Blessed in Struggle



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, October 19, 2025 9:00 am Service

Order of Worship

*stand as you are able

Prelude Karla Keller

Welcome

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful and loving God,

We are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

Hymn #669

verses 1, 3, 5

Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn; Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.

Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace; Redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.

Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod; And, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

*Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Hymn #151

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Hymn of Praise

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Hymn #857

Lord, I lift your name on high.
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries.

Teach us to rely day and night on your care.

Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Children's Moment / Noisy Offering

Nick Neaton

Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

Jacob Wrestles God

The same night, Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message Pastor Paul Lutter

Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me

Hymn #798

verses 1, 2, 4

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?

Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

*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 communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Prayers of the Church

Congregational Response: Hear our prayer.

*Sharing of the Peace / Announcements

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering

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Offertory Response

We Are An Offering

Hymn #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are,

All that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering, we are an offering.

Holy Communion

*Words of Institution

*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.

Distribution of Holy Communion

Please come forward for Holy Communion this morning by using the center aisle and returning by the side aisle. If you prefer, gluten free wafers are available on the center table and white grape juice is located in the inner circle of the tray.

Communion Hymn

One Bread, One Body

Hymn #496

*Closing Prayer

Good and Gracious God,

You have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.

Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go

Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Benediction

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, † bless you now and forever.

Amen.

1. Come! Liv in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdon, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

- 2. Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!
 We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more.
 (Refrain)
- 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. (Refrain)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Karla Keller

In Our Prayers:

Geri Danielson, Frank Fritzke, Dick Erickson, Stacey Lewandowski, Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson), Stacey Barta (niece of Bob & JoAnn Lohmann), our missionary in Papua New Guinea, Rev. Andrew Ronnevik and family

We extend our sympathy to Tami Kugler and family upon the recent loss of her son, Sam Kugler. May God grant you peace and comfort.



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Announcements

You are invited to enjoy conversation, treats and coffee following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Royals Room Noisy Offering Make a Joyful Noise! The children of Trinity will collect loose change during worship services in the month of October. This special offering will go to the Watertown-Mayer Elementary School Royals Room, which provides healthy snacks and school supplies to students.

Youth Ministry Planning Meeting Trinity Youth in grades 6-12 and their parents are invited to join Pastor Paul after worship today, Sunday, October 19 at 10:00 am in the Pioneer Room to get the conversation started on how Trinity can provide meaningful youth ministry experiences this upcoming year.

Trinity Parsonage Update At a Special Congregational Meeting, the congregation voted to remove the parsonage from the church property. Join us today, Sunday, October 19 at 10:45 am for a short service of thanksgiving and farewell to the Trinity parsonage. Following worship, you are welcome to tour the house before we gather to give thanks for its years of service and ministry.

Trunk-or-Treat at Trinity Families, friends and neighbors are invited to "trunk-or-treat" in the Trinity parking lot on Sunday, October 26 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Start decorating your vehicle and choosing your costumes for an afternoon of fun! If you can help with the event, sign up at www.trin.org under EVENTS.

Red Cross Blood Drive at Trinity Let's roll up our sleeves and help save lives!

The Watertown-Mayer High School Student Council is hosting a Red Cross Blood

Drive at Trinity on Wednesday, October 29 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Visit www.redcrossblood.org/give or call 1-800-RED CROSS to make an appointment.