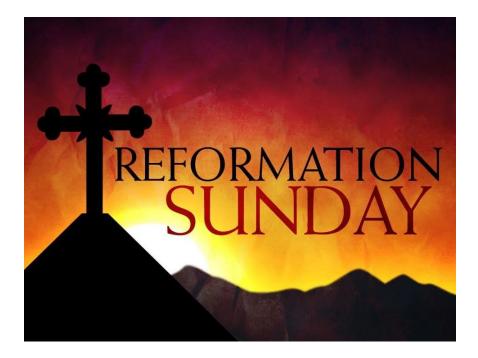
Tríníty Lutheran

Church

# Brewster, NY



October 29, 2023

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. Services may also be viewed on Comcast channel 21 at 11 am (note, they are a week behind). The service will be posted later on our YouTube page. The weekly bulletin is posted on our website:

 Website:
 http://trinitybrewsterny.org

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The order for worship is Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW), Setting 10. The complete order for worship is printed in this worship folder. Congregational responses are in bold. If you require an enlarged print bulletin or an assistive listening device, please ask an usher. Copyright material used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license SBL14214 and #SBL14215.

# INTRODUCTION

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the Church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will united more fully in worship and mission.

# + GATHER +

Prelude: "I Will Make an Everlasting Covenant with You" Johann Friedrich Peter

Welcome and prayer requests

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

CALL TO WORSHIP Here, we worship God as one Church: The Church Reformed and always Reforming. Here, the Holy Spirit pours over us: Reforming us into the Body of Christ. Here, we return to our roots: Seeking the beginnings, middles, and ends of our faith. Amen!

# **CALL & PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

As we gather as community in God's presence, we are reminded of the image in which we are created. We pause to reflect on the ways in which we have not been faithful in our God-given belovedness

# Silence for reflection and self-examination

When we want to be a church ever-reforming, yet cling to comfortable ways: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

When we want to honor your "still speaking voice", but are fearful of insights which challenge old assumptions: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us! When we want to live into Jesus' dream of oneness, but fail to listen to voices of difference: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

# ABSOLUTION AND ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

Take heart, Jesus is calling to us! We trust in the one who has guided the church for two millennia. Through Christ, God forgives us our failings, and continues to call us into a community of mutual love and forgiveness. Let us celebrate this mercy of God as we live this forgiven and grace-filled life daily. **Thanks be to God. Amen.** 

#### **GATHERING HYMN: A Mighty Fortress**

ELW 504

A mighty fortress is our God, A sword and shield victorious He breaks the cruel oppressors' rod And wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe Has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might He arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, Whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.

Though hordes of devils fill the land All threat'ning to devour us, We tremble not, unmoved we stand; They cannot overpow'r us. Let this world's tyrant rage; In battle we'll engage! His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.

God's Word forever shall abide, No thanks to foes, who fear it; For God himself fights by our side With weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, Goods, honor, child or spouse, Though life be wrenched away, They cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

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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 #872 (vs. 1 & 3)

<u>Refrain</u> Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Ev'rybody, praise the Lord.

Praise God with the sound of the trumpet; Praise God with the lute and the harp; Praise God with the timbrel and dancing; Praise God wherever you are. <u>Refrain</u>

Praise God in the holy temple; Praise God for almighty deeds; Praise God for those bountiful mercies; For God fulfills our needs. <u>Refrain</u> Text: J. Jefferson Cleveland, 1937-1986, based on Psalm 150 Music: J. Jefferson Cleveland Text and music © J. Jefferson Cleveland All rights reserved. Used with permission. Reprinted under ONE LICENSE #734594-A

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Ever-calling God, We give thanks that you have gathered us into your church and graced us with your faithful presence. We ponder our history, ancient and still developing, and marvel at the many expressions of your church. Grant us the vision to be a part of a new reformation for the Church that will bring ever more joy and justice to the world. Continue to gather us, the diverse lot of us, into Jesus' vision and dream that your faithful people may be one in you. Amen

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# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

PASTOR JENNIFER BOYD

CHILDREN'S SONG: Love, Love, Love.... That's What It's All About

"Love, love, love That's what it's all about. 'Cause God loves us we love each other Mother, Father, Sister, Brother Everybody sing and shout! 'Cause that's what it's all about. It's about love, love, love. It's about love, love, love."

