

2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday, June 13, 2020 6:30 PM

Sunday, June 14, 2020 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Moses tells the Israelites that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people. Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Every Member Ministers
 Elizabeth Hess Pastor
 Ralph Grove Organist
 Cindy Finnegan Minister of Music

Lectors

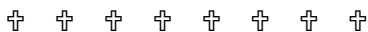
Sharon Kutz 6:30 PM
 Nevin Woodring 8:15 AM
 Debbie Garritano 10:45 AM

Acolytes

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 10:45 AM

Ushers

Sharon Kutz, Linda Hoover, Jesse Hoover 6:30 PM
 Nevin Woodring, Brian Musselman 8:15 AM
 Sandy Ebersole, Debbie Garritano 10:45 AM



Altar flowers will be delivered by Ray and Sue Nycum

Weekly average for the month of May	\$2,854.25
Weekly average for the month of April	\$4,258.70

Contributions needed every WEEK to meet budget	\$4,710.10
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

6:30 PM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRE-WORSHIP MEDITATION:

PASTOR: Let us read together Mark 12:28-31 (the Jesus Rule)

ALL: **Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your mind and with all your strength. Love your neighbor as yourself.**

PASTOR: Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE

OPENING DIALOG

P: Here in this place new light is streaming

C: **Now is the darkness vanished away**

P: See in this space our fears and our dreaming

C: **Brought here to you in the light of this day**

P: Not in the dark of buildings confining

C: **Not in some heaven light years away**

P: Here in this place the new light is shining

C: **Now is the kingdom, and now is the day**

P: Gather us in and hold us forever

C: **Gather us in and make us your own**

P: Gather us in all peoples together

C: **We shall arise at the sound of our name. Amen**

*ENTRANCE HYMN #543 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray....

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.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 19:2-8a

At Sinai God assured Israel, "You shall be my treasured possession," and commissioned them to serve as mediating priests for the nations. The people commit themselves completely to God's will.

L: A reading from Exodus

[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

L: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM Psalm 100

We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture. (Ps. 100:3)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

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

**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture. R**

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

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

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:1-8

We are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death.

L: A reading from Romans

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 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.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

L: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Matthew 9:35--10:8 [9-23]

The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the Ninth Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the

lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”]

P: The Gospel of the Lord
C: **Praise to your, O Christ**

FOR THE CHILDREN

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY #293** “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

*APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

*PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING *(Please sign and pass the pew register)*

*THE PRAYERS

A: Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world,
and all who are in need.

After each portion of the prayers:

A: Lord in your mercy

C: **hear our prayers**

The prayers conclude:

P: Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we
offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

C: **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**

***BENEDICTION**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace

C: 
A - men

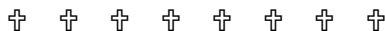
***CLOSING HYMN #721 (WOV)** “Go, My Children with My Blessing”

***DISMISSAL**

P: Mark 12:28-31
C: **Love God, Love others.**

***POSTLUDE**

***Congregation Stands**



THE FLOWERS on the altar are presented by Geri, Eric, Ericka, and Elisha Selfridge in loving memory of Elder & Ester Ramsey.

THE BULLETINS this week are presented by Lisa Harten in loving memory of Don Harten.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY!

Sunday, June 14— Saturday, June 20

Sunday 8:15 AM Worship

 10:45 AM Worship

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday 6:30 PM Worship

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are grateful you are joining us today for worship. All who are baptized and receive communion in their home church are welcome to communion with us. In Christ's name we welcome our visitors and ask you to please introduce yourselves to Pastor Hess.

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PASTORAL CARE

Would you like Pastor Eli to visit or call on a loved one that is in the hospital or at home? Take a moment and drop a note in the collection basket; the information will be given to Pastor. After service when talking to members of the congregation she is often told about more than one person in need of a visit so writing it down will give her the necessary information.

Be sure to include the name of the person in need along with where they are and their phone number. Please include your name and phone number, too, so Pastor can contact you if needed.

