



August 3, 2025, 10:00 am
8th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING

The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Peter Lee

Opening Litany

When we believe that life is about the abundance of possessions,
help us see that is vanity and a chasing after wind.

When we believe that security is found in ample goods laid up for many years,
help us see that is vanity and a chasing after wind.

When we believe the goal of life is to relax, eat, drink, and be merry,
help us see that is vanity and a chasing after wind.

Gracious God, save us from the temptation to store up treasures for ourselves,
help us to see the abundance, security, and treasure we have in you.

Gathering Hymn

"Build a Longer Table"

vs 1, 3-4

Build a longer table, not a higher wall,
feeding those who hunger, making room for all.
Feasting together, stranger turns to friend,
Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.

Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence.
Love protects all people, sparing no expense.
When we embrace compassion more than fear,
Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.

When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad,
Christ became our doorway to the reign of God.
So must our tables welcome those who roam.
None can be excluded; all must find a home.

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie

ELW pp. 120-121

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

ELW pp. 122-123

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

Peter Lee

WORD

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

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. ¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW p. 124

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Hymn of the Day

"Jesus Loves Me!"

ELW 595

Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

(Refrain:) Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. (Refrain)

Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside me all the way;
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high. (Refrain)

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt.

Affirmation of Faith

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.

The Prayers of the People

As petitions conclude: "Hear us, O God." please respond "We lift our prayers to you."

Sharing of God's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus

Offering & Offering Prayer

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.

It is indeed right....and join their unending hymn.

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW p. 130

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

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer *(Please feel free to pray your preferred version of the Lord's Prayer)*

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 us 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.

Communion

Communion Hymn

"Day by Day"

ELW 790

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

Communion Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING _____ *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Sending Hymn

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

ELW 679

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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Dismissal

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

Postlude

(Setup for Sunday Supper, takes place following worship in the Fellowship Hall.)

Flowers given by The Semores - Happy Summer!

We Hold in Prayer this Week

For Those Grieving: Family and Friends of Clayton Winnie, friend of Surridges.

God's Healing Presence: Kathy Trosvig; Steve Olsen; Mary Beck; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm and sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friend Larry & cousin David; Surridges' friends Barby & Larry; Ed & Evie Bishop; Peggy & Dave's friend Kevin; Joan's father.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety. For those impacted by flooding and natural disasters.

Announcements

Donations and Volunteers needed for Trinity Lutheran's Great Giveaway Saturday, August 9. Bring donations (clothing and household items) to Trinity Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. Volunteers are needed to setup (7:00 -9:00 am) and close up (noon to 1:00 pm). For more information contact Trinity at 425-501-2435.

We need Worship Leaders Please check the Worship Leader's signup sheet at the back of the church and sign up as you are able. We are specifically in need of Scripture Readers, Assisting Ministers, and Fellowship Hosts.

Our Office Manager, Kim Gildroy will be on vacation August 2-17.

Bilingual Summer Sunday School meets at 9:15 am. in the classroom next to the Nursery. Children 3-12 are welcome.

Mission of the Month The Aid Bank (formerly Trinity Aid Bank) provides food, hygiene supplies, and household items for families in need. The Aid Bank is open Fridays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Clients may come in and browse at 2324 Lombard Avenue in Trinity's administrative building. Volunteer opportunities and a list of items that can be donated can be found on Trinity' website.

Sunday Morning Fellowship follows worship in the Friendship Room. You may sign up to host a week. (set up, prepare coffee, provide refreshments, and clean up.)

This Week at Central

Sunday, August 3

9:15 am Summer Sunday School
 9:30 am Society of Friends Worship
 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
 5:00 pm Sunday Supper

Tuesday, August 5

6:00 pm Academia Latina

Wednesday, August 6

8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Thursday, August 7

8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
 6:00 pm Academia Latina
 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Saturday, August 9

10:00 am ECO Board Meeting

Sunday, August 10

9:15 am Summer Sunday School
 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
 5:00 pm Sunday Supper
 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Worship Leaders	This Sunday, August 3	Next Sunday, August 10
Keyboard	Kristi Lee	TBA
Ushers	Dave Finstad, Steve Olsen	Dave Finstad, Steve Olsen
Lector	Jonathan Todd	TBA
Assisting Minister	Suzy Lavis	TBA
Communion Bread	Scott Haines	Scott Haines
Fellowship Host	Semore Family	Chris & Terrie Rae Anderson
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Altar Guild	Laurie VanderWeyst	Laurie VanderWeyst