



Sunday, August 29, 2021

Pentecost 14

Worship focus: *Built according to God's Blueprint. God's People Submit to Each Other in their Roles as Man and Woman.*

HYMN

506 – "Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall"
(The "Amen" is sung after the last hymn only.)

Please stand.

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

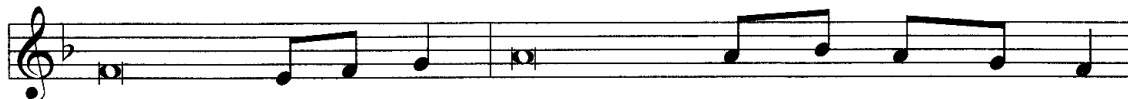


C: A - men.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD



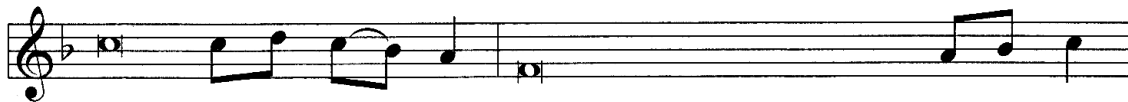
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON – Genesis 2:18-25

Even before the fall into sin, God demonstrates that he has the roles for husband and wife as part of his earthly plan. God blesses not only the union of man and woman, but the roles that they have in marriage.

The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”¹⁹ Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name.²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found.²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and then closed up the place with flesh.²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.²³ The man said, “This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called ‘woman,’ for she was taken out of man.”²⁴ For this reason a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.²⁵ The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 1

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SECOND LESSON – Ephesians 5:21-31

God urges Christian husbands and wives to use their role out of love for their spouse, just as Jesus Christ loved us and laid down his life for us.

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.²² Wives, submit to your husbands as you do to the Lord.²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for his own body, just as Christ does the church—³⁰ for we are members

of his body. ³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

THE VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand.

P: The Gospel according to Mark chapter 10.



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL – Mark 10:1-9

Two genders, two roles, one flesh and one God over all -- that is what God made marriage to be. He binds one man and one woman with his blessing to be one flesh.

Jesus then left that place and went into the region of Judea and across the Jordan. Again crowds of people came to him, and as was his custom, he taught them. ² Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³ “What did Moses command you?” he replied. ⁴ They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.” ⁵ “It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied. ⁶ “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ ⁷ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸ and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one. ⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY 505 – “Love Is the Gracious Gift”

SERMON Text: Ephesians 5:21-31

Theme: Christ makes marriage work.

1. He keeps us in our lanes.
2. He brings us together with his perfect, selfless love.
3. He leads us to thrive in our roles as we live for our spouse.

Please stand.

CREATE IN ME

C: 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 un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are: "C: 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 un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men." The score ends with a double bar line.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

Friendship Registration

Guests: Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

Members: Please fill out name and any new information.

Check the third box if you intend to commune.

Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

HYMN 449 – “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Please stand.

P: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give ☩ you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

HYMN 334 – “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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GREETERS today are:

Tyler & Kathy Smith – Early Service
Jerry & Betty Burkholder – Late Service

Next Sunday:

Jim & Jane Smith – Early Service
Mike & Jill Woodward – Late Service

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (week of August 22, 2021)

Total Worship Attendance: 200; Early: 99; Late: 101; Adult Bible Study: 27; Sunday School: 18. On-line worship service views for August 15 were 37.

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through September 11 are the members of Joe Spaeth's Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, September 12, will be the members of Adam Rettig's Undershepherd group.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (August 29 through September 5)

TODAY Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30; WELS Connection; Adult Bible Study, Sunday School 9:20.

MON Board of Education 6:00 (September meeting).

TUE Fair booth setup 6:30p.m.

SUN **Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30;** Communion; Adult Bible Study, Sunday School 9:20.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

MON Soccer Practice 5:30pm to 7:30 pm.

