

Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



July 11, 2021

7th Sunday in Pentecost

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

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) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

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

Precautions: Wearing masks is optional for those who are vaccinated, but we ask that you continue to maintain distance if you are unsure of someone's vaccination status as well as when you are around children not from your own household.

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: Today's theme is: *Gracious commandments*. More than rules, they are the call to live in faith-filled and loving relationships with God and one another. The series is based on the book, “*Grace in a tree stump: Old Testament stories of God's love*” by J. Ellsworth Kalas

Check in: Please make sure that you have checked in with the usher that we may maintain our contact tracing list if it becomes needed.

HYMNS: We are back to fully singing the hymns and hope to return the hymnals to the pews soon. In the meantime, there are a few hymnals available in the narthex for those who read music.

Prelude

“Dies sind die heil’gen zehn Gebot” Johann Gottfried Walther

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP/CONFESSION (based on the Ten Commandments)

Come, let us worship the Lord our God

We come to hear of God’s grace

Come and affirm your faith

We trust in God to guide and lead us

We pause as we gather for worship to humbly place our whole selves before the Lord our God, confessing our need for God’s gracious love and mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Save your people, God of truth and mercy, from the chaos of divided loyalties and the worship of many gods;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From making God in our own likeness and the slavery of self-centredness;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From using God's name trivially and claiming him for our prejudices;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From neglecting sabbatical quiet times and being obsessed with busyness;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From ignoring or despising the elderly and over-indulging the new generation;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From glorifying armaments and war and wishing our enemies dead;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From our lack of faithfulness in our relationships and from our self-centeredness;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From the legal robberies of the stock exchange, and the cunning thefts of tax evasion;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From TV programmes that twist the facts, and cruel gossip in supermarkets;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

From those who preach greed as a virtue and possession-lust
which is never satisfied;

Save us, God of truth and mercy.

O Jesus Christ, Saviour of all who lose their way, O Healing
Spirit, Power who renews the world;

We need you, God of truth and mercy! Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for
us, and for his sake God forgives all our sins. As a called and
ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of
Christ, and by 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. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"O That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" ELW 772

Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways
To keep his statutes still!
Oh, that my God would grant me grace
To know and do his will!

Order my footsteps by your word
And make my heart sincere;
Let sin have no dominion, Lord
But keep my conscience clear.

Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
A stricter watch to keep;
And should I e'er forget your way,
Restore your wand'ring sheep.

Make me to walk in your commands,
'tis a delightful road;
Nor let my head or heart or hands
Offend against my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Music: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

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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

We worship you, O God, as Creator and Liberator

You led the captives out of Egypt,

delivering them from the oppression of slavery.

You gave laws which enabled people to relate to you,
to one another, and to the whole creation.

You implored people to worship only you,

knowing that whatever was put in your place

would all too easily become the object of idolatry,

and the priority of people's hearts.

You showered us with blessings

by revealing in Jesus just how precious we are to you,
and through him
you delivered us into a new and living relationship with you
and with one another—
**with a new commandment—
a commandment of love.**

May we reveal the depth of our love
**as we praise and adore you, O God,
in Jesus name and in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Please be seated

+ WORD +

Reading: DEUTERONOMY 5:1-7

Moses convened all Israel, and said to them:

Hear, O Israel, the statutes and ordinances that I am addressing to you today; you shall learn them and observe them diligently. The LORD our God made a covenant with us at Horeb. Not with our ancestors did the LORD make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive today. The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the fire. (At that time I was standing between the LORD and you to declare to you the words of the LORD; for you were afraid because of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

Word of God, word of life!

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life! Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MARK 12:28-34

The holy Gospel according to Mark, the 12th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." The second is this, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other"; and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the

understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbor as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

SINGING OF GOD’S GRACE (tune: “Amazing Grace”)

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come
Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

God’s grace continues in the law
Proclaiming love for all
Commanded to follow God alone
For this is where life is found

Music: W. Walker, Southern Harmony; *Text:* John Newton (vs. 3), Jennifer Boyd (add’l vs.)

