



*Evangelical Lutheran  
Church of the Holy Trinity*

*The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 4, 2021*

**Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ!** If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

**Invitation to Communion:** Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

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**Gluten-free wafers are available; let Pastor know when you come forward to receive.**

## Service of Holy Communion

**Significance of the Day:** Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

### *Gathering*

Prelude                      Selections from Thirty-five Miniatures                      (Peeters)

Greeting / Announcements

*(The assembly stands as the minister enters.)*

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen**

Opening Hymn

In Christ Called to Baptize

1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
 2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
 3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
 4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,

and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
 a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
 the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
 for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.

In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
 Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
 By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
 E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
 One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
 in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
 In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

### Apostolic 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

Let us pray.

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.

**Amen.**

## Word

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

A reading from Ezekiel:

1 A voice said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. 2 And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. 3 He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. 4 The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord God.” 5 Whether they hear or refuse to hear for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 123

*(Saturday psalm will be spoken responsively, Sunday psalm will be sung in unison.)*



1 To you I lift | up my eyes,  
to you enthroned | in the heavens.  
**2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand | of their masters,  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand | of her mistress,**  
3 so our eyes look to you, O | LORD our God,  
until you show | us your mercy.  
**4 Have mercy upon us, O | LORD, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough | of contempt,**  
5 too much of the scorn of the in- | dolent rich,  
and of the derision | of the proud.

A reading from 2 Corinthians:

2 I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. 3 And I know that such a person – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows – 4 was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. 5 On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. 6 But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, 7 even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. 8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, 9 but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

*(Saturday acclamation will be spoken, Sunday acclamation will be sung in unison.)*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(The reading of the Gospel.)*

1 Jesus left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. 2 On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! 3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. 4 Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” 5 And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. 6 And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. 7 He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. 8 He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; 9 but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. 10 He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. 11 If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” 12 So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. 13 They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day

The Son of God, Our Christ

1 The Son of God, our Christ, the Word, the Way,  
 2 In ev - 'ry test, in tri - als man - i - fold,  
 3 To - day, as then, Christ sum - mons us to dare  
 4 In cit - y street, in town, or on the soil,  
 5 Wher - e'er we find our wit - ness should be made,

shared hu - man life and toiled through - out the day;  
 these ser - vants wit - nessed, by their faith made bold;  
 to fol - low bold - ly and his work to share,  
 may each serve Christ in faith - ful dai - ly toil,  
 what - e'er our task, be thou, O Christ, our aid,

from com - mon folk he called the twelve to be  
 and with the gifts and tal - ents which they brought  
 to help and heal the sick, the blind, the lame,  
 and in each thought and kind - ly word and deed,  
 that we may glad - ly give for thee our best

co - work - ers in his sa - cred min - is - try.  
 the church was found - ed and God's mes - sage taught.  
 de - clar - ing to the world his ho - ly name.  
 o - bey Christ's call and go where he shall lead,  
 and find each task di - vine - ly sent and blest.

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

A: Let us come before the triune God in prayer, responding, "Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

*(Brief silence)*

A: God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Sustain the baptized and increase their faith, that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Michael; our pastors, worship leaders, musicians, council members and volunteers. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of the heavens, your creating Spirit animates the universe. We give you thanks for the moon and stars, for the planets and the Milky Way Galaxy, and for all of the mysteries of the cosmos that remain unknown to us. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Defend us from tyrants in our midst and deliver us from all forms of slavery or corruption. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness. We pray for our president, Joe; our governor, Tom; and our local municipal and school leaders. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. We pray for our outreach ministries. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: We give you thanks that in every time and place you call forth prophets who move us towards freedom. Thank you for those who work for human rights, community organizers, and all who strive for liberty for all. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C: **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## *Meal*

Music as the meal is prepared

Interlude

(Murray)

*(The assembly stands. The deacon, on behalf of the people, prays.)*

### Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Gracious God, you open your hand, filling our lives with all good things and renewing the face of the earth. We offer these gifts in thanksgiving for all that we have received from your bounty. Accept them for the sake of him who offered his life for us, 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.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

You are indeed holy,  
almighty and merciful God.  
You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty  
of your glory.

