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10:00am

14th Sunday after PENTECOST

Introduction

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

* THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

We confess that sin still has a hold on us.

We have harmed your good creation.

**We have failed to do justice, love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.**

Turn us in a new direction.

Show us the path that leads to life.

**Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**

Amen.

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

THE GATHERING SONG: *God's Work Our Hands*

Please see insert in bulletin

* **THE GREETING** page 213

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 KYRIE** page 213

* **THE CANTICLE OF PRAISE** page 213

* **THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to
yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving
care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow
all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14

⁷The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you
brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have
been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they
have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it
and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who
brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" ⁹The Lord said to Moses,
"I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me
alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may
consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." ¹¹But Moses
implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath
burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of
Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? (cont. page 4)

¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he
brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them
from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your
mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham,
Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own
self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of
heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your
descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" ¹⁴And the Lord
changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his
people.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 51:1-10

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your
sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your
judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me,
because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even
though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of
violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in

unbelief,¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost.¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Sung page #216

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

* P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 15th chapter.

* C: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.]² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOOD NEWS 101

THE SERMON

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: Amazing Grace #779

* **THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

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**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 INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God’s good creation

God of Grace
Hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

* **CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING** page 219

* **THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD:**

Holy God,
mighty Fortress, loving Redeemer, steadfast Comforter,
as vegetation matures in forests and fields,
your living Word undergirds all that lives.
We praise your eternal Word.
We praise your eternal Word.

In the words of the scriptures you offer us Christ:
our refuge, our savior, our friend,
accompanying us throughout our years
and renewing us in love.
We praise Jesus, your Word.
We praise Jesus, your Word.

We pray for power from your abiding Spirit.
Strengthen us to stand firm in faith,
in devotion to your Word,
and in service to others.
We pray for the Spirit of your Word.
We pray for the Spirit of your Word.

To you be honor and praise and glory,
today and forever. **Amen.**

* **THE LORD'S PRAYER** page 221

THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

SENDING

* **BLESSING**

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

* **THE SENDING SONG: Lord, Speak to Us #676**

* **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace with Christ beside you
Thanks be to God.

Serving Today: September 11

Acolyte: Scarlett Johnson

Lector: Lynn Haab

Ushers: Steve Anderson & Ron Jernigan

Serving Next Week: September 18

Acolyte: Baylee Rodig

Lector: Danielle Ercolani

Communion Assistant: Naomi Morrison

Ushers: TBD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL is in session on Sundays at 9:00 AM.

CONFIRMATION PARENT AND STUDENT MEETING will be happening today at 11:15 in the Parish Hall.

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.

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.*



If you would like to help out with the craft show please see Laura Poethke or Amber Johnson or sign up sheet on the bulletin board

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES

This Tuesday September 13th @7pm. Come out and us for a time or prayer and devotion. Our Voices that Reign group is amazing.





Do you like to sing!! Then our choir needs you.

We are looking for individuals that would be willing to sing as a soloist, to sing as a part of a group or maybe even play an instrumental selection the first Sunday of each month.

If you would like to be a part of our music team please see the sign up sheet in the hallway downstairs.



For information about our Sunday School

Program please reach out to Our Sunday School Director Laura Poethke

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.

