

Trinity Lutheran Church, ELCA - God's Work Our Hands
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 3, 2017
Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

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Welcome Guests! We are thankful God has brought you to worship with us today.

Prelude

Matt Groskreutz

Gathering

The Holy Spirit, the comforter, gathers us in worship

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Prayer

Opening Hymn "*God of Grace and God of Glory*"

ELW # 705

Call to Worship

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

C: And also with you.

P: It is the desire of God to dwell with us.

C: Death and mourning shall be no more!

P: God is making all things new!

C: Water to the thirsty; light to the lost!

Confession and Forgiveness

P: We confess our sins before God and one another. *Pause for silence and reflection.*

L: Eternal Lord,

C: We live in a world of suffering, and our sin only multiplies our suffering. Our despair discourages others. Our hopelessness paralyzes us from carrying out your work in the world. We pray for mercy, for strength, and for our faith to be restored, knowing that all good things come from you. Amen.

L: God will indeed make all things new. Our Creator knows, hears, and answers the cries of our hearts. Despair no more, for the One who comes in power also comes in love, and death has no dominion in the world to come. Receive our Lord's promise of pardon, renewal, and peace that knows no end. Amen.

Kyrie

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Prayer of the Day

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

God speaks to us in scripture, reading, preaching and song

Scripture Readings

Psalm 26:1-8

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

Hymn “*Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake*”

ELW # 799

Sermon

Pastor Espe

Hymn “Praise and Thanks and Adoration”

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Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the Church

P: Gracious God,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

Gathering of the offering

Stewardship Snippet

September 3, 2017 (13th Sunday after Pentecost, Year A; Proper 17)

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." –Matthew 16:24-25

Jesus’ words encouraging self-denial may sound strange, even foreign, to us. Our culture stresses just the opposite – self-indulgence in the extreme. The spiritual practice of self-denial, such as fasting or voluntary simplicity, helps followers of Jesus develop a healthy relationship with God, with neighbor, and with their possessions, enabling us to be more loving and giving.

Offertory Prayer

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory

Matt Groskreutz

Offering Response “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

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Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

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

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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Words of Institution “In the night in which He was betrayed...”

The Lord’s Prayer

page 154, right column, traditional version

Invitation to Holy Communion

As the tree of life bears fruits of healing, so we bear fruit ripened by the sunshine of Jesus’ love for us. Receive these gifts, offered in humility for the purpose of fulfilling your gracious will on earth. All are welcome who desire to receive the Lord’s body and blood for the forgiveness of sin and renewal of life to join us for Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. Red wine or apple juice is available as each communicant chooses. Gluten-free wafers are available. Young children and others who do not commune are invited and welcome to come forward for a blessing. During communion, please join in singing hymns: **Lamb of God, page 154, ELW # 488, 592, 826**

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, though Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us out in peace

Blessing

Sending Hymn “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

ELW #802

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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Meatball Dinner Fundraiser is Sunday, September 17, 10:30 am – 1:00 pm. Cost is \$10.00 for ages 10-adult. Children 5 to 9 are \$6.00 and 4 and under are free. Please look over the sign-up sheets located on the shelf at the top of the steps if you wish to donate supplies, cash, or designate a particular job you would be willing to do. Contact LeAnn Buendorf at 465-8525 or 507-4610176 if you have any questions. Thank you!

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing: Carol Schlaak, Vince Peterson, Phyllis Shurson, Karen Koehler, (daughter of Laura Truebenbach), Jedidiah Bisker (friend of Marlene Tappe), Karen Warke, Bernie Anderson, Jill Anderson, Jewell Mendenhall, Jean Billing, Ronda Staloch, Al Batt, Clyde Lundholm, Sandra Schuette, Jeff Boelter, Shane Davis, Shawn Davis, Marge Haddy, and those in care centers. Karen L. Anderson, our Missionary to Chile. Our brothers and sisters in Colombia, South Sudan, Tanzania.

General Fund Balance -\$5,081.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
Wednesday	3:30 p.m.	FISH
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Worship w/ communion
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