

Can Lutherans *Dance?*



Saturday, July 6, 2024

Sunday, July 7, 2024



Trinity Lutheran Church

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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 6, 2024

5:00 p.m.

July 7, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Livestream Worship Service/KCMR 97.9

Guest Preacher: Pastor Steve Hansen

Welcome Pastor Hansen! *Pastor Hansen is a retired pastor who served a number of congregations in his ministry, including Grace and Wesley United Methodist Churches in Mason City.*

Welcome to Trinity! We are glad you're here. If you are new to Trinity Lutheran, please complete an informational card which can be found in the pews.

We love having small children in worship! Those needing a space to change or feed little ones are welcome to use the **Child Care Room** located next to the nursery. A **unstaffed nursery** is also available, located on the 2nd floor just outside the north sanctuary door (door under the stained glass window door).

Handicapped Seating is reserved in the pew located in front of the Technical booth.

Large print bulletins and listening devices are available from the ushers.

Activity Bags are available for children during worship. They are located in the narthex and at the front of the church. Please return them at the end of services.

Our Mission *We are called to share God's healing love through Christ's forgiveness and our personal servanthood.*

Serving in Worship This Weekend

Pastor Rev. Dan Gerrietts
Rev. Daniel Hanson

Guest Pastor
Rev. Steve Hansen

Organist Ryan Hulshizer

Communion Assistants

5:00 p.m. Jim and Nancy Fingalsen
10:30 a.m. Chuck and Marilyn Strandberg

Greeters Craig and Janet Miller

Coffee Fellowship

Marc LeDuc
Dixie Jellum and Barry Schrage

Scripture Readers

5:00 p.m. Sally Becker
10:30 a.m.

Technical Support

10:30 a.m. Maggie Gerrietts
Evelynn Hunt
Anni Shallberg

Ushers

5:00 p.m. John Barron, Stu Vold
10:30 a.m. Scott Boyle, Bob Mason

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

C Amen.

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, our provider,

C help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

P Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, † the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

Amazing Grace

ELW 779

***Greeting**

P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

P God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Reading: 2 Samuel 6:14-23

L ¹⁴David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. ¹⁵So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.

¹⁶As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord, and she despised him in her heart.

¹⁷They brought in the ark of the Lord and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it, and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. ¹⁸When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts ¹⁹and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

²⁰David returned to bless his household. But Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David and said, "How the king of Israel honored himself today, uncovering himself today before the eyes of his servants' maids, as any vulgar fellow might shamelessly uncover himself?" ²¹David said to Michal, "It was before the Lord, who chose me in place of your father and all his household, to appoint me as prince over Israel, the people of the Lord—I will dance before the Lord. ²²I will make myself yet more contemptible than this, and I will be humbled in my own eyes, but by the maids of whom you have spoken, by them I shall be held in honor." ²³And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child to the day of her death.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

ELW pg 124

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the seventh chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Gospel: Luke 7:31-35

P ³¹“To what, then, will I compare the people of this generation, and what are they like?

³²They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling to one another,

We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;

we wailed, and you did not weep.”

³³“For John the Baptist has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, ‘He has a demon’; ³⁴the Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ ³⁵Nevertheless, wisdom is vindicated by all her children.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon - *Can Lutherans Dance?*

Pastor Steve Hansen

Hymn of the Day

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW 836

*Prayers of Intercession

P In your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

*Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

MEAL

Announcements

Offering

Text to Give is available at Trinity!
Simply text the amount you wish to give to 833-412-0093.
Or scan the QR code with your smartphone.
Please note where your gifts should be directed towards.



*Offertory

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW 689

*Praise and thanksgiving, God we would offer
for all things living, you have made good;
harvest of sown field, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood*

*Offering Prayer

P Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.

C Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving

ELW pg. 129

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

C 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.

