## **Today's Ministers**

Presider: Vicar Aaron Greeters: Edith Hannett & Michala Mills

Preaching: Vicar Aaron Ushers: Darrel & Peggy Miller

Assisting Minister: Steve VanAtter Altar Guild: Lloyd & Judy Kellar & Leiningers Crucifer: Giada Armbrust

Counters: Larry Mills & Sierra Armbrust

Fellowship: TBD Bread: Judy Kellar

Wine: Randy & Martha Miller

Music: Karissa Armbrust Eternal Candle: Randy & Martha Miller

Audio/Streaming: Bryce Quarve Flowers: VanAtter's

& Elizabeth Schnabel

Acolyte: Karson Hanson

Children's Message: Vicar Aaron

Reader: David Sheriff

# Next Week's Ministers - September 07

Greeters: Radke Family Presider: Vicar Aaron Preaching: Vicar Aaron Ushers: The VanAtters

Assisting Minister: Karissa Armbrust Altar Guild: Beth Rasgorshek

Crucifer: Cedar Hilger Counters: TBD Acolyte: Aggie Klahn Fellowship: TBD

Reader: Kristina Radke Bread: Penelope Smith

Children's Message: Karissa Armbrust Wine: VanAtters

Music: Bryce Leifeste Eternal Candle: VanAtters

Audio/Streaming: David Sheriff Flowers: VanAtters & Bryce Quarve Sunday School: TBD



Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost Year C

August 31, 2025





# Mission Statement

Trinity Lutheran is a place to gather, refresh the faithful, and reach out with word and service to all others through the Holy Gospel.

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## Land Acknowledgement

Trinity Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homeland of the Shoshone-Bannock, Nüümü (Northern Paiute), Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla tribes. Our location here was made possible by the displacement and dispossession of these tribes. We acknowledge and honor these tribes, who have and continue to care for this land, which is their home since time immemorial.

# Follow us on



Services are live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages, and the bulletin is available on the website to follow along.

#### Who We Are

Trinity Lutheran Church is a congregation in the Treasure Valley Cluster in the Northwest Intermountain Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) which is one of 150 member churches in 96 countries that are part of the Lutheran World Federation.

#### **CALENDAR**

THIS WEEK		
Today	10:00 am	Worship (Noisy Offering)
	11:15 am	Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
Monday		Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday	12:00 pm	Al-Anon (Sunday School room)
	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Study Group (Koinonia Room)

Thursday	6:30 pm	Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday	6:00 pm	Rally Barbeque
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### **NEXT WEEK**

September 07	8:30 am	Potluck Breakfast
	10:00 am	Worship

11:15 am	Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
	Grandparents Day

Tuesday	12:00 pm	Al-Anon (Sunday School room)
	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Study Group (Kojnonia Room)

Thursday	6:00 pm	Learning Peace meeting
	6:30 pm	Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)

Patriot Day (9/11 Remembrance)

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

For healing: Colton (Fran & Elwood's grandson – brain tumor)

> Andrew Hanson (Celiac – Karson Hanson)

(friend of Edith Hannett – in need of a kidney) Monica Perez (recovering from surgery – Amanda Hanson) Francis Frisbee (Cancer is dormant – Margretta's granddaughter) **Angel Bray** (exhibiting terrible temper – Janie Stubson) Vicki (Received pacemaker. Kristina Radke's Mom) Eileen Warner

(doing well, thanks for all the prayers!) Karen Bair

(in treatment for lymphoma – Mary Braudrick) Linda Larson

Tina Zielinski (Ankle/Leg healing daughter of Randy & Martha Miller)

(Youth with heart condition – Emily Bentley) Cody (Teenage Crohn's disease – Cathy Winwood) Addie

Rita (Renee's sister -- Renee VanAtter) (health issues – Mary Braudrick) Linda Dombeck

(recovering from shoulder surgery – Mary Helen) Gail Leininger

Trent Glover (recovering from a fall and surgery)

(recovering from knee surgery – Janie Stubson) Mark

For Andrew (from Elizabeth Schnabel)

(mourning loss of daughter from Mary Helen & Gail) For Berger Family

For Klayton Hanson (from Karson Hanson)

(searching for employment – Elizabeth Schnabel) For Diana

(hoping for good test results – Anita Koons) For Chris & Cooper Koons

(Son awaiting test results – Elwood & Fran Webb) For Jeff

(died from pneumonia -- from Radke Family) For Family of Amy Bal

For Sharon Jones's family (mourning loss of Sharon Jones) For Family of Di Seba (mourning loss of Diana Seba)

(looking for employment – son of Tami Robinson) For Doug

# **People in the Armed Services:**

**Brett Collins** (grandson of Helen Collins – Marines) (Helen Collins' grandson - Navy SEAL) John C. Collins II Bill MacDonald (Navv)

(Cathy Winwood's Niece – Army) Amanda Love

> Prayer concerns will be removed after two months on the list unless you let the office know otherwise.

