



# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord*

**September 5, 2021 9:30 AM - 15th 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](https://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	
	<b>9:30 Traditional Service</b>
<b>Musician(s)</b>	Jon Koelker
<b>Greeters</b>	TBD
<b>Fellowship Host(s)</b>	TBD
<b>Counters</b>	Paul & Lauren Gianino
<b>Sound System/Live Stream</b>	Mark Donahue & Franklyn Vosburg

This Week At Holy Trinity			
Day	Date	Start	Event
Wednesday	9/8	09:30 AM	Bible Study
		<b>06:00 PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Evening Worship</b>
Thursday	9/9	08:30 AM	Property Team
Sunday	9/10	<b>09:30 AM</b>	<b>9:30 Sunday Worship</b>

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Wednesday, August 25	<b>6</b>	
Sunday, August 29	<b>75 (In-Person) + 26 (online) = 101</b>	\$3,689.90
<i>Offering for the week of August 15, 2021</i>		\$9,435.40

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## 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](mailto:office@htelc.com).*

## Lectionary (Readings)

**This week:** Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7:24-37; Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125

**Next week:** Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38; Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; Wisdom 7:26--8:1

## Notes on today's services

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 Syrophenician 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.

## Walk The Walk 2021 – FINAL TOTAL

Walk the Walk for Calumet has ended, and Team Holy Trinity has a final total of....

**9,621 MILES!**

*Calumet has reached their final goal of 200,000 miles! Thank you to everyone who walked, donated, and supported us as we walked to support our favorite Lutheran summer camp! Boom chicka boom!*

## Announcements

**The Church Office** will be closed tomorrow, September 6 in observance of Labor Day.

**9:30 AM Worship** will continue into the fall for September and October, in-person and streamed on our webpage, alternating between our traditional and Contemporary formats. Faith Formation will immediately follow worship. The schedule for September and early October follows.

- September 12 – Ice Cream Social and Root Beer Floats!
- Sept. 19 – Intergenerational Activity – Create Bible Stories out of play-dough
- Sept. 26 – Age-Appropriate Faith Formation (Adult Forum topic TBD)
- Oct. 3 – Octoberfest! Church picnic! No beer, but maybe brats!
- Oct. 10 – Intergenerational Activity– Bingo! Bingo! Bingo! Prizes to be awarded!

**Tuesday Evening Worship will begin September 14 at 6:30 PM:** Instead of using the coming weeks Gospel lesson, we will make this more of a Faith Formation and fellowship opportunity by reading through the Bible and learning the grand narrative that is going on and how the stories connect to one another to create a larger story that we are all part of. It will still be a worship with communion and singing and a sermon, but Jon Koekler and Jonathon Bock will play a bit more as they did last summer. Immediately following the 30-minute service, we will have dessert. Each week, we will ask one person to provide dessert for the following week.

**God's Work Our Hands:** This year HTELC will be assisting Ending 68 Hours of Hunger (E68HH) as our large project. For many children who receive free meals at school, the weekends are a time when meals become scarce. E68HH sends home packs of food on Fridays so that approximately 180 local children are sustained until they return to school on Mondays. Unfortunately, the Covid pandemic continues to affect us all, and many of these families are also lacking the means to obtain supplies to keep themselves clean and healthy. We will be collecting hand sanitizer, hand soap, disinfecting wipes, and masks at HTELC until Sunday, October 17.

**Dover Friendly Kitchen:** Last week on Tuesday, August 24th, our crew made 118 summer picnic menu meals for the homeless and the struggling folks in the Dover area. We had a few bags of fresh dipping veggies and a few bags of cookies left after all the meals were supplied and these were taken to our very appreciative friends at Crossroads House in Portsmouth. Our next opportunity to serve will be on Tuesday, September 28th, and once again we will need volunteers and cookies. If you would like to join this ministry and to help out next time, please contact Bonnie Sanders.

**Pop-Up Pantry:** This month, the Pop-Up Pantry is requesting donations of canned Chunky Soups. Please drop off your donations at the Church, either with the Church Office or in one of the large plastic bins outside both our entrances.

**Claudine will be a featured speaker at a special event** scheduled for Sunday, September 12: Please come to a celebration of the immigrant banners displayed at the Dover Friends Meeting (141 Central Ave., Dover, NH) Sunday, September 12 from 4:00 - 5:00 pm followed by refreshments There will be a brief program about the creation of the banners and the work of Seacoast Interfaith Sanctuary Coalition (SISC). Claudine will relate her own journey and a Dover Friends' Meeting House member will discuss how providing sanctuary has enhanced her spiritual growth.

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15th Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday, September 5, 2021 — 9:30 a.m.

## Gathering Song

ELW 793

## Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931  
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

## Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: **Amen.**

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

—A brief silence—

P: God our comforter:

C: **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.**

P: 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.

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: 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.**

## 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 James 2: 1-10 [11-13] 14-17

<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.

**P:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark, Chapter 7: 24-37

**C: 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.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

# Hymn of the Day

# ELW 493

## Taste and See

*Refrain – All*



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

*Leader or All*



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.  
2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . . me.  
3 Wor - ship . . . the Lord, all you peo-ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;  
To - geth - er let us all . . . . praise God's name.  
You'll want for noth - ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;  
I called the Lord, . . . who an - swered me;  
Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

*Refrain*



for God has been so good to me.  
from all my trou - bles I was set free.  
in God we need put all our trust.

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

Music: TASTE AND SEE. James E. Moore Jr.

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## Prayers of the People

P: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

—A brief silence—

P: Holy One, you bring your people together in worship. Enliven your church. Guide all evangelists, preachers, prophets, and missionaries who seek to share your love through word and deed. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: You provide water for thirsty ground and sunshine to feed hungry plants. Bless all who advocate for healthy forests, unpolluted air, and clean waterways. Inspire all people to show care for the world you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: You show no partiality. Increase justice in all nations. Encourage leaders and governments to work with one another for the good of our common world. Unite us in seeking the health, safety, and dignity of all. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: You accompany those who are most in need. Shelter all fleeing violence or persecution, protect any who are in danger, and sustain them through uncertain and unstable times. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence— Lord, 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. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; 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](http://htelc.com)

## Offertory Prayer

P: Together, let us pray the Offertory Prayer.

**C: 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.**

**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.
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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 581

## You Are Mine



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,  
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.  
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the  
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*  
Come and rest in me. *To refrain*  
all will know my name. *To refrain*  
up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



*Refrain*  
Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." *To stanzas 3 and 4*

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Music: YOU ARE MINE, David Haas  
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## **Benediction**

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you † peace.

C: **Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**