

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024



Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity

Holy Communion 9:00 AM

Adult Sunday School 10:15 AM

Welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Our worship follows a traditional order inspired by scripture and rooted in ancient patterns. The full order for worship (liturgy) is found in this bulletin.

*Please stand as you are able. Spoken congregational responses are in **Bold**.

GATHERING

Worship begins with the organ prelude. It's a time for silent meditation as we turn our hearts and minds to God.

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN -**

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (verses 1-4) Hymn 362

***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.**

*KYRIE - (Lord have mercy) page 147

In Peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Help, save comfort and defend us gracious Lord.

Amen

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not." ⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹² "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" ¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a

fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground.¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat." The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 78:23-29 (*spoken responsively*)

²³ So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,

²⁴ **raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.**

²⁵ So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.

²⁶ **The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,**

²⁷ raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

²⁸ **letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round about the dwellings.**

²⁹ So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.

SECOND READING - Ephesians 4:1-16

¹ I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷ But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸ Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹ (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰ He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹ The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴ We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown

about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - Page 151

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL - John 6:24-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord. (*spoken*)

²⁴ When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " ³² Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us

this bread always.”³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON The Rev. Althea Albright

*HYMN OF THE DAY - Bread of Life from Heaven Hymn 474

***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


Response: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** (After the prayer) **Amen.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**


HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERING - (*offering plates are located in the narthex as you exit the sanctuary.*)

*OFFERTORY HYMN - (Create in Me a Clean Heart)



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

*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.**

*PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS - ("Holy, holy, holy") Page 153



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n 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.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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

Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at the Lord's table. **Amen.**

*AGNUS DEI - (Lamb of God) Page 154



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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

*BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN - Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer Hymn 618

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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The Rev. Althea Albright

Paul Copenhagen - Minister of Music Christine Paradise - Organist
Heather Buffington - Bell Choir Director Neal Galbraith - Lay Assistant
Scott Hower - Lector
Barry Thompson & Denise Rhoades - Greeters

♿ Elevator access to upper and lower levels is located at rear entrance of church.
📵 Remember to silence cell phones & other electronic device

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY:

Sunday, August 4 - Christian Education Committee Meeting 10:30 a.m.
Monday, August 5 - Property Committee Meeting 7 p.m.

PRAYER UPDATE: We have been asked to keep Bryan Albright, Barb Atwood, Barb Baeckert, Linda Blessing, Roy Brossman, Terry Clearwater, Monique & Jack Derfler, Jim Dibert, Deb Dobson, Susie Eckert, Dan Fox, Mo Gockley, Mike and Nancy Hentz, Patty Hess, Joette Hollinger, Bella Johnson, Raymond Kohr, Doris Kreiser, Jim & Judi Light, Dean Mitchell, The Family of Carole Mohn, George Smith, Marie Smith, Ernie Thompson, Nancy Warner, and Mary Yeagley in our prayers.

PRAYER CONCERNS: If you no longer wish to be included in the prayer update list, please let the Church Office know to remove your name.

COMMUNION: Please record your communion monthly. Cards can be found in the pews.

NAMETAGS: Please stop by the Welcome Table (parking lot entrance) and pick up your nametag. We are asking that you wear your nametag to Church until an announcement is made. If you do not have a nametag, please contact the Church Office.

SAVE YOUR STAMPS: The residents of Juniper Village would appreciate your cancelled stamps. Simply tear off the corner of the envelope with the stamp and place it in the box by the parking lot Welcome Table. Please do not cut the stamp out.

HELP WANTED: Are you friendly? Can you be at Church by 8:30 a.m. on a Sunday morning? Do you have a good speaking voice? If you answered YES to any of those questions, we have an opportunity for you! We need both Greeters and Lectors. Greeters stand at the Welcome Table in the Narthex and greet parishioners as they arrive, make sure they have a bulletin, and record attendance. Lectors read the first and second lesson. Sign-up sheets are located at the Welcome Table by the parking lot entrance. This is a simple way to help! If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office.

SHARE & CARE BOX: The following items are needed: ramen noodles, canned: vegetables, beans, tuna and chicken pasta, spaghetti sauce (no glass), peanut butter, cereal, granola bars, spam, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, razors, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, etc. Items can be placed in the bin marked Share & Care box located in the Giving Place. Monetary donations can also be made by marking the blank envelopes found in the pew, "Share & Care."

MISSION TRIP ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Ice Cream Social being held for all mission trip volunteers, youth volunteer parents, and interested persons to recap the 2024 Mission Trip and to thank you for your support. Please join us on Monday, August 19 at 6 p.m. in the Social Room. We hope to see you there so we can share stories and pictures from our amazing work at Camp Kirchenwald and Wittel Farm. RSVP by August 15 to the church office: (717) 273-8567 or email stephanie@trinityleb.org. Sign-up sheets are also located at both Welcome Tables.

ALL LADIES INVITED TO THE WELCA PICNIC! HOLA! The Women of the ELCA are having a FIESTA for ALL THE LADIES OF THE CHURCH on Wednesday, August 21 at 6 p.m. in the Church Social Room. There will be a taco bar, fellowship and games. Please sign-up at one of the Welcome Tables by Sunday, August 11. For questions or to sign up via phone call or text contact Nancy Brightbill (717) 507-8698 or Heather Buffington (717) 926-3917 Gracias!