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

Please stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY

"How Gentle God's Commandments" Tune of ELW 656

Text by Philip Doddridge

How gentle God's commands!
How kind his precepts are!
Come, cast your burdens on the Lord
And trust his constant care.

Beneath his watchful eye,
His Saints securely dwell;
That hand which bears all nature up
Shall guard his children well.

Why should this anxious load
Press down your weary mind?
Haste to your Heav'nly Father's throne
And sweet refreshment find.

His goodness stands approved,
Unchanged from day to day;
I'll drop my burden at his feet
And bear a song away.

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751

Music: Hans Georg Nägeli, 1773-1836; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

1 John 5:3

Psalm 55:22

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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, we 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 humbly gather before you to lift up in prayer your church,
the world and all those in any need.

A brief silence

Lord God heavenly Father, you have commanded us to have no other gods. Keep us faithful to you alone, dethrone the idols in our life, and give us the grace to fear/honour, love and trust you above all things. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Gracious Father, your name is holy. Stop us from using it in unholy ways. Let the name that you put on us in baptism keep us holy, and may we always trust in the holy name of Jesus and use his name in prayer and praise. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Almighty God and Father, you created six days in which to work and the seventh you made a day of rest. Grant that we may use the Lord's day for rest and hearing your word. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Gracious Father in heaven, in your goodness you have given us fathers and mothers whom you want us to honor. Grant that by the help of your Spirit all parents may bring their children up to honor and love you. Keep the families of the church united, and strengthen them through your word. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Lord of life, you have created the world and you give life to all people. Grant that by your grace all may respect the sanctity of life. Let us do nothing to hurt or harm our neighbor in any way, but rather to be of help, especially in times of need. We pause now to pray for all those in our hearts and on our lips

(pause)....as well as **those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Merciful Father, you have established the state of marriage and continue to bless it. Give us grace to love as we are loved by you. Bless all who are married; enable them to remain faithful to their vows, and to be patient and forgiving. Bless all relationships to be signs of your grace. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Almighty God, you are the giver and preserver of all good things. Help us to value honest work as your gift and the means by which you bless our country. Give us joy as we serve others with unselfish hearts. Give work to the unemployed and help us as well to work constructively and for the good of our communities. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Lord God our heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ you have shown yourself to be for us and not against us. Help us to be loyal to our neighbours and do nothing to damage their reputation. Show us the log in our own eye when we find a speck in their eye. Make us more ready to forgive than to judge, and always view the actions of others in the most favourable light. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God and Father, you are the owner and giver of all things. Enable us to be good stewards of all your gifts, content with what you have given us, and eager to advance the cause of

others even if it is to our disadvantage. Give us a generous heart and joy in serving our neighbor. Holy God, **hear our prayer**

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

Pastor: Into your hands, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the love and grace revealed through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PEACE OF THE LORD

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(you are invited to share the peace with those who are with you, by commenting below as well as by calling or sending a message later 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 by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*

Anthem:

‘These Are God’s Holy Ten Commands” Martin Luther
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHBfs3Ynqlw>

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. We humbly offer before you that which you have entrusted to us

Accept the first fruits of time and toil that we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and care of your creation and your people; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

When the time was right,
God sent Jesus to be among us.

Born into this life,
seeing Your grace revealed in all things,
**he laughed with those who laughed,
and mourned with those who mourned.**

Through Your love, he healed the sick,
he welcomed the outcast,
he challenged those in power,
and the structures that kept them there.

And he called us back to Your love.

In the power of the Holy Spirit,
the Christ laughs and cries,
heals and welcomes,
challenges and loves,
again and again and again.

We have been told that,
on the night before he was taken
to be tortured to death on a cross,
Jesus sat with his disciples,
and ate with them, in a meal of remembrance.

Jesus took a loaf of bread,
asked Your blessing upon it, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples saying:

“Take this – all of you – and eat it.
This is me. My Body. Given for you.
Each time you eat it, remember me.”

