

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 23, 2024

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

#### WELCOME TO ALL

The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors! Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.

We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.

Accessible and all-gender restrooms are located in the basement. Single-use, all-gender restrooms are located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor.

For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome**, **inclusion**, **and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.

Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.

Our services are livestreamed on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.

If you are seeking pastoral care, please speak to a pastor today.

Today's bulletin cover art, entitled "Riding the Storm," is provided by Robyn Sand Anderson.

# **GATHER**

+invites the congregation to stand

**PRELUDE** 

#### +GATHERING HYMN

#### Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.



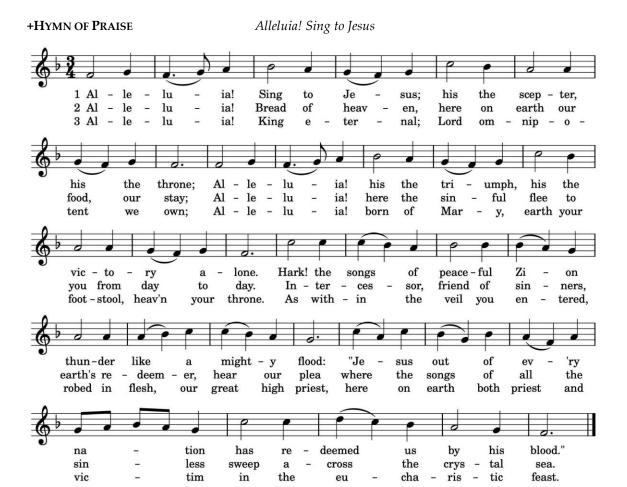
- 5 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. *Refrain*

#### +GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### +KYRIE





#### +PRAYER OF THE DAY

Keeper of our lives, you know the hardness and gentleness of human hearts. You call your people to faithful living. Through the storms of life that bring suffering and fear, joy and laughter, teach us to turn to you for all we need, so that we may come to know your presence even in the midst of the trials that surround us.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

# Word

#### FIRST READING

1 Chronicles 11:15-19, 21:17-26

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 133 Hal H. Hopson

**Refrain** (First time: cantor, then **all**)



God of love and mer - cy, bring peace to all your peo - ple.

How good when all the earth is one, and hearts embrace community; When strife will cease to separate, and love binds all in unity. **Refrain** 

As oil anointed Aaron's head, and dew adorns the mountain side, So peace and blessing of the Lord Within the faithful heart abide. **Refrain** 

#### SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

#### +GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia



+GOSPEL READING

Matthew 7:24-29

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

#### SERMON



**+INTERCESSIONS** Sundays and Seasons

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God,

#### Receive our prayer.

With Juneteenth still on our minds, O God, call us into a deeper relationship to be your church for the sake of the world. Call us to have a loving heart that respects and uplifts the humanity and dignity of every person; open our ears to listen to and learn from the experiences of people of color. Open our mouths to speak up and about injustices. Join us with others to work for racial equity and inclusion for all people. Merciful God,

#### Receive our prayer.

You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. We pray for all those affected by flooding in northern Minnesota. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God,

# Receive our prayer.

Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work. We pray especially for aid workers in Gaza and the people suffering under the weight of violence. Merciful God,

# Receive our prayer.

Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling, especially Lois Eid's niece, Kathleen Siebrands; Pat Lundquist; Rick Lathrop; Katie Murray's mom Pat Wilson; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Cori Gershon; Joyce Hanson; Juliet Williamson; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker; as well as those we hold in our hearts or speak with our voices now (the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care). Merciful God,

# Receive our prayer.

Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions.

At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "Merciful God," to which the congregation will respond, "Receive our prayer."

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, as we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.** 

# MEAL.

#### +PEACE

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

You are invited to exchange words and signs of fellowship and love with those around you.

#### **OFFERING**

#### +OFFERTORY HYMN

#### When at Last the Rain Falls

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



#### +OFFERING 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. Amen.

#### +GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

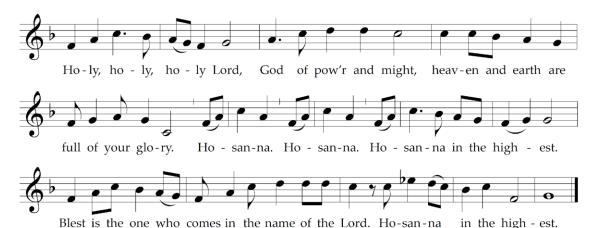
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** 

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O eternal Wisdom, you laid the foundations of the earth, and breathed life into every creature, creating us in our variety to cherish your world and seek your face. We praise you and give you thanks for your abundant love toward this earth. You entered our struggle, that you might deliver all creation from its bondage to oppression and decay.

Therefore, with those whose voices are silenced, with those who call for freedom, with those whose harvest celebration sings through hardship and labor and love; and crying with them for that new creation when the morning stars shall sing together and all the children of God shout for joy, we praise you, singing:

#### +SANCTUS



#### +WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### +LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together,

Our Creator, Our Mother, 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.

#### +LAMB OF GOD



Please be seated.

#### **COMMUNION INVITATION**

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger.

For those worshiping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

All are welcome at the table.

Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from your pew, please let an usher know.



# Don't be a-fraid. My love is stron-ger, my love is stron-ger than your fear. Don't be a-fraid. My love is stron-ger and

#### +BLESSING

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The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.** 

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#### +POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

have prom - ised,

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of Christ, our Savior and guide.

