

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF PENTECOST**  
**JUNE 14, 2020**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP based on Psalm 146**

L: Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**P: I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

L: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

**P: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

L: who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**P: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!**

**GATHERING SONG: “Forever God is Faithful” Micheal W. Smith**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSM96OA39ic>

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, who faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**P: Amen.**

L: Reconciling God,

**P: We confess that we do not trust in your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

L: Beloved God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**P: Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

**P: God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

**SONG: "Standing"**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DyRAc2mwIX0>

## PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 116

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

<sup>2</sup>Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

<sup>3</sup>The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

<sup>4</sup>Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, save my life!"

<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

<sup>7</sup>Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

<sup>8</sup>For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

<sup>9</sup>I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

<sup>10</sup>I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted";

<sup>11</sup>I said in my consternation, "Everyone is a liar."

<sup>12</sup>What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

<sup>13</sup>I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

<sup>14</sup>I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

<sup>15</sup>Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

<sup>16</sup>O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

<sup>17</sup>I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

<sup>19</sup>in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

## SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But it is proof of God’s own love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

**PREACHING TEXT: Genesis 18:1-15**

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” <sup>10</sup>Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?” <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup>Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” <sup>15</sup>But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. He said, “Oh yes, you did laugh.”

**Genesis 21**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. <sup>2</sup>Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup>Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. <sup>4</sup>And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. <sup>5</sup>Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. <sup>6</sup>Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” <sup>7</sup>And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.”

**MESSAGE:**

**Shivon Miller**

**SONG: “Great is Thy Faithfulness” Chris Rice / “He’s Always Been Faithful” Sara Groves**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0k1WhFtVp0o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cTLfQ05Otk0>

## CONFESSION OF FAITH The 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 OFFERING

*Looking for a way to give to support Trinity ministry? We have now launched our Text to Give program. Simply text the amount you'd like to give to 833-610-0635. Kathy will also continue to check the mail and make deposits weekly Thank you for your generous giving that enables continued ministries.*

**OFFERING SONG: "No Matter What"**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=It\\_xQ4NYtDQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=It_xQ4NYtDQ)

## OFFERING PRAYER

**God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us with your gifts that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us join together to pray for the church, our nation, and for all who are in need, responding to each petition with the words, "Graciously hear our prayer."

O God, the Holy One of blessing, send your Spirit of tender might throughout your church and to all its leaders. Strengthen the believers who cannot assemble for worship. Guide the church's use of technology, and make yourself known to those who have no access to such materials.

Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, the Holy One of truth, we pray for your Spirit on teachers, preachers, and missionaries. Empower the church as it uses both historic and innovative words to proclaim your gospel across the street and around the globe. Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy One of creation, continue your care for the earth. Where there was fire or flooding, drought or storm, bring renewal of the land. Bless farmers and ranchers, and protect migrant farm workers as they toil in the sun to harvest our food. Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy One of unity, as we commemorate this week the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine, who in 2015 were killed while assembled in their Charleston church for Bible study, we pray: end the scourge of racism and white supremacy; protect protestors; halt those who intend violence; preserve our democracy. Raise up leaders who model repentance and reconciliation, and support legislators who seek justice in our land. Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy One of compassion, heal the sick, and embrace the fearful. Visit the millions who are suffering from the coronavirus. Protect us from another wave of disease. Uphold health care workers and medical researchers as they work on our behalf. Assist the unemployed in finding a job. Show us how to provide safe housing and daily food for the homeless in our nation and around the world. We pray also for those we name here: (brief silence) Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy One of hope, sustain those who cannot endure their suffering but are led only to despair. Pour your grace into their hearts. Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy One of mercy, we pray finally also for ourselves.

*A longer time of silence.*

Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

O God, Holy eternal One, we praise you for the lives of all the faithful departed, both the famous and the forgotten. At the end of all things, bring to yourself all your treasured people, to abide in your presence forever. Your steadfast love is everlasting:

**Graciously hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those desires too deep for words, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered together 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.**

## **BLESSING**

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit the comforter, bless and keep you in eternal love. Amen.

**SONG:** *“Never Let Go of Me”*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WJgIPk\\_NkZY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WJgIPk_NkZY)

## **DISMISSAL**

**L:** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**P:** Thanks be to God.