

# *Triune Lutheran Church*

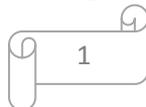


## *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*



**Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.



*We thank you for joining us here  
at Triune Lutheran Church, a  
family united by our Risen Lord,  
Jesus Christ!*



In order to make you feel more at home, here are a few notes about the service. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. We hope to make your time here as meaningful as possible!

## *Worship*

- The \* by the headings throughout the service indicate when we invite you to stand, as you are able.
- The light print will be spoken by the pastor or another worship leader, while we encourage you to speak the **bold print**.
- The hymns are chosen from our *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) hymnal, which is the red book directly in front of you in the pews. You will find the hymns in the last two-thirds of the book with the bold numbers on the top of the pages.
- We welcome all the baptized to join us in the Lord's Supper, where we believe Jesus is present "in, with, and under" the bread and wine as his body and blood. After the organist and assisting minister commune, you will be invited to come forward up the non-organ side aisle to the pastor, who will give you bread (gluten-free wafers also available upon request). You are encouraged to keep the bread in your hands and then dip it into the chalice of wine for intinction. You may also come forward to receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded. You may return to your seat up the center aisle. If you are unable to come forward, the elements will be brought to you.
- For visitors, if you so choose, we encourage you to fill out a card available at the center-aisle end of the pew to learn more about us.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
full of compassion and mercy,  
abounding in steadfast love.

**Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,  
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*You are invited to kneel or remain standing. Silence is kept  
for reflection and self-examination.*

Eternal God our creator,

**in you we live and move and have our being.**

**Look upon us, your children,  
the work of your hands.**

**Forgive us all our offenses,  
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty  
desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you,  
our refuge and our strength;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
God's love has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit given to us.  
In the mercy of almighty God,  
Christ died for us while we still were sinners;  
and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.  
**Amen!**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

ELW 888

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty and merciful God, we know you hear the prayers of  
all your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and  
danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen!**

**FIRST READING**

Lamentations 3:22-33

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;

<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup>“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”

<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

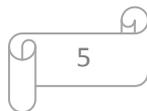
- <sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup>It is good for one to bear  
the yoke in youth,
- <sup>28</sup>to sit alone in silence  
when the Lord has imposed it,
- <sup>29</sup>to put one's mouth to the dust  
(there may yet be hope),
- <sup>30</sup>to give one's cheek to the smiter,  
and be filled with insults.
- <sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not  
reject forever.
- <sup>32</sup>Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
- <sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve anyone.

The Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM

Psalm 30

- <sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift- | ed me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph | over me.
- <sup>2</sup>**O LORD my God, I cried | out to you,  
and you restored | me to health.**
- <sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O LORD, | from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down | to the grave.



**4Sing praise to the LORD, | all you faithful;  
give thanks in ho- | ly remembrance.**

**5**God’s wrath is short; God’s favor | lasts a lifetime.  
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes | in the  
morning.

**6While I felt se- | cure, I said,  
“I shall never | be disturbed.**

**7**You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong | as the  
mountains.”

Then you hid your face, and I was | filled with fear.

**8I cried to | you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with | my Lord, saying,**

**9**“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down | to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you or de- | clare your faithfulness?

**10Hear, O LORD, and have mer- | cy upon me;  
O LORD, | be my helper.”**

**11**You have turned my wailing | into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.

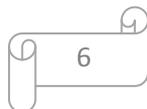
**12Therefore my heart sings to you | without  
ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you | thanks forever.**

## SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

**7**Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in  
knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so  
we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

**8**I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the  
genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others.



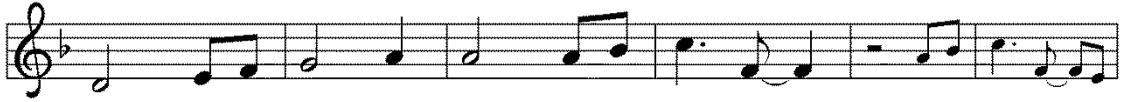
<sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—<sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,  
“The one who had much did not have too much,  
and the one who had little did not have too little.”

The Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



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



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

## \*GOSPEL

Mark 5:21-43

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much

under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little

girl, get up!” <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord!  
**Praise to you, O Christ!**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

ELW 611

### **\*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 INTERCESSION**

Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence*

Holy God, send out your whole church to cross boundaries in bringing your compassion to life all the more. Empower our words and actions to bring peace and wholeness to all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bountiful God, all creation is a gift from you. Protect the earth from disaster and misuse. Free us from selfishness and help us to honor the bounty of nature, sharing our earthly home gently with one another and with future generations. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Liberating God, soften the hearts of rulers and governments. Strengthen the voices of those who cry out for freedom and opportunity for the overlooked, oppressed, and abused. Teach your people to speak peace to all people and nations. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, give us faith and make us whole. Ease the anxiety of undiagnosed or chronic illness. Soothe the heartache of miscarriage or infertility. Look with compassion on all who cry to you for healing, including Hazel Schwab, Trudy Weidman, Gary Weiss, Mardell Weiss, Dave & Clara Wilcox, Ed Uhler, Jenny Bennett, Richard Jakubcin, George Tomeselli, and all those we name in our hearts...Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mighty God, protect and bless all civil servants, local government officials, and members of the armed services who work for our safety and security. Help us to be thoughtful citizens and good neighbors in our community. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Immortal God, your mercies never end and your faithfulness is everlasting. Inspire us by the faith of the saints to embrace your salvation brought to us in your Son. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always!  
**And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### \*OFFERING HYMN

“We Come to the Hungry Feast”      Verse 1      ELW 479

### \*OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God,  
you open wide your hand  
and satisfy the need of every living thing.  
You have set this feast before us.  
Open our hands to receive it.  
Open our hearts to embrace it.  
Open our lives to live it.  
We pray this through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen!**

### \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

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:

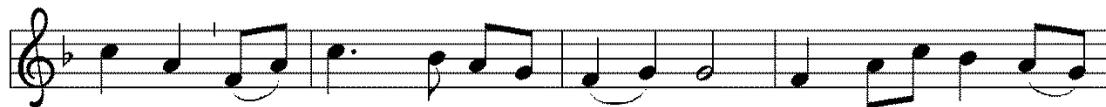
## \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## **\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God,  
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,  
in the harmonious world of your creation,  
the plants and animals, the seas and stars  
were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,  
you sent your Son to heal our ills  
and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing,  
his body given up,  
and his victory over death,  
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth  
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Holy Spirit, you are among us and in this meal:  
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,  
so let your church be gathered from the ends of the earth,  
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, Jesus Christ, our  
Lord.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
both now and forever.

**Amen!**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

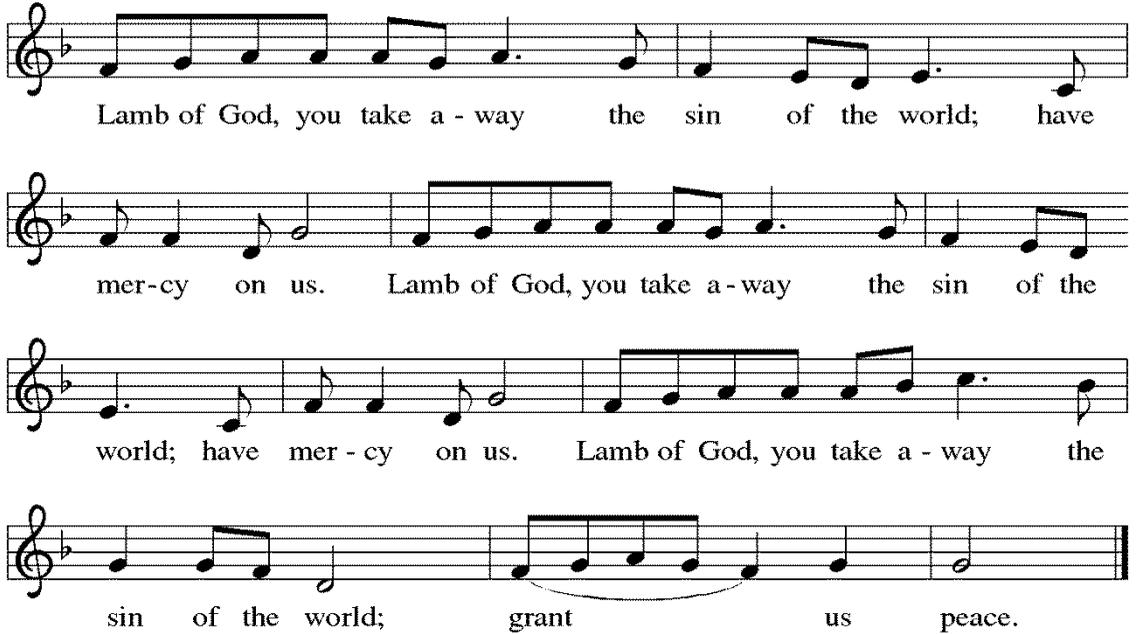
**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