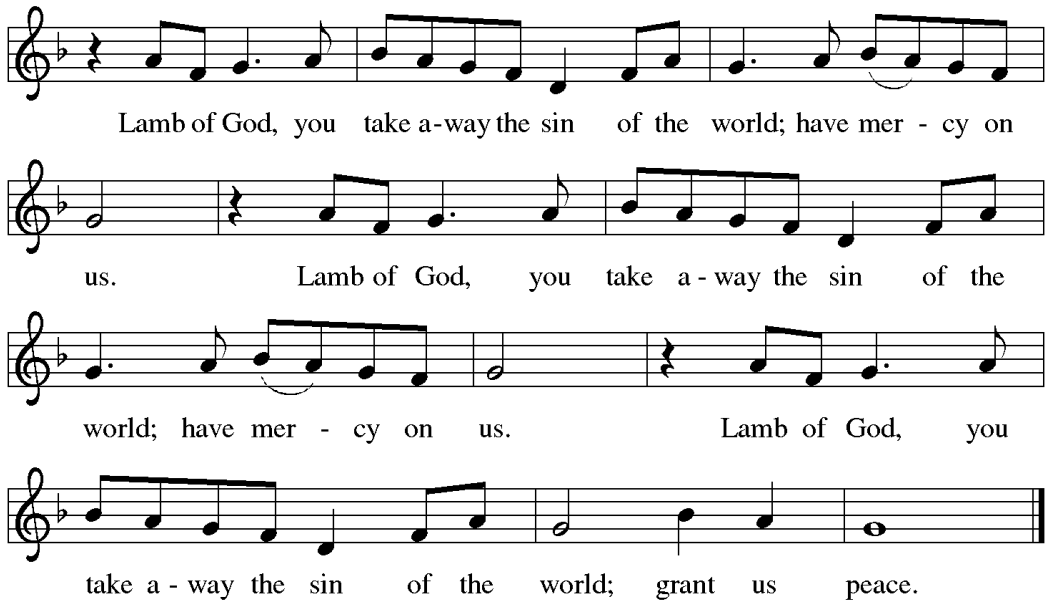
Invitation to the Table

Communion

All who desire the presence and forgiveness of Christ that come in the sharing of this bread and wine are welcome to commune with us today. Ushers will direct you from the outside aisles to one of the stations in the front of the sanctuary, where you may kneel at the rail. You will return to your seat by the center aisle. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available. If for any reason you are not comfortable participating in communion today, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing.

Lamb of God

ELW pg. 135



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Songs

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 396

We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 479

***Prayer after Communion**

P Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
Thru Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

***Blessing**

P The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

ELW 888

***Sending**

P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers and cover art for the bulletin are in given in honor of **Patty Flatness's birthday**—which is today!

The special bouquet is in honor of **Mavis Espinosa's 101st birthday** which is on Monday, July 8th given by her family.

Thank you to Pastor Steve Hansen for being our Guest Preacher this Weekend!

Book Discussion

Monday, July 8 | 1:00 PM

Gathering Space

Our next book is ***The Heart***

Between Us: Two Sisters, One Heart Transplant, and a Bucket List by Lindsay Harrel. *Heart transplant recipient Megan has always envied her twin Crystal's "perfect" life. When her donor's parents deliver their daughter's journal complete with a bucket list, Megan decides to fulfill each item and Crystal asks to join her for reasons of her own. They must mend their tenuous relationship so Megan can find a balance between safety and adventure. Multiple copies are available to check out from Trinity's Church Office.*

Young Adult Campfire

Tuesday, July 9 | 8:00 PM / Elsbernd Farm -19050 Thrush Ave, MC

Gather with other young adults (High School Graduates -30ish years old) for an informal campfire on the farm. Kubb, Bocce Ball, and kittens available for your enjoyment. S'mores and other snacks will be served. Feel free to bring a friend or two or three...

WELCOME AND RECEPTION

A reception honoring our new **Youth Director, Dani Vogel** will be held next **Sunday, July 14 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Gathering Space.

We hope you will join us as we welcome Dani to Trinity!

New Summer Sermon Series

Even if we don't remember it, most of us recognize that we saw the world and people differently when we were young. We learned lessons that continue to shape us as adults. This eight-week preaching series looks at familiar Sunday School stories and the truths that persist – or have changed – as we've grown older. Begins the weekend of July 13-14, 2024.

Christ In Our Home

Devotional books for **July, August and September** are now available by the church offices and welcome desk.

Please call the church office if you or your family are hospitalized. If you or a family member would like to be visited please be sure to contact the church office. Thank you.

