

## WELCOME! Trinity Lutheran Church

Trust in the LORD

with all your heart,

and do not lean

on your own

understanding.

Proverbs 3:5

July 23, 2023 Proverbs

- \* = Please stand if able
  - = Please be seated
- Prelude By Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome



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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.



P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.



P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.



P: At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.



P: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

# \* Gathering Song "Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak" LBW 403

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1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.

2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart; and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

4 Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

## \* APOSTOLIC 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: Let us pray... God of understanding and insight, you have spoken words too great for us interpret, and yet when you speak, our hearts are warmed, and our minds are stretched. Teach us your wisdom and show us how to live with joy and faith, in Jesus name.

C: Amen

## Scripture Reading

R: The Scripture reading for today is from the Book of Proverbs, chapters 1 and 3

C: Glory to you O' Lord! (Spoken)

The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: <sup>2</sup>For learning about wisdom and instruction, for understanding words of insight, <sup>3</sup>for gaining instruction in wise dealing, righteousness, justice, and equity; 4to teach shrewdness to the simple, knowledge and prudence to the young—5let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning

acquire skill, <sup>6</sup>to understand a proverb and a figure, the words of the wise and their riddles. <sup>7</sup>The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; <sup>2</sup>for length of days and years of life and abundant

welfare they will give you. 3Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. <sup>4</sup>So you will find favor and good repute in the sight of God and of people. 5Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.

<sup>6</sup>In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. 7Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. 8It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)



#### Sermon

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# \* Hymn of the Day "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" ELW 579 (Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5 Only)

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- \* Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW 579
  - 1 Lord, you give the great commission:
    "Heal the sick and preach the word."
    Lest the church neglect its mission,
    and the gospel go unheard,
    help us witness to your purpose
    with renewed integrity:

## Refrain

With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

- \* Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW 579
- 2 Lord, you call us to your service:
  "In my name baptize and teach."
  That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each, give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:

## Refrain With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

- \* Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW 579
- 4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:
  "Father, what they do, forgive."
  Yet we hoard as private treasure
  all that you so freely give.
  May your care and mercy lead us
  to a just society:

#### Refrain

With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

- \* Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW 579
  - 5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:
    "I am with you to the end."
    Faith and hope and love restoring,
    may we serve as you intend
    and, amid the cares that claim us,
    hold in mind eternity:

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With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

\* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- \* APOSTLE'S CREED
- C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

## \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

## \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: 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

Each petition will end with the words,

A: God of wisdom,

The congregation will respond with:

C: In mercy, hear our prayer.

## \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## The prayer concludes...

P: Into your hands, loving God, we lift all for whom we pray, confident in your grace and mercy, through our savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

#### \* SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.



## OFFERING

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## \* OFFERING PRAYER

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## \* THE 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.

## \* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## \* SENDING BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.



# \* Sending Song "Here I Am, Lord" ELW 574

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\* "Here I Am, Lord"

1"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

\* "Here I Am, Lord"

2"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

3"I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them.

Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

\* DISMISSAL

P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.

C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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