You so loved the world  
that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone  
who believes in him  
may not perish  
but have eternal life.  
We give you thanks  
for his coming into the world  
to fulfill for us your holy will  
and to accomplish all things  
for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and  
ascension,  
and the promise of his coming again,  
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought but as we are able;  
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
so that all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
may be formed to live as your holy people  
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

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.**

#### Breaking of Bread

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ.

When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

**Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you  
revealed yourself to your disciples.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

## Communion of the Faithful

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*(Following the Communion the assembly stands for the blessing.)*

Music during communion                      Appointed hymns

## Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life.

**Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## *Sending*

### Our Prayer for These Times

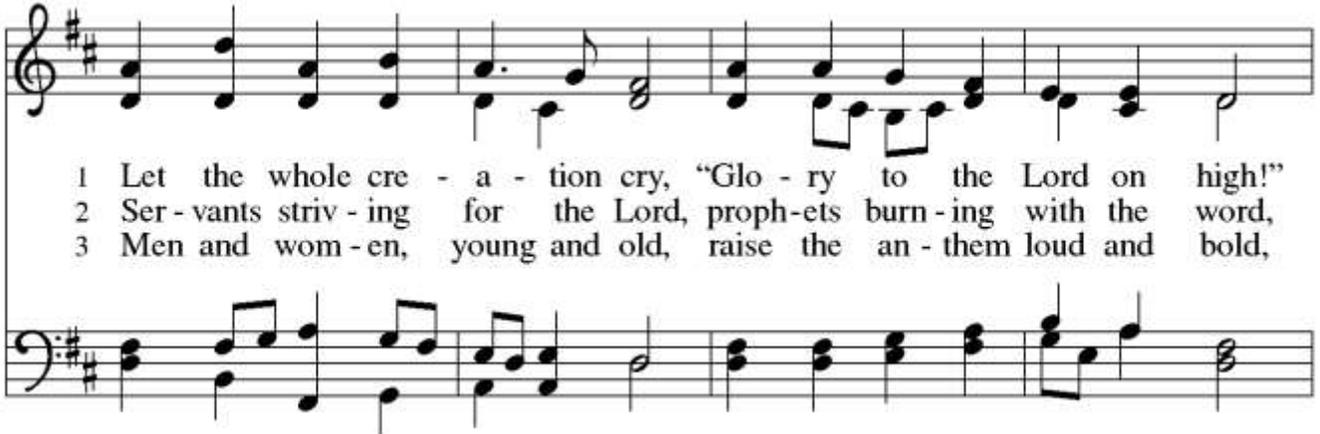
**O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

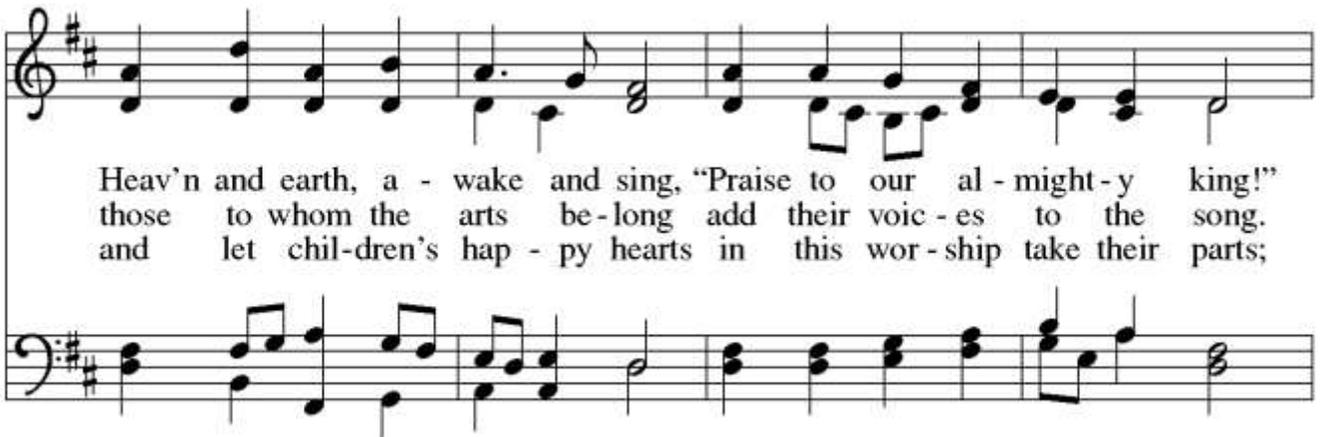
Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