THE WELS CONNECTION will be shown after each service today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VACATION: There will be no Sunday School for children next Sunday, September 5. Parents, please ask your child to tell you his/her favorite Bible lesson on that Sunday. School year Sunday School will begin on September 12. Adult Bible Class will take place as normal.



HANCOCK COUNTY FAIR: Help is still needed to man the booth at the Fair from September 1st through Labor Day. If you are interested in helping out, sign up on the sheet in the back of church. There are perks- admission is free and you can eat FAIR FOOD!

FAIR BOOTH SET UP is this Tuesday, August 31st at 6:30 p.m. Help is needed!

SURVEY: Representatives from the Commission on Lutheran Schools (CLS) will be visiting Trinity September 16-19 to advise and direct us on the early childhood program at Trinity Lutheran School and the current principal vacancy. There will be multiple opportunities for the congregation to participate and voice their opinions with what's great and with what needs improvement in regards to school and the early childhood education program. However, the first step is completing a survey to better prepare CLS for their site visit. The survey has been sent out via email to the congregation as well as available in the back of church for those who do not have email available to them. If you have not received the email, please email the school office at tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org.

WHO'S READY FOR SOME CHILI? Trinity Outreach is hosting a Chili Cook Off and bonfire on September 18th at 5:00p.m. Want to show off your chili-making skills? Bring 4 to 6 quarts of chili to be judged. Please provide a description of your chili-hot, mild, etc. Anyone who comes to the cook off and bonfire will get 3 tickets. Even the kids can vote for their favorite chili. The cook off will be held from 5:00 to 6:00; games from 6:00 to 7:00 (corn hole tournament!). In the event of rain- the cook off will be held in the school gym. Please bring your own chairs and drinks.

WELCOME BACK TO CHOIR! Our adult choir will begin practice again on Wednesday, September 1 at 7:30 PM. All confirmed members of the congregation are welcome to join us. We will be meeting upstairs in church. Previous members, please bring back your folders and any music you may have at home. If you are not able to attend our first rehearsal, please contact Linda Baumann (567-525-4075 or lbaumann@tlcjenera.org) for information about upcoming practice times and singing schedule.

IT'S NEW! IT'S FRESH! But most importantly it's all about God and showing our love to Him through service and friendships. ALL women are encouraged to gather Monday, September 13 at 7:30 p.m. for woman-lead devotion on "Making an Impact" followed by a service project. We look forward to spending time with women of all ages!

MORNINGS WITH MOMMY: Mornings with Mommy is starting again soon! Our 2021-2022 sessions begin on September 20 & 21. The program is held from 9:30-10:30 on the first and third Mondays of the month with encore sessions on the following Tuesdays. Adults can mingle with each other and enjoy activities with their children including a devotion, arts and crafts, sensory bins, flannel stories and books, music, educational toys and activities, and a snack. The program costs \$5 per family per session. You can pick up a brochure and theme schedule in the church narthex for more information. Register online at tlcjenera.org Space is limited, so please sign up soon! Questions?—Contact Jenny Boehm (262) 391-7994 or mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org.

CARD SHOWER: Jerry and Betty Burkholder are celebrating 60 years of marriage on September 3. The family would like to honor them with a card shower. Please send your cards and messages of love to 18225 county Road 15, Bluffton, OH 45817. God bless this long and happy marriage!

TEEN BIBLE CLASS will resume Sunday, September 12th at 9:20 a.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our school depends on volunteers (parents or grandparents or any willing congregation members) to help out daily. If you are able to assist with school lunches or noon recess playground monitor (once or twice a week, every other week, or just as a substitute), please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or contact the school office at 419-326-4685 or tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org. Lots of help is needed!

Mornings with Mommy is looking for volunteers to help with the program. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. ***Volunteers usually help once a month.***

Barn clean up: We will be cleaning out the barn behind the parsonage on September 12. Volunteers are needed to help. Also, if you are interested in any items that will not be useful to church or school, you are free to take those items.