Close to the meal’s end,
he took a cup filled with wine,
asked Your blessing upon it,
and gave it to his disciples saying:
Take this – all of you – and drink it.
This is me. This is my promise in my life’s blood -
poured out for you and for the world.”

Each time you drink it, remember me.
So we, his disciples,
eat bread and drink wine – and remember.

We come that we may remember

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Receive this bread;
feed on it with thanks;
it is the gift of God to sustain and nurture;
it is Jesus incarnated and given for us.

Drink this wine with thanks;
it is the gift of God to bring us joy;
it was a hard won battle;
it is Jesus poured out for our redemption.

Thanks be to God!

Please be seated

Distribution of Communion: *You are invited to come forward as you are ready and able to receive the Body & blood of Christ (pre-filled cups). Please return to your seat before partaking of the bread & wine.*

Communion Hymn

"As the Grains of Wheat" ELW 465

Refrain:

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
Were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all your people from all the ends of the earth
Be gathered into one in you.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
May we share the presence of your love.

Refrain:

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
Were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all your people from all the ends of the earth
Be gathered into one in you.

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
When all creation shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: Marty Haugen

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Please stand as you are able

The Body & Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace! **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

+ SENDING +

Mission and Ministry Announcements

Blessing

The assembly stands

SENDING HYMN

"O Jesus I Have Promised" ELW 810

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
Remain forever near me, my master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.

Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will.
Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
Now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you
That where you are in glory your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

Music: *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

"Meinem Jesum lass' ich nicht" Johann Gottfred Walther

Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: *Call to worship/Confession* (*Prayers For the Twenty-First Century*, Copyright © Bruce Prewer, Open Book Publishers); Prayer of the Day (Moirá Laidlaw, **Liturgies Online**);

Prayers of Intercession (Lutheran Church of Australia's **Sunday by Sunday** website); Absolution, Post-communion prayer (ELW, setting 2) Invitation of stewardship/Offering prayer (All Creation Sings liturgies) Eucharistic prayer (Richard Bott's "Communion Liturgy for Advent."); Invitation to communion (**Third Space** website. <http://third-space.org.uk/blog>); Introduction, Additional verse to Amazing grace, (Pastor Jen Boyd);

Music Notes:

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748) was a German music theorist, organist, composer, and lexicographer of the Baroque era. Not only was his life almost exactly contemporaneous to that of J.S. Bach, he was the famous composer's cousin. He entered the lower school of Erfurt in 1691 and studied organ with Johann Bernhard Bach. After studying at the Ratsgymnasium, Johann Gottfried Walther became organist at the Thomaskirche at Erfurt in 1702. He then devoted himself to music, reading the treatises of Werckmeister and Kircher, and studying composition with Buttstett. In 1706 he studied with Wilhelm Hieronymus Pachelbel in Nuremberg, and was appointed organist at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Weimar, in 1707. He remained there until his death. In Weimar he also taught music to Duke Wilhelm Ernst and Prince Johann Ernst and befriended J.S. Bach. In 1721 he joined the duke's court orchestra as Hof-musicus.

Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given by:
Irene and Charlie Germain in gratitude for God's many blessings
and being able to spend time with their family in ND.

Scheduled to Serve Today, Sunday, July 11 th		
Time	Assisting Ministers	Ushers
9:30	Kathie Ruhs	Lois Lawrence

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

- Dawn Morello, called to serve First Lutheran (Bronx)
- Stephanie (Jenkins) Luedtke, awaiting call and ordination
- Birth: 6/7 Luke Aaron Kafalas, great grandson of Dorothy Kafalas

Prayers of Healing

- Joe Baldanza
- Kyle Smith-Kayler
- Josh Myers (Stage 4 Lung Cancer-Nephew of Carol Brooks)
- Bruce & Joan Strong (Cousin of Sigird Allen)
- Matt Donovan (Dan's son)
- Ralph Rudolph (Back pain)
- Pastor Tim Kennedy
- Devon Elise McCaffrey (Covid- Maxine Foley Granddaughter)

