Tríníty Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



November 7, 2021 All Saínts Sunday 24th Sunday ín 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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756</u>

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: <u>http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress</u>.

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: Amid the noise and chaos of our world, God comes to us in silence, lovingly speaking our names and calling us to experience the peace of Christ.

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

"If with All Your Hearts" from Felix Mendelssohn's Elijah

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able

LITANY OF SAINTS AND CANDLE LIGHTING

Let us give thanks to God for all the saints of our lives and the witness they have shared with us even as we continue to walk the journey of faith and make our way to the glory that God is preparing for all of us.

(brief silence)

Eternal God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, we praise you for the saints of all times and places who have walked the road of faith before us and beside us. For their witness to your love and their commitment to your justice, for their trust in your mercy regardless of the circumstance, we give you thanks and praise. God of all creation, we praise you for all your servants who have witnessed to your truth, who have shown us your love, who have inspired us to have hope. By their example of faith, hope, and love, remind us of your calling to join in making your new creation real in this world and the next. God of grace and peace, we praise you for women and men and children who reflect your love into our world. Guide us to continue their faithful work as we too walk in the light of your love.

God of all saints, today we especially remember the saints from among this community who have departed our company over the past year as well as vast number of people around the world who have died because of the pandemic. We thank you for their faithful witness, for their courage amidst strife and their hope in the face of death. We remember so many other saints who have walked this road with us, whom we will name before you aloud or in silence. Continue to inspire us by their faithful witness that we too might join in bringing your justice, mercy, and peace to our world. (please be seated as names are read and spoken aloud. You are invited to come forward to light candles in their memory and place any pictures or other symbols of remembrance on the table)

(please stand as you are able when indicated)

Eternal God, as we walk this pilgrim way, **make our faith firm,** our hope clear, **and our love pure,** that we might join the saints of all the ages **in praise eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

For All the Saints ELW 422

For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia! Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints' triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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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

God of stillness, You speak to us sometimes in the silence. Teach us to sit comfortably in it so that we might learn to hear the loving voice of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited to join Pastor Jen in the front as they feel comfortable in doing so.

SENDING SONG: Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so, Little ones to him belong, They are weak, but he is strong.

REFRAIN: Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so. Jesus, from God's throne on high Came on earth to laugh and cry Rose to live and never die: Jesus, from God's throne on high.

REFRAIN: Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.

+ WORD +

Reading: 1 KINGS 19:1-18

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, 'So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.' Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.'

He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

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 12:27-28

The holy Gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

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 *Great God. Your Love Has Called Us ELW 358*

Great God, your love has called us here, As we, by love, for love were made. Your living likeness still we bear, Though marred, dishonored, disobeyed. We come, with all our heart and mind Your call to hear, your love to find.

We come with self-inflicted pains, Of broken trust and chosen wrong, Half-free, half-bound by inner chains, By social forces swept along, By pow'rs and systems close confined, Yet seeking hope for humankind.

Great God, in Christ you call our name And then receive us as your own, Not through some merit, right, or claim, But by your gracious love alone. We strain to glimpse your mercy seat And find you kneeling at our feet. Then take the towel, and break the bread, And humble us, and call us friends. Suffer and serve till all are fed. And show how grandly love intends To work till all creation sings, To fill all worlds, to crown all things.

Great God, in Christ you set us free Your life to live, your joy to share. Give us your Spirit's liberty To turn from guilt and dull despair, And offer all that faith can do While love is making all things new.

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Please be seated

NICENE CREED With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. and his kingdom will have no end.

- We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 - who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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 are frequently tempted to lose heart, to give up on the work that you have set before us, focusing on the negative and refusing to see new possibilities. Feed us with your spirit and breathe new life into us, opening our eyes to your purpose and showing us a way past discouragement and into your promise. Empowering God, **Hear our prayer.**

We seek you in the violent winds. We seek you in the earthquake. We seek you in the fire. We find you in all places of your good creation, especially in the spaces of silence. Empowering God, **Hear our prayer.**

There are thundering voices all around us, claiming to speak your will, O Lord. Help us distinguish fact from fiction, reason from rambling, and truth from trifle. Tune our ears to hear you in the silence. Empowering God, **Hear our prayer.** When our strength has all but dried up, you offer us revival and refreshment. Cool our hot heads, and pour your blessing over those who particularly need it, especially... (pause)... Danny, Loretta, Kathie, Shaun, George, John, Ralph, Wanda, Cliff, Cindy as well as those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Empowering God, Hear our prayer.

For all the saints who precede us in life and in death, for those around us still living, and for our own renewed commitment, we pray, O Lord. Keep us one in hope and purpose. Empowering God, **Hear our prayer.**

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

Pastor: Your patience knows no bounds and your love is neverending. Receive these utterings of our hearts and assure us of your compassionate response. In 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

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:

"O Rest in the Lord" from Felix Mendelssohn's Elijah

Please stand as you are able

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

We gather as your people to honor and praise you through these gifts we bring before you.

We bring what we can to you, Holy Lord, even when we fear it isn't enough, or it won't make any difference. Take the offerings we bring with our whole heart and multiply them so that all might see your faithfulness, patience, and love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

In our sharing bread today we include in companionship the saints alive and the saints resurrected.

