Today's Ministers

Presider: Vicar Aaron Greeters: Radke Family

Preaching: Vicar Aaron Ushers: **TBD**

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

& Bryce Quarve

Music: Karissa Armbrust Eternal Candle: VanAtters

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Next Week's Ministers - September 14

Presider: Vicar Aaron Greeters: Steve & Julie Ward

Preaching: Vicar Aaron Ushers: Penelope Smith & Elizabeth Schnabel

Assisting Minister: Pat Benoit Altar Guild: Cathy Winwood

Crucifer: Aldwin Kellar Counters: **TBD**Acolyte: Abigail Radke Fellowship: **TBD**

Reader: Margretta Spady Bread: Penelope Smith

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Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost Year C September 07, 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 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 (Koinonia Room)

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

Patriot Day (9/11 Remembrance)

NEXT WEEK

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IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Andrew Hanson (Celiac – Karson Hanson)

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

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

Linda Larson (in treatment for lymphoma – Mary Braudrick)

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

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

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

Gail Leininger (recovering from shoulder surgery – Mary Helen)

Trent Glover (recovering from a fall and surgery)

Mark (recovering from knee surgery – Janie Stubson)

For Andrew (from Elizabeth Schnabel)

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

For Klayton Hanson (from Karson Hanson)

For Diana (searching for employment – Elizabeth Schnabel)

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

For Jeff (Son awaiting test results – Elwood & Fran Webb)
For Family of Amy Bal (died from pneumonia -- from Radke Family)

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For Family of Di Seba (mourning loss of Diana Seba)

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

For Shannon Miller (mourning loss of Pat Mallory, past member of Trinity)

People in the Armed Services:

Brett Collins (grandson of Helen Collins – Marines)
John C. Collins II (Helen Collins' grandson – Navy SEAL)

Bill MacDonald (Navy)

Amanda Love (Cathy Winwood's Niece – Army)

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

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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.

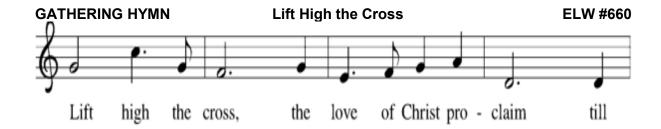
P: Most merciful God,

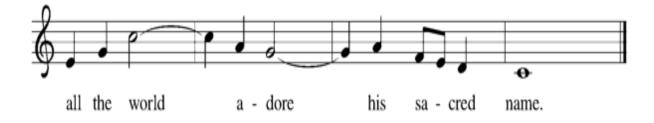
C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

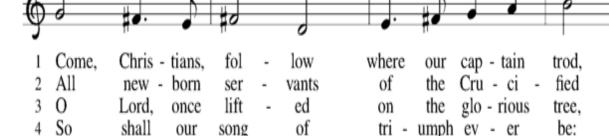
Amen.

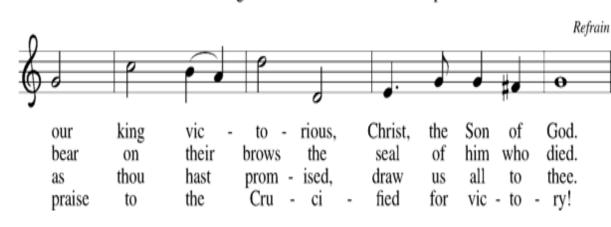
P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.









ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PET BLESSING -- We have set the date for *Trinity's annual Pet Blessing on the Lawn* for Wednesday evening, October 1st from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. in celebration of the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. This is an ideal opportunity to invite friends and family members to join you. Bring your pet(s) or a photo of your pet(s) and a lawn chair. We will have a brief service, followed by a blessing of each individual pet. In addition, we will offer pet blessing certificates and paw-shaped cookies (some for dogs and others for the humans). This is one of the most relaxed events that we host, and always a lot of fun.

