



**Eleventh Sunday
after Pentecost
July 31, 2016
Service of the Word
for Healing**

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Pam Illick, Pastor**



Good morning! May this time of worship and receiving God's Word refresh and rejuvenate you for faithful living. Welcome, all! If you are a visitor, please sign the guest register at the rear of the sanctuary and please join us for worship again. We have a transport chair available to members and guests when needed. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION

GATHERING

The assembly stands and faces the font (if you are able).

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

C Amen.

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

(Time for personal reflection and confession.)

P Just and gracious God,

C we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GATHERING SONG *How Great Thou Art* (ELW 856)

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a "vanity of vanities." Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one's work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

L A reading from Ecclesiastes.

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 49:1-12

¹Hear this, all you peoples;
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
²you of high degree and low,
rich and poor together.
³My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

**1 I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

**5 Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
6 the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own
prowess,
and boast of their great riches?**

**7 One can never redeem another,
or give to God the ransom for another's life;**

**8 for the ransom of a life is so great
that there would never be enough to pay it,**

**9 in order to live forever and ever
and never see the grave.**

**10 For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid
they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

**11 Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places
from generation to generation,
though they had named lands after themselves.**

**12 Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like the beasts that perish.**

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11

Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes in order to put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.

L A reading from Colossians.

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.

⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Assembly stands.*)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will

pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

The assembly remains seated for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN OF THE DAY *There Is a Balm in Gilead* (ELW 614)

The assembly stands.

INTRODUCTION TO SERVICE OF HEALING

P Our Lord Jesus healed many as a sign of the reign of God come near and sent the disciples to continue this work of healing—with prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing. In the name of Christ, the great healer and reconciler of the world, we now entrust to God all who are in need of healing.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition the congregation will respond:

C hear our prayer.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P Sisters and brothers, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

The assembly is seated.

Those who wish to receive laying on of hands and anointing approach and, as conditions permit, kneel.

P Receive this oil as a sign of forgiveness and healing in Jesus Christ.

R Amen.

After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands, and the presiding minister continues.

P Let us pray.

Living God, through the laying on of hands and anointing, grant comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing. When they are afraid, give them courage; when afflicted, give them patience; when dejected, give them hope; and when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING: HEALING

P Almighty God, who is a strong tower to all, to whom all things in heaven and on earth bow and obey, be now and evermore your sure defense, and help you to know that the name given to us for health and salvation is the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

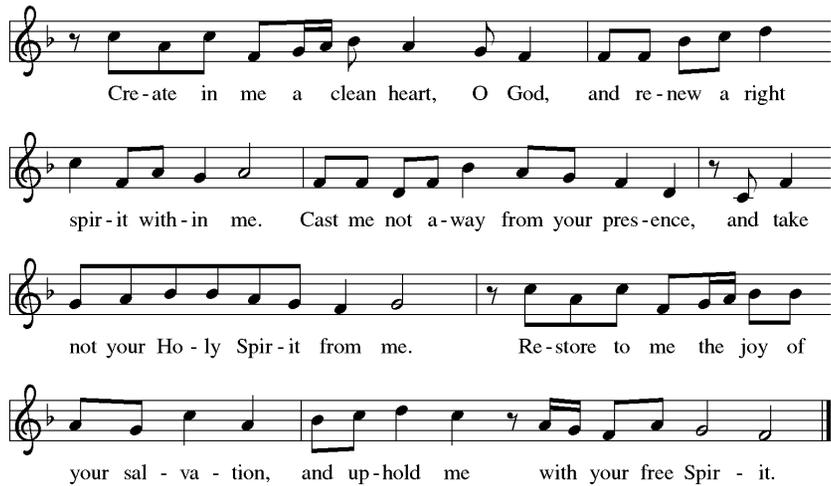
The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

THANK AND TELL

OFFERTORY *(The assembly stands.)*



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

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OFFERING PRAYER

A O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* (ELW 536)

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share God's message of love through your words and actions with others

C We will. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Worship is ended: our service begins.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- PRAYER AND SUPPORT -



Please keep these people in your prayers: Phyllis Baker, Cookie Beck, Jean Benedict, Katie Bondroff, James and Doris Davis, Sarah Foose, Jarrett Hall, Ulysses Jones, Nicole Leister, Laura Lentz, Jim Miller, Pearl Minnich, Adeline Plaine, Gerald Reichard, Barry Scott, Brian Sease, Pastor Ray Shriver, Barbara Stoops.

