

# **Holy Trinity**



**June 15, 2025**

**Holy Trinity**

**10:30 am**

**Holy Communion**

# Gathering Music



*“In This Very Room”*

Mark Hayes

**Reed Wagner, organist**

JUNE 14/15, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

Rev. Dr. Michelle Holley Carlson,  
Preaching

Rev. Dr. Rick Carlson,  
Presiding



# **S.A.F.E. Center Donations for June:** *Shelf Stable & Microwavable Foods*

Please put on the sharing  
shelf in the narthex.

**Peanut Butter**

**Crackers**

**Trail Mix**

**Rice or Pasta Pouches**

**Instant Mac and Cheese Cups**

**Ramen Noodles**

**Instant Soup**

**Pudding Cups**

**Jello Cups**

**Chips**

**Canned Tuna or Chicken**

**Instant Oatmeal Cups**

**Cereal**

**Pop Tarts**

**Protein/Granola Bars**

**Canned Fruit**



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# **Annual Congregational Meeting**

- **Sunday, June 29**
- **9:45 am**
- **Centennial Hall**

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND. WE WILL VOTE ON ELECTED OFFICIALS, VOTE ON THE BUDGET AND CELEBRATE THE CONGREGATION'S ACTIVITIES.



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



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## JULY 14 – 17 & 20

**WEEKDAYS 6:00pm – 8:00pm**

Check-In & Free-Will Donation Meal 5:15-5:50pm

**SUNDAY, JULY 20:**

**10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE**

VBS Takeover: 5th Lesson, Perform Songs, Party After

### Items needed for VBS:

**Brown grocery paper bags, Glue sticks, Crayons, Markers, Red or white rectangular plastic table cloths, Adult Scissors, Playdoh, 10 lbs. Beef, Apple Juice or Capri Sun Water Boxes, Hobby Lobby and Walmart gift cards, Monetary donations.**

**A complete list and a collection box is in the Narthex.**



**Thank you, John Love, for serving as  
Assistant Minister for so many years!**

*John is stepping down from being Assistant Minister.  
He's still very active in several areas serving at the church.*





## GREETING ONE ANOTHER

*We greet one another in the name of  
the Lord using words such as  
“Peace be with you.”*



# Worship Song

*“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”*

**ELW 413**





**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”, ELW 413**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning**

**our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**



**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”, ELW 413**

**Holy, holy, holy!  
All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea;**





**cherubim and seraphim  
falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and  
evermore shalt be.**



**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”, ELW 413**

**Holy, holy, holy!  
Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness  
thy glory may not see,**





**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”, ELW 413**

**only thou art holy;  
there is none beside thee,  
perfect in pow’r in love and purity.**



**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”, ELW 413**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name  
in earth and sky and sea.**

**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

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# 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.**



# Prayer of the Day

**L:** Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three.



## Prayer of the Day

Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**



**L:** A reading from Romans, the fifth chapter.





## Word: Romans 5:1-5

**L:** <sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.



## Word: Romans 5:1-5

<sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

*(Romans 5:1-5)*



## **Word: Romans 5:1-5**

**L:** Word of God. Word of Life.

**C:** Thanks be to God.



## Gospel: John 16:12-15

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**





## Gospel: John 16:12-15

**P:** [Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup> “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.



## Gospel: John 16:12-15

<sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

*(John 16:12-15)*



## Gospel: John 16:12-15

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

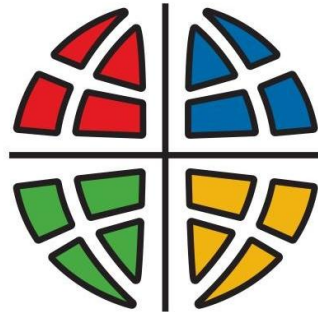
**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**



## Children's Message

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND “NOISY” OFFERING

*Children's Offering goes to  
ELCA North Carolina Disaster Relief Fund*



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# **Sermon**



**SERMON**

**Pastor Michelle Holley Carlson**

# Worship Song

*“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”*

**ELW 412**



**Come, join the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun  
the interweaving of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.**



**The universe of space and time  
did not arise by chance,  
but as the Three, in love and hope,  
made room within their dance.**





**Come, see the face of Trinity,  
newborn in Bethlehem;  
then bloodied by a crown of thorns  
outside Jerusalem.**



**The dance of Trinity is meant  
for human flesh and bone;  
when fear confines the dance in death,  
God rolls away the stone.**