ADVENT DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET -- Each year, the members and friends of this congregation put pen-to-paper (or fingers to keyboard) and write their entries to our annual Advent booklet. Some entries are humorous; others are thoughtful. Some are personal; others are theological. Some are short, others are longer. If you are one of our veteran authors, you know the drill. If you have never written for us, please think about this being THE YEAR. The deadline is October 20th. If you have questions, please check with Edith Hannett, Tami Robinson, or Penelope Smith.

<u>9/11 REMEMBRANCE PATRIOT DAY --</u> This holiday is observed each year to commemorate the lives lost in the 2001 terrorist attacks of the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. It serves as a day of remembrance for the nearly 3000 victims and honors the bravery of those who risked their lives during the tragic event. Where were you? What do you remember? How did this impact you?

<u>PEACE DAY --</u> Officially known as the International Day of Peace, it is observed annually on September 21. Established by the United Nations in 1981, this day is dedicated to promoting world peace and the absence of violence. It serves as a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to peace above all differences and contribute to building a culture of peace.

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, September 09, 2025

Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

Saturday, September 13, 2025 John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, died 407

John was a priest in Antioch and an outstanding preacher. His eloquence earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" ("golden mouth"). Appointed bishop of Constantinople, seat of the empire, he criticized corruption in the court. As a result, he was exiled by the empress.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE -- God's Work, Our Hands Project happens on Saturday, September 20th. 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.

GRATITUDE – What are YOU grateful for? What leads you to thank God? We asked that at our July church Camp Out and decided to give the rest of the congregation the chance to respond. Next Sunday 9/14, as part of the Children's Message, each of you will be offered a piece of paper and encouraged to write what sparks YOUR gratitude. Put it on the offering plate and wait to see what happens. We will re-do this activity on 9/21 in case you miss church on the 14th or in case you have even MORE to be grateful for!!

<u>DONATIONS MADE EASY –</u> 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. September food pantry request comes from the prayers of the people on Sunday September 7th. The prayers say, "God of Abundance, You bring grains from the earth and fruits of the vine." The food items to bring in are canned fruits and vegetables and jelly. Thank you! – Church in Community

<u>SEPTEMBER NOISY OFFERING</u> – On Sunday the 28th is to show appreciation to our neighbors at West learning Center. Money raised will be used to purchase snacks for the teachers and staff at the three alternative schools that are housed at WLC. Union is grades 6-12; Nampa Academy is grades 9-12, and RISE. Watch for the card to sign in the Narthex thanking the staff for working with Nampa's youth.

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.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses speaks to the Israelites, who are about to enter the land promised to their ancestors. In this passage, he lays out the stark choice before them: choose life by loving and obeying the Lord; or choose death by following other gods.

¹⁵ "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you do not hear but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today that you shall certainly perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰ loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him, for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1

R: ¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel [|] of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats [|] of the scornful!

C: $^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Their delight is in the law $^{\parallel}$ of the Lord, and they meditate on God's teaching $^{\parallel}$ day and night.

All: They are like trees planted by streams of water.

R: ³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that ¹ do not wither; everything they ¹ do shall prosper.

C: ⁴ It is not so | with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

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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Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an-non-cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.





R: ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when ¹ judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council ¹ of the righteous.

C: ⁶ For the Lord knows the way | of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

All: They are like trees planted by streams of water.

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

Onesimus, a new Christian and a man enslaved by Philemon, has helped Paul, who is in prison. Paul writes this letter to his friend Philemon to encourage him to receive Onesimus, upon his return, as a sibling in Christ.

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To our beloved coworker Philemon, ² to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. 8 For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, ⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. 11 Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

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 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

²⁵ Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it?

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,

⅓ Son,
and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

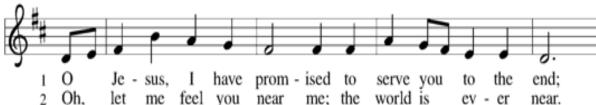
C: Amen.



COMMUNION HYMN (2)

Oh Jesus I Have Promised

ELW #810



Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.