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### **Guide to the Bulletin**

C: Congregation P: Presider A: Assisting Minister R: Reader

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please rise as you are able.

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God.

C: 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.

P: 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 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.

C: Amen.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**RALLY WEEKEND BBQ –** On September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm, we will gather on the church lawn for a "kick off the fall season" barbecue. Hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, plates/utensils, and water are furnished by the Stewardship team. Please bring a lawn chair and a side dish to share. Invite a friend. Take time to catch up with people you might not have seen since May!

**BACKPACK BLESSING** -- is happening August 31<sup>st</sup>, so make sure your kiddos bring their backpacks and other school supplies that they are wanting to have blessed for this new school year!

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF POTLUCK --</u> We will be holding a Sunday School kickoff potluck breakfast before service on Sunday, September 07th at 08:30. Come meet our Sunday School teachers for this year and get the chance to check out our new school set up. This year we will be offering separate classes based on the grade they are enrolled in at school. With K-6 and 7-12 for kids and teens, and a separate adult's class!

**HYGIENE KITS** -- Thanks so much for all the generous food donations for the church pantry and the hygiene items!! Many hygiene kits were assembled with the donations! AND the pantry is filling up. – Church in Community

# **COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK**

# Tuesday, September 02, 2025

**Nikolai Frederik Severin Grundtvig, bishop, renewer of the church, died 1872** Grundtvig was, with Søren Kierkegaard, one of the two great Danish theologians of the nineteenth century. As a pastor, he battled the prevalent idea that Christianity was more a philosophy than divine revelation. He wrote over a thousand hymns.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SAVE THE DATE** -- God's Work, Our Hands Project happens on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Church in Community is seeking volunteers to help cook, pack, distribute and deliver meals to people in need in our community. This project is run by an all-volunteer non-profit group called Kitchen Collective 2C. We will prepare the food in Trinity's kitchen, then take the meals to Lloyd Square to distribute. See the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, thank you!

<u>TAKE A LEAF OR FLOWER –</u> Be sure to take a leaf or, for August, a flower from the basket on the name tag table and answer the provided question! If you aren't sure Who/Where you've seen God's Grace, simply give thanks on your leaf or flower for the gifts of the Spirit around you. Please place your leaf or flower on the tree in the sanctuary or in the offering plate and someone will hang it for you.

TRINITY COMMUNITY GARDENS – Would like the community to know that the Garden's Zinnias and Dahlias are blooming and are available to the community, so please help yourself! A bucket of jars is located next to the faucet and scissors are on the table. Share the wealth! Also, please take a moment to see the first and second place ribbons on the hallway bulletin board from the Canyon County Fair.

<u>JULY NOISY OFFERING --</u> on Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> was changed to the Pastor's Emergency fund. This change came as a result of a growing need in our community, a need which is bordering on extreme and emptied the fund. This Noisy Offering brought in \$2034.12! Wow, how AMAZING! This will greatly impact the Vicar's ability to help those in need in our community. Thank you, THANK YOU!

<u>GRATITUDE – Next Sunday</u> is Rally Sunday, the day when the fall schedule of education begins for children, youth and adults. Who has been instrumental in your learning of the faith? In strengthening your faith? In teaching you about God? Colossians 2:7 reminds us to be "rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." This might be a good time to express your gratitude for those whose words and lives have brought you to this point in your faith journey.

**DONATIONS MADE EASY** – Keep an eye open for a verse or prayer in the Sunday bulletins that mentions a food item. Please bring the food items mentioned for that month. In August the bible reading for the 31<sup>st</sup> is from Psalm 81 Verse 16. In which God promises to give the people of Isreal the finest of wheat and the best honey. Following this example, please bring in cereals, oatmeal (boxes of individual packages), rice (microwaveable and bagged), and cream of wheat. Thank you! – Church in Community

#### 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.



- 1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a way our sin.
- 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin. Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

# WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song.

## FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7a

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today's reading is about humility.

<sup>6</sup> Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great,

<sup>7a</sup> for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 81:1, 10-16** 

R: <sup>1</sup> Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

C: 10 "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

R: <sup>11</sup> Yet my people did not hear my voice, and Israel would not obey me.

C: <sup>12</sup> So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, to follow their own devices.

All: I feed you with the finest wheat and satisfy you with honey from the rock.

R: <sup>13</sup>Oh, that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!

C: <sup>14</sup>I would quickly subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes.