In our sharing of bread today we include in companionship **the poor, marginalized and rejected of this world.**

In our sharing of bread today we include in companionship those known to us and those not known, who need Jesus now.

In our sharing of bread today we include in companionship Jesus, our incarnated, broken and risen Lord.

Wine is for sorrow and for joy, for suffering and for celebration, for forgiveness and for new relationship in Christ.

For we enter this new relationship, remembering in the night..." in remembrance of me".

And so we pray: Send us out to wait and to work for the Kingdom. Make us people of hope, fanning the flames of redemption and resurrection in the world.

Let us witness to our faith and trust in Christ, as we boldly say "let it be so" and

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

God speaks to us in the silence. God speaks to us in the noise. And God speaks to us in the meal. Listen and come, for the table has been 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

Now the Silence ELW 460

Now the silence Now the peace Now the empty hands uplifted Now the kneeling Now the plea Now the Father's arms in welcome Now the hearing Now the pow'r Now the hearing Now the pow'r Now the vessel brimmed for pouring Now the body Now the blood Now the body Now the blood Now the joyful celebration Now the joyful celebration Now the wedding Now the songs Now the heart forgiven leaping Now the Spirit's visitation Now the Son's epiphany Now the Father's Blessing Now Now Now

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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

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit and honor the earth you have made through Christ our Lord. Amen

+ SENDING +

Mission and Ministry Announcements

The assembly stands

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (ELW 587) tune in Service Book and Hymnal (Red) 493

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in God's justice Which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heav'n There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment giv'n. There is welcome for the sinner, And a promised grace made good; There is mercy with the Savior; There is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.

For the love of God is broader Than the measures of our mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind. But we make this love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify its strictness With a zeal God will not own.

'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; It is something more than all: Greater good because of evil, Larger mercy though the fall. Make our love, O God, more faithful; Let us take you at your word, And our lives will be thanksgiving For the goodness of the Lord.

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DISMISSAL

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

Postlude

"Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth" from Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah*



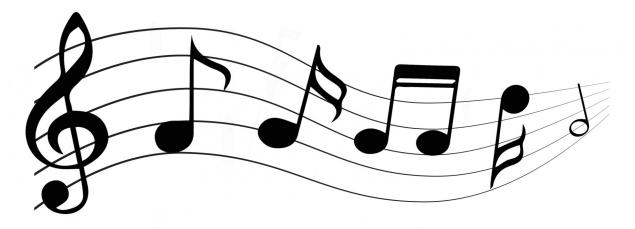
Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- Litany of Saints (Liturgy link)
- Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, Offering prayer, (@Clergy stuff)
- Eucharistic prayer (Third space website)
- Post-communion prayer (All Creation Sings)
- Introduction, Invitation to Communion, Invitation of stewardship (Pastor Jen Boyd);

Music Notes:

Felix Jacob Ludwig Mendelssohn-Bartholdy's oratorio Elijah was first performed on 26 August 1846 at Birmingham Town Hall in its English version, conducted by the composer, and it was immediately acclaimed a classic of the genre. As The Times critic wrote: 'Never was there a more complete triumph never a more thorough and speedy recognition of a great work of art'." Notwithstanding the work's triumph, Mendelssohn revised his oratorio wholesale before another group of performances in London in April 1847 – one (23 April) in the presence of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. The German version was first performed on the composer's birthday, 3 February 1848, in Leipzig, a few months after Mendelssohn's death, under the baton of the composer Niels Wilhelm Gade.



Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given:

By Connie Lanotte is loving memory of her mother Betty's fourth anniversary in heaven.

By Maureen and Mark Sergio in celebration of their daughter Brianna's thirty-first birthday. Happy Birthday Brianna and blessings always!



TLC – Serving Schedule for Worship Services			
November 2021			
Date	Time	Assisting Minister	Ushers
Nov. 7	9:30	Jo-Ann Nestor	Lois Lawerence

November Birthday Wishes To:

Dorothea Baratta, 11/08 Bob Lund, 11/08 Katelynn Ulrich, 11/08 Fred Kolar, 11/10 Linda Salinger, 11/10 Thomas Von Bargen, 11/10 Scotty Dzibela, Jr., 11/13 Dawn Andren, 11/14 Joan Bradley, 11/14 Nina Jacobsen, 11/14 Henry Von Bargen, 11/14 Melissa Renaud, 11/15 Amelia Cuomo, 11/17 Georgina Marek, 11/21 Erin Minieri, 11/21 Lamorna Coyle, 11/22 Cindy Simon, 11/22 John Nicoletti, 11/24 Brian Harlin, 11/25 Ken Mongold, 11/25 Tatum Bettcher, 11/26 John Young, 11/26 Bruce Foley, Sr., 11/28 Stephanie Howard, 11/30 Lyn Stoecker, 11/30



For All The Saints

James Arden Michael Boyd Línda Cowen Kathren Devine Lee Dyer Lillian Eberhardt Steve Fitzpatrick Charles Manske Rebecca Manske Hedy McClowsky Roxane O'Brien Larry Ruhs Pat Schwartz