

June 4, 2023

Trinity Sunday (First Sunday After Pentecost)



Good Morning and Welcome!

Guests, we are glad you are here. Please fill out the yellow "Connection Card" in the pew and place in the offering. Sound Assistance and staffed nursery available.

Online Guest Form

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SERVICE of WORSHIP With One Voice Service of Word & Prayer * Please stand as you are able

THE PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INVOCATION

Give Glory to God our light and our love. Oh, come, let us worship and praise God.



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*THE GREETING & DIALOG The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

You are the treasured people of the LORD, **A people holy to the Lord our God.** Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children. **Talk about them when you are at home an when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.** One does not live by bread alone,

But by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE FIRST LESSON

Ecclesiastes 4:1-15

¹Again I saw all the oppressions that are practiced under the sun. Look, the tears of the oppressed — with no one to comfort them! On the side of their oppressors there was power — with no one to comfort them. ²And I thought the dead, who have already died, more fortunate than the living, who are still alive; ³but better than both is the one who has not yet been, and has not seen the evil deeds that are done under the sun. ⁴Then I saw that all toil and all skill in work come from one person's envy of another. This also is vanity and a chasing after wind.

⁵Fools fold their hands

and consume their own flesh.

⁶Better is a handful with quiet

than two handfuls with toil,

and a chasing after wind.

⁷Again, I saw vanity under the sun: ⁸the case of solitary individuals, without sons or brothers; yet there is no end to all their toil, and their eyes are never satisfied with riches. "For whom am I toiling," they ask, "and depriving myself of pleasure?" This also is vanity and an unhappy business.

⁹Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. ¹⁰For if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help. ¹¹Again, if two lie together, they keep warm; but how can one keep warm alone? ¹²And though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.

¹³Better is a poor but wise youth than an old but foolish king, who will no longer take advice. ¹⁴One can indeed come out of prison to reign, even though born poor in the kingdom. ¹⁵I saw all the living who, moving about under the sun, follow that youth who replaced the king;

THE PSALM:

¹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ²Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. ³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? ⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. ⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands: you have put all things under their feet, ⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field. ⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

THE SECOND LESSON

Paul writes: 1¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

***THE GOSPEL**

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Chris Berry

Matthew 28:16-20

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

THE MESSAGE

William Strand



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*RESPONSE TO THE WORD

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pray in the Holy Spirit.

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

*CONFESSION

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

(silence for reflection and self examination.)

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

THE OFFERING "Sing, All Ye' Nations" (8:30)

Glo - rv C God, for yours is the earth; to you, yours the a - noint - ing, the di ant worth. ra -Ours the joic a - flame: ing for spir - its re ours the thanks - giv ing to your ho ly name. tell ing Ours be the of deeds great - ly done; yours be the glo ry, 0 God, yours a - lone.

*THE OFFERTORY: "The Doxology"

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God, our Creator,

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

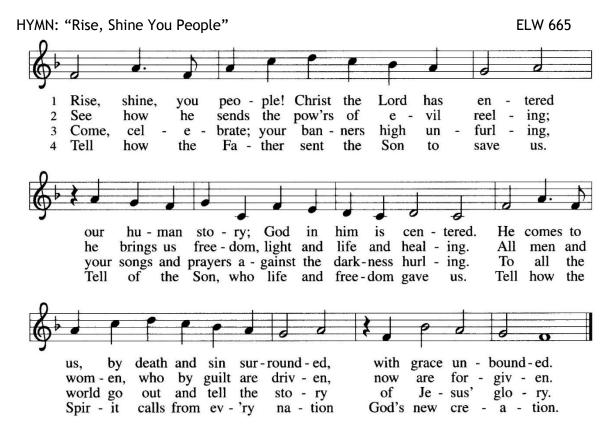
As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family, and all the world.

God of in your mercy, Hear our prayer. ***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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

*BLESSING



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***THE DISMISSAL**

THE POSTLUDE

WE REMEMBER IN THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH TODAY

<u>THE FLOWERS</u> today are given to the glory of God by Pat and Ronald Esteppe in celebration of their anniversary and Kaitlyn's birthday (today), and by Mike and Sue Doubleday in celebration of their 40th Anniversary which was June 3rd.

<u>A NURSERY WITH AUDIO OF THE SERVICE</u> is through the double doors in the Narthex leading to the Sunday School classrooms. Parents with newborns, toddlers, and children up to Pre-K are welcome. Nursery Help Wanted! If you would be interested in job sharing a nursery position, please contact Laurie Campbell at personnel.committee@mlutheran.org for details.

