Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, NY



Nínth Sunday after Pentecost August 7, 2022 9:30 AM **Welcome** as we gather 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.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

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 for worship in person or through our social media channels. They may also contact the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

You are invited to worship with us each week. There is a spoken inperson service on Thursdays at 12 noon and on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page. The service will be posted later on our YouTube page. The weekly bulletin is posted on our website (links at the end of the bulletin)

Precautions: Wearing masks is now optional but we are encouraging you to wear them around children and if you are unsure of someone's health status. We do have extra masks for those who need them

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.

The complete order for worship, is printed in this worship folder. Congregational responses are in **bold**. Music for the hymns are in ELW (red hymnal) in the rack in front of you. If you require an enlarged print bulletin or an assistive listening device, please ask an usher.

PARENTS: Please help your children follow the worship service, including standing up with the assembly. Thank you.

Introduction: We conclude our series on stewardship as we reflect on all the resources that God entrusts to us – individually and congregationally. From the smallest of items to our finances, how might we use them for God's mission in the world?

+ GATHER +

Prelude: Suite in G Giovanni Battista Draghi

Welcome and Announcements

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to praise the Lord

The One from whom all blessings flow

We praise God in whose image we are created

An image that is reflected in all we encounter

We praise God for the beauty of creation

This wondrous creation that is entrusted into our care

We praise God for each second of time

Knowing that God's time is limitless

We praise God for our abilities and talents

Seeking to use them in service to God and others

We praise God for all of our resources

Knowing that they are loaned to us by our Creator

We praise God with our whole hearts

For the Lord alone is the One from whom all blessings flow

We pause in our gathering to present our whole selves before the Lord, naming our joys as well as our sorrow, confessing our sins and our failures, seeking Christ's grace to bring us peace and wholeness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Have mercy, O God, against you, you alone we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us. Amen.

ABSOLUTION AND ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who created us with mercy and love. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

How Firm a Foundation ELW 796

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word! What more can he say than to you he has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through fi'ry trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine."

"Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt.

Music: Early American

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE
Praise Ye the Lord ELW 872 vs. 1 & 2



PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, whose giving knows no ending, we offer up the treasure that you have entrusted to us; we offer up the skills and time that you have graciously given to us; we offer up ourselves in service and praise. Receive these gifts by your grace. Multiply and use them through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish Christ's work of love in the world. Amen.

+ WORD +

READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-15

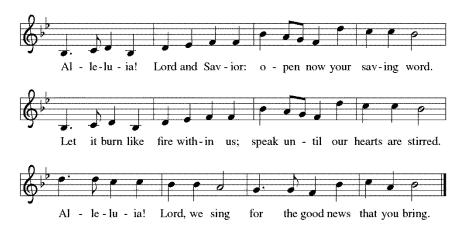
We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints— and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

Word of God; Word of Life

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 25th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of

your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

Children's Sermon

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

HYMN OF THE DAY:

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need ELW 782

My Shepherd, you supply my need; most holy is your name. In pastures fresh you make me feed, beside the living stream. You bring my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake your ways, And lead me, for your mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, your presence is my stay; One word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away. Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, your oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; Oh, may your house be my abode and all my work be praise. Here would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt., based on Psalm 23

Music: North American traditional

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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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer

A brief silence

Lord God - we give you thanks for all your gifts to us – for daily food - for health - for each breath we take - for freedom to choose - and for the gifts of your word, your power, and your love. Our hearts are truly

overwhelmed, O God, when we consider all that you are and how you have entrusted so much to us. May we be worthy of that trust - may we be a people who are unafraid to live as fully and as richly as you want us to live. God of life, hear our prayer.

Help us O God, as followers of Jesus, to multiply all that you given us, to risk spreading your word and perhaps see it misunderstood, to gamble by loving those whom others think worthy only of hate, to take chances by doing good to those who have not done good to us. Help us be faith filled and to desire to increase your glory and your goodness in this world. Make us ones who share in both word and deed that which you have given to us. God of life, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the church here today - that it may encourage all its members to discover, develop, and use all their gifts, those of nature and those of grace. Help us to live out of your abundance rather than the fear of scarcity. God of life, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are poor in body or in spirit... for those who are oppressed and heavy laden.... for those who are sick or in despair... Minister by your Spirit, O God and by us, to all those for whom we have prayed - and help us walk faithfully in the path of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray especially today for ... (pause) as well as Robert, Joseph, John, Mary, Katherine, Lisa, Danielle, Liam, those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. God of life, hear our prayer.

We pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and its members who gather this week in its Churchwide Assembly. Inspire the celebration of God's varied works throughout the church. Instill your peace in the midst of the work you have called us to and the deliberations that will take place. Shape the work of the church according to your will for the whole world. God of life, hear our prayer.

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

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend these prayers – spoken aloud and whispered in our hearts – trusting in your divine will revealed through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

You are invited to share a sign of peace with others. Please check with those around you if they are comfortable with a handshake, elbow bump or other physical signs before reaching out. Peace signs and humble bows are a healthy alternative.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you always And also with you

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

We come in worship to give thanks to God for all of our blessings – creation, relationships, time, talents and resources of many kinds. We take this opportunity to symbolically offer our whole selves to the Lord as a sign of our stewardship commitment to God's mission in the world.

Offering

As the gift of music is offered for the glory of God, you may bring yourself before the Lord in thanksgiving. After you have returned to your seat. you are invited to use this time as moments of silence for 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)

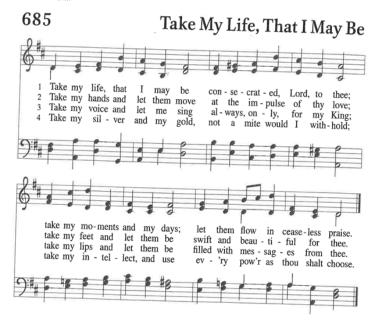


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Anthem:

Parable of the Talents Patsy Stevens





5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

PATMOS 7777

OFFERING PRAYER

Praise you, O Lord from whom all blessings do flow.

We thank you for the gifts of your creation, our relationships, time, talents and resources of many kinds. As you have entrusted them to us, we now offer them in your name to be used to love and care for all that you have made. May they bless the world as you have blessed us in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

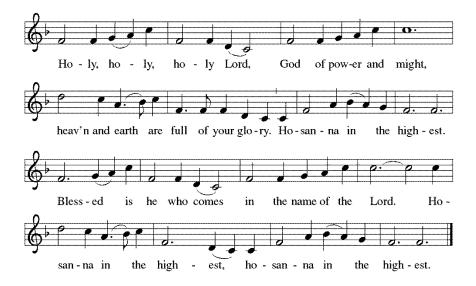
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed our right, responsibility and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior, Jesus Christ

Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened the way to everlasting life

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise you name and join them unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, mighty and merciful, Your people praise you saying, Your mercy endures forever

By your promise

You bound yourself to earth and all its creatures, Granting them life and calling them to flourish, Setting the sign of your bow in the clouds, The colors of your love and faithfulness Your mercy endures forever

By your promise

You bound yourself to your people of old,
Blessing them with family outnumbering the stars
And calling them to be a blessing to others,
Showing them steadfast love in every generation
And calling them to be a light to the nations

By your promise
You joined us to Jesus, your Beloved,
Grafting us into your living vine
And calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.
Your mercy endures forever

In the night...do this in remembrance of me

With this bread and cup
We remember this life laid down and lifted up
As we proclaim the mystery of faith
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again

Send your Spirit upon us
And these gifts of bread and wine
Bless us to be a blessing
Make us a sign of your faithfulness
Send us to tend and cherish earth
And to serve the world with mercy and love

With all the saints in light With the earth and all its creatures, With sun and moon and stars

We praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus In your Spirit now and forever. Amen

Created in the image of God, gathered through the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

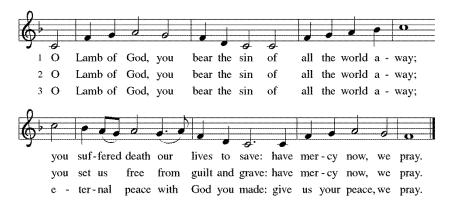
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ gives of his self out of love and mercy for each of us. Come to God's table of grace to receive this abundant gift of life. **Thanks be to God!**

LAMB OF GOD



Distribution of Communion and Blessings

All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing. You are invited to kneel or stand at the altar rail. Pastor Jen will place a wafer in your hand and the assistant will give you a pre-filled glass with wine (grape juice is available; please indicate to Pastor Jen if you would like that). You may either partake of it there or when you return to your seat. The cups may be placed in the empty trays on the stands by the pews.

