

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Mission: To be a caring and diverse community of people who know and share the love of God through Jesus Christ.

June 11, 2017 Holy Trinity Sunday

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Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH. You are invited to join with us as we seek to be God's loving community for all who enter here. You are received as a friend . . .

- just as you are, created by God.
- whatever your color, culture and customs, your age, abilities, sexual orientation or gender identity.
- wherever circumstances find you... in the midst of change or challenge or pain, in need of strength and hope, or in search of spiritual fullness and friendship.
- whether you are a new visitor or an old friend, have no church home, have doubts or do not believe, or want to follow Christ and pursue peace and justice in Christ's name.

You are embraced as an expression of the diversity and beauty of the creation God has given us. **You are welcome here!**

MINISTERING THIS MORNING (8:00; 10:30):

Assisting Minister: Henry Mills

Coffee Hour: Helen Pedersen

Counters: Jessica Fleischman & Ray Wentz

Director of Music Ministry: Julie Haydon

Greeters: Chase Beardsley & Nick Hayes

Musician: Starr Brown

Nursery: Roberta Salisbury

Prayers: Geoff Kline; Chase Beardsley

Preacher/Presider: Pastor Sharon Stalkfleet

Reader: Geoff Kline; Rosalyn Luque

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sun 6/11	8:00	Worship
	10:30	Worship- Youth Sunday
Mon 6/12	9:00	Craft Group
Tue 6/13	7:00	Breakfast and Bible Study
Thu 6/15	7:30	Morning Prayer time- sanctuary
	1:30	Ukuleles
	2:00	LMNH Worship at Crown Bay Nursing
	7:30	Council meeting
Sun 6/18		<i>Food Bank Sunday</i>
	8:00	Worship
	10:30	Worship- Youth Sunday

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 8:00-14; 10:30-48

TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE PROVIDED BY Bob & Jean Abbe in honor and celebration of their 57th Wedding Anniversary.

RELAY FOR LIFE: Join Trinity's Terrific Trekkers for Relay for Life at Encinal High School on June 24th. You can sign up to walk with us, to donate, or to purchase a luminaria in honor of someone you care about who has faced cancer. Please see Joanne Robinson for any questions or to become a walking or contributing member of our team.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Nicaea*

Anne Marie David

GATHERING

(Arrows indicate when the congregation may sit ↓ or stand ↑ as able. Bold print indicates responses spoken by the congregation.)

↑CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

↑HYMN: *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!* #413

↑GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

↑KYRIE Page 184

*Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.
Kyrie eleison, every day.*

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.(Refrain)

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.(Refrain)

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

For your spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

↑PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty Creator and ever-living God:
we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your

presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

↓FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1--2:4a

This first creation story reached its current form during the crisis of the Babylonian exile of the people of Israel. God, not their captors' god Marduk, was responsible for their existence. God created women and men as rulers over creation, to preserve and protect it. God also rested on the seventh day, hallowing that day forever as the Sabbath.

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for

food.” And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

²¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a}These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

↓ Psalm 8

¹O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—
²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;**
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,**

human beings that you should | care for them?
⁵Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.
⁶**You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;**
you have put all things un- | der their feet:

⁷all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,
⁸**the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,**
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

⁹O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

↓ SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

↑ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Hymn #519 verse 1 & refrain
Open your ears, O faithful People, open your ears and hear God's word. Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you.
God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah! God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

↑ Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

↓ **SERMON:** Pastor Sharon Stalkfleet

↑ **HYMN:** *God of the Sparrow* #740

↑ **APOSTLES' CREED** page 105
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.

↑ **BLESSING FOR THOSE TRAVELING TO GERMANY**
Chase Beardsley, Jessica Fleischman, Nick Hayes, Sophia Hofmann, Mary James, Alex Luque, Karol Luque, Mike Luque, Rosalyn Luque, Pastor Ned, Guillermo Ruiz

↑ **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**
Prayer Leader: Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: hear our prayer.

MEAL

↑ **SHARING THE PEACE**
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

*The congregation may greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

↓ **OFFERING:** *I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me*
African-American Spiritual
Jean Abbe, Anita Burnaford, Geoff Burnaford, Peter Dow, Alex Luque, Karol Luque, Judith Pence, Ray Wentz

↑ **HYMN: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #885**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

↑ **PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

↑OFFERING PRAYER

Be known to us, O Lord,
in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the
disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives,
that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

↑ GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

↑PREFACE FOR THE DAY

*It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

↑ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:
heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

↑WORDS OF INSTITUTION

↑LORD'S PRAYER

You are invited to pray in the version or language of your choice.
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive our sins as we
forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of
trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

↑INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord's body let
us take together.

↓DISTRIBUTION

*Communion (Eucharist) celebrated at Trinity is open to all. We
welcome you to the table! The cup we serve is non-alcoholic.
Dip the bread into the cup (intinction). If you do not wish to take
communion you may come forward for a blessing or remain
seated.*

↓ LAMB OF GOD

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**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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.**

↓Distribution: **Eternal Father, Strong to Save** #756
O Living Breath of God #407

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

↑PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send
light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the
bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as
witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your

glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our
risen Lord. Amen.

SENDING

↑BLESSING

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of
Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.
May God Bless you. *(voiced in different languages)*
Amen.

↑HYMN: **Come, Join the Dance of Trinity**

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↑DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.
Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.
Thanks be to God.

*Many worshippers choose to stay in the sanctuary to listen to
the musical postlude (3-4 minutes).*

↓POSTLUDE: *The Risen Christ* arr. J. Wayne Kerr b. 1958



Adriana Garcia, Friend of Mark Schoenrock
The Stebbins family, Friends of Sherri Bangert
Ruth Dow, Wife of Peter Dow
Bettina Meyer, Sister of Sue Ann Schultz
Roxanne Trimper, Sister of Mary James
Marcus Anthony, Newborn Cousin to Jessica Fleischman
Rich Thomas, Friend of Elizabeth Madaras
Mikaela Mitchell, Niece of Mary James
Katherine Dupuich, Granddaughter of Rachel Hanson
Darwin Reynolds, Friend of Linda & Richard Domholt
Michael Rasmussen, Nephew of Sherri & Chuck Bangert
Henry Raglin, Friend of Jackson Bohm & Christine Winberg
Simon Fendinger, Cousin of Susi Battaalia
Don Sheldon, Brother of Pastor Sharon Stalkfleet
Ronald Reeves, Son-in-Law of Ray & Kaye Fitzsimons
Keith & Michelle O'Donnell, Son & Daughter-in-Law of Pastor
Ned O'Donnell
Claire Trimper, Friend of Mary James
Alan Peterson, Brother of Sherri Bangert
Evelyn Berger, Gail Cromack, Kate Ganschow,
Geoff Kline, Dennis Laine, Bill Pond, Dolores Reitmeier
Trinity Members

*We give thanks for the life of those having birthdays this week.
Chuck Bangert (6/17)*

*We especially remember Alameda Seventh-Day Adventist
Church this week in our Trinity Cycle of Prayer.*