- Joseph Laird
- George Moreno (Connected to Caitlyn Felder)
- Jo-Ann Nestor (Broke her arm)
- Brigette Fick (Sister of Barbara Roden)
- Kristin Foley and David Murray (Daughter and son in law to Maxine Foley)
- Charlie
- Thomas Tazza (Friend of Peter Gebhardt)
- Sigrid Allen (rehab)
- Bonnie Boyd (Pastor Jen's Mother in Law)
- Tony Morello
- Michael Cesare
- Mary Torlish
- Barbara Grispin
- Brian (friend of Rosemary Gebhardt)
- 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)
- Lois Lawrence
- Loretta Christiano (back surgery)
- 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 (White Plains Hospital)
- Dr. Lauren Icken (Resident @ Albany Med)
- Eric Klammer (FDNY)
- Holly Larocchia (Northwell Health)
- Lisa Schuldt (White Plains Hospital)
- Jeff Von Bargen (Putnam Hospital)
- Shannon McDonnell

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)

Additional Prayers

July Birthdays

Joseph Bettcher, July 12
Franklyn Commisso, July 14
Ken Von Bargen, July 14
George Zhang, July 14
Flo Rothenberger, July 15
Solomon Bettcher, July 20
Erin Conroy, July 22

Jane Lee, July 24
Joy Baggetta, July 25
Joanne Dzibela, July 25
Michael Langke, Jr., July 26
Cyndi Bertone, July 27
Douglas Noah, July 30
Bryan Knapp, July 31

TLC – Serving Schedule for Worship Services			
July & August 2021			
Date	Time	Assisting Minister	Ushers
July 11	9:30	Kathie Ruhs	Lois Lawrence
July 18	9:30	Charlie Germain	Dorothy Kafalas
July 25	9:30	Don Icken	Dorothy Kafalas
August 1	9:30	Ralph Rudolph	
August 8	9:30	Jo-Ann Nestor	
August 15	9:30	Kathie Ruhs	
August 22	9:30	Lois Lawrence	Don Icken
August 29	9:30	Charlie Germain	

Upcoming Readings			
July 11	Gracious Commandments	Deuteronomy 5: 1-7	Mark 12:28-34
July 18	God's Unlikely Choices	Deuteronomy 7:1-8	Mark 10:35-45
July 25	One More Grand Chance	Judges 16:18-30	John 21:15-19
August 1	Grace and God's Love for the Future	Ruth 1:1-5; 4:13-22	John 19:25b-27
August 8	A Directory of Grace	I Chronicles 1:1-4, 28; 2:1-2; 9:1 (I Chronicles 1-9)	Matthew 1:1-6, 16-17
August 15	New Every Morning	Lamentations 3:19-33	Mark 10:13-16
August 22	Grace in an Iron Band	Daniel 4: 10-15, 24-27	Mark 10:23-27
August 29	Indomitable Grace	Job 42:1-6, 10-17	Mark 10:28-31

Announcements



Offering as worship: Why do you give gifts to the church? Here is one perspective:

[Generational Giving: A Boomer Perspective - Faith+Lead](#)



Summer of Gratitude: Pastor Jen has challenged the Sunday school kids as well as the whole congregation to be intentionally thankful this summer. Each day you are encouraged to write down one thing that you are thankful about (the more specific the better) - yes, be intentional in actually writing it down. You can use a calendar, notebook or your computer, but it is the deliberate act of noting it that we are being called to do and in doing so, to offer it up in thanksgiving to God.

Faith Questions: While we are not meeting for Bible study again until the Fall, Pastor Jen will be asking a different question for reflection and conversation. It will be related to the upcoming week's reading, the news of the day and/or random thoughts that spring up. It will be posted on our Social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram; You can find links on our website). Please share your responses there and/or directly with Pastor Jen.

This Week's Faith Question:

Martin Luther's explanation of the Ten Commandments in the Small catechism ([Luther's Small Catechism by Dr. Martin Luther](#)) gives a broader understanding of these commands. In reading his explanations, how was your own understanding challenged?

