

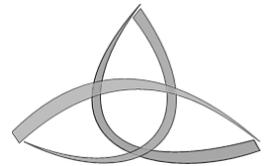
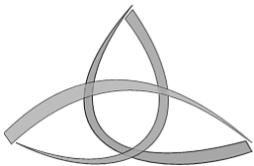


Worship with Holy Communion
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 1, 2021 - 11:00 am

Trinity Lutheran Church
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Pastor Jodi Golden-Lund, Presiding



God Gathers Us In to Worship

Welcome

Prelude

Jan Gibson

Gathering Song *“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”*

ELW 656

Please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Pastor: God, our provider,

People: 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.

Pastor: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

People: Amen.

Please stay standing as you are able

Greeting:

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

People: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: O God,

People: eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

God Proclaims His Holy Word

First Reading

Psalm 78:23-29

Pg. 527

God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels. (Ps. 78:24, 25)

²³So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,

²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.

²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.

²⁶The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,

²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

²⁸letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round about the dwellings.

²⁹So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life
People: **Thanks be to God!**

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Reading

John 6:24-35

Pg. 972

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were beside the sea, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is the Son of Man that God, the Father, has sealed." ²⁸ Then they said to Jesus, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one whom God has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Message

Amazing Surprise

Pastor Jodi Golden-Lund

Song

"I am the Bread of Life"

ELW 485

Confession of Faith/Apostle's Creed

Pastor: Let us confess our faith, using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of the People

A series of petitions will be offered for the sake of those in need within the church and within the community and world.

Pastor: Lord in your mercy...

People: **hear our prayer.**

Passing the Peace

Pastor: The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**



God Nourishes Us at His Holy Table

Offering Prayer

Pastor: Jesus, Bread of Life,

People: 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.

Please stand as you are able

Words of Institution

Pastor: On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Remember us in your Kingdom, Lord. Teach us to pray, saying from our hearts:

People: 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

Pastor: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

All Christians are welcome to share with us in Holy Communion. The gift of Holy Communion is given by God without condition; therefore, we do not condition who may receive. If you would like to receive Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine, simply do so.

Please stand as you are able

Songs During Communion

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

ELW 461

“Bread of Life from Heaven”

ELW 474

Post-Communion Blessing

Pastor: May these gifts of Jesus’ body and blood strengthen you and keep you always in his grace.

People: Amen



God Sends Us Out To Love and Serve Others

Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Jesus, Bread of Life,

People: **we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.**

Announcements

Benediction and Blessing

Pastor: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✠ be upon you now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Sending Song *"We Are All One in Christ"*

ELW 643

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God**

Postlude

Jan Gibson

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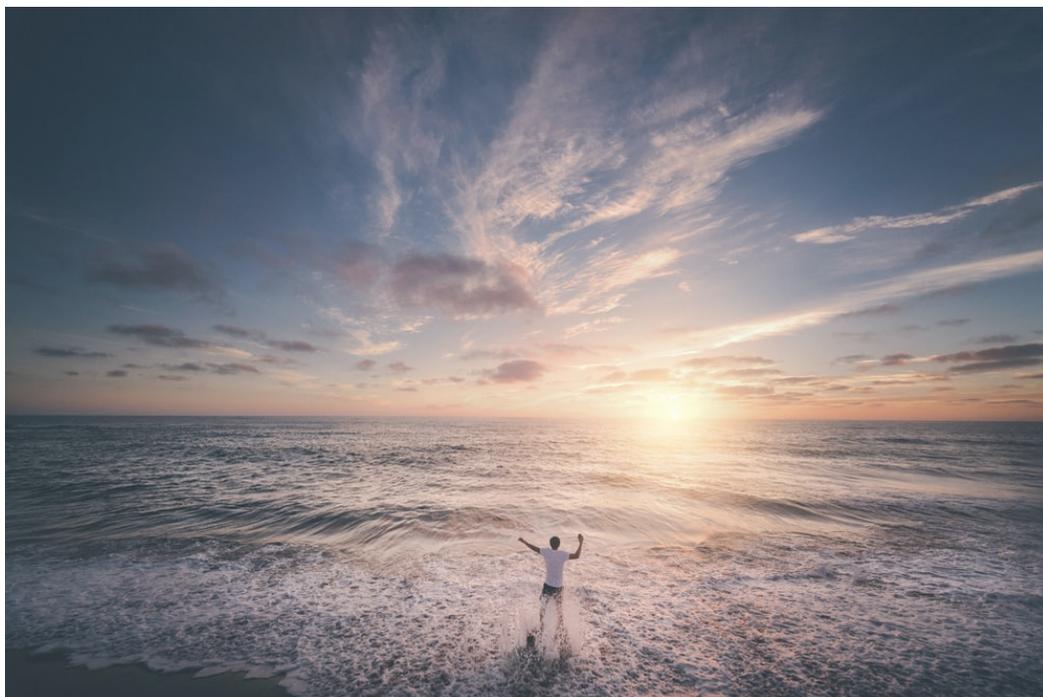
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Sharing God's love and grace, we invite, embrace and nurture everyone,
unconditionally, into a relationship with God through Jesus Christ.*

Worship Leaders:

Pastor: Pr. Jodi Golden-Lund
Keyboardist: Jan Gibson
Organist: Alice Christianson
Reader: Alice Christianson
Ushers:
Servers:
Song Leader: Julie McIntosh
Camera: Andy Buzzelli, Ray Cauwet
Altar Care: Karin Wiseman, Marga Schaeffer
Multi-Media: Dave Hensley

Staff of TLC:

Pastor: Jodi Golden-Lund
Secretary: Audrey Loeffler
Worship Director: Jan Gibson
Organist: Alice Christianson
Choir Director: Dave Hensley



Prayer Requests

New Prayer Concerns

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Stanley (Susan Firestone) - for God's peace and patience as he faces a new cancer diagnosis

Scott (Susan Firestone) - for relief in his back pain

Art and Karen Cardell - for peace and strength through difficult communication

Marcia (Nancy Chadwell) - for perseverance while enduring chemo side effects

Cee Bee (Susan Firestone) - for healing of infection

Colleen Wickeeshem (Carol Baggett) - for God's hand of protection as she deals with serious health problems

Marvin and Carolyn Sharp - for safety and good health during their travels over the next two months

Peggy Holt - for healing and comfort due to health problems

Julie Elston - for continued health concerns

Muriel Josten - for continued healing after knee replacement

Brian Nelson (Scott Nelson) - for continuing health concerns

La Vida Nueva UMC - for God to prosper our partnership in the gospel

The Sierra-Pacific Synod - for wisdom and a spirit of true fellowship in our shared ministries

Foothill Presbyterian - for God's blessing on our partnership with their community

Those unable to worship with us:

June Mowles - Sierra Hills

Avis Lindroos - North Dakota

Phyllis Rengstorf - Kaweah Manor, Visalia



Join us every Sunday!

Bible Study

9:45am

Worship w/Communion

11:00am