

Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



October 17, 2021

21st 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: Samuel didn't recognize the Lord's voice when the Lord called him. God had a difficult assignment for Samuel—the condemnation of his mentor, Eli.

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

Trumpet Tune in C “*Cibele*” Henry Purcell

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able

CALL TO WORSHIP

On this new day, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Young, old, or in-between, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Male, female, or non-binary*, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Working, retired, at school, or at home, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Joyful, or sorrowing, rested or restless, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Carefree, or full of care, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

In all our diversity, and in our unity, you call us:

Speak, Lord, for we are here.

Speak, Lord, for we are listening.

On this new day, gathered as God’s people:

come, let us listen, for God is still speaking;

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

Lord in the stillness,
you whisper words of stirring
In the turmoil,
you whisper words of calm.
In every time and place,
your voice is present
whispering what we need to hear.
In this place, O Lord,
may we hear your word for us.
We gather,
with lots of different thoughts and feelings,
distracted by many things,
draw us back to you, O Lord, so that our worship may help us
refocus our eyes on your glory
and our ears on your word. You accept our messiness. You
contain our fickleness and you love us into your kingdom. We
confess our attempts to escape your reach, to disregard your
leading. Keep on speaking, Lord, until we hear and obey.
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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing ELW 807

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee;
May I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter

Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it'
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

Music: J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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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

Whatever age we are,

God calls us, equips us and leads us in ways we could never imagine. Make us ready, O God, to keep on listening and following you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Please be seated

+ WORD +

Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-21

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, '**Here I am!**' and ran to Eli, and said, '**Here I am, for you called me.**' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, '**Here I am, for you called me.**' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, '**Here I am, for you called me.**' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, '**Speak, for your servant is listening.**' Then the Lord said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.'

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, '**Here I am.**' Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, '**It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.**'

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord. The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, for the Lord revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the Lord.

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 20:21-23

The holy Gospel according to John, the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

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

Here I Am, Lord ELW 574

“I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sine my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night. I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?”

REFRAIN

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

“I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love
alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?”

REFRAIN

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts are be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?”

REFRAIN

Text: Daniel L. Schutte b. 1946

Music: Daniel L. Schutte

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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, O Lord, all those prayers for the church, the world and all those who are in any need.

A brief silence

We do not always recognize your call, O Lord. Speak to us in ways we can comprehend, and show us what new adventure you have in store for your servants. Guiding God, **Hear our prayer.**

The world is slow to hear your message, even one of salvation. Use us in ways which reach the far corners of the earth with the good news of redemption and eternal life in you. Guiding God, **Hear our prayer.**

Make us good mentors for the youth in our care. Help us to raise them in your community and support their growing faith that they may find the ways in which you are calling them to give their lives in service. Guiding God, **Hear our prayer.**

You are ever sensitive to our fears, weaknesses, and crises of health and wellness. Extend your healing hand to us all, especially... (pause)...**as well as those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** Guiding God, **Hear our prayer.**

Join us with all who have heard your call in every age and followed you. Make of us one family of faith, undivided by time or space. Guiding God, **Hear our prayer.**

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

Pastor: We thank you for bringing us so close that we can speak to you, and for loving us so much that you hear us when we pray. Gather up these petitions for the sake of Jesus 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)

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:

"Thou Knowest, Lord, the Secrets of Our Hearts" Henry Purcell

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.

In response to your call, O God, we bring what we have. In response to your leading, O God, we go where you take us. In response to your love, O God, we live to follow you as Jesus leads the way. 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

When God calls us, we listen. When God invites us, we come. Come now to this feast prepared for God's servants to nourish and sustain them in their work. Come, the table is set for you.
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

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling ELW 582

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high;
Living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.

Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits
unpriced.

Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners
free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874-1939, alt.

Music: *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710: arr. Julius Rontgen,
1855-1932

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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

We All Are One in Mission ELW 576

We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:
To touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,
So every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

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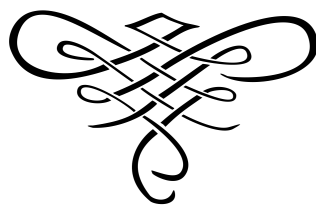
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DISMISSAL

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

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in D Henry Purcell



Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Call to worship, Confession, Prayer of the Day, Offering prayer,(Spill the Beans, issue 24), Introduction, Absolution, Prayers of Intercession, Invitation to Communion (@Clergy stuff); Eucharistic prayer, Post-communion prayer (ELW); Invitation of stewardship (Pastor Jen Boyd);

Music Notes:

Born in 1659, Henry Purcell was the finest and most original composer of his day. Though he was to live a very short life (he died in 1695) he was able to enjoy and make full use of the renewed flowering of music after the Restoration of the Monarchy. As the son of a musician at Court, a chorister at the Chapel Royal, and the holder of continuing royal appointments until his death, Purcell worked in Westminster for three different Kings over twenty-five years.

In the Chapel Royal young Purcell studied with Dr. John Blow. Legend has it that when, in 1679, Purcell succeeded Dr. Blow as organist of Westminster Abbey, the elder musician stepped aside in recognition of the greater genius, and it is true that on Purcell's death in 1695 Blow returned to the post, and would write a noble Ode on the Death of Purcell. In addition to his royal duties Purcell also devoted much of his talent to writing operas, or rather musical dramas, and incidental stage music; but he would also write chamber music in the form of harpsichord suites and trio sonatas, and became involved with the growing London public concert scene.

Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given by:

Jo-Ann & Charlie Nestor in celebration of their twins, Megan & Danielle's twenty-second birthday which is on October 23rd. Happy Birthday to you both and may our risen Lord bless you both always!

.... and by Kathie Ruhs in loving memory of her husband Larry on what would have been their fifty-third wedding anniversary. Miss him always!

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

Emily Kovalec	10/17	Brooke Guinyard	10/25
Fiona Cioffi	10/18	Justin Larocchia	10/25
Beatrice Jacobsen	10/20	Fred Carlson	10/28
Carey Lyons	10/20	Gavin Heuschkel	10/28
Anthony Maston	10/21	Barbara Roden	10/28
Barbara Nicoletti	10/21	Brody Conroy	10/30
Danielle Nestor	10/23	Carrie Cioffi	10/31
Megan Nestor	10/23	Kevin Icken	10/31
Connor Heuschkel	10/24		