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12th Sunday of Pentecost
August 14-15, 2021
Worship can be viewed LIVE on Sunday, August 15th at 9:30 am:
www.trinitypottsville.com
Or we invite you to listen on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am
on the radio stations:
WPPA 1360 AM OR 105.9 FM

Blessing of the Backpacks
Before & After Service on Sunday, August 15th
Back-To-School Worship & Picnic after church on Sunday

Confession

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin
to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness,
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Leader: Most merciful God,

**Congregation: we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you
In thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake
of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake
God forgives us all our sins.
By his authority,
I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Prelude: A Morning Serenade

Carl Simone

Entrance hymn: #661 I love to Tell the Story

WITNESS

661

I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911
Music: William E. Fischer, 1849-1936

HANKEY
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Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

The first system of the refrain consists of two staves. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody starts on a whole note chord of C4-E4-G4, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note F4, and a quarter note E4. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and a common time signature. The accompaniment starts with a whole note chord of C3-E3-G3, followed by a half note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The lyrics are: "I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry".

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

The second system of the refrain consists of two staves. The treble staff continues the melody from the first system, starting with a whole note chord of C4-E4-G4, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note F4, and a quarter note E4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment from the first system, starting with a whole note chord of C3-E3-G3, followed by a half note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The lyrics are: "to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love." The system ends with a double bar line.

Greeting

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

Congregation: And also with you.

Kyrie

Leader In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and
for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Leader For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us
pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Leader Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Congregation: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only
Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the
world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be
strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Proverbs 9:1-6 Today's Readings Insert

Psalms: Psalm 34:9-14 Today's Readings Insert

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20 Today's Readings Insert



Today's Readings

Sunday, August 15, 2021
12th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of the Day

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading

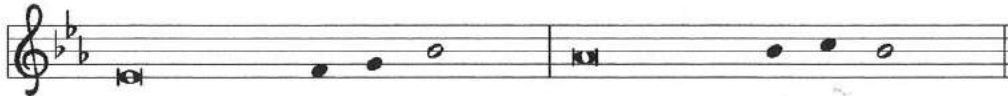
Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
²She has slaughtered her animals,
she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
³She has sent out her servant-girls,
she calls
from the highest places in the
town,

⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!"
To those without sense she says,
⁵"Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have
mixed.
⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

Psalm

Psalm 34:9-14; tone 4



Fear the LORD,
you saints ¹ of the LORD,
for those who fear the ¹ LORD
lack nothing.
¹⁰**The lions are in want
and ¹ suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD
lack nothing ¹ that is good.**
¹¹Come, children, and lis- ¹ ten to me;
I will teach you reverence
¹ for the LORD.

¹²**Who among you takes plea-
¹ sure in life
and desires long life
to en- ¹ joy prosperity?**
¹³Keep your ¹ tongue from evil
and your lips from ¹ lying words.
¹⁴**Turn from evil ¹ and do good;
seek peace ¹ and pursue it.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise,¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit,¹⁹ as you

sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts,²⁰ giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel

John 6:51-58

[Jesus said,] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will

raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Congregation: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Leader: The holy gospel according to Saint John the 6th Chapter

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 6:51-58 Today's Readings Insert

Leader: The gospel of our Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

William Evans

Hymn of the Day: #759 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

759

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day, wipe sor-row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re-move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887
Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

Offering

Offertory Response: #185 Create in Me

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away
from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your
salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and
renew a right spirit within me.

Prayer Hymn-#752 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Great Thanksgiving

Leader	The Lord be with you.
Congregation:(sung)	And also with you.
Leader	Lift up your hearts.
Congregation:(sung)	We lift them to the Lord.
Leader	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation:(sung)	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader

When our congregation last gathered in worship, we heard again of God's mighty acts and the love shown us in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. We shared in the holy meal of the Lord's supper. Now we bring you this word of life, and this bread and cup of blessing, so that you may share in these same gifts and be strengthened in communion with all the people of God.

