

Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



October 3, 2021

19th 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: God honored God's covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when God appeared to Moses to promise deliverance to God's people.

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.

Prelude

Andantino in g Cesar Auguste Franck

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

God created all things.

We celebrate all that God created when we gather.

God continues to keep God's promises,

And we come to God's house ready to put our trust in God.

In preparing ourselves to worship God, we find ourselves lacking and yet, we also find God offering us grace in abundance. We humbly pause in God's presence to confess all those ways that we have failed to live into the beloved image of Christ.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Creator of all things, **We have failed to care for all that you have made. We have squandered resources and oppressed others. Forgive us for what we have done and have failed to do. Teach us how to be stewards of your creation with care and nurture. Amen.**

Our God will always love all that God has made. Although we sin, God forgives. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins, granted as a gift and given in the name of the Father, and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" ELW 611

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

Music: English folk tune

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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.

Please be seated

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Please stand as you are able

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the covenant, **You kept your promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when you returned to deliver the Israelites. Your faithfulness saved your people. Teach us to trust in your faithfulness as you revealed through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated

+ WORD +

Reading: Exodus 2:23-25; 3:10-15; 4:10-17

²³After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. ²⁴God heard their groaning,

and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

²⁵God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said,

“I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.”

⁴When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” ⁵Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.”

And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.”

¹¹But Moses said to God,

“Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

¹²He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” ¹³But Moses said to God,

“If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?”

¹⁴God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I Am has sent me to you.’” ¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

¹⁰But Moses said to the Lord,

“O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.”

¹¹Then the Lord said to him, “Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? ¹²Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak.” ¹³But he said,

“O my Lord, please send someone else.”

¹⁴Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses and he said, “What of your brother Aaron, the Levite? I know that he can speak fluently; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will be glad. ¹⁵You shall speak to

him and put the words in his mouth; and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. ¹⁶He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for him. ¹⁷Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs.”

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: JOHN 8:58

The holy Gospel according to John, the 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.’

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

Please stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” ELW 620 (v 1-5)

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer’s ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,
And drives away all fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole
And calms the heart’s unrest;
‘tis manna to the hungry soul
And to the weary rest.

Dear name! The rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding place;
My never failing treasury,
Filled with boundless stores of grace.

By thee my prayers acceptance gain
Although with sin defiled.
The devil charges me in vain,
And I am owned a child.

O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend,
My prophet, priest, and king,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end,
Accept the praise I bring.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

Music: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877

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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 pause to humbly lift before you all those prayers for the church, the world and all those who are in any need.

A brief silence

Dear Lord, we are not always willing when you call. We make excuses, downplay our gifts, deflect and dodge the responsibility you've placed in us. Help us past our doubts, misgivings, and lack of trust in your promises. Lead us boldly forth for the sake of your gospel. Faithful Lord, **Hear our prayer.**

We are as much enslaved now as we have ever been, O Lord. Not by shackles or bars, but by our shortsighted greed and callous disregard of the vulnerable and powerless. Bring us to repentance and reconciliation with each other and with all your creation. Faithful Lord, **Hear our prayer.**

As seasons change and uncertainty visits us daily, plant within us an assurance of your steadfast promise which has never forgotten us nor left us to flounder on our own. Faithful Lord, **Hear our prayer.**

O God you are who you are forever, and one word from you can bring about the healing of all. Visit us with your transformative spirit, and surround with your presence those whom we lift up before you, especially... (pause)....as well as

those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Faithful Lord, Hear our prayer.

We stand in a long line of servants who followed you without knowing exactly where you would lead them, but trusted nonetheless. Make us worthy to share their company, and bring us all at length to your eternal kingdom. Faithful Lord, **Hear our prayer.**

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

Pastor: Steadfast and loving God, gather these prayers we have offered, both aloud and silent, into your loving arms, for we know that you are faithful and will never abandon us. Through Jesus' name we pray. **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)

Please be seated

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:

“Panis angelicus” Cesar Auguste Franck

Please stand as you are able

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

You call us to be faithful stewards of all that you have created. We share from the bounty of our blessings in this moment.

Faithful Lord, you have given us everything we could ever need, even when we have a hard time seeing it or trusting in your promises. Take these gifts we now offer, presented to you in faith, and use them for your mighty work in the world. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eternal God, Creator of the heavens and the earth and all who dwell therein,
we give you thanks for all that surrounds us.

**We thank you for making us
but a little lower than the angels,
children of your grace.**

We are grateful for your mercy,
forgiving our human pride
and our blindness to those in need.

We rejoice in the hope and salvation
found in the person of Jesus Christ,
who shared our earthly suffering and joy.

**We remember Christ's death,
celebrate with joy Christ's resurrection,
and seek to follow in Christ's way,
serving those around us.**

In the steadfast comfort of the Holy Spirit,
we offer ourselves to your service
as we unite our voices to glorify you.

At this table we recall the night...

...By partaking at this table,
**we proclaim Christ's death,
celebrate Christ's resurrection,
and await Christ's return.**

Creator of all, we long for your Spirit come among us
and bless this meal

Make your Word take flesh in us

Awaken your people

fill us with your light

bring the gift of peace on earth

All praise and glory be to you now and forever. **Amen.**

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

Blessings abound in this meal prepared for God's children. Blessings await to be granted to those who are willing to receive them. May this meal feed us for the long journey ahead. Come share in this meal of abundant blessing. **Thanks be to God!**

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

This is God's table and all are welcome! You will be invited forward by the usher; we'd ask that you wear your mask while doing so. Pastor Jen will put the wafer in your hand and the assistant will give you a pre-filled cup of wine. Please return to your seat before partaking of this meal of grace.

