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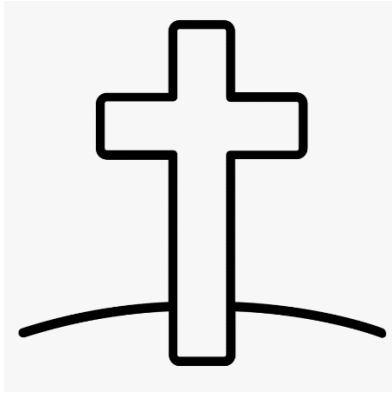
Lectionary 14 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary & live-streaming

Live streaming on Facebook and YouTube (Trinity LutheranSparta)

Our worship service will also be recorded and will be available on our website

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Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

***Opening Hymn:** *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

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***Prayer of the Day**

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the Father who shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm: Psalm 66:1-9

- ¹Be joyful in God, all you lands;
be joyful, all the earth.
- ²**Sing the glory of God's name;
sing the glory of God's praise.**
- ³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- ⁴**All the earth bows down before you,
sings to you, sings out your name."**
- ⁵Come now and see the works of God,
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.
- ⁶**God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the
water on foot,
and there we rejoiced in God.**
- ⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;
let no rebels exalt themselves.
- ⁸**Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard.**
- ⁹Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip.

Second Reading: Amos 5:4-15

- ⁴For thus says the LORD to the house of Israel:
Seek me and live,
⁵but do not seek Bethel,
and do not enter into Gilgal
or cross over to Beer-sheba,
for Gilgal shall surely go into exile,
and Bethel shall come to nothing.
- ⁶Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
- ⁷Ah, you who turn justice to wormwood
and bring righteousness to the ground!

⁸ The one who made the Pleiades and Orion
and turns deep darkness into the morning
and darkens the day into night,
who calls for the water of the sea
and pours it out on the surface of the earth,
the LORD is his name,
⁹ who makes destruction flash out against the strong,
so that destruction comes upon the fortress.
¹⁰ They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
¹¹ Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
¹² For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe
and push aside the needy in the gate.
¹³ Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.
¹⁴ Seek good and not evil,
that you may live,
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
¹⁵ Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Prayers of Intercession**

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit we turn our hearts to God in humble gratitude.

A brief silence

We give you thanks, O God, for the food we eat. You have blessed us with great abundance. Grant us generous hearts that, in the midst of such abundance, no person will go hungry. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for the shelter you provide for us; the warmth our homes provide in the winter, the coolness we enjoy in the summer. Grant that none of your children will ever be homeless. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for our nation. Correct us when we are wrong. Lead us into justice and peace for all. Grant all around our nation a joyful Independence Day. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for our elected leaders. Give them the wisdom and insight they need to make good decisions. Give them the strength to do what is right. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for our family friends and neighbors. Care for any who are suffering physically, emotionally or spiritually. Draw them close to you. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God for this church and all those we meet in worship. May our worship be sincere and pleasing in your sight. God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts to your holy keeping.
Amen.

***Sharing of the Peace**

Offering – *“But the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.”*
(Mark 4:19)



Thank you for your continued support of Trinity's ongoing mission to serve the people of God in our community and the world. Your offering can be placed in the offering plate in the narthex as you leave. You may also mail it in, leave it in the lockbox outside the main door or use one of the electronic means available. Scan the QR code to donate now to Trinity's General Fund. Thank you!

***Offering Prayer**

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

***Great Thanksgiving (spoken)**

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***Preface**

***Holy, holy, holy Lord (sung)**

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Words of Institution

***The Lord's Prayer**

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Communion

***Prayer after Communion**

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**

The God of peace,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.
Amen.

***Sending Hymn:** *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

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***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

Attendance for Sunday, June 26, 2022 – Worship in the Park

For June 19, 2022:

General fund giving, including Simply Giving, is \$6826.88

Designated fund giving, including Simply Giving, is \$268.52

Sunday, July 3, 2022

9:00 a.m.:

Greeters – Jerry & Julie Ender

Reader – Pete Perkins

Ushers - Paul & Chuck Amundson, Mark Baltz, Alice Olson

Music - Accompanist: Adell Morton

Altar Team – Month of July: Diane Dammen

Coffee Fellowship – Opportunity to serve

Flower Pick Up –Friday, July 8th: Cora Aschwander

Money Counters – Tues., July 5th – Fred Olsen – Nancy Oswald – Gail Baltz

Food Pantry – July 6th – Anita Jensen & Donna Boland

Sunday, July 10, 2022

9:00 a.m.:

Greeters – Phil & Diane Dammen

Reader – Joyce Putman

Ushers - Paul & Chuck Amundson, Mark Baltz, Alice Olson

Music - Accompanist: Adell Morton

Altar Team – Month of July: Diane Dammen

Coffee Fellowship – Opportunity to serve

Flower Pick Up –Friday, July 15th: Cora Aschwander

Money Counters – Tues., July 11th – Alton Ask-Audrey Zebell-Bill McClain

Food Pantry – July 13th – Julie Erickson & Karen Hernandez

Sunday, July 17, 2022

9:00 a.m.:

Greeters – Terry & Joyce Putman

Reader – Tom Schauer

Ushers - Paul & Chuck Amundson, Mark Baltz, Alice Olson

Music - Accompanist: Wyatt Tripp

Altar Team – Month of July: Diane Dammen

Coffee Fellowship – Opportunity to serve

Flower Pick Up –Friday, July 22nd: Cora Aschwander

Money Counters – Tues., July 18th-Carol Thorsen-Adell Morton-B. Degenhardt

Food Pantry – July 20th – Dennis & Carol Glama