

# Trinity Lutheran Church – ELCA

612 Water Street, Sparta, Wisconsin

August 21, 2016 9:00 am

Lectionary 21C



## Gathering

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: *Oh, For a Thousand Tongues* #886

### \*Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

### Assembly: Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**Congregation: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn:**

*Lord, Be Glorified*

**#744**

**\*Prayer of the Day:**

**O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Reading: Isaiah 58.9b-14**

**Page 601 in the black pew Bible**

**Psalm 103.1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup>**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

<sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup>**who redeems your life from the grave**

**and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

<sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires with good things

so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup>**O LORD, you provide vindication**

**and justice for all who are oppressed.**

<sup>7</sup>You made known your ways to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup>**LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

**Reading: Hebrews 12.18-29**

**Page 979 in the black pew Bible**

**Children's Message**

**\*Gospel: Luke 13.10-17**

**Page 848 in the black pew Bible**

**Sermon**

**Hymn:**

*You Are Mine*

**#581**

**\*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:**

**Pastor:** Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

**From the Assembly:** Lord of all languages, we pray with and for Christians in worship all over the world. Make your church joyful to reflect the diversity of your people and the unity of your love. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** Your Spirit speaks in creation. We thank you for watered gardens, for abundant yield, for clean water, for sunlight, for communities where people and nature live in peace together. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** Remove the yoke of destructive partisanship, the pointing of the finger at our enemies, and bless nations in need. Empower all to speak the truth, encouraging honorable leadership. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** Bring strength, health, and wholeness in the parched places of our lives. Bless those in need this day, *Ed Peterson, Ida Helgeson, Roger Thorsen, and Joanne Dexter*, surround them with care and hope. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** We pray for those who must be absent from this assembly while they work. Give them and all people sabbath rest. Refresh our hearts in Christ. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** Our stories are shaped in community. We thank you for people young and old, women and men, who have witnessed to your love, and we remember those who have recently died. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**From the Assembly:** We pray for the refugees in the world who have faced violence and persecution. Now many of them face discrimination upon arriving in new lands. Strengthen our faith to be accepting to all and fortify our witness to advocate for just and humane policies that expand the path of welcome for refugees around the world and in our communities. Bless the work of the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service that serves as a witness of God's love for all people by standing with and advocating for migrants and refugees in the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**Pastor:** We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **\*Sharing of the Peace**

**Offering** *“If I have despised the claim of my male or female slaves when they filed a complaint against me, what then could I do when God arises? And when He calls me to account, what will I answer Him?” Job 31:13-14*

**\*Offertory:** *Create in Me a Clean Heart* #186

### **\*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, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

### **\*Great Thanksgiving**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Communion**

**Hymns during Communion: #619, #623**

**\*Prayer after Communion:**

**O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*Blessing:**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

**Hymn:**

*How Firm a Foundation*

**#796**

**\*Dismissal:**

**Go in peace. Proclaim the Good News! Thanks be to God!**

<b>Needed to meet budgeted mission - \$6875.00</b>	<b>Weekly Giving for August 14 - \$7741.82</b>
<b>Simply Giving 8/14 - 8/20 - \$4065.50</b>	
<b>Attendance for Sunday, August 14 - 139</b>	<b>Attendance for L<sup>2</sup> - August 17 - 16</b>

**Sunday, August 21**

9:00 am Holy Communion

10:00 am New Member's Class – SR

10:00 am Coffee and Fellowship

**Monday, August 22**

10:00 am Monday Bible Study- FH

5:00 pm Lutheran SS - AO

6:30 pm Stewardship Meeting - SR

**Tuesday, August 23 Tidings Due!**

10:30 am Lutheran SS - AO

6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 67 FH

6:00 pm Cub Scout 67 Bears – FH

**Wednesday, August 24**

10:00 am Food Pantry

6:00 pm L2 Worship Service

7:00 pm New Member's Class- SR

**Thursday, August 25**

5:00 pm Lutheran SS - AO

**Friday, August 26**

10:30 am Lutheran SS - AO

**Sunday, August 28 Root Beer Float Sunday**

9:00 am Holy Communion

10:00 am New Member's Class - SR

2:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 4377 - FH

6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 7-FH

**Sunday, August 21 9:00 am**

**Organist** – Adell Morton

**Readers** – Joyce Putman

**Communion Servers** – Al and Jan Jenkins – Michael Bonello

**Greeters** – Michael and Deb Bonello

**Counters** – **August 22** – Carol Glaman – Gary Peterson – Kathleen Sumrall

**Flowers** - Gary and Sharon Nelson

**Coffee Fellowship** – Judy Schure and Linda Erickson

**Sunday, August 28 9:00 am**

**Organist** – Ann Kvale

**Readers** – Monte Roche

**Communion Servers** – Chuck Hogan – Rita Bernette – Karen Edwards

**Greeters** – Dave and Lori Stigen

**Counters** – **August 29** – Alton Ask – Audrey Zebell – Bill McClain

**Flowers** – **September** – Cora Ashwander

**Coffee Fellowship** – **Dairy Sunday** – Fellowship Committee

**Sunday, September 4 9:00 am**

**Organist** – Virginia Bolin

**Readers** – Nancy Sikorsky

**Communion Servers** – Al and Jan Jenkins – Chuck Hogan

**Greeters** – Al and Jan Jenkins

**Counters** – **September 5** – Fred Olsen – Nancy Oswald – Carol Thorsen

**Flowers** – **September** – Cora Ashwander

**Coffee Fellowship** –

Serving schedules for September - December have been mailed out. If you don't receive yours by the end of next week please let the office know. Thank you for serving!