

Trinity Lutheran Church – ELCA

612 Water Street, Sparta, Wisconsin

All Anew: A Thankoffering Service for Women of the ELCA

June 18, 2017

9:00 am



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements, prayer for Father's Day

Gathering

Leader: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who creates and redeems and renews the face of the earth. **Amen.**

Litany for Gathering

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

Congregation: O Lord my God, you are very great.

Today brings all we need to praise our loving God,

Creator, you have made us in your image.

Today brings all we need to live in peace and purpose,

Redeemer, you have called us to new life.

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** Symbol indicates a time when the congregation stands*

Today brings all we need to live abundantly.

Renewer, you have brought us together to sing your praise.

Today brings women of many generations who grow together in faith and affirm and support one another.

Companion, you guide us to your beloved community.

Today brings a world in need of healing and wholeness.

Healer, you inspire us to ministry and action.

For the church, the society and the world,

Lord our God, we humbly enter into worship.

Prepare our hearts.

Amen.

Hymn: *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

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***Prayer of the Day**

Holy God, because without you we would not be able to serve you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and guide our hearts and minds; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Special Music: Trevor Tripp

A Mighty Fortress

Reading: Exodus 19.2-8a

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Psalm 100 (read in unison)

¹Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

²Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

³Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;

we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

**⁴Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.**

**⁵Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Reading: Romans 5.1-8

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***Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia!**

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***Gospel: Matthew 9.35-10.23**

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Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn: *Gracious Spirit, Head Our Pleading

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***The Prayers**

Leader: With the whole people of Christ Jesus, let us call upon God for the sake of the church, the world and all in need of prayer.

From the Assembly: God who made all things good, you create us to be caretakers and stewards in your creation. You equip us to provide for the people, places and ministries that you have entrusted to our care. Draw us together in the light of faith and hope so that we may recognize our calling to this work. We pray in abundance. **Creator, draw us in.**

From the Assembly: God who blesses our labor, you light our paths with the histories of women who acted boldly on their faith to change the world. Bring their influence to our attention and their stories to our lips and ears. May we see in them our own potential to live boldly. We pray in abundance, **Creator, draw us in.**

From the Assembly: God who provides, you endow us with all we need to nurture, harvest, and share the fruits of creation. In this abundance, direct our eyes and feet to our neighbors who are on the margins, both near and far. Give us curiosity and courage to live into the fullness of our communities. We pray in abundance, **Creator, draw us in.**

From the Assembly: God who was and is and will be, through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Women of the ELCA, you have called us more deeply into relationship with you and the world. Bless every church, everywhere, that through our work, all may know your grace and accept your call to love one another. We pray in abundance, **Creator, draw us in.**

Leader: God who reaches every people, turn our hearts to see those with us now, gathered at this Thankoffering service to give thanks and praise to you. Urge us on to the fullness of life, in the name of Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

***Sharing of the Peace**

Thankoffering for the Women of the ELCA

As we give our Thankoffering today, we share in a tradition that goes back at least to the 1800s, when Christian women formed “mite” or “cent” societies to support the mission of the church. When others said there was not enough money to carry out the church’s work, the women believed otherwise and acted together. In these societies, each woman collected offerings at home. On occasion, they would gather as we do today to worship and make their offerings with thanks and praise.

When Women of the ELCA was formed 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, let us now give our Thankoffering.

Offering Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. Deuteronomy 15:10

***Offertory: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

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***Offering Prayer**

God of grace,

You have showered us with abundance and entrusted to us the ministries of Women of the ELCA. Accept these offerings to further your mission. Help us to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world. Accept these gifts and this prayer that, nurtured by your Word, filled with your Spirit, and fed at your table, we may share with gladness all that you have shared with us until all creation is satisfied. **Amen.**

***Great Thanksgiving: Here is Bread**

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Pastor: Here is bread, here is wine,

Congregation: Christ is with us, he is with us.

P: Break the bread, taste the wine,

C: Christ is with us here.

All: In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.

In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

P: Here is grace, here is peace.

Congregation: Christ is with us, he is with us.

P: Know his grace, find his peace,

C: feast on Jesus here.

All: In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.

In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed. . . . do this in remembrance of me

All: Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.

**We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified.
In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.**

***Lord's Prayer:**

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Communion:

During Communion; #336 verse 1, #858

***Prayer after Communion:**

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**

God bless you with courage, with peace, and with love, that you may freely live for God and freely give for others. **Amen.**

Song: *O Living Breath of God*

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Sending

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

Thanks be to God.

Needed to meet budgeted mission - \$7,065.33	Weekly Giving for June 11 - \$3726.95
Simply Giving - 6/11 -6/17 - \$1005.00	Total Given - \$4731.95
Attendance - June 11 -137	

Sunday, June 18

Happy Father's Day!

Root Beer Float Sunday

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:15 am 4G
- 9:20 am Coffee Fellowship
- 2:00 pm 4H - FH
- 6:00 pm BS Troop 7 - FH
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Monday, June 19

- 12:45 pm LSS - AO
- 6:30 pm Mary Circle - SR

Tuesday, June 20

Tidings Due!

- 12:45 pm LSS - AO
- 5:00 pm Food Pantry
- 6:00 pm BS Board Meeting - EW

Wednesday, June 21

- 10:00 am Food Pantry
- 6:00 pm Wednesday Worship

Thursday, June 22

- 9:00 am Joy Circle - SR

Friday, June 23

- 12:45 pm LSS - AO
- 4:00 pm FH Reserved

Saturday, June 24

- 4:00 pm FH Reserved

Sunday, June 25

Rick Steves' Film after 9 am worship

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:15 am 4G
- 9:20 am Coffee Fellowship
- 2:00 pm GS Troop 4377 - FH
- 6:00 pm BS Troop 7 - FH

June 18 – Happy Father’s Day

Music – Adell Morton

Reader – Dennis Glaman

Communion – Marie Grewal - Diane Dammen - Janice Janzen

Greeter – Joyce Morrell and **Opportunity to Serve**

Coffee Fellowship - Root Beer Float Sunday

Counters -6/19 Alton Ask - Audrey Zebell - Bill McClain

Food Pantry - June 20 - Karen Wall and Mary Herrman

June 21 - Ray and Donna Boland

Altar Team for June – Alma Beranek

June 25

Music – Praise Team

Reader – **Opportunity to Serve**

Communion – Bill and Mary Herrman – Chuck Amundson Sr.

Greeter – Dave and MaryAnn Bolstad

Coffee Fellowship –Council – Audrey Zebell, Mary Herrman and Les Stanley

Counters -6/26 Jeff Powell – Adell Morton – Brenda Degenhardt

Food Pantry – June 28 – Carol Glaman and Ann Kvale

Altar Team for July – Alma Beranek

July 2

Music – Ann Kvale

Reader – Dale Frei

Communion – Dennis and Carol Glaman - Carol Thorsen

Greeter – Bill and Sherry McClain

Coffee Fellowship – **Opportunity to Serve**

Counters -7/3 - Tootie Bernett - Rita Bernette - Roger Strom

Food Pantry – 7/5 - Dennis Glaman and Les Stanley

Altar Team for July – Alma Beranek