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Amen.

# SENDING

#### +SENDING HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders as they recess and gather at the rear of the sanctuary to share the dismissal.



- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav en; to his feet your trib ute bring.
- 2 Praise him for his grace and fa vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
- 3 Tend er ly he shields and spares us; well our fee ble frame he knows.
- 4 An gels help us to a dore him, who be hold him face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais-es sing. Praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless. In his hands he gent - ly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes. Sun and moon bow down be - fore him; all who dwell in time and space.



Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King!

Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo-rious in his faith - ful - ness!

Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly as his mer - cy flows.

Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

#### +BENEDICTION

May the blessing of our God whose love is ever seeking us; the blessing of Jesus the Christ whose grace is ever mending us; and the blessing of the Holy Spirit whose presence is ever opening new possibilities and wonder, be upon, now and always.

Amen.

#### +DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbors! Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

You are invited to the Community Room (located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.

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# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

<b>Guest Preacher</b>	Larry Farris	
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Ingrid Rasmussen	
<b>Guest Organist</b>	Brad Althoff	
Crucifer		
Cantor	Caren Hiatt	
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Kris Christians	
Communion	Aaron Hanson, Sean Gosiewski, Abs Trewin	
Ushers	Alan Libra, Sally and David Kohlstedt	
Altar Guild	Doris Gbala	
Coffee Servers	Adam and Amber Lewis	
Counters	John Sulzbach	
Closer	Bob Hulteen	

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# COMMUNITY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 25	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, June 26	5:30 PM	Community Bike Ride
	6:00 PM	Documentary Where Olive Trees Weep
Sunday, June 30	9:00 AM	Pop-Up Choir Rehearses
	10:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## STORY SHARING PHOTO EXHIBIT

Over the past few months, Amy Levad has curated an exhibit from photos shared from participants in the Story Sharing Photo Project. Dr. Levad's exhibit is available to view in the Mary Martha Room.

# **BIKE TO CHURCH IN JUNE**

Ride your bike to church Sunday, June 2-Sunday, June 30. Don't forget our newest bike parking station on the lawn in front of the church!

# ONLINE DISCUSSION ON INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOLS JUNE 23, 7:00 P.M.

An online discussion of Indian boarding schools, the broader context of federal policies, and their past and future effects will be held on June 23, 7:00-8:15 p.m. If you want to participate, first read "Primer on American Indian & Alaska Native Boarding Schools in the U.S." (https://boardingschoolhealing.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/NABS-Newsletter-2020-7-1-spreads.pdf) from the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition. Then join the online discussion hosted by the ELCA Truth-Seeking and Truth-Telling Initiative (https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85470189357?pwd=gWBYwblSbnBvvz1rlGkhVhalhYHhog.1).

# WHERE OLIVE TREES WEEP-DOCUMENTARY JUNE 26

Please join MN Christians for a Free Palestine and the Palestine/Israel Committee for a screening of the newly released documentary, *Where Olive Trees Weep* (2024). This film offers a searing window into the struggles and resilience of the Palestinian people. It explores themes of loss, trauma, and the quest for justice. The event will take place at Holy Trinity in the Bartsch Room, Wednesday, June 26. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., the program starts at 6:00 p.m., wrapping up by 8:30 p.m. Discussion and refreshments are included. There is a suggested donation of \$10 to support humanitarian efforts\*. If you've been wondering about the issue from the inside or have friends and family who want more information, this is an excellent opportunity. We would love to see you there!

\*Your contribution supports planting olive trees in Palestine with **Treedom for Palestine**, humanitarian aid in Gaza with **Middle East Children Alliance** and trauma healing in Palestinian communities with **Catharsis Holistic Healing**. It will also help us bring the movie to larger audiences and broaden the understanding of the situation in Palestine, along with the cycles of trauma that perpetuate it.

#### BIKE RIDE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26 (RAIN DATE FRIDAY, JUNE 28)

Join Pat Libra and Sheryl Undem for an evening bike ride. Meet at the church at 5:30 p.m., roll 10-ish miles, and finish at Sea Salt for a bite to eat, a cold beverage, or ice cream! Sign up in the Community Room by June 23.

## "LOVE IN A TIME OF HATE" — THEATRE NIGHT JUNE 29

The Racial Justice Committee invites you to a theatrical production of "Love in a Time of Hate" on Saturday, June 29, at 7:00 p.m., at Luminary Arts Center, 700 N 1st St, Minneapolis. This futuristic reimagining of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet addresses pressing social issues of our time with adult language and themes. Tickets are pay-what-you-can-afford from \$20 to \$29. Contact Kathy Hollander to claim a ticket.

# POP-UP CHOIR SUNDAY, JUNE 30

There will be an opportunity to sing as a choir in worship on Sunday, June 30, at the 10:00 a.m. service. Rehearsal begins at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. No advance preparation or sign up is required; simply show up at 9:00 a.m.

# MEALS ON WHEELS JULY 1-3,5

Holy Trinity volunteers will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, July 1-3, 5 (no delivery on July 4). Volunteers pick up meals at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square (50<sup>th</sup> St. and 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.). Meal delivery takes about one hour. Contact Mary Engen (engenmary@yahoo.com) to sign up for part or all of the week.