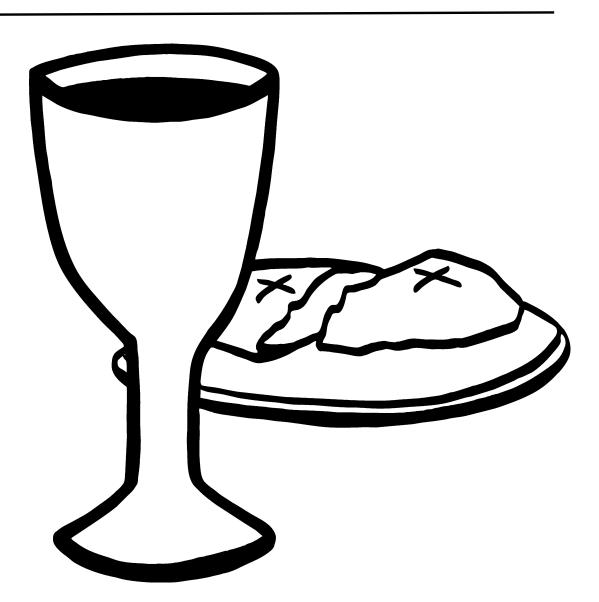


Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

August 15, 2021 9:30 AM – 12th Sunday after Pentecost



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A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

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Worship Information

A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today! Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God. Your presence at worship is a gift! Take a moment to introduce yourself to someone near you. To our visitors, we offer a special welcome and invite you to sign the visitor's sheet near the entrance. Please allow us to get to know you by staying for refreshments and fellowship.

Children: We love having children worship with us! During worship over the summer, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

Communion: It is our privilege to welcome you to the Lord's Table! We welcome all who are baptized and wish to receive the promise offered in the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, to come and share in receiving Holy Communion. As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. *Communion elements are found in a basket on the Greeters table, as we are continuing to social distancing.*

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

Worship Photos & Videos may be taken for the purpose of posting in the media of our congregation. The photographer's credit will be provided and any image will be removed upon request. Parents are asked to fill out a release form concerning images of minors and no minor's pictures will be used without consent.

Missed Last Week's Service? Our Sunday worship service is now live-streamed on htelc.com. Watch anytime! Visit us on YouTube at youtube.com/HolyTrinityEvangelicalLutheranChurch.

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Reconciling in Christ

At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—

regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.

You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.

You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.

Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.



You are wanted here.

Today at Holy Trinity

9:30 AM: Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM: Fellowship

Worship Assistants			
	9:30 Contemporary Service		
Musical Director	Jon Koelker		
Musical Accompanist	None		
Greeters	Jill & Jerry Schock		
Fellowship Host(s)	Cristina Dolcino		
Counters	Jim & Kathy McKenna		
Sound System/Live Stream	Mark Donahue & Franklyn Vosburg		

This Week At Holy Trinity					
Day	Date	Start	Event		
Wednesday	8/18	09:30 AM	Bible Study		
		06:00 PM	Wednesday Evening Worship		
Thursday	8/19	08:30 AM	Property Team		
Sunday	8/20	09:30 AM	9:30 Sunday Worship		

Last Week at Holy Trinity				
Date	Worship Attendance	<u>Offering</u>		
Wednesday, August 4	44	\$5,829.45		
Sunday, August 8	66 (In-Person) + 36 (Online) = 102	ŞJ,0Z9.4J		

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Emergency Contact Information: Please call the church office at (603) 436-1704 and wait for the voicemail options. When instructed, press 6, and you will be immediately transferred to Pastor Krick's cellphone.

Prayer Concerns

Please include the following in your daily prayers:

Members & Attenders

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson. *Homebound:* Marie Edin, Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin. *Military:* Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends

Lynn Geraci & Judi Thomson (Jill & Jerry Schock's friends), Martha Laperle (Betty King's friend), Pastor John H. Krahn (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friend), Kathy Germain (Franklyn Vosburg's sister), Megan Zadig (David & Carol Arrington's daughter), Joseph & Julia Spataro (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friends), Tammy Hickey (Tina Maiorino & Linda Sunderland's friend), Cinda DeWerff & Linda Aten (Rich Wilcox's sisters), Garnet D. Wilcox (Rich Wilcox's brother), Fred Keen (Rich Wilcox's brother-in-law), Bonnie Beatty (Rich Wilcox's niece), Floyd Richards (Claire Radke's neighbor), Susan Rogers (Linda Edwards' cousin), Mary Roberts (Heidi Morrison's sister-in-law), Dave Bly (Sue Althof's brother), Sharon Connors (Bonnie & Larry Sanders' daughter), Karla Roth (Bonnie & Larry Sanders' sister-in-law), Bill Hazard (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Stephanie & Chuck Pelesky (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend).

Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at office@htelc.com.

Lectionary (Readings)

This week: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58; 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111 *Next week*: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69; 1 Kings 8:[1, 6, 10-11] 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84

Notes on today's services

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

Walk The Walk 2021

As of August 12, 2021, Team Holy Trinity has a total of 47 members walking to fundraise for Calumet. Together, Team Holy Trinity has walked a total of

5,584 MILES!