PRAYER LIST

MEMBERS

Jim Aungst
Ted Baird
Tyler Bennett
Tina Chestney
Church Health Team
Church Council
Don Corl
Gary Crownover
Sondra Deffibaugh
Jane Eamigh

Debbie Gracey
Paul Hamilton
Pastor Ralph Hamer Family
Ron Heiss
Kristina Henderson
Dave Hoover
Martha Jones
Janice Knee
Jessica McGraw
Bill McLaughlin

Cindy Murphy
Ken B. Myers
Ray Nycum
Jaden Rhode
Shannon Family
Bill Thompson Jr.
Jasmine Wilkins

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Ken Kumpf
Marie Laich
Dawn Mangus
Bob Nearhoof
Arlene Roessing
Robert Streightiff

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Sarah Brown
Jason Buck
Jim Buchanan
Kyle Eberhart
Nathan Frank
Justin Patz
Jason Smith
Eric Sweet



FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Janet & Charlie Aungst
Scott Aungst
Sandy Badorrec
Deb Bender
Frank Bennett
Kris Bennett
Pat Burk
Dorothy Bush
John Bush
Tracee Cole
Scott Corl
Jim Cox Family
Sandy Daddorek
Jim Deffibaugh
Jordan DeFrancisco
Audrey Deiluliis
Miles Dunkelbarger
Nancy & Bill Filler
Elisie Fogel
Haley Gehret
Dawn George
Amanda Gregg & Daughters
Ann Hanczaryk
Katie Hanczaryk
Charles W. Harpster

Don Haslem
Danielle Hatfield
Dave Hogan
Jack Hoyne
Judy Johnson
Tom Klevan
Pastor John Klingeman
Kaylee Kruiise
Lucya Kunkel
Jean Lane
Janelle Lehr
Raija Lind
Janet Luciano
Ryan Maquire
Sharon Mayers
Barb McConnell
Bob McConnell
Eddie McGee
McGilvery Family
Sharon McKeehan
Vicki Medeiros
Janelle Messner
Denny Miller
Harry Miller, Sr
Moore Family

Morning Family
Debbie Muccitelli
Rudy Muccitelli
Wyatt Nite
Bob Noel
David Orr
Zach Porta
Aby Remendowski
Katie Riggelman
Carl Ruckinger
Michael Ruckinger
Nora Ruckinger
Bill Senitko
Melvin Settle
Ronald Settle
C. Richard Shaffer
Harper Sigrist
Denny Sullivan
George Sultage Sr
Robert Thomas Family
Paul Wallis
Mary Walter
James Wilt
Steve Wood

HARVEST OF COMPASSION

Jesus sends out his disciples to labor for the kingdom. He uses the metaphor of a harvest and says there is plenty to harvest but that there are not enough workers. The church has seen itself throughout the centuries as being sent to labor for the harvest. Most often, the assumption has been that the harvest is people, and the goal is making them members of the church. Much of the missionary impulse and institutional focus of the church have been about increasing numbers and making more members.

But notice how Jesus describes the labor of the harvest: proclaim, cure, cleanse, raise, cast out. The focus is not on making people a part of the church (although welcoming others is certainly part of the good news). The goal of the labor—the harvest—is healing, helping, liberating, renewing. The world is full of great unmet needs, and many people are suffering; hopelessness and despair abound. The harvest of the kingdom is a harvest of compassionate deeds.

What happens when no one is available to harvest the crops? They sit in the field and eventually go bad. What happens to people when no one joins in the harvest of compassion? People continue to suffer, lives are diminished, and God's intentions of abundant life for all are left to rot. Jesus is inviting all who are willing to join in the harvest of compassion, and the time is now.

What happens when the church shifts its mission from harvesting people to harvesting acts of compassion? The witness of the church becomes rooted in concrete acts of care for others, and suffering is alleviated. The good news of Jesus is known in the great ingathering of compassion and justice done in Jesus' name. It begins at the table every Sunday, when we celebrate the feast of the kingdom that Jesus himself brought to fruition through his own life, death, and resurrection. May that gift now bear fruit in our lives by his grace.



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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Megan McConnell Graduating Senior Altoona Area High School
Parents are Ron and Cathy McConnell.
Megan currently works at Martin's Foods and is mommy to 5 month old daughter, Everleigh. She plans to pursue a college degree in psychology/counseling .

Noah Hatch Graduating Senior Altoona Area High School
Parents are Adam and Kathy Hatch.
Noah is currently employed at Walmart Distribution Center.

Molly Eckman Graduating Senior Holly Springs High School, N Carolina
Parents are Steve Garner and Amanda Eckman.
Grandparents are Sheldine and Stephen Garner.
Molly is currently employed at Texas Roadhouse.

The following list of students graduated from St. Andrew's Preschool where they attended Mrs. Angela's class. They will be starting kindergarten in the fall.

Gavin Ulrich

Norah Vo

Jacob Buckreis

Madox Kruis

Emmy Mowery

Adalyn Recchia

Rayliee Simington

