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#### Prelude

# GATHERING

## Welcome & Announcements

#### Please stand.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

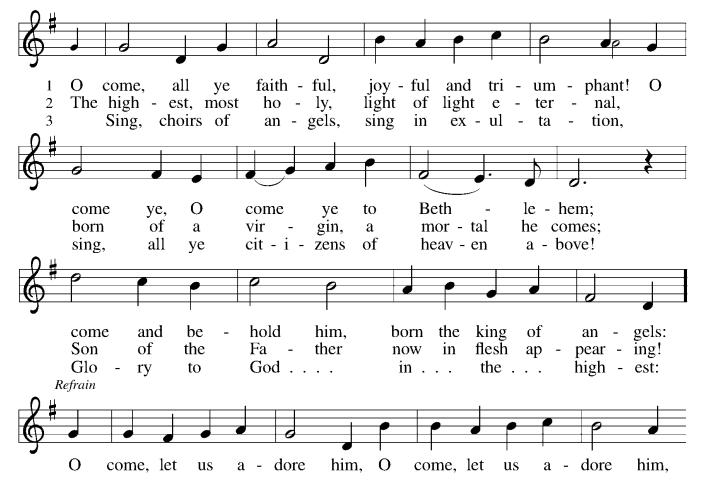
#### Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.** 

Please stand.

## GATHERING SONG— "O Come All Ye Faithful"





#### GREETING

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

## And also with you.

GLORY





#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray... Amen. Please be seated.

# WORD

#### FIRST READING

A reading from Isaiah 62:6-12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

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

# PSALM 97

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

<sup>2</sup>Clouds and darkness surround the LORD, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.

<sup>3</sup>Fire goes before the LORD, burning up enemies on every side. <sup>4</sup>Lightnings light up the world: the earth sees and trembles.

<sup>5</sup>The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.

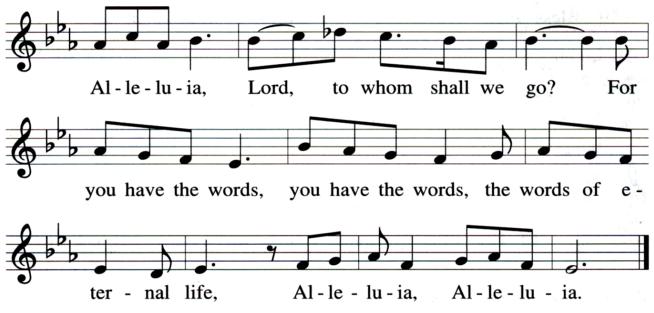
- <sup>6</sup>The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD, and all the peoples see your glory.
- <sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.
- <sup>8</sup>Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

<sup>9</sup>For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
<sup>10</sup>You who love the LORD, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

<sup>11</sup>Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart. <sup>12</sup>**Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.** 

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





Gospet–Luke 2:1-20

The Gospel according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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

Please be seated.

#### Sermon



Please stand.

#### 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 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

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit...Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## And also with you.

Please be seated.

## CHILDREN'S SONG—"Silent Night"



# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL BLESSING (10:00 AM ONLY)

#### **OFFERING ANTHEM**

Please stand.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life,

you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

# MEAL

## **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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right... We praise your name and join in their unending hymn: **HOLY** 



## Words of Institution

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! **Thanks be to God.** 

Please be seated.

#### COMMUNION

All who wish to receive communion are welcome. You may receive communion from the Pastor or in your seat.



# Please stand.

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace.

#### Amen.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

#### Amen.

# SENDING

#### BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.

#### Amen.

SENDING SONG—"Joy to the World"



## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to welcome all to worship, grow and serve. **Thanks be to God! POSTLUDE** 

# Welcome to Holy Trinity

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July 25th	Please pray for:
Name	
Address	<b>Illness:</b> The Leitner's friend, Alani Selland;
	Kristina Nutt; Carol Barton's grand-niece, Stel- la Carroll; Chris Wright; Antonia Rios; Orpha
	Price; Kelsey Jones's grandpa, Lou & uncle,
Phone Number	Michael Jones; Cheryl Jones friend, Pat;
Email	Frances Kinder; Carolan Quenneville; Leroy
<b>Comments/Requests</b>	Rohrbach; Don Wicke's brother, Dale; Ann
	Schieber's relative, Angie Schieber; Kismet Weiss's friend, Julie; Kolleen Couch's friends
	Mike Unruh & family; Mary Larsen's niece,
	Mindy Monteith and great niece, Ginny Mae;
	Anita Schebler's friends, Marty Smith & Ken-
	nedy; Marlene Marxman's granddaughter;
	Margie Probstfield; Sandra Fischer's friends, Maddie & Beth; Carolan Quenneville's sister-in
<b>O</b> I am a visitor	-law, Phyllis Hosfelt & friend, Janet Reed; the
<b>O</b> Add me to the mailing list	Fishburn's friend, Gay Tucker; Carol Barton;
<b>O</b> I have a prayer request	Surgery: Mike Epping; Becky Leitner; Pauline
<b>O</b> I am interested in member-	Texter's daughter, Amy;
ship	Grief: Family & friends of Pauline Staeheli fol-
<b>O</b> I would like a pastoral visit	lowing her death;
<b>O</b> I am going to the hospital	<b>Other:</b> The Buechler's friend, Gladys Calvert;
<b>O</b> Change of address	
<b>O</b> Add me to the prayer email	
list	
<b>O</b> I need a name tag	