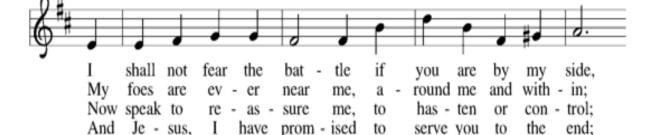
Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still

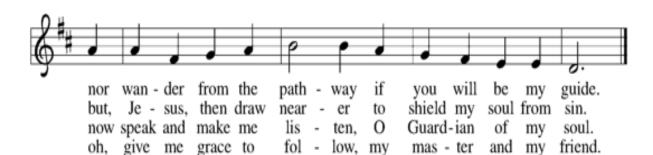
O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er
I see the sights that
a - bove the storms of
that where you are in

near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
daz - zle, the tempt-ing sounds I hear.
pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.





²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

R: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

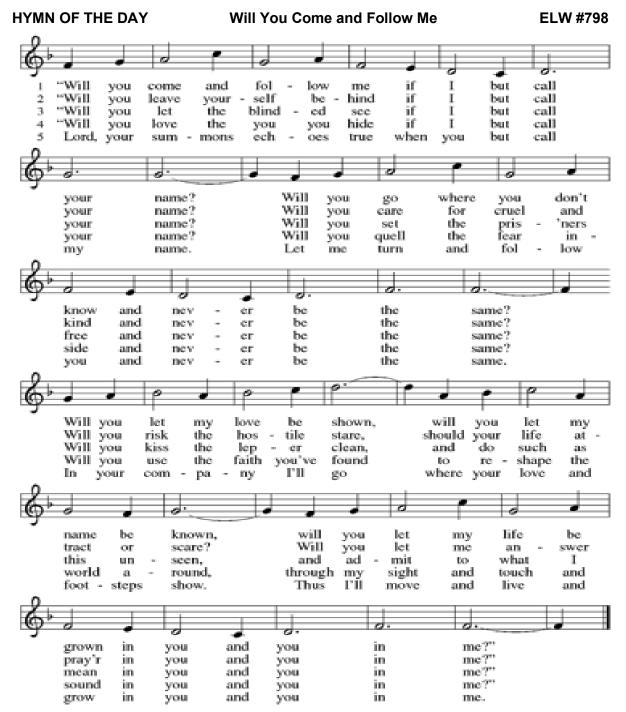
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THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE HOMILY

Please rise as you are able.





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.



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.

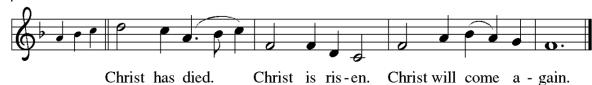
P: You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks.....

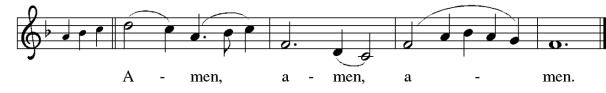
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For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



- 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: Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A: God of Grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

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.

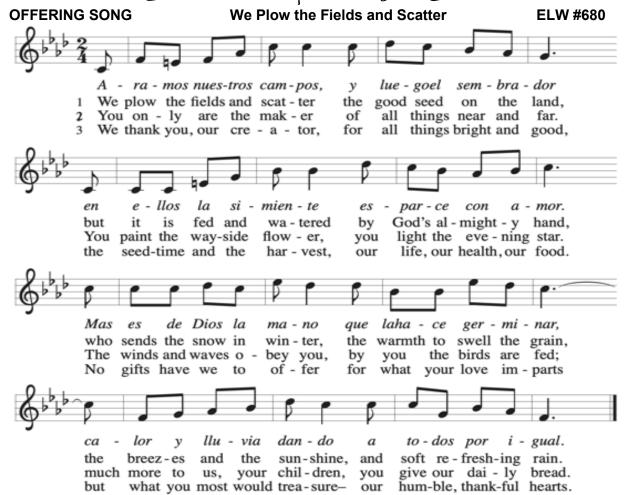
You may be seated. Our liturgy continues with the offering.



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:

