

**Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**February 7, 2021**



*Welcome as we gather together in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst*

*Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>)*

*The service will be posted on our YouTube page ([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber))*

If you know of others who are in need of ***signs of God's love and grace***, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us “live” and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office ([trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com)) and/or her personal email ([revjedyer1@yahoo.com](mailto:revjedyer1@yahoo.com)).

*Our weekly emails are also posted on our website*  
<http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/>.

*Listed here is the order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns and an anthem picked by Franklyn that you may listen to in addition to our online service*

***Setting up:*** Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin.

***Introduction:*** Jesus was busy healing and teaching throughout the countryside. When a Roman centurion asked for Jesus' help, it took Jesus by surprise.

*We will be going LIVE before beginning the service with time for reflection to allow time for people to join our live feed before the spoken portion of our service begins.*

## **PRELUDE “Sonata in c minor” Francesco Durante**

### **WELCOME**

*You are invited to comment below the video if there are particular prayers that you would like to lift up and have others pray about during the week. Please let us know that you are joining us online by commenting*

### **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

Jesus calls us into community,  
restoring us to relationship.

**However isolated we may feel,  
however complicated things might seem,  
everyone matters — to God and to others.**

There is no one above Jesus’ attention,  
and no one beneath Jesus’ compassion.

Come to encounter the One  
whose presence brings abundant life for all.

**Let us worship together.**

From the least to the greatest, your word seeks us out, O God.

**Recognizing the power of your grace,  
we turn in awe to see you reaching out,  
in the flesh, with us, even now.**

As you were moved with compassion for the grieving,  
**we pray you would move us to mercy.**

As you were amazed by the trust of a powerful man,  
**we pray you would move us to faith.**

As you witnessed the care of a community for its people,

**we pray you would knit us together as one body that looks out for each other.**

## **CONFESSION**

We humbly pause in this time, in the presence of our loving God, to offer up all that weighs heavily upon our hearts, those things done and left undone, said and unsaid, all that which separates us from the love of God and neighbor.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

Living God, you come among us to help your people, bringing life out of death and hope out of despair.

**You work beyond the limits of our understanding, breaking open our categories of “deserving” and “not.”**

We confess that we often have clear ideas about who should get help, and why.

**We admit that our imaginations are bound by the systems we continue to buy into, even after you show us a more excellent way.**

Our belief in our own independence is so ingrained, it is hard to live into the truth you offer — **the truth of powerful community, of compassion with no strings attached, of our place within a greater whole.**

Forgive us when we think our lives, choices, words, and actions affect only ourselves, ignoring their impact that reaches beyond our intent.

**Forgive us when we hold more tightly to our rules than to your relentless love.**

Forgive us when we perpetuate old ways that blind us to opportunities for liberation.

**Lead us on toward your vision of good news that changes the world, even one life, one relationship, one community at a time. Amen.**

Children of God, never fear, for you have always lived in the mercy of your creator. Hear the words of absolution and believe them: you are forgiven, you are made whole, you are restored to God who graciously comes to us as Father, + Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **GATHERING HYMN O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come ELW 610**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zKgwISZvJeU>

O Christ, the healer, we have come  
to pray for health, to plead for friends.  
How can we fail to be restored,  
when reached by love that never ends?

From ev'ry ailment flesh endures  
our bodies clamor to be freed;  
yet in our hearts we would confess  
that wholeness is our deepest need.

In conflicts that destroy our health  
we recognize the world's disease;  
our common life declares our ills.  
Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

Grant that we all, made one in faith,  
in your community may find  
the wholeness that, enriching us,  
shall reach the whole of human-kind.

## **GREETING**

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

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy God, **You rewarded the faith of a Roman centurion who feared and trusted you. May we have the same unshakable faith in your mercy and ability to heal all that prevents us from serving you, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.**

## **READING: Psalm 119: 105-107**

Your word is a lamp to my feet  
and a light to my path.

I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,  
to observe your righteous ordinances.

I am severely afflicted;  
give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

Word of God, Word of life, **Thanks be to God!**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)**

*Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go?*

***You have the words of eternal life! Alleluia!***

## **HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 7:1-17**

The holy Gospel according to Luke, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

### Jesus Raises the Widow's Son at Nain

Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus<sup>[c]</sup> gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" <sup>17</sup> This

word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

**SERMON**

**Charlie Germain**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: Healer of Our Every Ill ELW 612**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wahfJMz7aYQ>

Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.

