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***15th Sunday of Pentecost***  
***September 11-12, 2021***  
***Worship can be viewed LIVE on Sunday, September 12th at 9:30 am:***  
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**Or we invite you to listen on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am**  
**on the radio stations:**  
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***Drive-thru communion, Sunday, September 12th, 12-1:00***

***Breakfast is back, Sunday, September 19th, 8-12:00***

## **Confession**

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: 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.**

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

Pastor: 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.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake  
God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister  
of the church of Christ,  
and 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: Breathe On Me, Breath of God**

**James Boeringer**

**Entrance hymn: #625 Come, We That Love the Lord**

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# Come, We That Love the Lord

## We're Marching to Zion

625

1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;  
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;  
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets  
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with  
 but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the  
 be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the  
 we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -

sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.  
 heav'n - ly King may tell their joys a - broad, may tell their joys a - broad.  
 heav'n - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.  
 man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

*Refrain*

We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on;

we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

### **Greeting**

Pastor 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**

Pastor In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Congregation: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Congregation: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor 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.**

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

**Congregation: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor 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**



# Today's Readings

Sunday, September 12, 2021

16th Sunday after Pentecost

## Prayer of the Day

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## First Reading

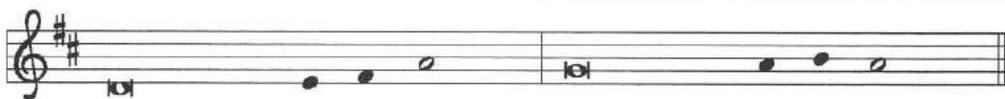
Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens—  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.  
<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.  
<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled  
out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.  
<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put  
to shame;  
<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

## Psalm

Psalm 116:1-9; tone 4



I love the LORD,  
who has <sup>1</sup>heard my voice,  
and listened to my <sup>1</sup>supplication,  
<sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given <sup>1</sup>ear to me  
whenever <sup>1</sup>I called.  
<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me;  
the anguish of the grave  
<sup>1</sup>came upon me;  
I came to <sup>1</sup>grief and sorrow.  
<sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name  
<sup>1</sup>of the LORD:  
“O LORD, I pray you, <sup>1</sup>save my life.”  
<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the <sup>1</sup>LORD and righteous;  
our God is full <sup>1</sup>of compassion.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD watches over the innocent;  
I was brought low,  
<sup>1</sup>and God saved me.  
<sup>7</sup>Turn again to your rest, <sup>1</sup>O my soul.  
for the LORD  
has dealt <sup>1</sup>well with you.  
<sup>8</sup>For you have rescued my <sup>1</sup>life  
from death,  
my eyes from tears,  
and my <sup>1</sup>feet from stumbling;  
<sup>9</sup>I will walk in the presence <sup>1</sup>of the LORD  
in the land <sup>1</sup>of the living.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members

as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

## Gospel

## Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter

and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

**Prayer of the Day:** O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a Today's Readings Insert  
Psalm: Psalm 116:1-9 Today's Readings Insert  
Second Lesson: James 3:1-12 Today's Readings Insert

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

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Saint Mark the 8th Chapter  
**Congregation:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Mark 8:27-38 Today's Readings Insert

Pastor: The gospel of our Lord.  
**Congregation:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Vicar Katy

**Hymn of the Day: #581 You Are Mine (next page)**

581

You Are Mine



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,  
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.  
 I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the  
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. To stanza 2  
 Come and rest in me. To refrain  
 all will know my name. To refrain  
 up, now walk and live! To refrain



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." To stanzas 3 and 4  
 4 "I



Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
Congregation:(sung) **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection open to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Congregation:(sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n 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.**

Pastor 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.

**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.**

## Just As I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y\_a con - flict,  
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
 4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry

shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
 man - y\_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
 cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
 bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

The musical score is written in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains four verses of lyrics. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system concludes with the phrase 'O Lamb of God, I come, I come.' The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords and some melodic movement in the right hand.

Pastor

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**

Pastor: 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**

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

**Recessional Hymn: # #773 Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

# Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,  
2 When my way grows . . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,  
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
when my life is . . . al - most . . . gone,  
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.  
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.  
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD  
Irregular

*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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**The Altar Flowers** have been provided this weekend by: **Forget-me-not Florist**

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**Bulletin openings: December 12** Cost=\$30.

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**Digital Ministry** is presented to the Glory of God and in memory of *Daniel and Frances Thomas on their wedding anniversary, September 11th*, by Georgia, Bob and Scott Thomas.

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

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**TRINITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

<b>Saturday, September 11</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sunday, September 12</b>	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>10:30</b>	<b><u>Church Council Meeting</u></b>
	<b>12-1:00</b>	<b><u>Drive-Thru Communion</u></b>
<b>Monday, September 13</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>Strategic Planning</b>
	<b>6:30-8:30</b>	<b>Adult Volleyball</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 14</b>	<b>10-11:00</b>	<b>Adult Exercise</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 15</b>		
<b>Thursday, September 16</b>		
<b>Friday, September 17</b>	<b>10-11:00</b>	<b>Adult Exercise</b>
<b>Saturday, September 18</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sunday, September 19</b>	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Worship</b>
		<b>Deaf/Hard of Hearing</b>
	<b>8:00-12:00</b>	<b>Men-of-Trinity Breakfast</b>
<b>Monday, September 20</b>	<b>6:30-8:30</b>	<b>Adult Volleyball</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 21</b>	<b>10-11:00</b>	<b>Adult Exercise</b>
	<b>7:00</b>	<b>Worship &amp; Music</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 22</b>		

**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

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# MEN OF TRINITY

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ASSORTED DANISH, TOAST,  
CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT, COFFEE, TEA,  
ASSORTED JUICES, & WATER**



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