Congregation:(sung)

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

Leader

Gathered around our Lord's table, we remembered with Thanksgiving the words of the Apostle, Paul. For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Leader

This is the supper of our Lord Jesus Christ. This same bread and cup, last shared in our community of faith, are here given For you. **Amen.**

Hymns during communion:

**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.**

Communion hymn: #468 Around You, O Lord Jesus

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Around You, O Lord Jesus

1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
 2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
 3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath

to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
 your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
 we will be true and nev - er— in joy, in grief, in death—

You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
 It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
 de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple

bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
 bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.
 dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772-1847; tr. composite
 Music: H. Thomassön, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569
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Leader

The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Strengthen You and Keep You in His Grace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with
shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Blessing

**Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Congregation: Amen.**

Dismissal

**Leader: Go in peace. To Love and Serve the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn: #856 How Great Thou Art

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How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion, and take me

all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft-y moun-tain
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-

thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;
 gran-deur and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;
 bear-ing he bled and died to take a-way my sin;
 ra-tion and there pro-claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou

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art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to
thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

The musical score is written in a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The first system of music contains the lyrics: "art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to". The second system of music contains the lyrics: "thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!". The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the bass clef, providing harmonic support for the vocal line.

*God be with you till we meet again,
By His counsels guide uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you,
God be with you till we meet again.*
Organ Postlude

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Elevator Fund: In memory of *Bill Stanton on his birthday, August 18th* by Wife, Doris, Daughter-in-law, Linda and Granddaughter, Kelsey.

Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Anne Updegrove and Ellie Palsgrove* by their brother, Walter.

The Altar Flowers have been provided this weekend by: **Bella Florist**

Bulletins are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Walter A. (August 3) and Anna Reed (August 20) on their birthdays* by son, Walter.

Bulletin openings: December 12 Cost=\$30.

Children's Bulletins are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *deceased class members*, by Craft Class.

Radio Ministry is presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *my loved ones* by a friend of Trinity.

Radio ministry openings: September 19 and November 28.

Cost=\$25 for 1/2, \$50 for whole

Digital Ministry is presented to the Glory of God and in memory of our loved ones that passed away by Dellock and Miller families.

Digital Ministry openings: All in September thru December. Cost=\$30

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TRINITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Saturday, August 14	6:00	Worship
Sunday, August 15	Before & After Service	Blessing of the Backpacks
	9:30	Worship
	10:30	Church Picnic/Carnival
Monday, August 16	6:30-8:30	Adult Volleyball
Tuesday, August 17	10-11:00	Adult Exercise
	6:00	Staff & Records and Finance
Wednesday, August 18		
Thursday, August 19		
Friday, August 20	10-11:00	Adult Exercise
Saturday, August 21	6:00	Worship
Sunday, August 22	9:30	Worship (Maureen Hill)
		Men of Trinity R-Phils Game
Monday, August 23	6:30-8:30	Adult Volleyball/\$3 per person
Tuesday, August 24	10-11:00	Adult Exercise
Wednesday, August 25		
Thursday, August 26		
Friday, August 27	10-11:00	Adult Exercise
Saturday, August 28	6:00	Worship

STATEMENT OF CONGREGATIONAL MISSION

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Trinity Lutheran Church is a worshipping, learning, witnessing, and serving community of baptized Christians. It is a welcoming place where the Word is proclaimed and the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Gospel. As a community of believers, we challenge each other to respond to the call of our Lord to love and minister to persons at home and throughout the world. We encourage each other to share our time, our talents, and gifts to further the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ. In these ways, we bear witness to the love we have first received from God through Jesus Christ.

Adopted by the Congregation

January 25, 1998

Chris Rothharp, Senior Pastor
Robert Thomas, Church Council President
Michael Kiehner, Organist & Choir Director
Jean Miller, Church Secretary
Janet Little, Church Secretary
Maryann Lascala, Coordinator of Senior Services
Jim Honicker, Sexton

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS
BEFORE & AFTER SERVICE ON
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH



TIME TO
TAILGATE

Back-To-School
Worship & Picnic

Sunday, August 15th
9:30 AM Worship with Picnic to Follow

Let's celebrate everyone's return to school and bless all of our students, teachers, coaches, support staff, faculty & parents too!
Please join us for worship and then enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs & picnic sides before you head home.

BRING FRIENDS! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

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BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

By TWO GUYS CHICKEN

SAT. SEPTEMBER 4th

11 am - 1 pm

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MEAL INCLUDES:

½ Chicken
Baked Potato
Applesauce
Roll & Butter

\$10 per meal

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