THANK YOU, William Strand for leading today's worship and for the youth participating in today's service of worship.

ALL ARE INVITED to enjoy coffee in the Fellowship Hall after service.

<u>MESSIAH MUSIC CAMP STARTS TOMORROW JUNE 5 - JUNE 11</u> from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The children will present "Sam, the Shams, and the Shepherd King" next Sunday in the Parish Hall at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. You can still register your child or grandchild!

THE DISASTER RECOVERY MISSION TEAM IS COLLECTING LOWE'S GIFT CARDS for the homeowners we serve to assist with unmet needs. These can be placed in an offering envelope (if you wish to receive credit on your giving statement) or they can be given directly to Claire Strand or Andrew King. Please write the amount somewhere on the card. Deadline for card donations is Tuesday, June 20, as the team will be leaving on the 21st.

"GOD'S GOOD CREATION" Vacation Bible School will be held on Wednesday evenings from <u>5:30</u> <u>PM to 8:30 PM</u> on June 21, 28, July 12, and 19. Each session is independent so feel free to sign up even if your children can only attend one or two sessions VBS will be at Messiah and together with our friends from St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. See mlutheran.org to sign up!

ARE YOU A PLANNER WHO ENJOYS LEADING TEAMS? Coordinators for the following Sunday Morning roles are sought: Lectors/Communion Assistant, Greeters, & Sunday Coffee Makers. Coordinators actively recruit, train, & schedule volunteers on the team roster to serve on a rotational basis and help keep the worship staff informed so things run smoothly on Sunday morning. Interested? Please let Laura Peterson know at worship_music_rep@mlutheran.org

KIT MINISTRY ITEM - 4 oz. Bars of Soap FOOD PANTRY Deodorant

Pastor K	ristine Schroeder	<u>Acolytes</u>	Natalie Zesinger (8:30)
Director of Outreach Ministries	Claire Strand		Ryan Fedrick (11:00)
Communication & Tech Directo	<u>r</u> Meredith Kilby	<u>Greeter</u>	Zesinger Family (8:30)
Office Managers	Bobbey Huwaldt		Fedrick Family (11:00)
	Meredith Kilby	<u>Ushers</u>	Virgil & Susan Burrer (8:30)
Choir Director	Randall Fields	Br	uce Peter. Bruce Machamer(11:00)
Interim Director/Faith Formation William Strand		<u>Lector</u>	Hannah Seitz (8:30 & 11:00)
Nursery Attendant	Katrina Strand	<u>Altar Guild</u>	Janet Smith, Janell Zesinger (8:30)
			Jutta DeMarsh (11:00)
		<u>Stream Team</u>	Meredith Kilby, Shane Peterson
		Flower Guild	Jutta DeMarsh

****CHURCH CALENDAR****

<u>Sunday, June 4</u>
8:00 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal
8:30 a.m. - Worship: Service of Word & Prayer
9:45 a.m. - Adult Sunday Class/Gospel of Luke
11:00 a.m. - Worship & Livestream: Service of Word & Prayer
<u>Monday, June 5 - Friday, June 9</u>
9:00 a.m. - Music Camp to 4:00 p.m.
<u>Saturday, June 10</u>
9:00 a.m. - Music Camp Dress Rhearsal
<u>Sunday, June 11</u>
8:30 a.m. - Music Camp Fellowship for all in Fellowship Hall
9:45 a.m. - Adult Sunday Class/Gospel of Luke
10:00 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. - Music Camp Service "Sam, the Shams, and the Shepherd King"

<u>LOOKING AHEAD</u> <u>June 11 - 12</u> Affirm Youth Conference (U of West Alabama) <u>June 21</u> - "God's Good Creation" VBS begins and continues June 28, July 12, 19 <u>August 6</u> - Rally Day

Attendance: May 21 Online: - 70

May 28 In-Person: 8:30 a.m. - 72, 11:00 a.m. - 54

Offerings Counted May 23, 2023

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> (256) 721-0041 M-F, 8:30 AM to NOOn

"GOD'S GOOD CREATION" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 21, June 28, July 12, & July 19 5:30 PM* to 8:00 PM

@Messiah with our friends from St. Matthews Episcopal

*Optional Family Friendly Dinner at 5:30 p.m.



<u>Free</u> for children Kindergarten through rising 6th Grade. To sign up for one or all sessions, visit mlutheran. org or scan the QR code.



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