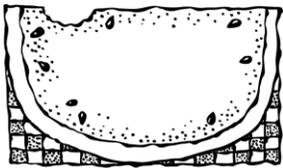
Special prayers for: Police officers, Fire Fighters and all First Responders

Please let the church office know when the special needs for those on the prayer list are resolved so that we can keep our list updated.

THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT!! If you or a family member is admitted to the hospital, please let the office or Pastor Pam know. If you must leave a message on the voicemail, **please** make sure to leave the room number of the person hospitalized. The hospital will tell Pastor the person is not in the hospital if her name is not on the list of people who are allowed to get room assignment information. Thank you.

Pastor Pam will be in the church office Tuesday and Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. Days off will be Friday and Saturday. Since Pastor will be out in the community much of the time, if you would like to meet with her, please call her at 443-876-4736 (her cell phone) to set an appointment. If she does not answer, please leave a message with the day and time of your call and your name.

- UPCOMING EVENTS -



Church Picnic

We hope you have the date of August 21 marked on your calendar. That's when we will meet at Pine Hill Recreation Area at noon for our annual **Church Picnic**. We will supply chicken, drinks and place settings. If you plan to attend, please sign the reservation sheet on the Trinity News bulletin board in the hallway off the narthex,



Lunch Bunch folks, how about a change of pace? Today let's plan to take a sack lunch to Pen Mar Park! We will be able to enjoy the park and the sounds of a music group called Spectrum!!! Plan to bring your lawn chair and your sack lunch and let's have some fun! (If it rains we will go to an indoor restaurant and do Pen Mar on a different day.)

Informational Meeting: The Church Council has made the decision to offer electronic giving as a means of stewardship for offering to the church. There will be an informational meeting immediately following the church service today. Please stay and learn how this form of giving might work for you. Keep an open mind and come with your questions

Faith Study: What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus? Come to this study on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. through August 30. This study will go beyond simply understanding Jesus' ministry with his earliest followers. We will look at our own discipleship, discover how our relationships can grow in depth and practice as we follow Jesus. Come to as many sessions as you can. Don't worry if you have to miss one or some. You are held in prayer as you consider how God is calling you to respond to learning and growing in **faith study**.

Flea market, craft and party vendors are needed to participate in the 27th annual **Celebration Day** at the Village at Luther Ridge on Saturday, September 23. Outdoor spaces are available at \$10. To reserve your space, contact Anna Nelson at 762-6621 or annamnelson@comcast.net. Celebration Day is sponsored by SpiriTrust Lutheran™ Chambersburg Auxiliary.

Dinner at the Ridge will be held at the Fleck Center at noon on Wednesday, August 10. The cost is \$6.75. The menu for August is: creamed lettuce, glazed pork loin, roasted potatoes, summer vegetables, dinner rolls & butter, assorted desserts, beverages. Please call 264-3212 to make your reservation. Deadline for reservations is noon on Friday, August 5.

Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and join us for the last **Music @ The Ridge** concert of the summer. The Shippensburg Swing Band will be on hand for an evening of fun on August 12. A food stand with grilled hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda, and water will be available beginning at 5 p.m. Music will begin at 6 p.m. A free will offering will be taken to support the SpiriTrust Lutheran™ Chambersburg Auxiliary. In the case of bad weather, the event will move inside the Fleck Center.

- STEWARDSHIP -

Sharing the abundance of God's gifts to us of time, talents and wealth with others

Flower, Bulletin and Candle Sponsor Charts: Are you thinking of a way to honor a loved one's birthday, anniversary, accomplishment, baptismal anniversary, or to just say, "I love you?" Is there a special person whose life you would like to memorialize? Sponsoring flowers, bulletins and/or candles is a great way to do that! Check out the bulletin board in the hallway off the narthex for more information.

