



## Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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### Introduction to the Day

*This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus until he comes again. It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."*

**2nd Sunday after  
Pentecost  
June 22, 2025  
8:30 a.m.**



### PRELUDE

### CENTERING SONG

"God Welcomes All"

ELW #978

### WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

ELW pg. 94

### GATHERING SONG

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

ELW #886

### GREETING/KYRIE

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### HYMN OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God,

**O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 65:1-9

*The prophet announces God's impatience. The people's self-absorption is idolatry, and images of practices that displease God fill this reading. Like a vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel's exile to establish a new community of the faithful.*

<sup>1</sup> I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"  
to a nation that did not call on my name.

<sup>2</sup> I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup> a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens

and offering incense on bricks;

<sup>4</sup> who sit inside tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat swine's flesh,

with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup> who say, "Keep to yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all day long.

## Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

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

*The church is not a building – it is you, the people. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the "church."*

*We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.*

<sup>6</sup> See, it is written before me:  
 I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
 I will indeed repay into their laps  
<sup>7</sup> their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,  
 says the LORD;  
 because they offered incense on the mountains  
 and reviled me on the hills,  
 I will measure into their laps  
 full payment for their actions.  
<sup>8</sup> Thus says the LORD:  
 As the wine is found in the cluster,  
 and they say, "Do not destroy it,  
 for there is a blessing in it,"  
 so I will do for my servants' sake,  
 and not destroy them all.  
<sup>9</sup> I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,  
 and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;  
 my chosen shall inherit it,  
 and my servants shall settle there.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 22:19-28** (Please read responsively).

<sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, be not far away;  
 O my help, hasten to my aid.  
<sup>20</sup> **Deliver me from the sword,  
 my life from the power of the dog.**  
<sup>21</sup> Save me from the lion's mouth!  
 From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.  
<sup>22</sup> **I will declare your name to my people;  
 in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**  
<sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.  
 Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.  
<sup>24</sup> **For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;  
 but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**  
<sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the great assembly;  
 I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.  
<sup>26</sup> **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
 Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**  
<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
 all the families of nations shall bow before God.  
<sup>28</sup> **For dominion belongs to the LORD,  
 who rules over the nations.**

**SECOND READING: GALATIANS 3:23-29**

*For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.*

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup> As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

"Celtic Alleluia"

ELW #174

**GOSPEL: LUKE 8:26-39**

*Jesus' mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God's mercy and power.*

The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 8, beginning with verse 26.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup> Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup> As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—<sup>29</sup> for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup> Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup> Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

### **CHILDREN’S TIME/SERMON**

Pastor Martha HarriSon

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

ELW #843

### **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.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

“Let My Prayer Rise Up”  
(Refrain Only)

ELW #232

*Please pray for James, Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Hollis, Jim,  
Hal, Melissa, Donna, Chris, Darrell & Kathy.*

### **OFFERING/OFFERING MUSIC**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

ELW #679

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Creator God,

**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BENEDICTION**

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

### **SENDING SONG**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

ELW #705

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025

**WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY** to the family of Wilbur Lippert. His funeral was Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at Trinity. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are in memory of our family members who have gone before us. Given by the Christianson & Pederson families for their family reunion.

**RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM** is in memory of Julie & Tom Roe, given by Steve & Sue.

**'BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING' SIGNS** - Help yourself to a 'Blessed to be a Blessing' sign from the narthex. Find a way to bless others whether that is volunteering at an organization or making cookies for a neighbor. Take a picture while you are doing your service with your sign and email or text it to Gracia ([gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com](mailto:gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com) or 701-471-4434) & we'll be sharing them throughout the summer.

**BAGS NEEDED** - We are still collecting plastic grocery bags to use for our Loaves & Fishes ministry. Drop them off in the office.

**ONLINE GIVING** - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity's online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!




SCAN ME



**THEOLOGY & COFFEE**

Pastor Martha is starting a new study/discussion group that will discuss and debate various topics of faith and current topics important in our world today.

 **FRIDAYS | 10:00 AM**

In the Conference Room

**ALL ARE WELCOME**



### **Camperships**

Because we believe in the value of Bible Camp, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of half the cost of camp to anyone enrolled in Trinity Church School, Confirmation, or Youth Group attending an ELCA Bible Camp. See Gracia for more info.


### **Camp of the Cross Summer Camps**

Check out the options at Camp of the Cross near Garrison, ND has to offer this summer! There are great options for kids & youth of all ages! Scan the QR Code to go to the Camp of the Cross website.



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## ***THIS WEEK AT TRINITY***

### Sunday 6-22

8:30 AM - **Worship** in Sanctuary  
9:35 AM - **Bible 101** in Fellowship Hall  
10:30 AM - **Worship** in Community Center

### Tuesday 6-24

9 AM - **Quilters** in Quilters' Room  
4 PM - **Property Committee** in Conference Room  
6 PM - **Mission & Outreach Committee** in Conf. Room

### Wednesday 6-25

6 PM - **Worship** at Peace Chapel  
6:40 PM - **Youth Group**

### Friday 6-27

10 AM - **Theology & Coffee** in Conference Room

### Sunday 6-29

8:30 AM - **Worship** in Sanctuary  
9:35 AM - **Bible 101** in Fellowship Hall  
10:30 AM - **Worship** in Community Center