



Trinity Lutheran Church

13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026



Welcome

Invocation:

P: Let us worship as we live, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*Confession of Sin and Forgiveness:

P: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."** 1 John 1:8-9

Silence for self-examination

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Gracious, merciful God, I confess unto you my sinfulness and my sins, those I am aware of and the countless ones I am not. I have not loved You with my whole heart nor have I loved my neighbour as myself. I am sorry for my sin, and I ask Your forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, my Lord and Saviour. Restore me that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, God in His abundant mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

Hymn:

"Rise with the Sun"

Apostles' Creed

Children's Story

God's Word: Isaiah 51:1- 6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

God's Word: Romans 11:33-12:8

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴"For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" ³⁵"Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?" ³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

12I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Hymn:

“The Perfect Wisdom of Our God”

Holy Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Message

Offertory:

“ Take My Life & Let it be”
Offering will be received at this time

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Prayers of the People:

Lord’s Prayer:

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Benediction:

Sending Hymn:

“The Song of Blessing”

Dismissal

P: Go in the peace of Christ, you are loved and sent.

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*written by Pastor Maggie Theiss 2026

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