Peace, peace, peace... Joy, joy, joy ....

## + WORD +

# READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be

like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

# Word of God, Word of Life Thanks be to God

# READING: Romans 3:19-28

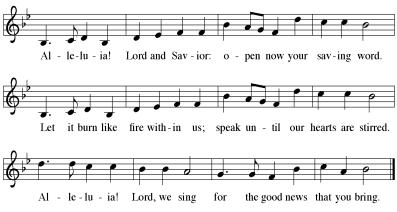
Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For 'no human being will be justified in his sight' by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, irrespective of law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

# Word of God, Word of Life Thanks be to God

# THE ASSEMBLY STANDS



Gospel Acclamation

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# GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to John the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free"?'

Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

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#### SERMON

#### PASTOR JENNIFER BOYD

ELW 652

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

#### HYMN OF THE DAY: Built on a Rock

Built on a rock the church shall stand, Even when steeples are falling; Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, Bells still are chiming and calling— Calling the young and old to rest, Calling the souls of those distressed, Longing for life everlasting.

Surely, in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling— High in the heav'ns his temple stands, All earthly temples excelling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n above Deigns to abide with us in love, Making our bodies his temple.

Christ builds a house of living stones; We are his own habitation; He fills our hearts, his humble throne, Granting us life and salvation. Where two or three will seek his face, He in their midst will show his grace, Blessings upon them bestowing.

Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children is blessing; Hither we come to praise his name, Faith in our Savior confessing. Jesus to us his Spirit sent, Making with us his covenant, Granting his children the kingdom.

Through all the passing years, O Lord, Grant that, when church bells are ringing, Many may come to hear your Word, Who here this promise is bringing; "I know my own, my own know me; You, not the world, my face shall see; My peace I leave with you. Amen"

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APOSTLES' CREED 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

Confident in the gracious and ever-widening mercy of God, let us pray for the world, the body of Christ, and all who yearn for wholeness of life.

# A brief silence.

Liberate us from our bondage to sin, God of freedom, that your church would continually be reshaped and reformed by the fire of the Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Show your righteousness, God of justice, that all who are oppressed and marginalized, forgotten, and cast aside would be given voice by elected leaders and compassionate citizens. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Make wars to cease in all the world, God of peace, that all strife, violence, and bloodshed give way to reconciliation, compassion, and new life. We continue to lift up our prayers for all those who live amidst war in places like Ukraine and the Holy Land. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Take us by our hand, God of companionship, when we are paralyzed by our fears and unable to step out in boldness. Give us courage to walk confidently with you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Give your stillness, God of calm, to all who are facing illness, surgery, or any uncertainty of health. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.... (pause). We also lift up in prayer Jeff, George, Charlie, Maryann, Dorothy, Shaun, Madeline, Carleen, Thomas, Shannon, and Ed and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. May they know that their times are in your ever-healing hands. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Write your law of love on our hearts, God of all, that we, like our forebears in faith, would be unswerving in our witness to your grace that is ours through the gift of faith. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

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

*Pastor:* Listen to us when we call upon you, most merciful God, and grant us grace to entrust our lives and our world to your unfailing love, through 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 Christ be with you always! And also with you

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

#### + MEAL +

#### **OFFERING**

ANTHEM: "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" Richard Gillard

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

OFFERTORY HYMN Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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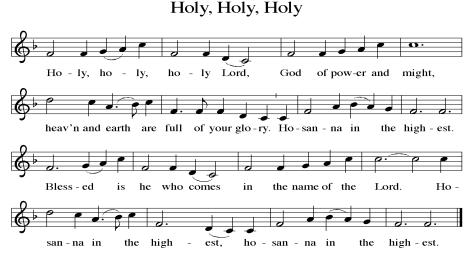
OFFERING PRAYER We give you thanks, O Lord, with all our heart. You have provided everything we need in your steadfast love. Receive these offerings as our response to your great faithfulness, for the praise of Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **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 for the praise of Jesus' name. Amen.

#### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, for your glorious Word made flesh that spoke and created a universe of breathtaking beauty, tenderly breathing life into human beings made in your image. This Word is Jesus Christ our Savior who we extoll with all praise along with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven joining their unending hymn:



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# EUCHARISTIC PRAYER Blessed are you, O God Creator of heaven and earth You rescued your covenant people Led them on journeys And taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world That you gave your only Son, So that everyone who believes in him May not perish but may have eternal life

In the night...do this in remembrance of me As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again

Pour out your Holy Spirit In this meal And make us one in this community of faith And with your people throughout the world Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life Word made flesh Power of the most high Now and forever. Amen

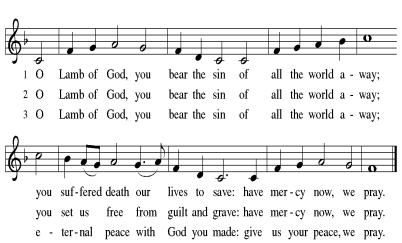
Blessed by God's loving grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are bold to pray...

## 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

Come to Christ's table where you will receive and be filled with the grace of God. Come and be fed in body, mind and spirit, knowing that you are always loved and welcomed by Jesus the Christ. **Thanks be to God!** 



O Lamb of God

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## 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. All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.

Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time.

# COMMUNION HYMN: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness ELW 488

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render. Bless the one whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded; Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet him, Eagerly and gladly greet him. There he stands already knocking; Quickly, now, your gate unlocking, Open wide the fast-closed portal, Saying to the Lord immortal: "Come, and leave your loved one never; Dwell within my heart forever."

Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless; With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given. Oh, most glorious consolation, Pledge and seal of my salvation.

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure, Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding: Humbly now, I bow before you, Love incarnate, I adore you; Worthily let me receive you, And, so favored, never leave you.

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# 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.** 

#### **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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### + SENDING +

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

#### **Mission and Ministry Announcements**

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BLESSING

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation by water and the word. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed, By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace, That we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

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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: "It Is a Precious Thing" Johann Friedrich Peter

# WORSHIP NOTES:

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

- + Introduction (Sundays & Seasons, 2022)
- + Call to Worship, (*Rev. Lucus Keppel, Ancho Community + Corona United Presbyterian Churches, New Mexico*)
- Call to Confession, Confession, Absolution, Prayer of the Day, (Rev. Bonnie Tarwater, Worship
   Ways website. http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/)
- + Prayers of Intercession (St. James Lutheran Church in Bettendorf, Iowa.)
- + Offering prayer (*Rev. Nathan Williams, Covenant Presbyterian Church, West Des Moines, IA*)
- + Preface (Preface for Reformation Sunday, Presbyterian Church U.S.A).
- + Invitation to Communion (Pastor Jen)
- + Other parts of worship are from the hymnals, Evangelical Lutheran Worship and All Creation Sings

## **MUSIC NOTES:**

Johann Friedrich Peter (1746 – 1813) was an American composer of German origin. He was born in Heerendijk, Holland, to German parents Susannah Peter and Moravian pastor John Frederick Peter. Peter was educated in Holland and Germany before coming to America with his brother Simon in 1770. He began to compose music for the church shortly after his arrival in America, and for a time, served as an organist and violinist in the Moravian congregations of Nazareth, Bethlehem and Lititz in Pennsylvania. In 1780, he moved to Salem, North Carolina, and received his ordination as a Moravian deacon on September 16 of that year. He married Catharina Leinbach in 1786 in Salem, North Carolina and lived there until their departure in 1790. His six string quintets are the earliest examples of chamber music known by a North American composer. Peter died at the organ of Central Moravian Church in Bethlehem, PA after a Children's Service.

**Richard Gillard** (b. 1953) **was** born in England and brought at age 3 to New Zealand, where he has lived since on the northern island. His faith background is a mixture of the Anglican Church on his mother's side and the Pentecostal Church on his father's side of the family.



Today's altar flowers are given by Joanne and Don Icken with love and in celebration of their son Kevin's birthday which is on Tuesday (10/31). Happy birthday Kevin & may God bless you always!

# SCHEDULED TO SERVE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023:

		Assisting Minister	Ushers
October	9:30 AM	Joan Bradley	Dawn Marinich
29 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion		Charlie Germain

# LET'S WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Brody Conroy	October	30
Carrie Cioffi	October	31
Kevin Icken	October	31





# WORSHIP SERVICES—October 2023

The organ prelude and preparatory time for worship begins approximately ten minutes before each service.

October 29 @ 9:30 a.m.; Holy Communion (Reformation Sunday)

A complete **CALENDAR** can be found at: <u>www.trinitybrewsterny.org</u>

**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.



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