Returnable donations: If you are bringing any deposit cans/bottles, please make sure that they are rinsed as well as counted (mark the number on the outside of the bag). This makes their redeeming that much easier for volunteers. They may be left in the coat closet along with the Terracycle items

Synod Assembly: Each year, the Lutheran churches in the Metro NY area met for our annual assembly. This year's gathering will be digital only (Aug. 20-21). If you would like to learn more about what it means to be part of the larger Church, we need one more voting member to "attend". Please contact Pastor Jen for more information

Terracycle: The Terracycle Programs will resume at Trinity Lutheran starting immediately. Please leave the items in the designated cans in the closet. Please remember that the items must be empty in order to be recycled. They do not have to be cleaned out. We continue to recycle for the following 2 programs:



1. **Personal Care and Beauty:** lip balm, soap dispensers, shampoo and conditioner bottles, hair gel containers, lotion bottles and empty cosmetic containers. Caps are also recycled.
2. **Tom's of Maine Natural Care:** mouthwash bottles, toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, deodorant containers, dental floss containers. Caps are also accepted.

Mowing: A schedule is being developed by Gary Gerfen to mow the church property. If you are able to help out this summer, please contact Gary and/or Peter Donoghue.



Putnam CAP's food pantry is experiencing severe shortages of non-food items that our clients need and are unable to purchase with SNAP coupons. Your donations of these items would be a great help to us.

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| <i>*Shampoo/Conditioner</i> | <i>*Bar Soap</i> |
| <i>*Deodorant</i> | <i>*Feminine Hygiene Products</i> |
| <i>*Toilet Paper</i> | <i>*Shaving Cream</i> |
| <i>*Toothbrushes</i> | <i>*Cleaning Products</i> |
| <i>*Laundry Detergent</i> | <i>*Baby Wipes</i> |
| <i>*Diapers and Pull-Ups in sizes 4-5-6</i> | |

When you're food shopping, here are a few suggested non-perishable food 'extras' that would be greatly appreciated at the pantry:

**Cooking Oil*

**Ensure*

**Coffee and Tea*

**Cake Mixes*

**Baby Food*

**Condiments*



**Friends of
San Lucas**

Guatemala Mission: The San Lucas Mission is now taking reservations for 2022. Pastor Jen, along with Pastor Dave Dockwieler (St. Andrew's, Yorktown) will be leading a group there January 16-22, 2022 (actual dates may fluctuate a bit). If you are interested in learning more and/or participating, please contact Pastor Jen. To learn more about the mission, go to <http://www.sanlucasmission.org> (you can also order their coffee - shipping from Minnesota - they have a new Honey coffee)

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. You can 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. 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!

Offering

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 . Please note that we are not depositing offerings every week, but about twice a month.



SIGN UP NOW FOR A FALL LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND!

We pray that you are enjoying the blessings of summer, but hope you might take a minute to plan an important fall weekend for your marriage whether you have been married 1 year or 60+ years. Because the pandemic has put a lot of stress on marriages, and we want to give many couples an opportunity to renew and revitalize your marital relationship, the

registration fee has been waived for this year. You pay only the amount specified on the website which includes 2 nights in your group-rate hotel room and meals. Also, scholarship funds are available for anyone in need--simply e-mail or call us at the information below before you register.

Which weekend will work for you:

October 1-3, 2021 -- Heritage Hotel Lancaster in Lancaster, PA--Famous for its Robin Hood-inspired restaurant, Loxleys

October 15-17, 2021 -- Hyatt Place, Pittsburgh/Cranberry--spacious modern decor guestrooms with couches--a half hour north of Pittsburgh

Should complications arise, your payment is refundable up to a month before the weekend. Weekends begin at 8 PM on Friday night and end at approximately 3 PM on Sunday. REGISTRATIONS WILL BE LIMITED, so sign up NOW while there are still openings. Simply go to: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and find your chosen weekend, fill out the form, and pay the amount specified with a credit card; or print the form and mail with a check. Don't miss this opportunity to create a more intimate and joyful marital relationship! For questions, please contact Northeast US Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.