Sending Hymn

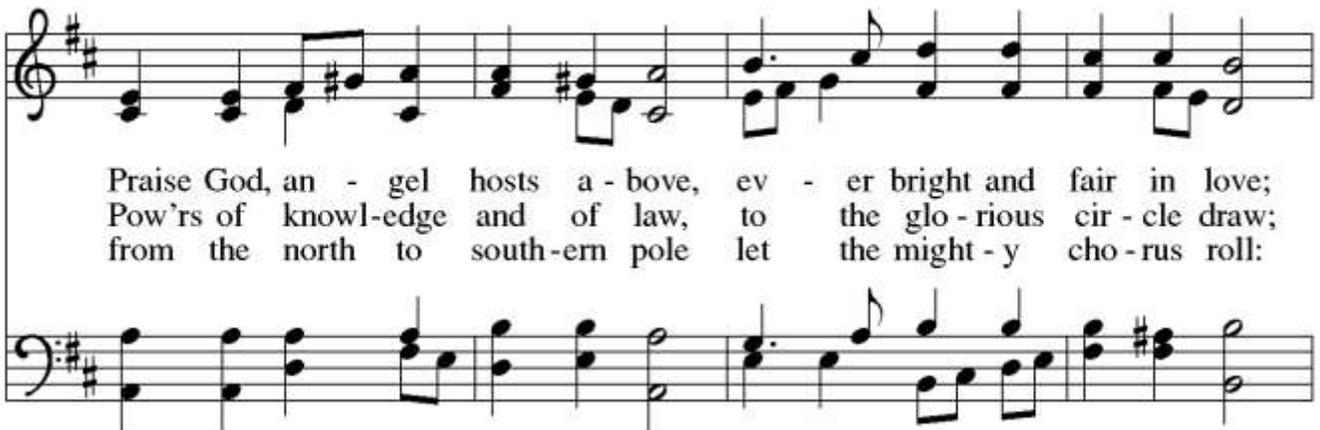
Let the Whole Creation Cry



1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"  
2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,  
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"  
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song,  
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;  
Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;  
from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:

sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re-joice.  
 all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"  
 "Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly One; glo-ry be to God a-lone!"

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Variation on *St. Denio*

(Hobby)

**Serving Tonight**

**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Brian Riddle  
**Pianist** ..... Maidene Hackett  
**Liturgical Deacon** ..... Barbara Swartz

**Serving Today**

**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Brian Riddle  
**Organist** ..... Maidene Hackett  
**Liturgical Deacon** ..... Marj Stubert  
**Communion Assistant** ..... Catherine Snyder  
**Lector** ..... Judi Moinet  
**Head Usher** ..... Mary Beth Bradley  
**Altar Guild** ..... Marj Stubert  
Linda Oman

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**Pastors in residence:**

**The Rev. Martin Roth**, Pastor Emeritus, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
**The Rev. Julia Fraser**, chaplain at St. Paul Homes  
**The Rev. Brian Riddle**, Thiel College Campus Pastor  
**The Rev. Dr. Curtis Thompson**, retired, Thiel College

**Columbarium Flowers**

The flowers in the columbarium have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Herbert and Janet Gebert by their family.