Communion 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 in 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 in 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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Words for additional Communion hymns may be found on the card inside the back cover of your hymnal.

AFTER ALL HAVE RETURNED TO THEIR PLACES, THE ASSEMBLY STANDS.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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: Day By Day ELW 790

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, Bringing comfort to my anxious soul. Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me Draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal. Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, Brings to naught the burdens of my quest; Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, Where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me Strength to serve and wisdom to obey; I will seek your loving will to guide me O'er the paths I struggle day by day. I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace. Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow Till in glory I behold your face. Oh, what joy to know that you are near me When my burdens grow too great to bear; Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no matter what betide me, You will hold me ever in your hand. Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936-2005

Music: Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813-1882 Text © 1992 Augsburg Fortress

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DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Postlude:

Round-O Giovanni Battista Draghi

Worship notes:

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

- Introduction, Call to Worship, Invitation of stewardship,
 Offering prayer (Pastor Jen Boyd)
- + Prayer of the Day (Joanna Harader, **Spacious Faith** blog. http://spaciousfaith.com/)
- + Prayers of Intercession (copyright © Rev. Richard J. Fairchild **Kir-Shalom** website.), final petition (ELCA)
- + Confession, Absolution, Eucharistic Prayer, Post-communion prayer (All Creation Sings)

Music Notes:

Patsy Stevens is originally from West Texas and retired from teaching in 2002 after a 34- year career. She is a graduate of the University of Houston and received LLD certification from Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, Texas. Most of her teaching career was spent teaching second graders, but she taught learning disabled children in a resource room for thirteen years.

She enjoys music, her grandchildren, and preparing lessons for students, teachers, and homeschool moms. Her first husband Hollis Smith, to whom she was married for 28 years, died in a plane crash. She was married to Murray Stevens for 23 years and he passed away in the summer of 2012. Her son Elton and daughter-in-law Leslie now own and manage the website and Elton hosts some of the online activities on his website Songs of Praise.org.

Giovanni Battista Draghi (1640 –1708) was an Anglo-Italian composer and keyboard player. He may have been the brother of the composer Antonio Draghi. Draghi was brought to London in the 1660s by King Charles II who was trying, unsuccessfully, to establish Italian opera in England. He remained in England for the rest of his life. In 1673 Draghi was made first organist of the queen's Catholic chapel in Somerset House. In 1684 he took part in what became known as the Battle of the Organs. He was hired by master organ maker Renatus Harris to demonstrate the superiority of his organ when Harris was trying to gain the contract to build the new organ for the Temple Church. Harris' rival "Father" Bernard Smith hired organists and composers John Blow and Henry Purcell to demonstrate his organ and won the contest. Draghi was awarded a pension by King William III in 1698.

WELCOME VISITORS!

Please sign the guest register and complete a Record of Communion card.

| | | Assisting Minister | Usher(s) |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|
| Summer Hours | | | |
| Aug 7 | 9:30 a.m. | Don Icken | Debbie Lyon |
| Aug 14 | 9:30 a.m. | Joan Bradley | Ken Mongold |
| Aug 21 | 9:30 a.m. | Kathy Ruhs | John Bertone |
| Aug 28 | 9:30 a.m. | Jo-Ann Nestor | Dawn Marinich |



LET US WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:





Today's flowers are given by Joanne & Don Icken in gratitude for God's many blessings, and Kathie Ruhs in memory of her parents.

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Summer Hours

Sunday, Aug 14 Holy Communion, 9:30 AM Sunday, Aug 21 Holy Communion, 9:30 AM Sunday, Aug 28 Holy Communion, 9:30 AM Sunday, Sep 04 Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

A complete CALENDAR can be found at www.trinitybrewsterny.org

PARENTS OF INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN: Restless or unhappy children can be taken to the Narthex, where worship can be heard over speakers. Busy bags with activities are available in the narthex for our youngest worshippers. Please return the bags at the end of the service.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

As a people of God, we desire to experience the presence of God in our lives that we might be the presence of God in the lives of others.

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