Needed: **Plastic icing tubs** for distribution of altar flowers. Please place in the altar room on the counter. Thank you for your help.

- COMMUNITY MINISTRY NEAR AND FAR -

Trinity's Encourager Ministry provides encouragement and outreach to our faith community. If you know of someone who could use a card, phone call, etc., let one of the members of the Evangelism Committee know. Contacts are made for special occasions/accomplishments in our lives such as an anniversary, new baby, baptism, first communion, confirmation, get well, graduation, retirement, sympathy, thinking of you, volunteer, wedding, etc. Members are Earl Duffey, Charlotte Kuhs, Sondra Musser, Judi Rice, and Donna Swauger.

We continue to collect greeting cards for the **St. Jude's Ranch for Children Recycled Card Program**. Only the front of the card is used and must not contain writing. We cannot accept cards from Hallmark, Disney, and American Greetings. There is a collection box at the back of the sanctuary. We collect all year long. Save your cards.

Bountiful Blessings, a joint ministry with the Rouzerville Church of the Brethren, continues throughout the year on the first and third Saturdays of each month starting at 9 a.m. See the back of the sanctuary for a list of needed products for its clients. Please note that the program does not collect food items or previously used personal care items.

Check out Trinity on **Facebook**. Go to www.facebook.com. You will have to join if you're not a member. Type Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rouzerville, PA at the top of the page in the search section if you are a member. You'll be directed to our Facebook page!



- July 31–August 6 -

Sunday.....11:45 a.m. - Informational Meeting: Electronic Giving
 Sunday.....12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at Pen Mar Park
 Monday.....6:30 p.m. - Evangelism Committee
 Tuesday... ..7:00 p.m. - Faith Study: "Growing Disciples"

- August 7-13 - -

Sunday.....9:30 a.m. - Adult Forum
 Sunday.....10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
 Sunday.....12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch
 Monday.....7:00 p.m. - Worship & Music Committee
 Tuesday... ..7:00 p.m. - Faith Study: "Growing Disciples"
 Thursday.....6:30 p.m. - Congregation Council



The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are placed by Jim and Pam Lobley in honor of all police and firefighters who serve our country.

The bulletins are dedicated to the glory of God and are provided by June Ecker in honor of her husband, John, on his birthday.



- Our Stewardship -

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$694
Year to Date	\$31,292
Attendance Last Sunday -21	

**- Current Income/Expenses -
To June 30**

Income	\$27,250
Expenses	\$40,784
Deficit	\$13,534

**- Air Conditioning Fund -
To July 10**

Estimated Cost	\$10,000
Received to Date	\$4,530
Balance Needed	\$5,470

- SERVING THIS MORNING -

Ministers The Disciples of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
(1 Peter 2:4-10)

Pastor Pam Illick Presiding Minister
 Teresa Papoutsis Assisting Minister
 Ruth Strausbaugh Lector
 Katherine Dennis Crucifer
 Ruth Strausbaugh Nursery
 Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice Organists/Pianists
 Joanne Crider Usher
 June Ecker Usher
 Marie Seidel Usher
 Linda Weddle Usher
 Gladys Clapsaddle & Linda Weddle Altar Care
 June Ecker & Teresa Papoutsis Offering Tellers

- SERVING AUGUST 7 -

Pastor Pam Illick Presiding Minister
 Ruth Strausbaugh Assisting Minister
 Linda Bennett Lector
 Katherine Dennis Crucifer
 Ruth Strausbaugh Nursery
 Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice Organists/Pianists
 Sherri Kayhoe Usher
 Carol Snyder Usher
 Donna Swauger Usher
 Judi Rice Altar Care
 Earl Duffey & Rusty Kreitz Offering Tellers

<p><u>Six Marks of Discipleship</u> Daily Prayer Weekly Worship Bible Reading Service Spiritual Friendships Giving</p>

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- Our Mission -

The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rouzerville, Pennsylvania is to build, strengthen, and increase our faith community to better love and serve God – and the world community – with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



- Our Vision -

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is a flourishing, Spirit-filled, Christ-centered home for all.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.