You who know our fears and sadness,  
grace us with your peace and gladness;  
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.

Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.

In the pain and joy beholding  
how your grace is still unfolding,  
give us all your vision, God of love.

Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.



Give us strength to love each other,  
every sister, every brother;  
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.

Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.

You who know each thought and feeling,  
teach us all your way of healing;  
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart.

Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.

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## **APOSTLE'S CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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**

We pause to humbly offer up our prayers before God for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

A Roman officer recognized the power of words to create and bring about results. May we take responsibility for the words we utter and the worlds we create with them, choosing to speak love, mercy and redemption for all. Healing God, **Hear our prayer.**

We live in a competitive and often ruthless world, where few prosper wildly and too many go without basic needs. Help us to even the balance and work for fair compensation of workers and distribution of resources so that all may thrive. Healing God, **Hear our prayer.**

Our headstrong ways have brought destruction and disaster upon this planet we call home. Show us how our equally strong powers of

innovation and creation can begin to turn around the damage we have done and bring about restoration in the natural world. Healing God, **Hear our prayer.**

You need only to say the word and we are healed. Cure our ills, whatever their cause, and strengthen us to continue serving you. Bless all of those whose names we bring before you today... We pray especially as well this day for those that we name before you, those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Healing God, **Hear our prayer.**

Be with all who grieve the loss of loved ones, and hold them all in your comforting arms until the day when we will all be reunited in your eternal glory. Healing God, **Hear our prayer.**

*Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or in the comments.*

*Deacon:* Receive our prayers and shed light on our path as we seek to walk in your ways and bring glory to you through your son Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Christ be with you always, **And also with you** *(you are invited to share a sign of peace with those who are with you, by commenting in the Facebook feed as well as by calling/sending a message of peace to someone)*

**OFFERING** *(You are invited to listen to this song as our "anthem" for this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org))*

**ANTHEM: “Healer” Hillsong**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuJqXfUbOw8>

### **INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER**

We walk in the brilliance of Christ’s glory – the glory of love and grace that shines upon us. May we reflect God’s glory in the ways that we live daily. May these gifts today be an expression of our faith and trust in the One who gives all.

**When we put our trust in you, we find that we have everything we need. Accept these gifts; bless them and use them for the advancement of your earthly kingdom and the spread of your heavenly gospel of good news. Amen.**

### **LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

## **SENDING HYMN Precious Lord, Take My Hand ELW 773**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ThsYX4RBtbw>

Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When my way grows drear  
Precious Lord linger near  
When my life is almost gone  
Hear my cry, hear my call  
Hold my hand lest I fall  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near  
And the day is past and gone  
At the river I stand  
Guide my feet, hold my hand  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

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## **DISMISSAL**

Go, in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God!**

*(The worship has ended, let the service begin)*

**Worship Notes:** Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Clergy Stuff (Introduction, Absolution, Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, offering prayer); Bible Worm/Rev. Terri Peterson (Preparing for worship, confession,); Pastor Jen Boyd (Invitation of stewardship);

**Music Notes: Hillsong Church,** commonly known as Hillsong, is a charismatic Christian megachurch based in Australia. The church, originally called Hills Christian Life Centre, was established in 1983 in Baulkham Hills, New South Wales, by Brian Houston and his wife Bobbie. The church is also known for its worship music, with groups such as Hillsong Worship, Hillsong United and Hillsong Young & Free. Until separating from it in 2018, Hillsong was a member of the Australian Christian Churches (the Australian branch of the Assemblies of God).

**Francesco Durante (1684 – 1755)** was a Neapolitan composer. He was born at Frattamaggiore, in the Kingdom of Naples, and at an early age he entered the Conservatorio dei poveri di Gesù Cristo, in Naples, where he received lessons from Gaetano Greco. Later he became a pupil of Alessandro Scarlatti at the Conservatorio di Sant'Onofrio.. He is said to have succeeded Scarlatti in 1725 at Sant' Onofrio, and to have remained there until 1742, when he succeeded Porpora as head of the Conservatorio di Santa Maria di Loreto, also in Naples. This post he held for thirteen years, till his death in Naples. He was married three times.

