

*Evangelical Lutheran  
Church of the Holy Trinity*

*The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 11, 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:** When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God's saving love.

### *Gathering*

Prelude    Selection from Sixty Pieces    (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

Morning Has Broken

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has  
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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.

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Word*

First Reading

Amos 7:7-15

A reading from Amos:

7 This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. 8 And the Lord said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“See, I am setting a plumb line  
in the midst of my people Israel;  
I will never again pass them by;

9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,  
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,  
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

10 Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. 11 For thus Amos has said,

‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword,  
and Israel must go into exile  
away from his land.’ ”

12 And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; 13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

14 Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, 15 and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85:8-13

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



8 I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people  
and to those who turn their | hearts to you.

**9 Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell | in our land.**

10 Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;  
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.

**11 Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.**

12 The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,  
and our land will | yield its increase.

**13 Righteousness shall go be- | fore the LORD  
and shall prepare for | God a pathway.**

A reading from Ephesians:

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. 5 He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight 9 he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. 11 In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, 12 so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; 14 this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God’s own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

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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.)*

14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." 15 But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." 16 But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

17 For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. 18 For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." 19 And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, 20 for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. 21 But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. 22 When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." 23 And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." 24 She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." 25 Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." 26 The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. 27 Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, 28 brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. 29 When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

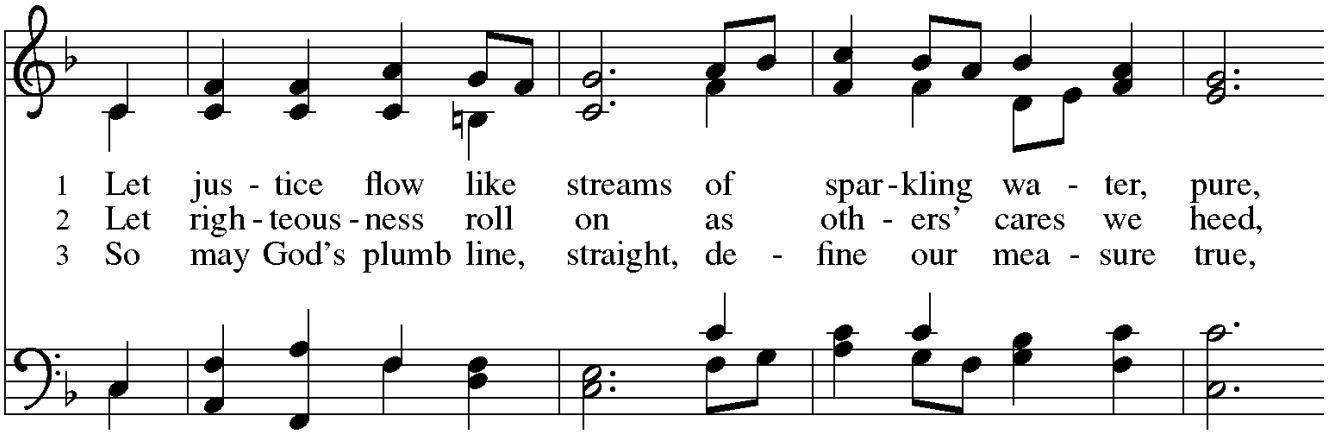
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

