

### Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 1, 2021

#### Welcome

**P** This is the day that the Lord has made!

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it!



#### Confession and Forgiveness

- **P** Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. **Amen.**
- **P** Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

### Silence for reflection and self examination

- P Eternal God our creator, in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- **P** Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God  $\oplus$  forgives us all our sins. **Amen.**

### Greeting

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** And also with you.

### Opening Hymn

# Something Beautiful

Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion, He understood. All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife, But He made something beautiful of my life.

# Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift Your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way. From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay. From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift Your name on high.

### Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray together. O God, 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.

#### The Peace

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

### First Reading Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God."

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

....The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm **78:23-29**

<sup>23</sup>So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup>raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup>letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup>So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

### Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

....The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Verse (sung)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter. (sung) Glory to you, O Lord.

# Gospel John 6:24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus 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. Do 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 on him that God the Father has set his seal."

Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So 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? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then 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. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus 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.

### Youth Time

#### Meditation

#### **Hymn**



#### The Apostles' Creed

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.

#### Prayers of the Church

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

You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, knit us together and restore the unity of the faith.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You command the clouds above and cause the wind to blow in the heavens. Watch over deserts and wilderness places. Regenerate rainforests, defend species at risk of extinction, and strengthen the work of conservation organizations.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, heal those who are ill, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Rain down the true bread from heaven that gives life to the world.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make this congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare us to welcome them in the name of Christ.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with all the saints and feast together at your heavenly banquet.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

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

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

### It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn (sung):

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

#### Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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.

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

Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us 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.

**P** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

# Hymns Before Communion (sung)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

As we continue our transition to re-opening, communion will be as follows: Please come up the aisle, pulpit side first, to receive the body/bread or a blessing, then move to receive the blood/wine/grape juice. Place empty glass in tray as you return to your seat. At this time, we will not have kneeling or use the altar rail.

<u>Communion:</u> From the Small Catechism of Martin Luther: "that person is well prepared [to receive communion] who believes these words, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, for the words for you simply require a believing heart."

The Body of Christ given for you.

The Blood of Christ shed for you.

### Post-Communion Blessing

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace. **Amen.** 

#### Prayer after Communion

**A** Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, 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.** 

#### **Prayers and Announcements**

## **Prayer Petitions**

We remember in our prayers today: Glenda and Ralph Fretz, Lacy Stang, Arlene Lyman, Evelyn Miske, Grace Root-Derby, Bill Krieger, Carol Diana, Don & Dorothy Ehlers, Jane Koons and Bill Wolff. We remember those impacted by war and violence and those affected by natural disasters, and we pray for our men and women in the armed forces.

<u>Our new health protocols are in place:</u> Following NYS and CDC guidelines, masks are no longer required for individuals who are fully vaccinated. Those who are not vaccinated are asked to continue to wear masks when walking about the building. We understand that getting vaccinated and wearing masks are personal decisions, and we ask everyone to be respectful and nonjudgmental about the decisions of others.

<u>Worship on Cable TV:</u> If you are unable to join us for in-person or Zoom worship, Lutheran worship is available on Cable TV channel 5, MeTV, Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Steve Biegner and Pastor Jeremiah Smith lead this inspiring worship.

<u>Alzheimer's Walk 2021:</u> This year's walk will be held on **September 18** at Buffalo Outer Harbor. As of right now, TOL does not have a team registered for the walk. If you are interested in walking, you can register on the Alzheimer's website. If we have enough people interested, Earlene Crocker will be happy to register TOL as a team. Please let Earlene know of your interest by **Monday, August 9**. Thanks!

Thank you from Jim Gordon: The Board of Holy Rest Cemetery wishes to thank everyone who came out last Saturday, July 24, to help spruce up the cemetery grounds. It was very much appreciated. Josh Seyse did an Eagle Scout Project 3 years ago putting in a bench and garbage can and put up a new sign and cleaned the grounds. TOL and its "daughter" congregation, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, established Holy Rest jointly in 1858. When St. Andrews closed

its doors many years ago, its remaining members joined other area Lutheran churches, but the legal corporation continues and provides funds for upkeep. There is a house on the property for the groundskeeper and we provide the grounds equipment and upkeep of the house such as lawnmower, snow blower and line trimmer maintenance.

