

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 6, 2020 9:30 a.m.

A warm welcome to all worshipping with Trinity virtually today! If this is your first time to worship with Trinity, we are especially glad you joined us. We hope you will join in again! Please know, whatever your tradition, that there is a place for you here. We want you to make yourself at home, and participate in the service as you feel comfortable.

In this worship booklet, the congregation responds with the words in bold print. Please stand as you are able (indicated by the *).

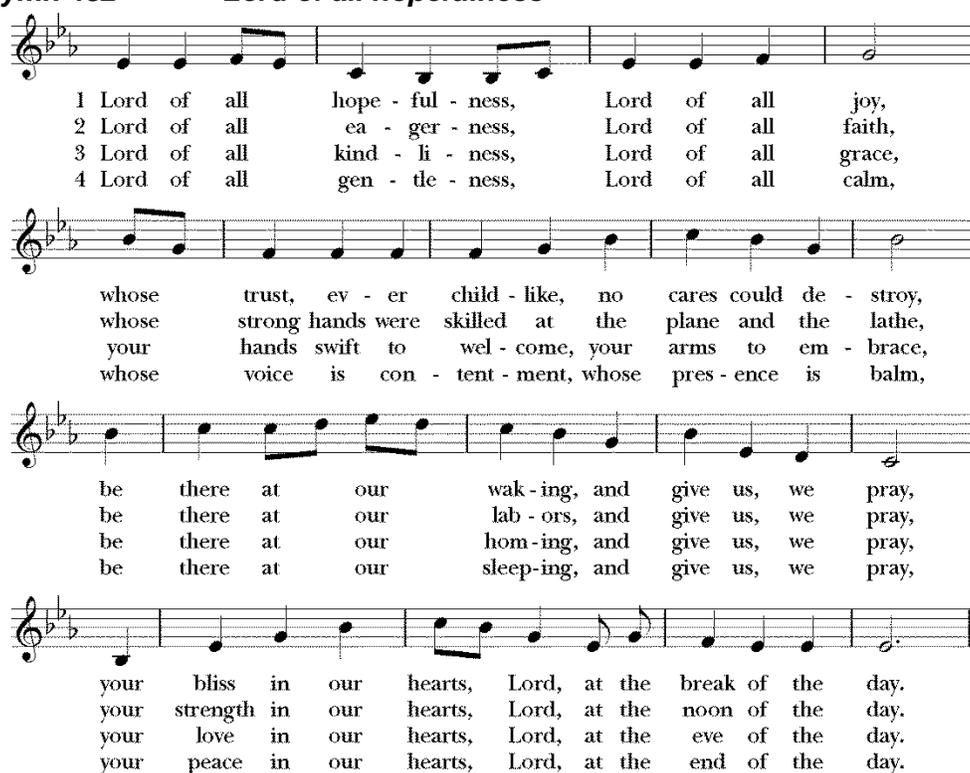
Organ Prelude

Welcome

Processional Hymn 482

Lord of all hopefulness

Slane



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

*Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***The Collect of the Day**

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

Exodus 12:1-14

A Reading from Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 149

- 1 Hallelujah!
Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;
- 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

A reading from Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 533

How wondrous and great

Lyons

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!
 2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
 their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne:

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
 thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.
 till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess thee their God.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Andrea Castner Wyatt

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

****Prayers of the People***

We lift our prayers to God, who knows our necessities before we ask and rejoices in our asking, as we respond, **"Hear us, gracious God."**

Word of truth, open our hearts to receive your message as it is revealed through holy scripture, the witness of your Church, and in the minds and hearts of your faithful; let us pray. **Hear us, gracious God.**

Keep us in your courage and in your hope, Beloved One, in these days of pandemic. Comfort and uphold all who grieve, all who are ill, all facing unemployment, homelessness or hunger. Protect medical and essential workers. Guard those facing wildfires in California, and storms on the Gulf Coast. **Hear us, Gracious God.**

Fill us, O God, with wisdom and humility as we confront the sin of racism within ourselves and around us. Inspire us to work for justice and build loving community among all of God's children. Give our leaders truth, and vision. **Hear us, gracious God.**

That the Church may welcome youth and young adults into its life, inviting them into positions of responsibility and leadership, listening to their ideas, and joining with them in building for the future; let us pray. **Hear us, gracious God.**

Encourage our civic leaders to modify their convictions with compromise, that there may be a renewal of hope for those who live with poverty, disparity, injustice, unemployment, and lack of educational opportunities; let us pray. **Hear us, gracious God.**

That the leaders of the nations may usher in the peace of God's reign; let us pray. **Hear us, gracious God.**

Wisdom on high, descend upon your faithful people, that our voices and actions may echo your hope for all humanity; let us pray. **Hear us, gracious God.**

Receive those who have died into the arms of your mercy, that they may sleep in everlasting peace; let us pray.
Hear us, gracious God.

In the fellowship of the One who is full of graciousness and compassion, let us continue our prayers. (*Special intentions, prayers and thanksgivings are offered from our homes while silence is kept.*)

O God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(*Prayers of the People selected and adapted from Planning for Rites and Rituals: A Resource for Episcopal Worship Year A 2019-2020, June-August.*)

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

***The Peace**

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

We come now to the part of worship where we offer our financial gifts to God. As a means of faithful stewardship, please continue to give generously on-line through Vanco, there's a link on our website, or by mailing a check to Trinity in support of the ongoing work of God in and through us, especially in this time of COVID-19.

Walk in love, as Christ loves us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Music

***The Great Thanksgiving**

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Priest adds a proper preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Let us pray. **God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, reshaping in your likeness the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen.** *Prayer for spiritual communion by The Rev. Bennet Brockman.*

As a symbol of our unity in community during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, the bread and the wine will be returned to the earth.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Blessing**

May God, who has led us in the paths of justice and truth, lead us still, and keep us in God's ways. **Amen.**

May God, whose Son has loved us and given himself for us, love us still, and establish us in peace. **Amen.**

May God, whose Spirit unites us and fills our hearts with joy, illumine us still, and strengthen us for the years to come. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

***Closing Hymn 376**

Joyful, Joyful, we adore thee

Hymn to joy

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

***Dismissal**

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Our service of worship is now over. Our worship through service now begins.

Today at Trinity

9:30 a.m.

Preacher & Presider:	The Rev. Andrea Castner Wyatt
Lector:	Theodora Jameson
Organist:	Donald Wismann

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For those requesting our prayers: Arlene Coleman, The Rev. William West, Maureen Trotto, Bode Kloos, Ann Moore, Janet LaBati, Mike Peters, Larry Coleman, Danielle Lima, Jeaneia Vaiuso, Shannon Logan, Ruth, Rick, Martha, Cheryl Moulthrop, Wanda Castner

For those celebrating a birthday this week:
Paula Toi, Kathy Weatherby, Gloria Rowley, Ben Toby

For those celebrating an anniversary this week: Sandy & Phil Cruz, Jeanne & Mark Benedict

Our Mission Statement

Together, as faithful stewards, we are called to:
Worship God joyfully;
Build a caring, faithful community in Christ;
and Go forth in love to share the Gospel



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