



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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10:00am

11th Sunday after PENTECOST

Introduction

Remember the Sabbath day. Call the Sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

* THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors.

Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

*THE GATHERING HYMN: *Praise To The Lord* # 858

* THE 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.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE pg. 149

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray:

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 58: 9-14

⁹If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103: 1-8

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits**

³who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life from the grave and crowns
you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶**O LORD, you provide vindication**

and justice for all who are oppressed.

⁷You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸**LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

The Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (Sung page #151a)

C: Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

* P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

• The Gospel: Luke 13: 10-17

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOOD NEWS 101

THE SERMON

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices
#833

THE 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

Merciful God,
Receive Our Prayer.

*** THE PEACE**

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

THE OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE MEAL

*** THE OFFERING PRAYER**

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Sung) page 152**

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.

*** THE PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*** THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sung) page 153**

**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.**

*** THE THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

*** 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.**

* **THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

THE LAMB OF GOD (sung)

page 154

THE DISTRIBUTION

* **THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

THE SENDING

* **THE BLESSING**

The God of peace,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.
Amen.

***THE SENDING SONG:** *How Firm A Foundation* #796

* **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Serving today: August 21

Acolyte: Scarlett Johnson

Lector: Hank Bariexca

Communion Assistant: Amber Johnson

Serving next Week: August 28

Acolyte: TBD

Lector: Laura Poethke

CALLING ALL SINGERS:

Holy Trinity is looking to rebuild our choir and solo list. If you love to sing and would like to be a part of this ministry please see sign up sheet located on the bulletin board



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES: Our Sunday morning worship services will continue at 10:00 AM. Services are also streamed live on our Facebook Page.

POLISHING THE CHURCH PEWS: Our pews are in desperate need of some good TLC. We are looking for 4-5 people to come out and help. If you are interested in helping please see Amber Johnson.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is usually open on Wednesdays and Fridays when Pastor is there. Bonnie will be in the office, Mon 10-2, Wed—Friday 10-2. You can always call and leave a message if you need us.

SOCIAL MINISTRY OUTREACH continues with our Phillip the Bucket spare change Loud Offering on the first Sunday of each month. Our Offerings have gone to help those in need in our community. We are also continuing to collect nonperishable food items for St. Luke's Food Pantry.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES: We are continuing with our Contemporary Services featuring *Voices That Reign*. Our next service will be on Tuesday September 13th @7pm.

COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!!

Have you ever wondered what the day to day aspects of the church are? Maybe you have some new ideas for helping the church grow? Are you business minded and like the numbers aspects of church operations? Maybe you enjoy helping with fundraising?

Then council is the place for you. We are looking for new members to join our amazing team. The term is one year and meetings are the third Monday of each month at 7pm.

If you would like to know more about how to be a part of the church council please reach out to any of our members: *Bonnie Mazza, Chris Rodig, Judy Bariexca, Hank Bariexca, Amber Johnson, Peggy Bowers or Laura Poethke.*

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday



**Sept. 11
2022**

**BOLD TRANSFORMATIONAL FAITH
SUNDAY SCHOOL**



From September - December, we will follow the lectionary readings as we explore stories from the Bible during Sunday School.

Our Worship Teams Need Volunteers

Please consider joining one of our Ministry teams. Do you ever ask what it takes to make our wonderful services happen. While the Pastor and staff prepare during the week for our time of worship, it takes the support of our ministry teams to help things run smoothly.

Ushers

If you volunteer to help usher, you assist with the handing out of bulletins, the collection of the offering and on communion Sundays help to lead people to the Lord's table. Please see Steve Anderson or Pastor if you are interested.

Greeters

You are the first face that our worshippers see each Sunday. Greeters welcome people before worship and identify guests. Please reach out to Peggy Bowers or Bonnie Mazza

Readers

The name says it all. If you volunteer to serve in this capacity you will be reading the printed scriptures on your assigned day. Please see Judy Bariexca or Pastor to be added to our list.

Communion Assistant

On communion Sundays, you would assist in the distribution of the elements. If you volunteer to serve, you will receive guidance and training before you are added into the rotation. Please reach out to Bonnie Mazza, Amber Johnson or Pastor.

Acolyte

If you have a young Christian who would like to help with the lighting of the candles, please see Laura Poethke or Pastor. This is a great way to help our Sunday School children to serve their Lord.

Tech Team

This is a new ministry and we need tech savvy people to help run our sound system and video on Sunday mornings. If you are blessed with this gift please reach out to Amber Johnson to see how you can help.

If you are considering joining one of our worship teams, please know that you will not be asked to do this every Sunday, our goal is to build these ministries so that our volunteers serve on schedules set up ahead of time.

Rally for Cross Roads

Is an annual fundraising event
to keep camp affordable for all.

The 2022 event will combine a run/walk race with an afternoon of activities. Join us on-site at Cross Roads on Saturday, October 1 for the race and festivities or participate in the 2K or 5K races from home.

Participate On-Site: Race in the 2K or 5K at camp or cheer on the runners.



8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:15 a.m. Opening Prayer

9:30 a.m. 2K/5K Begins

12 p.m. Lunch

1 p.m. Worship Service

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Volleyball and Other Outdoor Activities!

3:30 p.m. Awards Ceremony

People of all ages are invited to attend, but participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Helen at helen@crossroadsretreat.com with questions about the on-site event.

Participate At Home: Do you live too far away to be at camp on October 1?

Join the fundraising fun by competing in the Virtual 2K or 5K!

Set A Fundraising Goal:

\$250 pays a staff member's salary for one week of work!

\$100 is the cost for one participant at a weekend retreat!

\$50 provides meals for one camper for one week of camp!

crossroadsretreat.com/rally-for-cross-roads



Fall Women's Retreat *hosted by Cross Roads Camp & Retreat Center*

Led by Laurie Matarazzo and Dale Selover

In person: October 21-23, 2022
Virtual: October 21

Theme: "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

Jesus wonders how his followers understand him. He knows that how we "name" him is at the heart of our relationship with him and with others. Come and hear Jesus' query yet again. Hear it as an invitation to an ever deeper faith in him.

In person retreat programming begins at 7 pm on Friday and concludes on Sunday by 11 am after a closing worship service. The virtual programming will be Friday from 10 am – 3 pm.

****Please note:** These retreats have limited capacity, so be sure to register and pay your deposit soon to reserve your spot for a wonderful weekend!**

Out of love for our community and in response to the current pandemic, we have established the following protocols for the in-person Women's Retreats: participants must be vaccinated and show proof of vaccination as well as negative results from a COVID test taken within 72 hours of the event date.

crossroadsretreat.com



We are so glad you worshipped with us today.

Our hope is that you have a blessed week and we will see you again next Sunday.

If you are visiting and have any questions about Holy Trinity, please ask Pastor Haab, one of our Greeters or any of our wonderful members.

Go in Peace and serve the Lord.