WORLD HUNGER SPECIAL COLLECTION: Working through ELCA congregations, global companion churches, The Lutheran World Federation and other partners like Bread for the World, Church World Service, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service and Lutheran World Relief, the ELCA reaches more places more effectively than we could ever do alone. Through this comprehensive approach, we work to address hunger from all angles — both domestically and globally. From Alaska to Alabama, from Chile to China, your gifts are hard at work helping our neighbors near and far break the cycle of hunger and poverty. Your generous giving makes it possible for ELCA World Hunger to be present throughout the United States and throughout the world. From health clinics to microloans, food pantries to soup kitchens, advocacy to community organizing, your gifts are supporting meaningful solutions that get at the root causes of hunger. If you would like to help, please place your donation in a “World Hunger” envelope found at the Welcome Tables or in the pews. You can also include a note with your donation. Thank you!

BUTTERFLY COUNT: Make plans now to join the Quittapahilla Audubon Society on Monday, August 19 for their 5th Annual Lebanon Butterfly Count. Meet at the Quittie Wetlands Preserve near Home Depot at 10 a.m. For more information, please contact the leader, Jim Fiorentino at (717) 269-0675.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS AND PERSONAL CARE KITS 2024



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

The Women of the ELCA of Holy Trinity are participating in two projects for Lutheran World Relief again this year – the assembly of 100 school kits and 100 personal care kits. We welcome members of the congregation to join us in this endeavor. The items needed for each type of kit are listed below. In addition if a member of the congregation would like to participate by sewing school bags the instructions for making the school bags can be found near the Welcome Table at the back door of the church. All donated items can be placed in the WELCA Collection Barrel in The Giving Place from July 2 to September 8. **September 8 is the deadline for all donations.**

SCHOOL KITS

For children whose lives have been disrupted by war or other disasters receiving a school kit is a sign that someone far away cares. Adults in literacy classes appreciate the supplies needed to learn to read and write.

Include the following items in each School Kit:

- Four 70-80 sheet **spiral-bound** notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8"x 10 1/2"; **NO LOOSE-LEAF PAPER**
- One pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with imbedded steel blades work well)
- One 30 centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other side
- One pencil sharpener
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (**NO GEL INK**); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One eraser approximately 2 1/2 " long



- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (**NO STANDARD BACKPACKS**) Recommended fabrics include sturdy cotton, canvas, denim and twill.
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove excess packaging, pack all items in the school bag and close. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. Detailed instructions with pictures for sewing the school bags are available on the Welcome Table.

PERSONAL CARE KITS

Clean hands, good grooming, bright and shining smiles – you can help bring them about through the gift of Personal Care Kits.

Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

- One light weight bath -size towel (20"x40" to 52"x27"), dark color recommended.
- Two bath-size bars of soap any brand in its original wrapping (4 to 5 oz bars)
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging. Toothbrush multipacks may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelope; no plastic bags or wrap.
- One sturdy comb, wide tooth preferred, remove packaging
- One metal nail clipper attached file optional, remove packaging
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all the items in the towel and tie the towel securely with ribbon or yarn. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

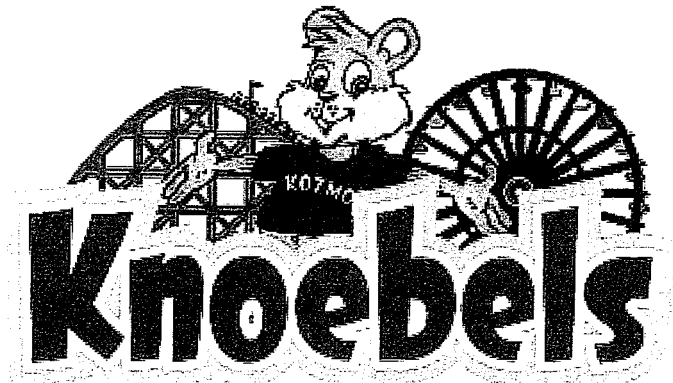




Saturday, October 5 at 12 p.m.

CHURCH
picnic

This event is open to your family and friends!
More information and sign-ups sheets coming soon!



But the righteous will be

JOYFUL;

they will rejoice before God;

YES, THEY

WILL

REJOICE



GLADNESS.

PSALM 68:3, NASB

Bible Quiz

How many times in the Old Testament do people cross a body of water on dry ground?

- A. once
- B. twice
- C. three times
- D. four times



Answer: C (See Exodus 14; Joshua 3; 2 Kings 2.)

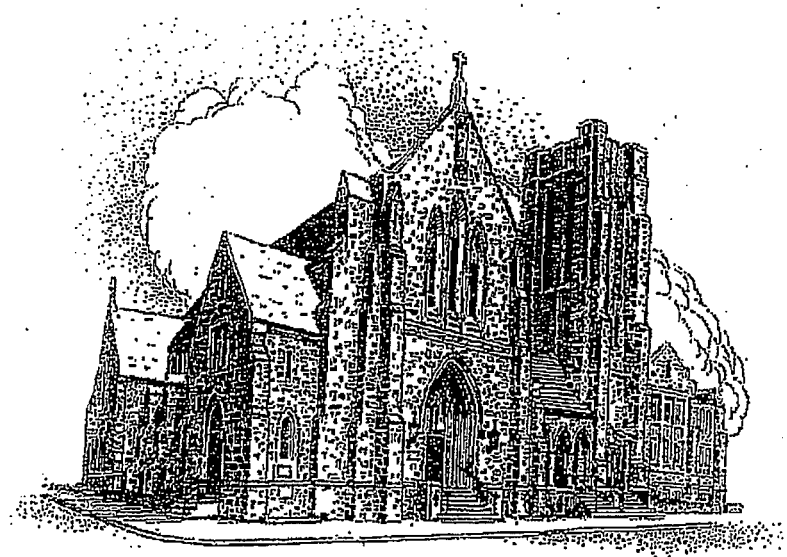
Bible Quiz

The precise number varies depending on the Bible version, but roughly how many times does the word "love" occur in the Old and New Testaments combined?

- A. 200-300
- B. 400-500
- C. 600-700
- D. 800-900



Answer: C



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