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Sunday, August 16, 2026 **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost** **10:00 a.m.**



MATTHEW 15:21-28



THANKFUL FOR WHAT YOU DO!

Trinity is grateful for being a ministry for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Our members and friends make this ministry come alive each day and each week of the year.

Today we are thankful for our Grass Mowing Team

Dave Blank, Steve Duran, Herb Guenther, Levi Hunter,
Emily McCormish, Bob Porter, Doug Slade, Bryon Thalmann and their helpers

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

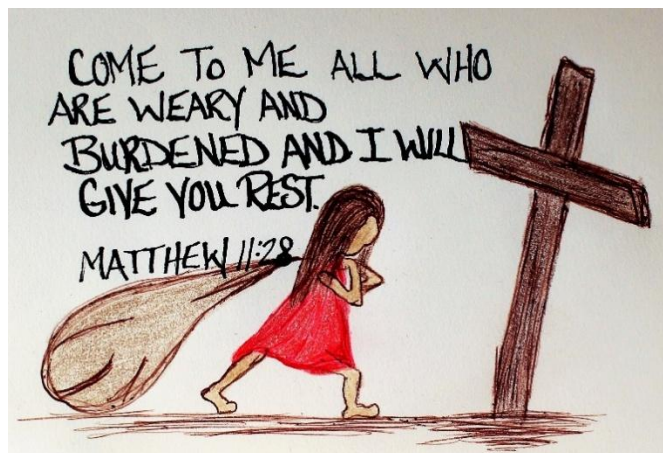
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.



Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,
4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive;

the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.
sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn-ful, bro-ken hearts re-joice, the hum-ble poor be-lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

***Apostolic Greeting**

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.

***Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray. God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading.....*Isaiah 56:1,6-8*

¹ Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come and my deliverance be revealed. ⁶ And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it and hold fast my covenant—⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. ⁸ Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel: I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

Psalm.....*Psalm 67*

¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

² **Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.**

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ **The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.**

⁷ May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

Second Reading.....*Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*

[Paul writes:] ¹ I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a} God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹ For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. ³² For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

Gospel Acclamation.....*ELW #124*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

***Gospel.....Matthew 15:10-28**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th Chapter

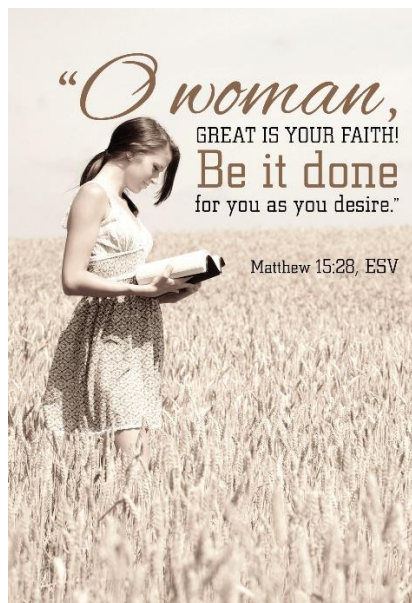
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰ [Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” ¹² Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” ¹³ He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” ¹⁶ Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.” ²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶ He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷ She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Time with the Children.....Pastor Wes Weidenhamer

Sermon.....Pastor Wes Weidenhamer



Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
 stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy



hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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*The Apostle's 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,

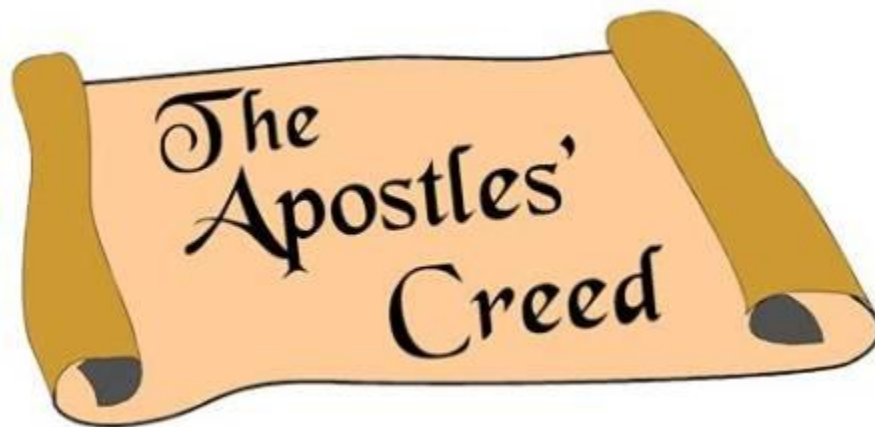
and will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

(Congregation may be seated.)