# \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, let us eat, for now the feast of joy is spread before us all!

**Thanks be to God!**

# \*COMMUNION HYMN



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.

# COMMUNION

## **\*COMMUNION PRAYER**

Jesus Christ, host of this meal,  
you have given us not only this bread and cup,  
but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.  
Filled again by these signs of your grace,  
may we hunger for your reign of justice,  
may we thirst for your way of peace,  
for you are Lord forevermore. **Amen!**

## **\*BLESSING**

May God, whose power working in us  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine,  
grant you the gifts of faith and hope.  
Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever. **Amen!**

## **\*SENDING HYMN**

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

ELW 890

## **\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve!  
**Thanks be to God!**

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The Flower bouquet for July 1<sup>st</sup> is from Norelle Gress  
In Memory of Norelle's Mother Elverda Hahn.

### *Allegiance & Independence*

When the patriotic holidays roll around, I'm glad not to be a pastor or a church musician. I'm one of those strange people who feels that national flags don't belong in the sanctuary, and I don't want to sing patriotic songs during worship. At the same time, I'm the daughter of an Air Force colonel, so I understand why people want to recognize the service and the history of service, which have allowed us the freedom to worship and the freedom to disagree about the best ways to worship. If we don't want to sing "God Bless America" at church on Sunday, what are some other ways to celebrate this holiday?

Each year as Independence Day approaches, I take a moment to reread the Declaration of Independence. It's important to remember the significance of what those early patriots accomplished and the high stakes that those signers of the Declaration of Independence faced. It's good to remember how much they valued the idea of freedom, even if they didn't extend those freedoms to all.

It is crucial to remember how few people across the globe enjoy these freedoms. It's a good time to pray for those who are oppressed in this way. Perhaps we want to do more: There are letters to be written, money that could be donated – it's a great way to celebrate Independence Day by requesting freedom for others who are not free to make the demand for themselves.

It's also a perfect time to think about our own priorities. The founders of the United States pledged their lives, their fortune, and their sacred honor – what would we pledge? What movement would demand this of us?

And now, for perhaps the most difficult question: Would we make that sacrifice for God? On this day where so many of us are pledging allegiances, to whom do we pledge our allegiance? Do our actions match our words?

It is fine to pray for the country and the military. It's essential to remember that our primary loyalty must be to the kingdom of God.

Independence Day also gives us a great opportunity to think about our own individual chains. What's keeping us from freedom? If we named our deepest oppressions, what would make the top five on the list?

For those of us oppressed by others, we may feel that we'll never be free. On Independence Day, I like to think of improbable freedom. In my lifetime, I remember my college friends and our "Free Nelson Mandela" T-shirts that we wore in the 1980s. We didn't expect him to ever walk out of that jail – but he did. It's the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Freedom Summer, a cultural touchstone for an earlier generation of college kids and activists – but the lesson remains the same. Freedom may seem impossible, but if we stay steady on the course, the chains may drop away.

So this week, let us sing our freedom songs, whatever they may be. Let us pray for liberation from all the forces that oppress humans. Let us pledge allegiance to our God who sets us free.

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Next Sunday, July 8, following the 11AM worship service, to discuss potential approval of parking lot repairs, as required by our church constitution for any costs totaling over \$5,000.