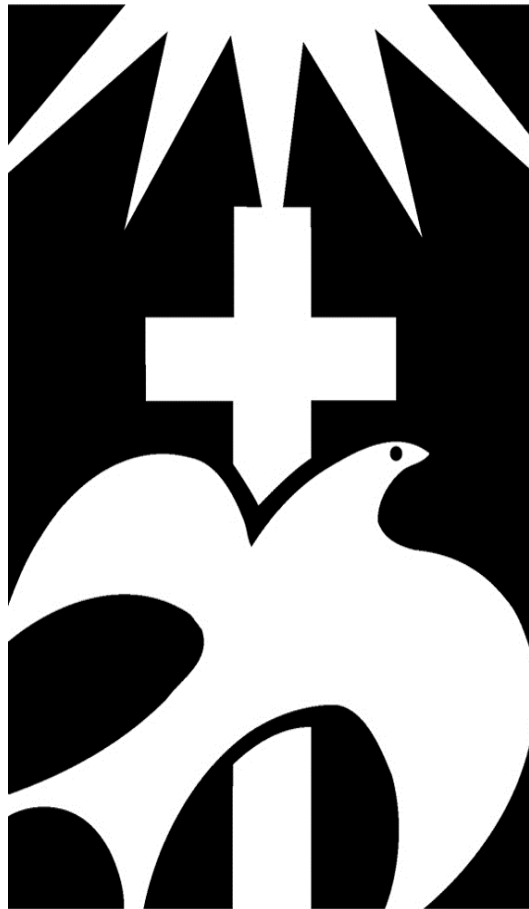


**Ninth Sunday
after Pentecost:
Proper 12**



**July 30, 2023
8:00 & 11:00 a.m.**

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;
During the service, let the Lord speak to you;
After the service, speak to one another.*

Prelude “You Are My All In All” MaryAnn Hubbard, Flute

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Entrance 594 “God of grace and God of glory” (vs. 1, 2, & 4)



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
3 Cure thy chil - dren’s war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church’s sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom’s
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
days, for the liv - ing of these days.
goal, lest we miss thy king - dom’s goal.
dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

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The complete text begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.**

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All sing this Hymn of Praise

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Priest O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or

come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Psalm 119:129-136

- ¹²⁹ Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
- ¹³⁰ When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.
- ¹³¹ I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.
- ¹³² Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.
- ¹³³ Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- ¹³⁴ Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.
- ¹³⁵ Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.
- ¹³⁶ My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence "Seek ye first"



1. Seek ye ___ first the ___ king - dom of God
2. Ask and it shall be ___ giv - en un - to you;
3. We do not live by ___ bread a - lone,



and its righ - teous - ness,
 seek and you shall find;
 but by ev - 'ry word



and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.
 knock and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.



Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: v. 1, Matt. 6:33, adapt. Karen Lafferty; v. 2, Matt. 7:7; v. 3, Matt 4:4.

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Priest The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish

of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev. LaRae Rutenbar

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

**He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael, Bishop Provisional Prince, and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on Shirley, Debbie, Carol, Betty, Lee, Ginny, Bruce, Ruth, Maggie, Matthew, Bob, Daryl, Jim, Mike, Andrew, Joyce, Carol, Phil, Jim and Aiden. Are there others? And all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People may then greet one another with a sign of peace.

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Doxology (*Old Hundredth, Hymn 380 v. 3*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The complete text begins on p. 367, BCP

Eucharistic Prayer B

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Priest proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Priest proceeds through the Preface, then says

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Bread is broken and silence is kept. Then may be said

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Invitation to Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Optional Prayer for those who cannot receive

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

Hymns During Communion

Hymn "Will you let me be your servant"



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.
walk the mile and bear the load.
speak the peace you long to hear.
till we've seen this jour - ney through.
let you be my ser - vant, too.

Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953

Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard

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Hymn "Bind us together"

Refrain

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that
 can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,
 bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.
 2 You are the fam - 'ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

There . . is on - ly one Bod - y; that . . is why we can sing:
 You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine.

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BIND US TOGETHER
6 7 7 6 and refrain

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After Communion, all say

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as

faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Priest bestows the blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing 488 “Be thou my vision”

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
thou my best thought, — by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

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The Deacon (or if no Deacon, the Priest) dismisses the People.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

In Our Prayers

LARCC: LARCC Clergy/St. Paul Lutheran Church

For Healing & Convalescing: Shirley Carr, Debbie Sanborn, Carol Hart, Betty Bartley, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Bruce Connon, Ruth Kapala, Maggie Lamb, Matthew Van Zetten, Bob Hanna, Daryl Hebert, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Joyce, Carol Putkamer, Phil, Jim Gilmet and Aiden Page.