Prayers of the Church

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

For believers around the world who stream to your holy mountain, that all be united in faith and harmony in the body of Christ. Let your church on earth be a witness to the beloved community of your heavenly kingdom. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For your wondrous creation, that it thrives and flourishes as you intend. Raise up wise stewards to defend the natural world against carelessness and destruction. Safeguard endangered species and their habitats. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the nations of the world and all in authority, that they heed the cry of the outcast and ensure care for the most vulnerable. Give wisdom to leaders of countries, congregations, and communities, that they lead and serve justly. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For all who are lonely, grieving, or struggling with chronic pain, that they find comfort, community, and hope. Send relief to all who struggle with illness of any kind. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For this congregation, for visitors and those new to this faith community, that all may recognize the presence of Christ in each new face. Draw this community together in love and strengthen it in unwavering faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of Light, we pray for our mission here in Ellwood City and ask you to strengthen our ministry through our members and friends. Today we ask your blessing on: Randy and Carrie Burnell, Becca, Steve, Rylan and Lilah Sheeny, Austin and Kara Burnell. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of Grace, we pray for the mission of our local Lutheran congregations and their pastors. Today we uplift Pastor Ryan Kobert and St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Sewickley for the ministry they do in your name. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the saints before us whose work is done, that their faithful example continues to direct your church. May their witness remind us that your gifts and calling are irrevocable, whether in life or death. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

Offering

Break Now the Bread of Life

1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
 2 Bless your own truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, as when you
 3 You are the bread of life, O Lord, to me, your ho - ly
 4 Oh, send your Spir - it, Lord, now un - to me, that he may

broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
 blest the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live
 touch my eyes and make me see. Show me the truth con - cealed

I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.
 with - in your word, and in your book re - vealed I see my Lord.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.
 Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

*Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving.....ELW #129

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

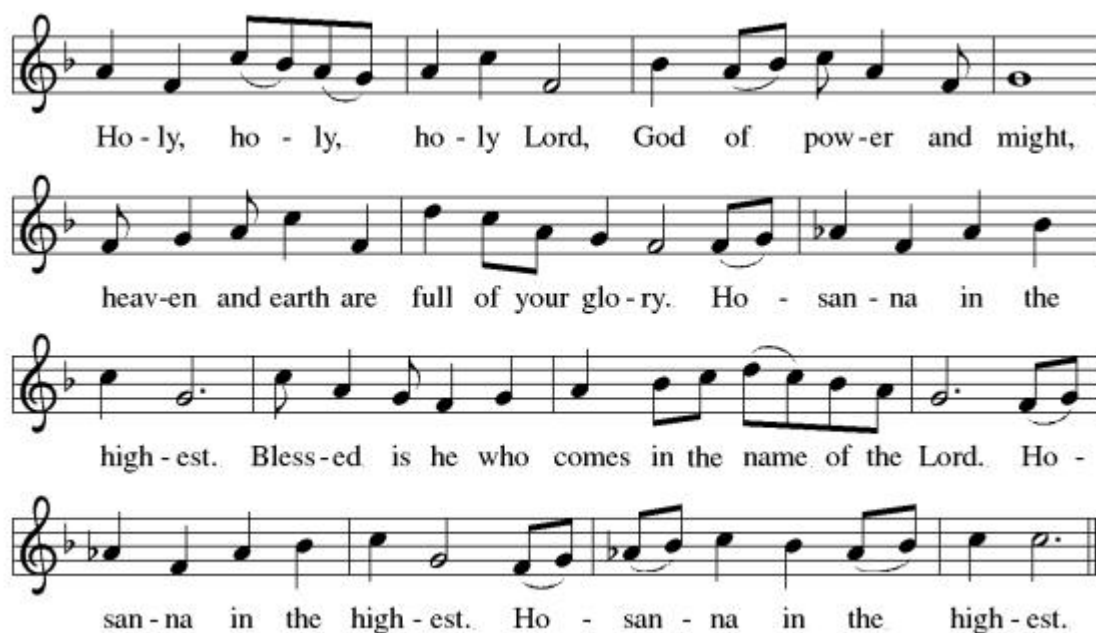
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



***Thanksgiving at the Table**

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

***The Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***Invitation to Communion**

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Lamb of God..... ELW Page 13

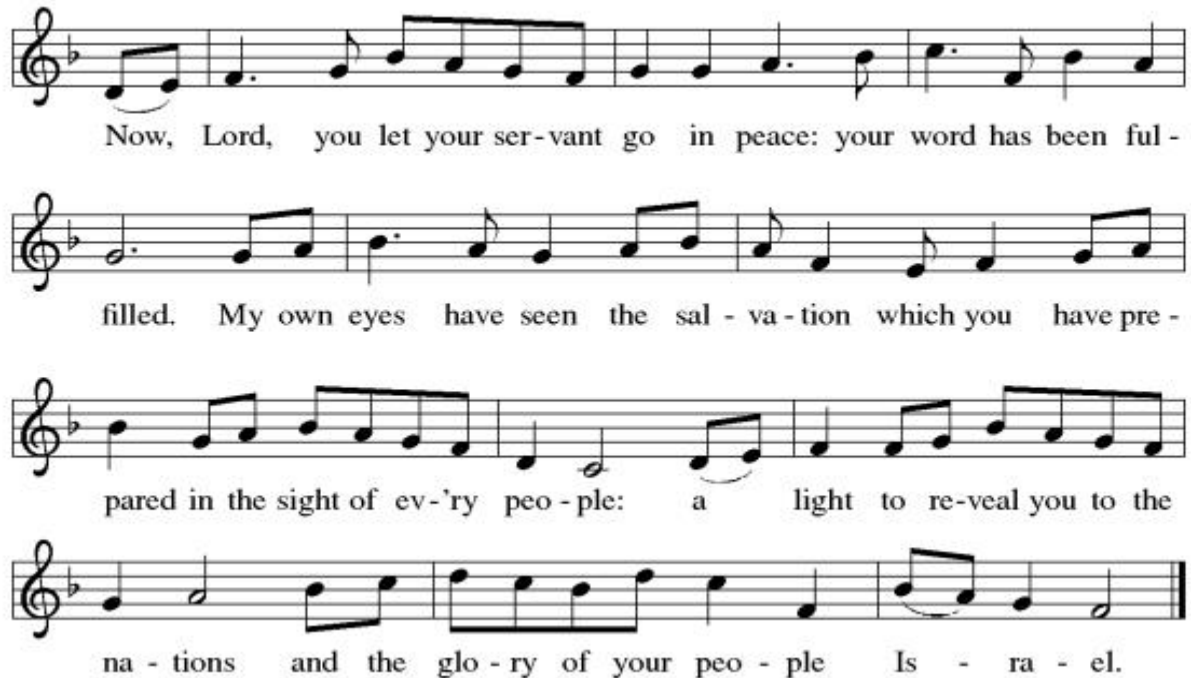
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution

*Table Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace. C: Amen

*Post Communion Canticle.....ELW Page 135



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the
na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

*Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

*MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Benediction

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
 shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808–1887
 Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

The Dismissal

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God.

The Postlude



We thank Pastor Wes Weidenhamer for coming today and sharing the Word of God with us.

SERVANT LEADERS AT WORSHIP

Serving God's People at the Liturgy (Sunday, August 16, 2026):

Presiding Minister	Pastor Wes Weidenhamer
Music Director	David Spielvogel, II
Lay Lector	Carol Herbert
Altar Guild	Sandy Blank
Greeter	Betty Hardy
Communion Bread	Bruce Thalmann
Communion Assistant	Joscelyn Curcio
Crucifer	Charlotte Gebhart
Acolyte	Sophia Duran
Streaming Team	Carol Herbert, Ritch and Kathie Kiser, Doug and Jen Slade, Bruce Thalmann
Usher	Steve Duran

Serving God's People at the Liturgy (Sunday, August 23, 2026):

Presiding Minister	Pastor David Saylor
Music Director	David Spielvogel, II
Lay Lector	Shariee Thalmann
Altar Guild	Kim Hunter
Greeter	Denise Gerard
Communion Bread	Bruce Thalmann
Communion Assistant	Barb Beachem
Crucifer	Kenzie Runco
Acolyte	Brooklyn Meyer
Streaming Team	Carol Herbert, Ritch and Kathie Kiser, Doug and Jen Slade, Bruce Thalmann
Usher	Bob Porter

BEING PRESENT AT WORSHIP

1 Corinthians 12:14 ¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.

Please take a moment and complete the **attendance form** found in each pew.

Attendance, Sunday, August 9th – Worship: 52

On Line Worship: 246

TODAY AT TRINITY

Children's Bulletins for various age groups are available at both entryways.

Worship begins at 10:00 a.m. today, **Sunday, August 16th**

ADMINISTRATION AND OFFICE MATTERS:

Pastor's Office Hours: Pastor Dave is in the office a couple mornings each week. Feel free to text or call him for a chance to chat or meet. 412.737.0405.

Third Thursday Free Community Dinner on **Thursday, August 20th** at Christ Presbyterian Church parking lot beginning at 4:00 p.m. Trinity will be providing 200 pieces of brownies and cookies, thanks to our volunteers who provide 14 desserts each month. Those providing desserts are asked to have them in our church kitchen by noon.

Blessing of the Backpacks will take place next **Sunday, August 23rd**.

All our school children and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to church during our 10:00 a.m. worship service for a blessing of their backpacks. We wish everyone a blessed and safe 2026-2027 school year!



“Let's take it from the Top” Roof pledge cards are due. Please put them in the collection plate, purple basket in the office or mail it in. Thank you to those of you who have turned your pledge card in!



Pastor Dave and Carol Saylor invite you to an **open house and house blessing** for their new home near Ambridge next **Sunday, August 23rd**. Snacks and beverages provided from 2:00 p.m. with the Blessing service by Pastors Galbraith-Cordes at 4:00 p.m.

Parking is available across the street near the Highland Elementary School, plus a few in the driveway for those with walking challenges.

Come and celebrate our new home.

The address is 1106 Highland Avenue, Ambridge, A 15003.

Lost? Call Pr. Dave at 412.737.0405!

MISCELLANEOUS STUFF

Do you like to do puzzles? Puzzles are available in the education wing under the table in the box if you would like to take them home. There is a new assortment – some brand new! Help yourself and enjoy!

PRAYER MINISTRIES

Prayers requested for:

Bob Zikeli, Lori Coulter, Tom Pletzt, Joan Evans, Bruce Zikeli
Pastor Elizabeth Wallace Crable, Natalie Bennett, Traci Eger
Anna Marie Mako, Dale Weisz, Karen Saylor, Joe DeCooman, Barb Guenther

Our Homebound members

Royellen Canterbury, Edison Manor, 222 W. Edison Avenue, New Castle, PA 16105
Evelyn Cavalier, Northview Estates, Room 308, 945 Border Avenue, Ellwood City, PA 16117
Nadine Coder, 653 Palo Alto Drive, Ellwood City, PA 16117
Mae Kyser, 2015 Perrysburg-Holland Road, Apartment 213, Holland, OH 43528
Charlotte Lindeman, Lenz Court Senior Living, 2001 Lenz Avenue, Unit 103, Ambridge, PA 15003-1841
Ruth Miller, Newhaven Court, 100 Burgess Street, Apartment 106, Zelienople, PA 16063
Dale Walker, 1021 Winding Ridge Drive, Sommerset, KY 42503

Members of our Congregation

We pray for each member through the year.

Today we uplift the following persons, for their faith, family and health as we share the Gospel

Randy and Carrie Burnell, Becca, Steve, Rylan and Lilah Sheeny
Austin and Kara Burnell

MORE PRAYER MINISTRIES

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Shawls are available on the rack in the front of the sanctuary by the educational wing door if you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving one. We also have baby Afghans and lap robes in the church office if you know of a family who would be blessed by receiving one.



Prayer Chain

Prayer Chain: Do you believe in the power of prayer? Our church family has a prayer chain that you can lift a prayer concern and it will be shared with others.

Would you like to become a prayer warrior and receive prayer requests? Please call Sandy Blank at 724-752-9027 with your prayer concerns or if you wish to become a part of the prayer chain.

Prayer Squares are available in the narthex and on the educational wing table. May you feel God's grace, His love, His calm and lift your cares and joy in prayer and draw some peace by laying this prayer square upon your palm. May the Lord bless you!

The Word in Season and Christ in Our Home July, August, September 2026 devotionals are available in the educational wing and narthex.

SPECIAL GROUP GATHERINGS -- JOIN US!



The annual **NWPA/SWPA Women of the ELCA retreat** will be held at Camp Lutherlyn on **September 25-27**. Registrations are due by **August 28, 2026**.

Registration can be made online at www.swpasynod.org (partners, WELCA) or by filling out a paper copy that will be available in the church office. Call Barb Guenther if you have any questions.