<u>Eucharistic Ministry:</u> A meeting is planned for August 10 at 1 p.m. If you are interested in being part of this ministry please let Pastor Fred, and Velma Achenbach know. Eucharistic ministry is bringing communion to those who could not receive it at church.

Adult Retreat "Love in the Time of COVID:" "What have we learned about ourselves and others?" We hope to return to our annual retreat this year and gather again for fellowship, laughter and prayer at the Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Camp on October 1, 2, and 3. Details and restrictions are rather changeable, but a vaccination will be required. There will be more information when we have a clearer picture of the gathering. There is a sign-up sheet on the main bulletin board, and if you are worshiping with us on Zoom, just call or email the office and we can add your name.

<u>Offering</u>: Thank you for your gifts to TOL. There is an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. If you send your offering through the US mail, please use checks only-please don't mail cash. We also have online giving through tithe.ly, which can be accessed through TOL's website homepage (<u>www.trinityoldlutheran</u>). If you have a smartphone, you can download the Tithe.ly app. Instructions for both ways of giving through Tithe.ly are on our website's homepage. Please call the church office at (716) 836-4868 if you have any questions.

<u>August Mission</u>: This month's mission is Family Promise of WNY (FPWNY). TOL participated in the program that began as the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Today, FPWNY has reached its 25<sup>th</sup> year of service to homeless families in Buffalo and functions as an emergency shelter for homeless families, keeping affected families together while in their care. Over 70% of the guests are children. Please use the marked envelopes located in the narthex, or mail your donations to the church office (please indicate on your check that it is designated for Family Promise of WNY). Thank you for your support.

<u>Theme Basket Raffle Returning</u>: On Sunday, Sept. 12, we are planning another Chiavetta's Chicken dinner and this year, the theme basket raffle is returning! Baskets, gift cards, and other items will be needed to make this year's event a success. If you'd like, we can assemble baskets with the items you donate. Please bring your basket or items/donations to church before or by Sunday, September 5. Any questions about the theme basket auction, please see Debbie Feger or Kelly Barker. Stay tuned for further details!

<u>Food Drive</u>: We are so grateful for all your donations! We will continue to accept grocery donations of non-perishable items, such as:

Soups and other canned goods (vegetables, tuna, etc.)

Peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, applesauce

Boxes of pantry staples, for example, cereal, rice and pasta

(Please check food expiration dates before donating.)

Paper goods (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.)

Personal care (feminine hygiene products, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, diapers, etc.) Gift cards for Tops or Wegmans

Food items can be dropped off here at TOL Tuesdays through Fridays from 9 a.m. – noon by entering through the far-left front door, where the elevator is situated, and placing the bags of groceries in the bins provided there. The items will then be delivered to Community of Good Neighbors and/or Good Shepherd Lutheran Church pantry. Thank you for your generosity!

**Book Sale Continues:** Please visit our **Book Sale in the Resource Library,** which is the first room in the hallway near the main bulletin board. There are many items to choose from, and additional books are being added each week! Also, you are welcome to bring in your books or puzzles to add to the inventory.

<u>Operation Christmas Child:</u> We are collecting items for this year's shoeboxes throughout the year. There is a list of items needed in the Trinity Tidings and a collection box in the narthex for your items. Thank you for your continued support.

**<u>Devotional</u>**: If you would like a "Christ in Our Home" devotional for July - September, please pick one up in the narthex or call the church office at 836-4868 to have one mailed to you.

<u>Announcements</u>: If you'd like to submit a bulletin or Tidings announcement, please send it to <u>trinityoldlutheran@verizon.net</u> or call 836-4868 by Wednesday morning. Thank you.

### Closing Hymn



### **Blessing**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.** 

# <u>Dismissal</u>

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

### Thanks be to God.

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