>How to be acceptable to God</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Genesis 18:1-15</b>	<b>A son promised to Abraham</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19</b>	<b>Thanksgiving for illness recovery</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Galatians 5:13-15</b>	<b>Christ gives freedom</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 100</b>	<b>The Lord is good</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Matthew 10:24-39</b>	<b>The call and cost of discipleship</b>

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. **Matthew 9:35 (NRSV)**

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### **A Prayer for the Week:**

Dear God of constant love and faithfulness, we thank you for your care; give us strength to extend your care to others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealtimes Prayer:**

We thank you for this food, a gift of your steadfast love and faithfulness. Amen. (Psalm 100:5)

#### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the compassion of the Lord be with you and care for you like a shepherd cares for the sheep. (Matthew 9:36)



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## HYMN OF THE WEEK

All People That on  
Earth Do Dwell



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home

## WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

## CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What does it mean to you to bless someone?
- Our relationship with Jesus is meant to bless others. What does this mean to you?
- Jesus' followers were sent out to do the work of Jesus. Do you think this was easy or difficult? Explain.

## DEVOTIONS



Read: Matthew 9:35–10:23.

In the Old Testament lesson for this week (Exodus 19:2-8a) God once again establishes a covenant with the house of Jacob, just as God established a covenant with Abram in Genesis 12. God is making a priestly people, a holy nation to bless the world. In Matthew 9 and 10, Jesus now is establishing his covenant with his followers to bless others. Just as Jesus himself tells good news to people and heals every disease and sickness (9:35), his followers will go out and do similar acts of the kingdom (10:1 and 7). Those sent out by Jesus are doing the work of Jesus. The task was not easy for Jesus and will not be easy for his followers (10:16-23), but the Spirit of God will go with them (10:20). This passage is filled with compassion and is sobering at the same time. This is not someone else's ministry. It is the call all followers of Jesus have in some form. It is a daring mission that requires courage and wisdom (10:16). It is not an optional task. Our work as Jesus' hands, feet, and voice in the world day in and day out wins because we do not go alone, but with the Spirit of God. How do you accomplish the task of being Jesus' hands, feet, and voice in the world?

Pray: **Almighty God, send us out with your message of hope and compassion that heals through Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SERVICE



Christian mission trips can be local or global and participants serve as Jesus' hands, feet, and voice in the world. There are many opportunities to serve on and/or financially support a mission team. Have you been on a mission trip? If so, share your story with someone and invite them to get involved. If not, find out more about supporting or joining a mission trip locally and globally.

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing" (Psalm 100:1-2). *I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy Down in My Heart* is a popular Christian song written in the 1920's and still stirs memories and joy in the hearts of many. Take a moment to make a joyful noise to the Lord and sing this well-known song.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)

# PANDEMIC WORSHIP ADAPTATIONS

Thank you and God for being part of our worship together. To protect you and other worshippers Holy Trinity is following CDC, our synod and Alabama state recommendations as extra precautions. Here is a summary of our temporary worship adaptations that we ask everyone to respect and abide by while attending services. If you have any questions, simply ask one of our ushers.

1. Bringing and wearing a mask is strongly encouraged, especially if you cannot maintain six feet of separation from others. If you do not have a mask with you we have a small supply on hand. Hand sanitizer is plentiful. Additionally, gloves are available for those who feel they need them for extra protection.
2. IT IS IMPERITIVE THAT EVERYONE COMPLETES AN ATTENDANCE CARD. Please do so as this information would be critical if we ever need to complete contact tracing and stem a potential outbreak.
3. Please bring your own writing instrument for completing attendance cards, taking notes, etc. If you do not have one with you, ask an usher for a pen or pencil. We sanitize them before and after each service.
4. Maintain six feet separation between families for adequate social distancing once entering the building, while in the sanctuary, and until you leave the building.
5. Only the main entrance is being used. Greeters are screening everyone entering the building with three simple but key questions. As you enter the building please pick up a bulletin in the Narthex and proceed directly to the sanctuary. The doors will remain open during worship services to optimize ventilation.
6. When you enter the sanctuary, we recommend using the hand sanitizer available on stands by each door. Feel free to pause "for another squeeze" if you choose to come forward for communion.
7. Some seating has been removed so that families and car-poolers can easily maintain six feet from other worshippers. Your usual seat(s) may be unavailable.
8. Singing will be limited to only a soloist for a while. The congregation is requested not to sing, but feel free to hum along with the hymns, the liturgy, or maybe tap your feet or clap if you feel so moved. Our usual musical accompaniment remains.
9. Passing of the Peace is curtailed for now. Opportunities always remain for a "stay in place" wave or some other safe gesture.
10. Restroom doors at the end of the hallway will remain open to minimize your physical contact with any other objects. Multiple anti-bacterial soap dispensers are inside. Since the narthex restroom does not afford adequate privacy, it is not available.
11. The offering and attendance cards will not be collected during the service but may be dropped in the labelled baskets on either side of the sanctuary. Please be

- sure to complete and place your attendance card in the basket before you leave.
12. Communion is being administered by family/seating unit at the front of sanctuary. This might take a little longer, but please maintain six feet from the worshipers around you. Follow the usher's guidance when it's your turn, approach from the center aisle, and exit to the left and return to your seats.
  13. After the worship service ushers will dismiss everyone by row. Please proceed to the building exit, taking with you as you leave all paper, writing instruments, bibles, precious stones, popcorn or any other items. Please be safe by being patient.
  14. Temporarily, the narthex cabinets are locked and inaccessible. Hence, we do not have access to our mail folders and we are not wearing our name tags.
  15. Although we are a chatty bunch, please socialize outside the building and only as necessary.
  16. Following worship services we are not hosting any hospitality. Please avoid entering the Fellowship Hall or the classrooms.
  17. The sanctuary and other common spaces are being cleaned and disinfected after each Sunday's worship.
  18. Derek Thorsrud has graciously donated his own time and talents to upgrade our HVAC system air handler, providing extra air filtering and greater air scrubbing.

*Welcome Back!*