### **In Our Prayers**

*We are particularly mindful of so many who are in need of prayers during this time. You are invited to contact Pastor Jen to add specific names to this list:*

### **Prayers of Thanksgiving**

### **Prayers of Healing**

Brigette Fick (Sister of Barbara Roden)

John Wills (Surgery on Jan 28<sup>th</sup>)

Kristin Foley and David Murray (Daughter and son in law to Maxine Foley)

Charlie

Thomas Tazza (Friend of Peter Gebhardt)

Sigrid Allen (rehab)

Larry Ruhs

Rev. Paul Walther (Friend of Fred and Pam Carlson)

Robert Grillo

Bonnie Boyd (Pastor Jen's Mother in Law)

Tony Morello

Michael Cesare

Mary Torlish

Barbara Grispin

Brian (friend of Rosemary Gebhardt)  
Corey Pate (friend of Jeanette Baldanza)  
Danielle Nestor (ankle surgery)  
Danny Brooks (Carol Brooks' nephew)  
Emile "Vinny" Bellissimo (friend of Loretta Christiano)  
Jeff Brown (friend of Doug Noah)  
Jill Russo's dad (cancer)  
Joseph Percacciolo  
Katherine Waldvogel (Dawn Morello's mother)  
Kathie Gibbs (sister-in-law of Jeanette Baldanza)  
Lillian Eberhardt  
Lois Lawrence  
Loretta Christiano (back surgery)  
Lynne Caruso and Janna Kreps (friends of Holly Larocchia)  
Maisa Tompuri (cataracts)  
Robert Peters (father of Stephen Peters)

### **Prayers for those serving in the medical community**

Jeanette Baldanza (Putnam Co. Dept. of Health)  
Michael Conroy (Putnam Hospital)  
Dr. Lauren Icken (Resident @ Albany Med)  
Eric Klammer (FDNY)  
Holly Larocchia (Arms Acres)  
Lisa Schuldt (White plains Hospital)  
Jeff Von Bargen (Putnam Hospital)

### **Prayers for essential workers**

Kystal Langke (Postal worker)  
Justin Larocchia (NYPD)

### **Prayers of the Wider Church**

Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop of the ELCA) and ELCA staff  
Bishop Paul Egensteiner (Bishop of Metro NY Synod) and synod staff



Mother Gladys Diaz (deployed Asst. to Bishop for our area)

**Prayers for families who have had loved ones die**  
*Family of*

**Additional Prayers**

**February Birthdays**

Joey Maston	2/11	Adam Beal	2/14
Alyssa Nastasi	2/12	Andrea Tiersch	2/14
Olivia Giacomelli	2/13	Karl Westerville	2/14
Brian Van Vlack	2/13		

## READINGS

February 7	NL325: Raising the Widow's Son Fifth Sunday after Epiphany	Luke 7:1-17 (Psalm 119:105-107) Healing the centurion's slave by a word and raising the widow's son at Nain.
February 14	NL329: Transfiguration Transfiguration of Our Lord	Luke 9:28-45 (Psalm 36:5-10) Transfiguration, healing a boy with a demon, passion prediction.
February 17	NL330: Jesus Turns to Jerusalem Ash Wednesday	Luke 9:51-62 (Psalm 5:7-8) Jesus starts for Jerusalem, rejected in Samaria, Don't put your hand to the plow and turn back.
February 21	NL331: Good Samaritan First Sunday in Lent	Luke 10:25-42 (Psalm 15) Parable of the Good Samaritan
February 28	NL332: Lament over Jerusalem Second Sunday in Lent	Luke 13:1-9, 31-35 (Psalm 122) The tower in Siloam and need for repentance, parable of fig tree that bore no fruit, lament over Jerusalem.

## Announcements

**Ash Wednesday/Lent:** Precautions are still in place as we plan for our Lenten season; we are looking at alternative ways for us to be "marked with the cross of Christ". Resources will be made available to download and/or to pick up. Worship on Ash Wednesday will be virtual at noon and available to watch as you are able throughout the day.

**Support Fair Trade:** Pastor Jen has set up a fundraiser through Serrv international which offers gifts and other items from around the world that support fair trade. It's never been easier to change a life for the better. Now thru April, when you buy handmade gifts and home decor using the web link below, 20% of your purchase will be donated to Trinity to use for our outreach ministries. Individual orders will be shipped directly to you.

You'll do a world of good by supporting this Serrv & Earn fundraiser. **This is our custom SERRV & Earn web**

**link:** [serrv.org?a=TrinityLutheranChurch](https://serrv.org?a=TrinityLutheranChurch). Share with family & friends, post on social media, etc. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastor Jen

**2021 Offering envelopes** are available to be picked up. Please contact the church office to make arrangements. If you need them mailed or delivered, please let us know that as well.