**Come, speak aloud of Trinity,  
as wind and tongues of flame  
set people free at Pentecost  
to tell the Savior's name.**



**We know the yoke of sin and death,  
our necks have worn it smooth;  
go tell the world of weight and woe  
that we are free to move!**



# **“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”, ELW 412**

**Within the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun,  
we sing the praises of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.**



# **“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”, ELW 412**

**Let voices rise and interweave,  
by love and hope set free,  
to shape in song this joy, this life:  
the dance of Trinity.**

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# Creed

**L:** Let us profess our faith.

**C:** I believe in God, the Father almighty.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son,  
our Lord and Savior. I believe in  
the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian  
church, the forgiveness of sins  
and the life everlasting.  
**Amen.**



# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**L:** Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

*A brief silence for reflection.*



# Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit.



# Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea.



## Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people, especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others.



# Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain.





# Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick. We pray especially for...



# Prayers of Intercession

Skylar Marie Adams  
Jim Anderson  
Scott Bierman  
Bertha Boyer  
Vicki Buschelman  
Gregory Carrico  
Wayne Deterding  
Terry Eirich

Leonard Fowler  
Tyler Freeland  
Randy Fritson  
Rocky Geiser  
Larry Giddings  
Kelsey Gronewold  
Ron Kruse  
Emily McArthur



# Prayers of Intercession

Ruth Ellen Rebelein  
Eileen Richter  
Brent Roemmich  
Garth Scism  
Denise Scott  
Addison Sullivan

Tony Tauer  
Eunice Warner  
Misty White  
Dean Wiese  
Miranda Wright



# Prayers of Intercession

**L:** Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection. Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you.



# Prayers of Intercession

**P:** Gather all our prayers in your mercy,  
O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**



# Meal

*Please be seated.*

## OFFERTORY

*“Jesus Loves Me”, William B. Bradbury arr. Lennart Schalm*

**Monie Karschner, Becky Bredenkamp,  
Jean Gawenda**

*Communion Servers,  
Please come forward at this time.*

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# Confession and Forgiveness

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Confession and Forgiveness

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

**C: Amen.**



# Confession and Forgiveness

**P:** Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Merciful God,

**C:** you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and  
follow our own way.



# Confession and Forgiveness

**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**

**You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.**



# Confession and Forgiveness

**In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life.  
Amen.**



# Confession and Forgiveness

**P:** You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of ✝ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new  
creation.

**C: Amen.**



# Offertory Prayer

**L:** Let us pray.

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.





## Offertory Prayer

Strengthen us at your table with these  
gifts of the earth and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**



# The Great Thanksgiving

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** We lift them to the Lord.



# The Great Thanksgiving

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.



## Words of Institution

**P:** In the night in which he was handed over, 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.



## Words of Institution

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.



# Words of Institution

**P:** Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**



# The Lord's Prayer

**P:** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,  
let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom  
come, thy will be done, on earth  
as it is in heaven.



## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**





# Invitation to Communion

**P:** The kingdom of God is set before you.  
Eat and rejoice.

*Please be seated.*



# Communion

*We practice open communion at First Lutheran. All are welcome to receive the elements. Gluten-free wafers are available. In addition to the cups filled with wine (red) in the tray, there are cups containing grape juice (clear) in the center.*

## **Prayers for Healing and Laying on of Hands**

*If you would like prayers of healing, join the pastor in the Narthex after you have received communion.*

## **Communion Music**

*“Here at Your Table, Lord”, Mark Hayes*

**Reed Wagner, organist**



# Table Grace

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

**C: Amen.**



## Prayer after Communion

**L:** Let us pray.

Nurturing God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.

Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**



# Blessing

**P:** The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill  
your hearts;

and the life of the Spirit

✠ bless you and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**



# Worship Song

*“How Majestic is Your Name”*



# **“How Majestic is Your Name”**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is  
your name in all the earth!**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is  
Your name in all the earth.**



# **“How Majestic is Your Name”**

**O Lord, we praise Your name.  
O Lord, we magnify Your name,  
Prince of Peace, mighty God.  
O Lord God Almighty.**





# **“How Majestic is Your Name”**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is  
your name in all the earth!**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is  
Your name in all the earth.**



# **“How Majestic is Your Name”**

**O Lord, we praise Your name.  
O Lord, we magnify Your name,  
Prince of Peace, mighty God.  
O Lord God Almighty.**



# Dismissal

**L:** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**



# Postlude



*“O Worship The King”,  
Phillip Keveren*

**Reed Wagner, organist**