Worship Time Changes:

Final Summer 10:00 a.m. Worship Time on Sunday, August 30th.

First Regular 10:30 a.m. Worship Time on Sunday, September 6th.

Rally Day on Sunday, September 13th at 9:15 a.m.

Mark your calendars:

Pork Chop Dinner to benefit the Roof Fund will be held on **Saturday, October 17th.**

Watch for more information coming.



RADA for the ROOF: We will be holding a RADA Cutlery fundraiser in 2026 to benefit our roof fund. Please share with your family and friends! RADA sells quality, American-made cutlery, kitchen utensils, bakeware, and dip/soup mixes, and Trinity will earn 40% of each order placed! Online orders that will be shipped directly to you can be placed at radafundraising.com. Catalogs are available on the table in the educational wing. To place a catalog order, fill out the order form in a catalog or in the office, make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church (with "RADA" in the memo), and return both to either the church office or offering plate. A group order will be placed at the end of each month and items will be distributed at church. Contact Jen Slade with questions at (724)991-8504.

CARING FOR OTHERS IN REACHING OUT

Divine Grace Ministerium Social Services Food Bank donation requests for August are soup, cans of tuna, cans of chicken, cans of fruit and snack cakes. Donations can be left in the educational wing. There is also a need of plastic grocery bags. You can give them to Barb Beachem or place them in the food collection bin. This is an ongoing need, so keep them coming.



Helping those in Need: Do you want to reach out to help those in need in our community? In the Ellwood City area the local food pantry is housed at **Divine Grace Ministerium Social Services Food Bank**, 300 Crescent Avenue, Ellwood City, PA 16117 (724-758-3465). Your monetary donation can either be sent directly to the Food Pantry or sent to the church and the church will forward the money on to the respective Food Pantry. Please list in the memo portion of your check: **Food Pantry.**

Club Hope Box: We are now collecting items for Club Hope that volunteers will use to prepare boxes for those going through their cancer journey. A box for your donations is available on the educational table along with a list of requested donations. This will be an ongoing collection.





Safe Haven Baby Boxes, saving babies one box at a time. Safe Haven Baby Boxes is a non-profit organization that provides a safe, and legal alternative to abandoning newborn babies. This organization, founded by Monica Kelsey in 2015, installs specialized baby boxes at designated secure locations where parents can safely surrender their newborns, ensuring their well-being and reducing the risk of harm or abandonment. A box will be installed in the next couple of weeks at the Ellwood City Fire Department. More information is available on the narthex and educational wing tables.

SUPPORTING MISSION AND MINISTRIES

Matthew 19:21-22 ²¹ Jesus said to him, “If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²² When the young man heard this word, he went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Sunday, August 9, 2026

Regular Giving -- \$4,421.00

Capital Projects – \$275.00

For your information, our 2026 Mission and Ministry Plan has expected full year expenses of about \$204,000, plus a loan payment for the renovation from a few years ago for \$1,525 per month.

“Generosity is the virtue of giving good things to others freely and abundantly. It is a learned character trait that involves attitude and action entailing both the inclination and actual practice of giving liberally. It is not haphazard behavior but a basic orientation to life. What generosity gives can vary: money, possessions, time, attention, aid, encouragement, and more but it always intends to enhance the true well-being of the receiver. Like all virtues, generosity is in people’s genuine enlightened self-interest to learn and practice.”

2026 Offering Envelopes are on the narthex table. Please contact the office if you need envelopes.



Giving to the Congregation **YOU** can help the Mission and Ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church as we reach out in Christ’s name into the community and the world by using the link below to make financial contribution or by using the QR Code (Quick Response Code) to the left. Both the link and the QR Code take you to Pay Pal.

<http://www.trinitylutheranellwoodcity.com/site/donate.asp>

This Week at Trinity:

Today, Sunday, August 16th

Thursday, August 20 th	10:00	<u>Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost</u> Worship Guest Pastor: Wes Weidenhamer
	8:00	AA Group
	4:00	Third Thursday Free Community Dinner at Christ Presbyterian Church parking lot
	6:00-7:30	Rotary
	7:00	Women's AA

Next Sunday, August 23rd

	<u>Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost</u> Worship Blessing of the Backpacks
2:00-4:00	Open House and House Blessing Pastor Dave and Carol Saylor's home
8:00	AA Group

**Invite your family, friends, and co-workers to worship with us,
as we proclaim the Good News of Christ!**

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