Birthdays: Madeline Young (30), Dorann Bartz (31),
Maya Coopes-Meske (1)

Military: Ashley Alexander, Tyler Ferrier, Joshua Gapske, Isaac Graham, John Hartman

Cycles of Prayer: Diocesan: St. Andrew's, Gaylord and St. Paul's, Elk Rapids; Anglican: the Iglesia Anglicana de la Región Central de America.

The Flowers At The Altar

Given to the Glory of God
and
In Thanksgiving for Our Trinity Church Family
by
Audrey Heath

The Flowers At The Font

Given to the Glory of God
and
In Memory
of
Toni Renee Titus
by
Her Mom, Sonya

Readings for August 6

Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

Announcements

THANK YOU

Thank you to The Rev. LaRae Rutenbar for being here this morning and leading us in worship.

TECW PARTNERS WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

TECW is partnering with Habitat for Humanity for the first time to provide a housewarming gift to a new Habitat family. The family consists of a mother with 4 children ranging in age from 4 - 15 years old. They will live at a new home currently under construction on Washington Ave. Please consider buying an item for our group gift from the list below. Items can be placed on the bench in the fellowship hall and items will be received until August 23, 2023. TECW will also accept gifts of money which Cynthia Taylor will use to purchase items.

Suggested items include:

Spices for cooking	Bowls, pans and utensils for baking
Kitchen towel sets	Bathroom towel sets
Laundry supplies and baskets	Paper products
Hand soap/sanitizer	Snacks and games for family game night
Welcome mat	

PRAYER GROUP

We, in Prayer Group, realize that some people would like to be praying for the people in need of extra prayer. However, due to work or being house-bound, cannot join the Tuesday group. Therefore, the list will be available from Gerry Cawthra. If one needs to be mailed, call Gerry at 616.403.0181. And, of course, you are always welcome to join us Tuesday afternoon from 1:30-2:20 pm.

NEXT POTLUCK DINNER/MESSY CHURCH - THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD

The monthly Potluck Dinner, as well as Messy Church, will be held on Thursday, July 3rd. Everyone is invited!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We are looking for more knitters to create prayer shawls. Cynthia Taylor says all you have to be able to do is knit and purl. This ministry is a blessing to so many people! Please contact Bronwyn Woolman at 989.356.1045 if you are able to help. Thank you!

Announcements (Continued)

TRINITY FUNDRAISER AUCTION UPDATE

Remember to save the date, **October 27th, 2023**, at 5:00 p.m. for our Trinity fundraiser auction!! We need items to enhance baskets/bundles for the SILENT auction related to themes including coffee drinkers, pets, cooking, baking, fishing, and home décor. More needs for other themes will be posted in upcoming church bulletins. Stay tuned!!!

You can begin to drop off items at the church office, and Peggy will store them. All-hands-on-deck and an early start are needed to ensure a significant contribution to our beloved Trinity Episcopal Church. Thank you in advance for your participation, and always check your upcoming church bulletins for auction updates.



Future
Worship
Schedule

Sunday, August 6

8 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

Sunday, August 13

8 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. LaRae Rutenbar

11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. LaRae Rutenbar

Wednesdays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

12:05 pm - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Bruce Michaud

1:00 pm - Bible Study/Rev. Bruce Michaud

This Week's Calendar

Today	8 & 11 AM 4 PM	Holy Eucharist Sunday Supper
Monday		Church Office Closed
Tuesday	1:30 PM 5:30 PM 7 PM	Prayer Group Tuesday Night Activities AA
Wednesday	12:05 PM 1:05 PM 7 PM	Holy Eucharist The Good Book (Bible) Study AA
Thursday	5:00 PM	Monthly Potluck/Messy Church
Friday	5:30 PM	AA

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Tuesday - Thursday - 1pm to 5pm, Friday - 1pm to 3pm

Welcome to Trinity, part of the Anglican Communion, and thus, both catholic and reformed — the *via media* or "middle way" between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism.

Trinity organized in 1864 and our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a "National Jubilee Center," we reach out to many in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

In "Eucharistic hospitality," we invite all persons to the Lord's Table. Please join us there, and then, next door after the Service for refreshment and fellowship. We are delighted that you are here, and would be delighted to meet you.

The Vestry

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