## **This Week at Holy Trinity**

### **Sunday, July 4, 2021**, *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book meeting

### **Monday, July 5, 2021**

- 7:00 p.m. Property Committee

### **Tuesday, July 6, 2021**

- 7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

### **Wednesday, July 7, 2021**

- No Weekday Communion**
- 10:00 a.m. Seniors for Safe Driving
- 5:30 p.m. Seniors for Safe Driving

### **Thursday, July 8, 2021**

- No Weekday Communion**
- No Happy Hour**
- 5:30 p.m. Seniors for Safe Driving

### **Saturday, July 10, 2021**

- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Sunday, July 11, 2021**, *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book meeting

### **Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

- 9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts
- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

### **Wednesday, July 14, 2021**

- 7:00 p.m. Weekday Communion

### **Thursday, July 15, 2021**

- 10:00 a.m. Weekday Communion
- 5:00 p.m. Officers' Planning Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 8:00 p.m. Happy Hour

### **Saturday, July 17, 2021**

- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

## **Welcome Pastor Brian Riddle**

We welcome on of our own, Pastor Riddle, pastor-in-residence, this weekend as Pastor Brenda has time away. Pastor Riddle and his wife Kristine are members of this parish. Greet them warmly.

## **Good Shepherd July Request**

The Good Shepherd Center is our church community social service agency that supports the needs of many in the area.

The Good Shepherd Center's request for Holy Trinity for **July is personal care items and school supplies.** Donations may be taken direct to the Food Pantry or placed in the marked box in the cloister.

## **Second Mile Giving for July - Relay for Life Hope Fest**

**What is Relay for Life Hope Fest?** Relay for Life Hope Fest is a community and volunteer based event that brings together more than 4.65 million people across the world. Together they bring hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day cancer will be eliminated. Teams gather together in a community festival format to celebrate the lives of those affected, raising valuable funds through food sales, games, and activities.

**Where does the money go?** Money raised through Relay For Life Hope Fest funds lifesaving American Cancer Society programs in cancer research, education, advocacy, and patient services. The society is the largest source of nonprofit, nongovernmental cancer research funding in the US, with more than \$431 million in grants in effect. It is also the home to numerous educational assistance and peer-support programs available to cancer patients and caregivers at no cost!

**Where you can find more information.** You can contact Holy Trinity member Barry Oman at 724-588-8556 or [lindaoman75@gmail.com](mailto:lindaoman75@gmail.com)

All Second Mile contributions received during the month of July will be given to the designated cause.

## **Please Pray For**

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before your call the office. Thanks.

### **Health and Healing:**

Maude (friend of Betty K. Junk)	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Paul (nephew of Henry and Ruth Heil)	John L (father of Catherine Mott)
Christina (niece of Henry and Ruth Heil)	Brenda (sister-in-law of Betty K. Junk)
Louise (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)	Carl
Donnie L. (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)	Paul
Donald (cousin of Fran Black)	Dillon (friend of Ed Pitcher and Beth Harpst)
Donnie K. (friend of Wayne and Darla Swift)	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)
Marie (sister-in-law of Henry and Ruth Heil)	
Lori McCann	
Jim	

### **Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:**

Family of Sean McGinley (step-son of James Logan (John's brother))  
Joyce Gleason (wife of Pastor David Gleason)  
Kate (Zgnoc) Slack (friend of Paul and Sue Bittler)

### **In Military Service**

Specialist (SPC) Andrew McCall, Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colorado (son of Mark and Jane McCall, grandson of Karen McKay and the late Jim McKay)  
Sgt. First Class Nicholas Carman, US Army, Fredericksburg, Virginia (grandson of Nancy Ullstrom)  
Admiral Richard Childs, Assistant Surgeon General of the USA (nephew of Harvey Childs)  
CDR Ryan Leary, USN, Operation Officer, 7th Fleet, Yokosuka, Japan (son of David and Judy Leary)  
Tim Ross, Navy Special Forces, (grandson of Rae Johnson, nephew of Lori McEwen)