



Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

September 19, 2021 9:30 AM - 17th Sunday after Pentecost



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: Traditional Worship

10:30 AM: Fellowship

Worship Assistants	
	9:30 Traditional Service
Musician(s)	Jonathan Bock
Lector	Glenn Oswald
Greeters	Glenn Oswald
Fellowship Host(s)	TBD
Counters	TBD
Sound System/Live Stream	Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue

This Week At Holy Trinity			
Day	Date	Start	Event
Tuesday	9/21	06:30 PM	Tuesday Evening Worship
Wednesday	9/22	09:30 AM	Bible Study
Thursday	9/23	08:30 AM	Property Team
Sunday	9/24	09:30 AM	9:30 Sunday Worship

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Wednesday, September 1	8	
Sunday, September 12	83 (In-Person) + 24 (online) = 105	<i>\$10,007.90</i>

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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: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Wisdom 1:16--2:1, 12-22; Psalm 54; James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37; Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1

Next week: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:7-14; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50; Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Psalm 124

Notes on today's services

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

Pop-Up Pantry

Every month, the Pop-Up Pantry at Holy Trinity is requesting a different item for us to put outside on Wednesdays with the normal bags of food that we give out. This month's item is...

Chunky Soups!

Please drop off your donations with the Church Office, in the cardboard bin in the Narthex, or outside the building in the plastic bins. Thank you so much for your generous donations!



Announcements

Blood Pressure Checks will resume today. We will continue to have monthly checks in the chapel on the Third Sunday of every month.

The Faith Formation team is very excited to begin in person faith formation activities at Holy Trinity. Our first in-person, all ages Faith Formation time will be after worship on September 26th. We are happy to be able to offer Sunday School for children 6th grade and under during this time. We have also been busy making plans for the next National Youth Gathering which will take place in Minneapolis, MN, July 24th-28th 2022. If you or someone you know are in 8th through 12th grade this year, we would love for you to join us. Please reach out to Pastor Tim or Faith Bygd, the Faith Formation coordinator, for more details!

Faith Formation will immediately follow worship. The schedule for September and early October follows.

- 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 at 6:30 PM: These nights we will worship outdoors, under the tent, and hear the grand narrative of the Bible throughout to learn how all of the Bible stories we know relate and connect to one another. Jon Koelker and Jonathan Bock will lead us in music and the sermon will be more of an explanation than a proclamation. We will also pray and have communion each week. After our 30-minute worship, we will stay for dessert!

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.

As part of God's Work, Our Hands, HTELC is scheduled to volunteer to help clean an area beach on Sunday, October 10 at 12:00 noon. We will be partnering with blueocean.org. They will notify us as to the location and will provide the necessary supplies for the effort. This is the ultimate example of "many hands making light work," in addition to being a fun time for everyone.

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Gathering Song

ELW 641, verses 1, 3, & 5

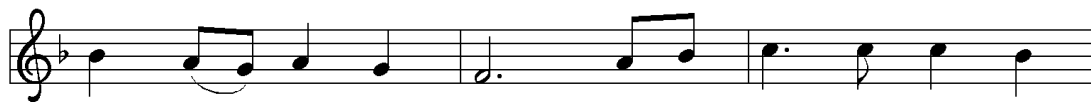
All Are Welcome



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen

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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: **O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, 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

L: A reading from Psalm 54

L: ¹Save me, O God, by your name;
in your might, defend my cause.

**C: ²Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.**

L: ³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.

**C: ⁴Behold, God is my helper;
it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

L: ⁵Render evil to those who spy on me;
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

**C: ⁶I will offer you a freewill sacrifice
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.**

L: ⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark, Chapter 9:30-37

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

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: God of community, we pray for the church around the world. Unite us in our love for you. Help us overcome our divisions, that we are encouraged to work together for your sake. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of creation, we pray for this hurting earth. Awaken in us a new desire to care for this world and empower us to support agencies, organizations, and individual efforts to heal our environment. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of compassion, we pray for the young people of this congregation. Renew in us your call to welcome the children in our midst. As they grow, strengthen their faith and our commitment to them. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of comfort, we pray for all who live with mental or physical illness. Help them find appropriate care. Bring healing and wholeness when the path forward seems bleak. 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 entrance of the Sanctuary.

Offertory Prayer

P: Together, let us pray.

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. Communion cups can be found in the Narthex.

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, 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

The assembly may be seated. Communion elements can be found on the Greeters' table.

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 504

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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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.**