



Trinity Lutheran Church

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025



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Welcome

Invocation:

P: We worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

^Confession of Sin and Forgiveness:

P: Holy God, You call us, as Your people, to care for both our bodies and our souls, gifts from You. We live in a busy 24/7 world and are easily caught up in its pace and messages. By the power of Your Spirit at work in us we have come humbly before You, acknowledging that You alone are God and we are not. Slow us down and fill us up that we might live each day with grace and compassion, in truth and joy bringing honour and glory to Your holy name. Amen.

(Silence for self-examination)

P: Gracious Father, we confess unto You knowing we do not deserve Your patience and pardon.

C: **I come knowing I am a sinner who cannot save myself. I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed by what I have done and by what I have left undone. So often I refuse the love You pour out for me so abundantly and ignore Your Word and gifts of grace for my life. I have not loved You with my whole heart nor have I loved my neighbour as myself. Life can be exhausting and again and again I turn away from the rest and peace You both command and give. I am sorry for all my sin and beg Your forgiveness. Restore me for Jesus' sake, Amen.**

P: God, in love, has given His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die for the sins of the world. Christ died that sinners may live in freedom and assurance knowing life abundant in His name. As a called and ordained minister in the Church of Christ and by Christ's authority, it is my joy to declare this Good News to you – all your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Hymn:

"Praise to the Lord Almighty" LBW 543

Apostles Creed

Children's Story:

God's Word: Isaiah 66:18-23

For I know their works and their thoughts, and I am coming to gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. From them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Put, and Lud—which draw the bow—to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away that have not heard of my fame or seen my glory; and they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰They shall bring all your kindred from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and on mules, and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the Lord, just as the Israelites bring a grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the Lord. ²¹And I will also take some of them as priests and as Levites, says the Lord. ²²For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, says the Lord; so shall your descendants and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from sabbath to sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, says the Lord.

God's Word: Hebrews 12:4-24,28-29

In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And you have forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as children— “My child, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, or lose heart when you are punished by him; ⁶for the Lord disciplines those whom he loves, and chastises every child whom he accepts.” ⁷Endure trials for the sake of discipline. God is treating you as children; for what child is there whom a parent does not discipline? ⁸If you do not have that discipline in which all children share, then you are illegitimate and not his children. ⁹Moreover, we had human parents to discipline us, and we respected them. Should we not be even more willing to be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share his holiness. ¹¹Now, discipline always seems painful rather than pleasant at the time, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed. ¹⁴Pursue peace with everyone, and the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springs up and causes trouble, and through it many become defiled. ¹⁶See to it that no one becomes like Esau, an immoral and godless person, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷You know that later, when he wanted to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, even though he sought the blessing with tears. ¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Hymn:

“Still My Soul be Still”

Holy Gospel Luke 13:22-30

Jesus went through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.

²³Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few be saved?” He said to them, ²⁴“Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the owner of the house has got up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then in reply he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ ²⁶Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.’ ²⁷But he will say, ‘I do not know where you come from; go away from me, all you evildoers!’ ²⁸There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrown out. ²⁹Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. ³⁰Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

Message

Offertory:

“God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It” vs 1,2,4,5

(Offering will be received at this time)

Prayers of the People:

Lord's Prayer:

Benediction:

Sending Hymn: "Every Promise of Your Word"

Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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