

## ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2020

Trinity Free Lutheran Church, Grand Forks, ND

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### INVOCATION

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

**Amen.**

### INTROIT: PSALM 28: 1-2, 6-8 (ESV)

To you, O LORD, I call;

my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if you be silent to me,

I become like those who go down to the pit.

<sup>2</sup> **Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,**

**when I cry to you for help,**

**when I lift up my hands**

**toward your most holy sanctuary.**

<sup>6</sup> Blessed be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

<sup>7</sup> **The LORD is my strength and my shield;**

**in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;**

**my heart exults,**

**and with my song I give thanks to him.**

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is the strength of his people;<sup>[b]</sup>

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

<sup>9</sup> **Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!**

**Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

### OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your Holy Word. We pray that You will open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and in death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake.

**Amen.**

### #243 "NOW THAT THE SUN IS BEAMING BRIGHT"

1 Now that the sun is beaming bright,  
Once more to God we pray.  
That He, the uncreated Light,  
May guide our souls this day.

2 No sinful word, no deed of wrong,  
Nor thoughts that idly rove,  
But simple truth be on our tongue,  
And in our hearts be love.

3 And while the hours in order flow,  
O Christ, securely fence  
Our gates beleaguered by the foe,  
The gate of ev'ry sense.

4 And grant that to Thine honor, Lord,  
Our daily toil may tend:  
That we begin it at Thy word,  
And in Thy favor end.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:8-9) And so with confidence we bow before the Lord to confess our sins.

**Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and ask You for Christ's sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### KYRIE

**O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us!**

**O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us!**

**O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us!**

### **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name, He gives power to become sons of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant this, LORD, to us all.

**Amen.**

### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: ISAIAH 56:1, 6-8 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my righteousness be revealed.

<sup>6</sup> “And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,  
and holds fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.”

<sup>8</sup> The Lord GOD,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,  
“I will gather yet others to him  
besides those already gathered.”

### **EPISTLE LESSON: ROMANS 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if

their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

<sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED**

***I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.***

***And 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, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from where He shall 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.***

### **GLORIA PATRI**

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

Lane Lindseth

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **OFFERING RESPONSE**

***We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be.  
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust O Lord from Thee. Amen.***

### **#457 “PASS ME NOT, O GENTLE SAVIOR”**

- 1 Pass me not, O gentle Savior,  
Hear my humble cry;  
While on others Thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by.

Refrain:

- Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry,  
While on others Thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by.
- 2 Let me at Thy throne of mercy  
Find a sweet relief;  
Kneeling there in deep contrition,  
Help my unbelief.
- 3 Trusting only in Thy merit,  
Would I seek Thy face;  
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,  
Save me by Thy grace.
- 4 Thou, the Spring of all my comfort,  
More than life to me,  
Whom have I on earth beside Thee?  
Whom in heav’n but Thee?

### **Children’s Sermon**

Frieda Larson

### **GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 15:21-28 (ESV)**

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from

their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

### **SERMON**

Stephen Larson

### **# 565 “MY FAITH HAS FOUND A RESTING PLACE”**

- 1 My faith has found a resting place—  
Not in device nor creed:  
I trust the Ever-living One—  
His wounds for me shall plead.

Refrain:

- I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died,  
And that He died for me.
- 2 Enough for me that Jesus saves—  
This ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I come to Him—  
He’ll never cast me out.
- 3 My heart is leaning on the Word—  
The written Word of God:  
Salvation by my Savior’s name—  
Salvation thru His blood.
- 4 My great Physician heals the sick,  
The lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed,  
For me His life He gave.

### **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.***

**BENEDICTION** (Numbers 6:24-26)

The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**Amen.**

**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.***

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**Welcome to our Worship Service this morning!**

**Opportunities for the Week**

**Sun. Aug. 23** “Behold His Glory” KNOX 1310 AM 7:30 am  
Divine Worship 10:30 am  
(on site and live stream – [trinityfreegf.org/sermons](http://trinityfreegf.org/sermons))  
Stephen Larson will be bringing the message.

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**Notice:** We need volunteers to clean the church until the end of August, or until we can find a service or someone to do it. There is a signup sheet on the kitchen door. Please sign when you can help. Guidelines for cleaning are also posted on the door plus there are extra copies on the desk in the office if you need one.

If you know of someone who is willing to clean on an ongoing basis, please let June Thompson know.

**WMF:** Since we were unable to host an in person bridal shower for Grace Holt (Dryburgh), we still want to acknowledge her. Grace & Caleb were married on June 27<sup>th</sup>. If you’d like to help honor her, you may either buy a gift and leave it at the church (we’ll see that it gets delivered), or contribute money (give to June Thompson) toward a gift card that we will buy and send to her. She was registered at Amazon and Target.

Please do so by August 30<sup>th</sup>.

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If you have lost a clip-on earring with a brown stone in it, you can find it on my desk in the office, Marilyn

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**Dates to Remember**

No WMF meeting in August.

Pastor Dan will be on vacation until September 1<sup>st</sup>.

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Remember to pray for those who are hurting or sick, those who have lost a loved one, young families with children, our nation, the AFLC, members & friends of Trinity, Pastor Dan and Alicia Antal.

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**08/09 Attn: 30; Offering: \$885; Radio: \$10**

**08/23 Texts:** Is. 51:1-6; Rom. 11:33-12:8; Matt. 16:13-20

**Aug. Music:** Marilyn Lee