

Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



October 10, 2021

20th 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: The Israelites had a hard time seeing how God was working, and trusting that they would be cared for. But God knew what God was doing.

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

"Only in God" John Michael Talbot

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, you who hunger to taste the bread of life!

Come, you who thirst for living water!

Come, you who hunger for justice and peace,

and you who thirst for God's kin-dom

to drop like rain upon the world:

come, let us journey together as a community of faith,

come, let us worship 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

God of all creation,

God of the universe,

of the stars in the sky,

of the grains of sand on the beach,

we marvel at the wonder of all you have created

and we marvel at our place in all of that.

You, Lord of all, care for us.

**Lord, we confess that too often
we do not pause to realize your majesty.**

We move through life with a sense of entitlement
yet we are nothing without you.

you created all

and gift your creation to our safe keeping.

Forgive us, Lord,

**when we so readily squander your gifts,
when we mess up what you made perfect,
when we despise what you call good.**

Forgive us and call us back,

**time and again, to gratitude and praise for all that you are
and all you created us to be and, as we recognize how blessed
we are, may we share that blessing with others in honor of
you, Lord of all. 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

All Who Hunger Gather Gladly ELW 461

All who hunger, gather gladly;

Holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wand'ring.

Here in truth we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness,
All around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers;
Seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here is joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together,
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here is peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993

Music: W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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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

Faithful God, **The Israelites had a hard time seeing what you were up to. Teach us to trust that you know what you're doing when we cannot see the bigger picture for you provide us all that we need as revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated

+ WORD +

Reading: Exodus 16:1-18

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of

the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the LORD said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?' And Moses said, 'When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.'

Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining." ' And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning

you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.” ’

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. This is what the LORD has commanded: “Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.” ’ The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed.

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 6:51

The holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

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

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken" ELW 494

For the bread which you have broken;
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this promise that you love us,
By your gift of peace restored,
By your call to heav'n above us,
Hallow all over lives, O Lord.

With the saints who now adore you,
Seated at the heav'nly board,
May the church still waiting for you
Keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us;
In our hearts keep watch and ward;
In the world to which you send us
Let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855-1930, alt.

Music: *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nurenberg, 1631; arr. William Smith Rockstro, 1823-1895

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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

Forgive us when we look for what is lacking rather than rejoicing in the plenty of our lives. Continue to bless us, not only with those things we need, but with a spirit of holy gratitude. Generous God, **Hear our prayer.**

We reap the riches of the land and benefit from the treasures of the earth. Wake us up to the breadth of responsibility required to preserve this fertile planet, and don't ever let us lose sight of our interconnectedness with it and its fate. Generous God, **Hear our prayer.**

Just as you called St. Philip the Deacon to care for the poor in Jerusalem, call us to work for justice for all those unable to meet basic needs in our society. We give thanks for our

congregational deacons, Dorothy & Charlie, asking your continuing blessings upon them. Generous God, **Hear our prayer.**

Your blessings rain upon us from the heavens, O God. Shower us with your healing and surround each person who suffers, cloaking them with your presence and love. Especially today we lift up... (pause)...as well as **those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** Generous God, **Hear our prayer.**

We follow the trail of your saints, stretching through miles of wilderness, over centuries of grace. Give us the faith which they showed, and patience when the way ahead seems unclear. Generous God, **Hear our prayer.**

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

Pastor: Bless us, O Lord, and these prayers which we raise to you. Give us assurance of your steadfast promises, and peace in your presence. In the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Please be seated as the gift of music is offered for the glory of God. Use this time as moments of prayer and reflection. 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



Anthem:

"I Am the Bread of Life" John Michael Talbot

Please stand as you are able

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

You provide all that we need to live each day. In thanksgiving, we give these offerings as a sign of your abundance.

God, it is your will to continually shower us with blessings. **Take out of our abundance and supply the needs of those who have very little. Help us to be the fulfillment of your promises to them. Bless these gifts to your good purpose. 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

Jesus invites all to partake in his bread that comes from heaven.

All gathered here are welcome to join this meal given by a faithful God to a faithful people. **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

I Am the Bread of Life ELW 485

"I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
And who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
Unless the Father beckons."

Refrain

"And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."

"The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the life of the world
And if you eat of this bread
You shall live forever,
You shall live forever."

Refrain

“Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of his blood,
And drink of his blood
You shall not have life within you.”

Refrain

“I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
Even though you die,
You shall live forever.”

Refrain

Yes, Lord I believe,
That you are the Christ,
The Son of God
Who have come into the world.

Refrain

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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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

What Feast of Love Is Offered ELW 487

What feast of love is offered here,
What banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life,
What gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
The bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given!

What light of truth is offered here,
What covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life,
What wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
The sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!

What wine of love is offered here,
What crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life,
What precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
The sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: English ballad, 16th cent.

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DISMISSAL

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

Postlude

"Holy Is His Name" John Michael Talbot

Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Call to worship, Confession (Spill the Beans, issue 24), Introduction, 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:

John Michael Talbot (born May 8, 1954) is an American Christian musician, author, television presenter and founder of a monastic community known as the Brothers and Sisters of Charity. Talbot was born into a Methodist family with a musical background in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and started learning to play the guitar at an early age. At age 15, he dropped out of school and was performing as a guitarist for Mason Proffit, a country folk-rock band formed with his older brother Terry. Talbot embarked on a spiritual journey that led him through Native American religion and Buddhism and finally to Christianity. At this point, he and his brother, Terry, joined the Jesus movement and recording the album *Reborn* which was re-released by Sparrow Records

He started a house of prayer called "The Little Portion" as an "integrated monastic community" with celibate brothers and sisters, singles, and families. By 1989, Talbot had married Viola Pratka (with the permission of the Catholic Church), a former Incarnate Word Sister who had come to the community in 1986. Talbot is the host of an inspirational television program, *All Things Are Possible*, on The Church Channel which is owned and operated by the Trinity Broadcasting Network.

Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given:

By Jeanette & Joe Baldanza in celebration of the birthdays of Melissa, Angelina, Matthew & Tony and being able to finally be together again. Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating and may God's blessings be yours always.

TLC – Serving Schedule for Worship Services			
October 2021			
Date	Time	Assisting Minister	Ushers
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

Bridget Morrione	10/10
Agnes Torlish	10/11
Alyssa Langke	10/12
Stephanie Kolar	10/13
Emily Kovalec	10/17
Fiona Cioffi	10/18
Beatrice Jacobsen	10/20
Carey Lyons	10/20
Anthony Maston	10/21
Barbara Nicoletti	10/21
Danielle Nestor	10/23
Megan Nestor	10/23
Connor Heuschkel	10/24
Brooke Guinyard	10/25
Justin Larocchia	10/25
Fred Carlson	10/28
Gavin Heuschkel	10/28
Barbara Roden	10/28
Brody Conroy	10/30
Carrie Cioffi	10/31
Kevin Icken	10/31