

Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

ELW SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

SONG "You Are My All in All" On Screen

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (Blessed be...)

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GREETING, KYRIE

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(Glory to God...) Verses 1-2

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: ACTS 9:36-43

Sandy McMerty, reader

A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022 8:30 a.m.



Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad we are that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship is an act of surrender. It is an acknowledgement that we are creatures, not the creator. It is an admission that all we have is a gift given, not because we deserve it but because we are beloved. It is a time of praise - thanking God for being our God.

If you would like to grow deeper in your relationship with Jesus through Trinity Lutheran let us know - we would love to accompany you on your faith journev.

PSALM 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

Let your way be known upon earth,

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase;

God, our own God, has blessed us.

May God give us blessing,

and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.

And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Alleluia...)

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GOSPEL: JOHN 14:23-29

As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

The holy gospel according to John, chapter 14. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME/SERMON

Pastor Lee Herberg

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

ELW #800

SENIOR RECOGNITION

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please pray for Cheryl, Don, Donna, Fran, Gary, Jerry, Jon, Karen, Kim, Mary, Mike, Tom, Cheryl, Connie, Denell, Denise, Annette, Sherrie, Marty, Linda, Louise, Dwight and Doug.

OFFERING

CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING

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THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD / LORD'S PRAYER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

ELW #763

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

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Update on Pastoral Intern Colin

As many of you know, Intern Colin will conclude his time with Trinity on June 30th and has been active in the call process for first call as a pastor. Colin has officially been called and accepted the call as pastor at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Wishek, ND. Colin's ordination will take place on Saturday, July 30th, 2022 @ 3 p.m. at Zion American Lutheran Church in Eureka, SD. Many prayers are appreciated for Colin and his family as they transition to this ministry over the summer!

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All the people of God.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Julius & Alta Burzloff, given by family.

COED SAND VOLLEYBALL - Trinity had a team last summer and would like to put one together again this year. The league plays on Sunday evenings from June 5th - August 14th. If you are 16 and older and are interested in playing, please contact Heather. **Must register by Wednesday, May 25th**.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP - Nicer weather is coming and that means we will be hosting outdoor worship again starting Wednesday, June 1st. Wednesday worship @ 6 p.m. and Sunday worship @ 10:30 a.m. will be moving outdoors depending on the weather's cooperation. Sunday worship @ 8:30 a.m. will remain indoors. Chairs will be available if you don't want to bring your own.

SENIOR RECOGNITION - We are recognizing graduating High School seniors at worship services **TODAY** & Wednesday, May 25th.

DAN'S RECEIPTS - We are still collecting Dan's receipts in the Narthex. Proceeds will go towards Trinity's Children & Youth Programs. Thank you for your help with this fundraiser!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Join us for VBS at Trinity June 5th - 8th @ 5:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. Kids age 4 to grade 5 are welcome! There is no fee for this fun week of games, snacks, crafts, and exploring our faith! Register on our website under 'News & Events' or see Gracia.

VOLUNTEER FOR VBS - All current 6th graders - adults are welcome to help us with VBS this year! We need station leaders, crew leaders, help with snacks, and someone to take some pictures. See Gracia if interested.

COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY - Save the date - join us for a Community Block Party June 15th @ 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. There will be free hot dogs & ice cream cones, kids games and outdoor worship @ 6 p.m. Meet your friends and neighbors for a great night! All are welcome!

TRINITY CAMPERSHIPS - Because we believe in the value of Christian Camping, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of \$150 to anyone enrolled in Trinity ministries attending Bible Camp this summer. To receive your campership, contact Gracia.

LOAVES & FISHES - We will be filling bags again on Sunday, June 5th @ 9:30 a.m. Please join us downstairs in the Quilter's Room. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

CONNECT GROUPS - Faith and Fellowship

Mondays

Bible Read-Through Group, every Monday @ 7 a.m., Katie's Parlor. Contact Bob Wefald, bobwefald@msn.com. **Ladies Study**, 1st & 3rd Mondays @ 1 p.m. in the Conference Room. Contact Karen Botine, karenbotine@bis.midco.net.

Tuesdays

Quilters, every Tuesday @ 9 a.m. downstairs in the Quilters Room. Contact Cathy Nelson, scknelson@midco.net. GIFTS Bible Study, 4th Tuesday of every month @ 6:30 p.m. in Room 212, or email Pastor Mark for a zoom link.

Wednesdays

Upstairs Video Study, Old to New Testament Study every other Wednesday @ 2:30 p.m. in Room 212. Contact Larry Strand, ljstrand@bis.midco.net.

Thursdays

Circle Morning Meeting, 3rd Thursday of every month @ 9:30 a.m. in the conference room. Contact Margaret Laib, marg.laib@gmail.com.

Other

Bible Journaling, next meeting is Tuesday, June 21st at Good Shepherd Lutheran @ 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Contact Gracia. **Handy Men,** create baptism boxes @ various times. Contact Mike Ranum, msranum@bis.midco.net. **Beer & Hymns,** is taking a break for the Summer. Watch here for further information.