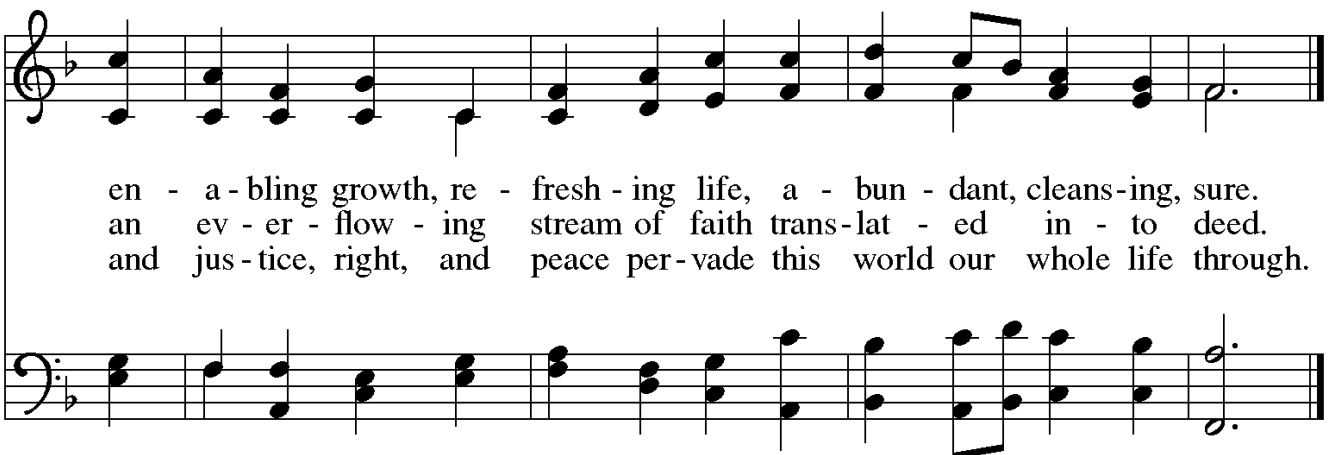


Hymn of the Day

Let Justice Flow like Streams



1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar - kling wa - ter, pure,  
2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,  
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.  
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.  
and jus - tice, right, and peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

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: Holy parent, you welcome your people into one family and gather all things to yourself. Bestow your grace upon your beloved church, lavish your wisdom upon us, and redeem us from our faults, that by our witness all might praise your glory. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Michael; our pastors, musicians, worship leaders, council members and teachers. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: Awesome Creator, you steadfastly tend to the smallest of seeds and the mightiest of sycamore trees. Spring up green growth from the earth, nourish the growth of fruit, grain, and other crops, and bless the work of farmers and laborers. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of the oppressed, turn the ears of those who are in power to the voices of prophets in our own day. Protect those who speak difficult truths when it is risky to do so. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of strength, you are near to those who endure difficulty. Comfort all who are survivors of violence, guard the refugee and the immigrant, and protect all those who are victims of prejudice and discrimination. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: God of love, we pray for this holy house and all those who worship here. We pray especially for those whose efforts behind the scenes often go unnoticed; for the sexton and building supervisor, for our office administrator, and for all of our volunteers. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: We thank you, God, for the saints, martyrs, and prophets who have died in the faith. We remember those in this community who have recently died. United with them as God's children, assure us that we are yours forever. 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

***Procedure for Communing:** We will be using a form of processional communion. An usher will release each pew to come forward at a time to avoid a long line in the aisle. Pick up a communion cup on either side at the first pew. The pastor will place a host in your open palm. Turn to either the left or right side to the deacon or communion assistant to receive wine. After consuming the host and wine, pour any remaining wine into the container, then discard your cup. Children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion should come forward for a blessing. Please maintain social distance between non-family members.*

*(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

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture  
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;

from this meal of love and grace;  
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;  
 God has called us to re - ceive;  
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;

may we through such love en - vi - sion  
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed  
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,  
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.  
 to re - lease and to con - sole.  
 Spir - it - ed then let us live.  
 from this day and un - to death.

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

God, the won - der of our days.  
 Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
 Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
 Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Finale on *St. Thomas*

(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** ..... Sheryl Lanning  
**Communion Assistant** ..... Alyssa Martin  
**Lector** ..... Tyler Martin-Call  
**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 on the altar have been given to the Glory of God and in memory of Richard and Frances by Karen McKay and family.

The flowers in the columbarium have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my granddaughter Chelsea Leigh by Betty K. Junk.

## **This Week at Holy Trinity**

### **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

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Sunday, July 18, 2021**, *Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

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

### **Monday, July 19, 2021**

*Messenger articles due today*

### **Tuesday, July 20, 2021**

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

### **Wednesday, July 21, 2021**

- 7:00 p.m. Weekday Communion

### **Thursday, July 22, 2021**

- 10:00 a.m. Weekday Communion
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour

### **Saturday, July 24, 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)