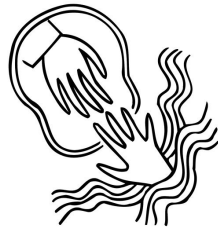


**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2022**

Welcome

P This is the day that the Lord has made!

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it!



Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Silence for reflection and self examination

P 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.**

P 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, our sins are forgiven. We are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

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.

Praise Songs

Bind Us Together

Refrain:

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken,

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
Bind us together in love.

There is only one God, there is only one King;
There is only one body, that is why I sing.

Repeat refrain

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray together. **O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

First Reading *Jeremiah 23:23-29*

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

....*The Word of the Lord*

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 82

¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

²**"How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?"**

³Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴**rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶**Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.'"

⁸**Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.**

Second Reading *Hebrews 11:29-12:2*

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

....*The Word of the Lord*

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Verse

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter.

(sung) Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel ***Luke 12:49-56***

Jesus said: “I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to

interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

...*The Gospel of the Lord*

(sung) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Youth Time

Please be seated

Meditation

Hymn

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me with your
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on

pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es,

feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; r. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the Church

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

A brief silence.

Arise, O God, and sustain your church. We pray for all who dedicate their lives to serving your people. Renew our commitment to our siblings in faith around the globe, and bless the work of our ecumenical and interfaith partners.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Arise, O God, and sustain your creation. We pray for all places affected by natural disasters. Transform the devastation of floods and fires into fertile ground for new life and growth. Fill heaven and earth with your life-giving Spirit.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Arise, O God, and sustain the nations. We pray for all elected officials. Kindle in them a desire to administer your justice. Strengthen their resolve to defend those who are vulnerable and to stand publicly against all forms of oppression.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Arise, O God, and sustain those who are oppressed. We pray for people harmed by racist discrimination, ableist discrimination, and all people discriminated against based on their gender identity or sexual orientation. Rescue us from all systems that degrade our fellow human beings.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Arise, O God, and sustain the ministries of TOL and Augustana. We pray for this community, celebrating with those who rejoice and weeping with those who cry out to you especially Glenda, Ralph, Evelyn, Bill, Carol, Don, Dorothy and Cynthia. In our joy and in our tears, be near us.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We also pray for those impacted by war and violence and those affected by natural disasters, and we pray for our men and women in the armed forces. We also ask for your mercy and blessing on those for whom we now pray, either in our hearts or aloud:

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we remember the saints who have gone before us. May we run with perseverance the race set before us until we find our rest in you.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able

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 God thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so with choirs of angels, with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise: (*sung*):

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

Words of Institution

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray. **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.**

*{P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.}*

Communion Song

Please be seated

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion will be as follows: Please come up the aisle, pulpit side first, to receive the body/bread or a blessing, then move to receive the blood/wine/grape juice. Place empty glass in receptacle as you return to your seat. At this time, we will not have kneeling or use the altar rail.

Communion: *From the Small Catechism of Martin Luther: “that person is well prepared [to receive communion] who believes these words, **given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, for the words for you** simply require a believing heart.”*

The Body of Christ given for you.

The Blood of Christ shed for you.

Post-Communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray. 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. **Amen.**

Blessing

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn


Lift High the Cross



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till




all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

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Announcements

Welcome to TOL: We hope this worship brings you joy, peace, hope, and will challenge you for your week ahead!

Prayer Partner Ministry: If you are in need of prayer, please come to the altar following our worship service. Prayers are confidential; today's prayer partner is Charlie Schmidtke.

Today's Altar Flowers: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God from Sandi and Sam Koch in memory of Art Menge.

Annual Chiavetta's Dinner and Theme Basket Fundraiser: This year's fund raising event will be held on **Sunday, September 11 from 12 noon till 3:30 pm**. The good news is that people will have the choice of dining in our Fellowship Hall if they prefer that over take out. Baskets, gift cards, volunteers and desserts are needed to make this year's event a success. Please spread the word about the dinner and the auction to your friends and neighbors! Any questions about the theme basket auction, please see Debbie Feger or Kelly Barker. Please contact Scott Edwards or Earlene Crocker if you can help on Sunday or if you can help with setting up the tables on **Saturday, Sept. 10 at 10 am**. More details to follow. Thank you for your help and support!

Fall 2022 Adult Ed: The next adult education program at TOL, led by Charlie Schmidtke, will begin on **Monday, September 12**. We will be looking at who the "Real Jesus" may be. There are copies of the schedule in the narthex – please take one.