Care Ministry Appreciation

Ice Cream Buffet

Thursday, July 11 | 2:00 PM

Fellowship Hall

All Care Ministry Volunteers and potential volunteers are invited! Come and celebrate the successful relaunch of our visitation ministries. Pastor Beverly Butler, Trinity's new Pastor of Spiritual Care, will be our guest speaker sharing about herself and the importance of visitation. Anyone interested in becoming a new Care Ministry volunteer can stay for a brief training. You are welcome to bring a friend or spouse. Please RSVP to the church office by Tuesday, July 9.

Bike to Church Sunday

Sunday, July 14 | 9:00 AM / Courtyard

Do you normally drive to church? Save some gas by leaving your car in the garage. Take this opportunity to hop on your bike and ride to church Sunday, July 14 for Trinity's **Bike to Church Sunday**. If you are attending the 9:00 a.m. service, please park your bikes by the evergreen tree in the courtyard. Chairs and water will be available for all cyclists at the outdoor worship service.

Share the Harvest

Have extra produce? Bring it to share at Saturday or Sunday worship services! If you like to eat fresh home-grown produce, please check the *Share the Harvest Table* in The Gathering Space when you come to worship and take some home!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, July 8

- 9:00 a.m. Rolling Bandages for Global Health Ministries (Rm.307)
- 1:00 p.m. Book Discussion (Gathering Space)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 9

- 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting/Off Site—Building & Church Closed
- 8:00 p.m. Young Adult Campfire at Elsbernd Farm

Wednesday, July 10

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Library)

Saturday, July 13

5:00 p.m. Worship Service

Sunday, July 14

- 8:00 a.m. Health Cabinet Mtg. (Rm. 300)
- 9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship Service (Courtyard)**
- 10:00 a.m. *Reception/Welcome for Dani Vogel (Gathering Space)*
- 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship Service**

Evening Bike Ride on the Green Belt

Monday, July 15 | 6:30 PM / Wilkinson Pioneer Park
Join us on an evening bike ride on the Shell Rock River Green Belt. Meet at **Wilkinson Pioneer Park at 21425 Vine Avenue in Rock Falls, IA**. The trail is crushed limestone/gravel. It is a down and back trail so riders can do as many miles as they wish.

Weather permitting.



Global Church Festival

Experience and discover God's work in the world during the Northeastern Iowa Synod's Global Church Together Festival, set for **Saturday, August 24**, at Trinity Lutheran

Discover God's Global Church

Sponsored by the synod's Global Church Together Network, this event will feature a guest keynote presentation, seven workshops, a "world of 100" global simulation activity, global music sing-along, and lunch featuring global flavors. It is set for 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with registration beginning at 8:30 AM.

The cost to attend is \$10 per person. Please sign up on the board outside the church office. Call the church office with questions: 641-423-0536.

United Way of North Central Iowa is collecting donations for their **2024 Kids Shoe Drive**. Donations of new/gently used kids athletic shoes of all sizes are greatly appreciated. You can drop shoes off in the collection box located by the offices.



You can also donate by using the QR Code—100% of your gift will be used to purchase new shoes for kids in time for school. The deadline for donating is Aug. 8th.

TLC OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- **Care Ministry** – Volunteers are needed to make in-person visits, call people on the phone, and send postcards. Contact Becky Elsbernd.
- **Usher** – Distribute bulletins, welcome, collect offering, usher people for communion.
- **Readers** – Read the lessons for weekend services. Lessons provided a week prior to reading.
- **Communion Servers**— Assist Pastors with Communion distribution during worship services. Training available. Volunteer position. Contact the office.
- **Worship Transportation** – Assist Region 2 Transit driver in picking up those needing a ride to Sunday worship.
- **Community Kitchen Volunteers**—Trinity provides volunteers to help prepare and serve meals at the Community Kitchen, *either the 1st Monday of each month from 9-1:00 and the 4th Wednesday of each month from 4-6:30 p.m.* See the bulletin boards by the church office.
- **Help at Affordables**—Trinity provides volunteers to help sort donated clothing at Affordables on the *2nd Wednesday of each month from 9-11:00 a.m.*

For more worship serving opportunities, contact the church office or go to trinity-mc.org/worship-volunteers.