R: <sup>15</sup> Those who hate the Lord would cringe in fear, and their punishment would last forever.

C: <sup>16</sup> But I would feed you with the finest wheat and satisfy you with honey from the rock."

All: I feed you with the finest wheat and satisfy you with honey from the rock.

#### DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. C: I love this Church!

Consider taking your bulletin home with you so that you can pray for those on our prayer list during the week and will know what activities are happening this week at Trinity.



#### Notes

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## SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual affection continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence.

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup> Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

R: Word of God. word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW pg. 205



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

# **GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14**

Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to imitate God's gracious hospitality to those in need.

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup> When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup> "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, <sup>9</sup> and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.

# SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Please rise as you are able.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

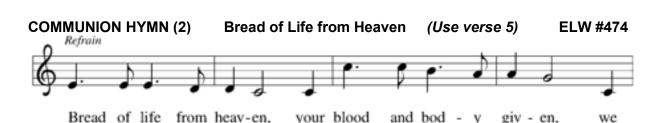
### **BLESSING**

P: Almighty God,
Father,

→ Son,
and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

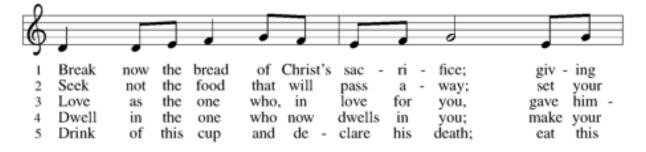
C: Amen.

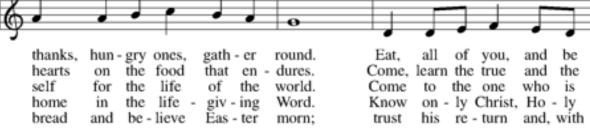






eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.







sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound. liv - ing way, full - ness of life may be yours. the food for you, your hun - ger and thirst be no more. One of God. and be - lieve in the truth you have heard. ev - 'ry breath, in whom you are re - born. praise the one

<sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup> For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup> And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

R: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

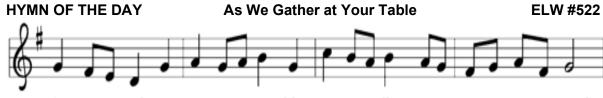
You may be seated.

## THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### THE HOMILY

Please rise as you are able.





- 1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,
- 2 Turn our wor-ship in to wit-ness in the sac ra ment of life;
- Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife. where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own; Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave; There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.

may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.

as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

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.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: All who are hungry, come!

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

All are welcome to Christ's table.

## You may be seated.

The ushers will tell you when it's time to go up to receive communion.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

# **Holy Communion**

Everyone, including children, who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to Christ's table.

Gluten free wafers are available. Simply ask the Pastor.

Cups in the tray: The inner ring of cups is white grape juice.

The outer ring of cups is rose wine.





you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

P: You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks.....

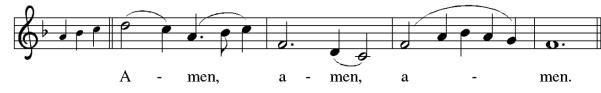
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C:

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



- P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,.....
- P: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: 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.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

P: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: 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 OF INTERCESSION

A: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

C: Amen.

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You may now greet those around you saying "Peace be with you". You may shake hands, bump elbows, hold up two fingers in the "Peace sign". Do whichever is comfortable for you.

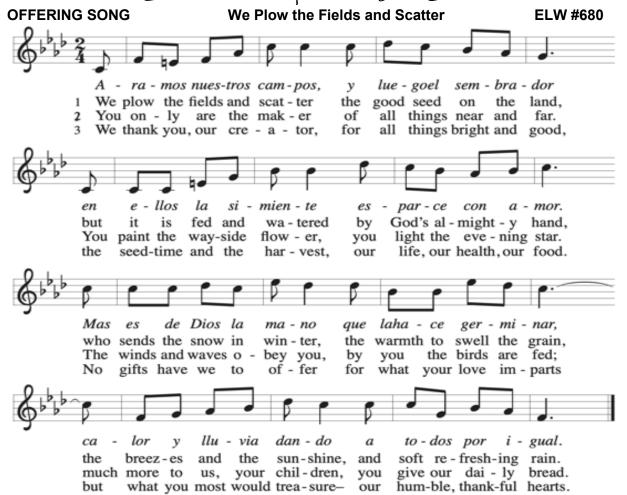
# You may be seated. Our liturgy continues with the offering.



An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
You may also give online at: nampatrinity.org

# MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.



Please rise as you are able.

#### THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### THE PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....

.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