Table Talk Returns in September: Please join us here at TOL for this discussion group beginning **Wed., Sept. 14** at 6:30 pm and we meet every other week. Our focus will be on Oprah Winfrey's "Belief" video series. A discussion will follow each episode; there will also be a Zoom option. More details to follow!

Adult Retreat: We will gather again for fellowship, laughter and prayer at the Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Camp on **September 30, October 1 & 2**. There will be more information when we have a clearer picture of the gathering. There will be a sign-up sheet on the main bulletin board, and if you are worshiping with us on Zoom, just call or email the office and we can add your name.

Offering: Thank you for your gifts to TOL. There is an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. If you send your offering through the US mail, please use checks only-please don't mail cash. We also have online giving through tithe.ly, which can be accessed through TOL's website homepage (www.trinityoldlutheran.com). If you have a smartphone, you can download the Tithe.ly app. Instructions for both ways of giving through Tithe.ly are on our website's homepage. Please call the office at (716) 836-4868 if you have any questions.

August Mission: This month our focus will be Family Promise of WNY, which functions as an emergency shelter for homeless families, enabling families to stay together while in their care. This organization has been serving our community for over 25 years. Please use the marked envelopes in the narthex, use tithe.ly, or mail your donation to the church office, indicating that your donation is for Family Promise of WNY. Thank you for your support.

Friends of Night People Info: Thank you to all the volunteers who continue to make the sandwiches each week! In addition to the sandwich ministry, there is a barrel in the main

hallway off the narthex for clothing donations (mostly for men), and we are collecting new socks, small sized hygiene products, such as soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste; there's a tote in the narthex for these supplies. Thank you, everyone!

Worship on Cable TV: If you are unable to join us for in-person or Zoom worship on Sundays, Lutheran worship is available on Cable TV channel 5, MeTV, Sundays at 10:00 am. "Church Unleashed" is led by Lutheran Pastors Beigner, Griffiths and Smith.

Operation Christmas Child: We are collecting items for this year's shoeboxes throughout the year. There is a list of items needed in the Trinity Tidings and a collection box in the narthex for your items. Thank you for your continued support.

Heidi's Hats: Stop by the Heidi's Hats display today in the narthex to see if you'd like one for yourself or a friend. All proceeds go to fight leukemia research. Heidi's brochure on battling cancer is also available for anyone to take.

Hope and Healing: Linda Sokoley hosts a Christian cancer support group at Augustana and via Zoom. The next group is this Tuesday, August 23 from 3 – 4 pm and it is open to all. Participants attending in church must wear masks. For a Zoom invitation, or if you have questions, please contact Linda: 716/694-2451 (cell) or lsokoley@hotmail.com.

Food Drive: We are so grateful for all your donations. We will continue to accept grocery donations of non-perishable items (and gift cards to grocery stores), such as:

Soups and other canned goods (vegetables, tuna, beans, etc.)

Peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, applesauce

Breakfast items: cereal, oatmeal, grits, granola bars

Boxes of pantry staples: instant potatoes, rice, mac and cheese, pasta, ramen noodles

(Please check food expiration dates before donating.)

Paper goods (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.)

Personal care (feminine hygiene products, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, diapers, etc.)

Food items can be dropped off here at TOL Tuesdays through Fridays from 9 a.m. – noon - just ring the doorbell to let the office know that you're here. Thank you for your generosity!

Book Sale: Visit our Book Sale in the Resource Library and catch up on your summer reading! The books are located in the first room in the hallway past the main bulletin board. Lots to choose from, including puzzles, magazine, and children's books.

<i>Please notify the Church Office of any schedule changes, member illness, prayer request, etc., so church staff can respond accordingly. Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 am–12 noon. Please note that the office is unstaffed on Mondays. For a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Fred. For office related matters, please leave a voice mail message or send an email.</i>	T h i s w e e k , s c a l e n d a r	Sun	8/14	9:30 am 11 am 3:30 pm 7 pm	Worship Service at Augustana Worship Service at TOL Abiding Faith Worship GA and GAMAnon Meetings
		Mon	8/15	10 am 5:45 pm 7 pm	OA Meeting Yoga Sandwich Team #1
		Tues	8/16	7:30 pm	CoDA
		Wed	8/17	12 noon 5:45 pm	Yoga (via Zoom) Yoga (in Studio and Zoom)
		Thurs	8/18	9:30 am 5:45 pm	Yoga (in Studio and Zoom) Yoga (in Studio and Zoom)
		Fri	8/19		
		Sat	8/20		
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Announcements: *If you'd like to submit a bulletin or Tidings announcement, please send it to trinityoldlutheran@verizon.net or call 836-4868 by Wednesday morning. Thank you.*

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