**Wednesday Bible study:** On Feb. 3rd, Dawn Morello will be leading our mid-week study while Pastor Jen takes some time off. All are invited to join via Zoom.

**2021 Pledge forms:** If you haven't had a chance to do so, please feel out the attached pledge form and return it to the church office as soon as possible. This will enable our Finance committee and Church council to begin planning for the new year.

## **Brewster Emergency Shelter at Trinity**

We will be having the Brewster Emergency Cares Shelter at Trinity for the following weeks:

February 15 to February 21

March 15 to March 21

We need people to volunteer to provide cooked meals, serve meals, provide bag lunches and to be an overnight sleep host.

If you are willing to help in any way please e-mail me at [Irene6174@comcast.net](mailto:Irene6174@comcast.net) or text me at 845-260-5385 or call me at 845-225-4698.

You can also sign up for the Trinity shelter weeks or any of the shelter weeks by going to the Brewster Cares NY website:

<http://brewstercaresny.org>

Hit the menu in upper right

Hit Emergency shelter

**Irene Germain**

## **Help Support Trinity's Emergency Shelter Weeks**

We will continue to collect items for the shelter. They can be dropped off at church during Trinity's office hours. Monetary donations can also be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church with shelter entered in the memo line.

- Juice bottles –apple, orange or mixed fruit in individual bottles or 64 oz. bottles

- Granola bars
- Breakfast bars –oatmeal, fruit or similar
- Liquid antibacterial soap
- Antibacterial hand wipes and antibacterial hand sanitizer
- Spray bottles antibacterial cleaner
- Paper towels

**Irene Germain – [Irene6174@comcast.net](mailto:Irene6174@comcast.net) , 845-225-4698**

**CLOTHING SHED OPEN:** The shed has re-opened and is now accepting donations. Clothing items only (including belts, purses, shoes), stuffed animals and linens (no pillows). Please do not leave any other household, electronics and other such items.

### **Trinity's Vision: *Sharing the Peace of Christ***

In the coming weeks, you are invited to join the Church Council in brainstorming ideas related to our vision of sharing the peace of Christ. In the midst of today's world, how might we bring a sense of hope-filled peace into the lives of others? Who in your life might need to experience the peace of Christ? We will be making very tangible efforts to live out this vision and we need everyone's commitment to living it out!



**Altar Flowers:** The flower chart for 2021 is posted in Narthex but sadly we are not able to attend service at this time, the good news is You can STILL adorn the altar of our Lord by contacting me by phone (845-277-8012 or 914-506-0298), text (914 #) or email at [kathieruhs@aol.com](mailto:kathieruhs@aol.com)! Sadly until I hear from you, flowers will Not be placed on the altar. The price is \$30 for one person or \$15 each for two people. You can pick them up during week when office is open, call before coming! You may also contact me and I will meet you at the church to pick them up. Please contact me ASAP, thank you! May God bless you with good health and happiness in this new year!

**Recycling efforts:** Our Terracycle and returnables recycling efforts are on hold for the time being. We will let you know as soon as we resume them.

**Newsletter:** Since we are sending out regular updates, we will not have a newsletter sent out. If there is information that you need, please feel free to contact the church office ([trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com)) and/or Pastor Jen ([revjdyer1@yahoo.com](mailto:revjdyer1@yahoo.com))

**Food Pantry:** As the need grows for those in our community, you are invited to drop off items for Putnam CAP's food pantry. You may either drop them off here at Trinity or at the CAP office on Main Street in Brewster. You can find an updated list of their current needs on their website:



<http://putnamcap.org/index.html>

**Zoom Gatherings:** Each of the gatherings use the same password (410002) except where indicated, but different meeting ids; see below for each of the links. *If you need the links at any time, please contact Pastor Jen ([revjedyer1@yahoo.com](mailto:revjedyer1@yahoo.com) or call/text 518-231-4633)*

## Weekly gatherings

**Wednesdays (7pm) Bible study** Meeting ID: 346 900 784)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/346900784?pwd=RnBtMEo4QUhQOG9veEZjRVNwMkd2QT09>

## Offering

*You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org) . Please note that we are not depositing offerings every week, but about once a month.*