If anyone has difficulty in coming forward, indicate to the usher that you would like to receive Communion at your seat.

Communion Hymn

"Lord, Who the Night You Were Betrayed" ELW 463

Lord, who the night you were betrayed did pray
That all your church might be forever one;
Help us at ev'ry Eucharist to say with willing heart and soul,
"Your will be done."
Oh, may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest
sacrament of unity.

For all your church on earth, we intercede;
Lord, make our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us all closer, each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to you, O Prince of peace;
Thus may we all bread, one body be, through this blest
sacrament of unity.

And hear our prayer for wand'ers from your fold;
Restore them, too, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the faith your saints confessed of old,
And to the church still pledged that faith to keep.
Soon may we all on bread, one body be, through this blest
sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,
May we be one with all your church above—
One with your saints in one unbroken peace,
One with your saints in one unbounded love;
More blessed still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity
in unity.

Text: William H. Turton, 1856-1938, alt.

Music: Orlando Gibbons, 1583-1625

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The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and
keep you in God's grace now and forever. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your
Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the
sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us,
that we may be filled with the power of his endless life now and
forever. **Amen**

+ SENDING +

Mission and Ministry Announcements

The assembly stands

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

"Dearest Jesus, at Your Word" ELW 520

Dearest Jesus, at your word
We have come again to hear you;
Let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
And in glowing faith be near you
As the promises here given
Draw us wholly up to heaven.

All our knowledge, sense, and sight
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till your Spirit breaks the night,
Filling us with light unclouded.
All good thoughts and all good living
Come but by your gracious giving.

Radiance of God's glory bright,
Light of Light from God proceeding,
Jesus, send your blessed light;
Help our hearing, speaking, heeding,
That our prayers and songs my please you,
As with grateful hearts we praise you.

Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Praise to you and adoration!
Grant us what we need the most;
All your gospel's consolation
While we hear on earth await you,
Till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer 1619-1684, sts 1-3; Gesangbuch, Berline, 1707, st.4; tr; Catherine Winkworth 1827-1878 adapt.

Music: Johann R. Ahle, 1925-1967

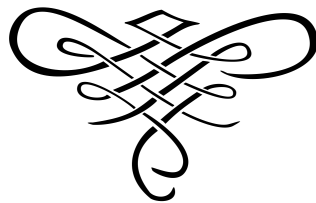
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DISMISSAL

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

Postlude

Entrée in E Cesar Auguste Franck



Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Call to worship, Introduction, Confession, Absolution, Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, Offering prayer, Invitation to Communion (@Clergy stuff); Eucharistic prayer, Post-communion prayer (ELW); Invitation of stewardship (Pastor Jen Boyd);

Music Notes:

César-Auguste Jean-Guillaume Hubert (1822 –1890) was a Belgian Romantic composer, pianist, organist, and music teacher who worked in Paris during his adult life. He was born at Liège, in what is now Belgium (though at the time of his birth it was part of the United Kingdom of the Netherlands). He gave his first concerts there in 1834 and studied privately in Paris from 1835, where his teachers included Anton Reicha. After a brief return to Belgium, and a disastrous reception of an early oratorio *Ruth*, he moved to Paris, where he married and embarked on a career as teacher and organist. He gained a reputation as a formidable musical improviser, and travelled widely within France to demonstrate new instruments built by Aristide Cavallé-Coll. In 1858, he became organist at the Basilica of St. Clotilde, Paris, a position he retained for the rest of his life. He became professor at the Paris Conservatoire in 1872; he took French nationality, a requirement of the appointment. His pupils included Vincent d'Indy, Ernest Chausson, Louis Vierne, Charles Tournemire, Guillaume Lekeu and Henri Duparc.

Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given:

In celebration of my mother's 80th birthday (Pastor Elaine Berg) today from your children, Jen Boyd, Cristina Drobnack-Dyer and Ben Dyer.

By Irene & Charlie Germain in gratitude for God's many blessings.

TLC – Serving Schedule for Worship Services			
October 2021			
Date	Time	Assisting Minister	Ushers
October 3	9:30 am	Don Icken	Dawn Marinich
October 10	9:30 am	Ralph Rudolph	Dorothy Kafalas
October 17	9:30 am	Joanne Halbekath	Kathie Ruhs
October 24	9:30 am	Charlie Germain	Don Icken
October 31	9:30 am	Jo-Ann Nestor	Dawn Marinich

October Birthdays

Debbie Efferen	10/1	Anthony Maston	10/21
Joan Quinn	10/1	Barbara Nicoletti	10/21
Juergen Tempel	10/2	Danielle Nestor	10/23
Kelly Conroy	10/4	Megan Nestor	10/23
Heather Duben	10/6	Connor Heuschkel	10/24
Kemi Gerfen	10/7	Brooke Guinyard	10/25
Bridget Morrione	10/10	Justin Larocchia	10/25
Agnes Torlish	10/11	Fred Carlson	10/28
Alyssa Langke	10/12	Gavin Heuschkel	10/28
Stephanie Kolar	10/13	Barbara Roden	10/28
Emily Kovalec	10/17	Brody Conroy	10/30
Fiona Cioffi	10/18	Carrie Cioffi	10/31
Beatrice Jacobsen	10/20	Kevin Icken	10/31
Carey Lyons	10/20		