That's **2.79%** of the total number of miles Calumet needs to reach their final goal. Every week, we will update this number for the congregation to see. Calumet has a total of **120,018** miles from ALL congregations and teams towards their goal of 200,000 miles, as of August 8.

Announcements

Faith Formation: This was our last week of Backyard Wednesdays. The past five weeks have flown by because our evenings together have been filled with great food, happy faces and awesome people. Thank you to all who have taken time to be together and to those who have volunteered, we couldn't have done it without you! Stay tuned for more information on everything the Faith Formation Team is planning for the fall!

Pop Up Pantry is in need of bread! Drop off a loaf of bread on Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday, and we will put out the bread on Wednesday for our Pop-Up Pantry.

Offering Envelopes: We are about to order the Offering Envelopes for 2022, and Holy Trinity would like to have a more accurate number of Offering Envelopes we need to purchase. If you currently receive Offering Envelopes, but no longer need them, please let the Church Office know. You may also notify the Church Office if you don't have Offering Envelopes, and would like them for next year. Having a more accurate number of envelopes needed will help Holy Trinity save money when we place the order in a few months.

The Tidings

If space in our bulletin occurs, we will feature excerpts from one or two articles from our weekly email newsletter in the bulletin. To subscribe to our weekly newsletter, please speak to the Church Office.

Property Team: As I have mentioned in previous blog entries, the number of volunteers serving the Property Team, particularly on Thursday mornings, waxes and wanes with time. People join us from time-to-time and some must leave for various reasons. We appreciate the work of all of our volunteers, those who serve for the long haul and those that cannot. We never know where help can come from. Recently, Gisela Wemple brought some visiting relatives with her to help on some tasks. Please accept my thanks to each and every one of you who have helped in any way, currently or in the past, on Thursday mornings or any other time. You are the very best!

This summer we welcomed a couple of new volunteers to our number as Jeff Morrison and Bill Larson joined us. Jeff has helped us for many years on special electrical tasks, and I believe he also worked with the Thursday Group before my time. I do not know Bill's history with the Property Team, but I imagine he has supported property matters when called upon in his long tenure with Holy Trinity. Thank you Jeff and Bill for giving generously of your time in retirement. Your involvement is making a big difference in what we are able to do.

If any of you readers feel the urge, join us on Thursday mornings or see me about some special projects that can be addressed at times that work best for you. I know some folks feel comfortable working alone and others do not. We are a flexible group and can make arrangements to team you up with another volunteer who is willing and able to work on a flexible schedule. I should also say that we do not expect or anticipate that our volunteers will have to pay for materials, tools, or supplies. We will work with any volunteers to determine what materials or tools may be needed and to obtain what is needed. I know some people prefer to work with their own tools and equipment, and that is fine also. Let's do this! *- Dave Mercer, Property Team Leader*

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12th Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday, August 15, 2021 — 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Song

ELW 576

We All Are One in Mission



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Confession and Forgiveness

- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

—A brief silence—

- P: God, our provider,
- C: 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.

- C: Amen.

Greeting

- P: May the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Children's Message

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

First Reading

- P: A reading from Ephesians 5:15-20
- ¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- P: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. John, Chapter 6:51-58

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

ELW 474

Bread of Life from Heaven



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Prayers of the People

P: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

-A brief silence-

P: God of wisdom, enlighten your church. Guide theologians, biblical scholars, authors, and seminary professors as they seek greater knowledge and invite others into deeper understanding. Teach us to ask faithful questions and open our minds to new ideas. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of creation, mend the earth. Cool warming oceans and preserve melting ice caps. Increase our awareness of changing climate patterns and reveal new approaches to the ecological challenges we face. Shield those in the path of hurricanes or tropical storms. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of resurrection, bring us to new life. Give us the living bread from heaven through which we abide in your love, and on the last day raise us with all the saints to eternal life. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of compassion, tend to the wounded. Rescue those tormented by mental illness or mired in addiction. Ease the anxiety of those struggling with dementia. Come quickly to help all who are grieving and all those who suffer. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence— God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop
 Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop
 James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone

Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

- P: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. After the service, please make your offering at the greeters' table, at the Sanctuary entrance, or give online at htelc.com

Offertory Prayer

- P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.
- C: Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. While we gather during the Pandemic, we will receive communion with a pre-filled communion cup and wafer. These cups are available at the greeters table, or someone should be around to give you a communion cup if you don't have one.

Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

P: Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

The assembly may be seated. Communion elements can be found on the Greeters' table. If you forgot to pick up your pre-packaged Communion Cup, someone will be around with the basket.

Sending of Communion

- P: Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation:
 Bless those who go forth to carry your Word and sacrament to our sisters
 and brothers who are homebound. In your love and compassion, nourish
 and strengthen them with hope through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

SENDING

Communion Blessing

- P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
- C: Amen.

Rites of Passage and Announcements

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

Sending Hymn

ELW 773

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Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home. Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899-1993, © 1938, Unichappell Music, Inc. One License #A-708618

Benediction

C: Amen.

Dismissal

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.