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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 12 & 13, 2025

Welcome to Worship!

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The *worship bulletin* is intended to help guide us through our worship. Sections in **bold** print are for congregation response.

We believe our risen Lord Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of *Holy Communion* and we extend our Lord's invitation to all who are baptized to share in this meal.

Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please contact an usher if you need *communed in the pew*.

A *large print copy* of our worship service and *wireless sound enhancers* are available in the front narthex.



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Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:15am (Broadcast, 98.7FM, 107.5FM, 1480AM, 910AM; Livestream @www.trinitylatrobe.com), Sunday 10:45am

Service of Holy Communion

(ELW Setting 4)

To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy is the "gospel that has come to you"—namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font, at the table, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.

The prelude is a signal to end our conversation and prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Prelude and Silent Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

(at the end of the bell peal, please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

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

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. (please kneel or remain seated as you are comfortable)

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. 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. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

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. **Amen.**

(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

Gathering Hymn

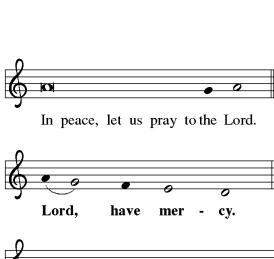
"God Is Here!"

ELW #526

Greeting

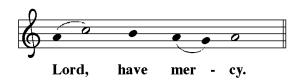
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie





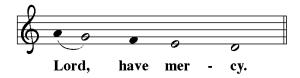
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

(please be seated)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Children's Message

First Reading: Amos 7:7-17

Because Luke often presents Jesus as carrying on the ministry of the Old Testament prophets, our first readings during these weeks is from several of those figures, this week the prophet Amos from the 8th century BCE. Not trained as a prophet and a resident of the southern kingdom of Judah, God called Amos to preach in the northern kingdom of Israel. A plumb line has a weight on the end, and is used by builders to make sure that walls are absolutely straight.

This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

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¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' ¹⁷ Therefore thus says the LORD: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 82 (Leader/Assembly: Spoken)

Set in the heavenly court, where God presides over all the things and beings that people worship. And God demands that they provide justice and mercy, just as, through Amos, God held Israel to account.

¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

² "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?

³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴ rescue the weak and the poor;

deliver them from the power of the wicked.

- ⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- ⁶ Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;

⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."

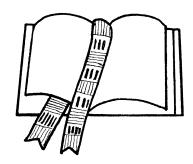
⁸ Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

For the next several weeks we will read through the book of Colossians. Like many of Paul's letters, this begins with wishing "grace and peace," a formulaic opening for letters of this time, like our "Dear Sir or Madam," but which the writer fills with theological meaning. This passage also foreshadows the description of Christ as God's means of creation and the complete revelation of God, which we will hear next week.

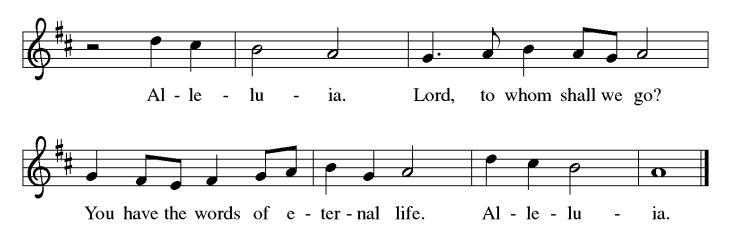
¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ² To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 4 for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷ This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸ and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation

(please stand to welcome the Gospel or remain seated as you are comfortable)



Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

For the rest of this year we will be hearing of the ministries Jesus performed on his way to Jerusalem and his crucifixion. Those ministries include teaching in parables like this familiar one. The road between Jericho and Jerusalem was a familiar, but still a dangerous one; lawyers, priests, and scribes were all religious leaders and workers.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 10th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

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³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

Sermon Pastor Jess Felici

Hymn of the Day (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

ELW #800

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 resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People (please kneel or sit as you are comfortable)

God of grace, hear our prayer.

The Peace (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

(share God's peace with one another and then be seated)

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Gathering of Gifts

As we move to the time in our worship where we offer our gifts to God's church, a portion of your offering supports Children, Youth, Young Adult, and Young Family Programming. In these activities, our congregation reminds children, youth, and young parents & guardians that they are beloved by God through this time of great transition in their lives.



If you prefer, scan the QR code to give online. You may then place a giving card from the pew in the offering plate as it passes by.

Offertory (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

"We Are an Offering"

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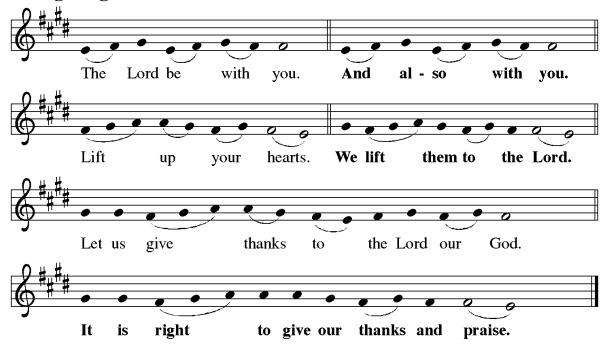
Offering Prayer

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

Amen.

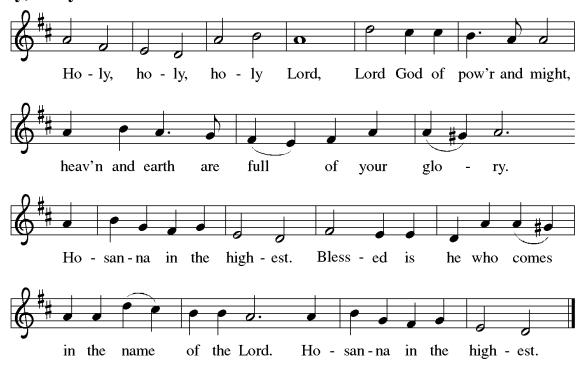
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Great Thanksgiving



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
in the harmonious world of your creation,
the plants and animals, the seas and stars
were whole and well in your praise.
When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, 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.

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.

Remembering, therefore,
his acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

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

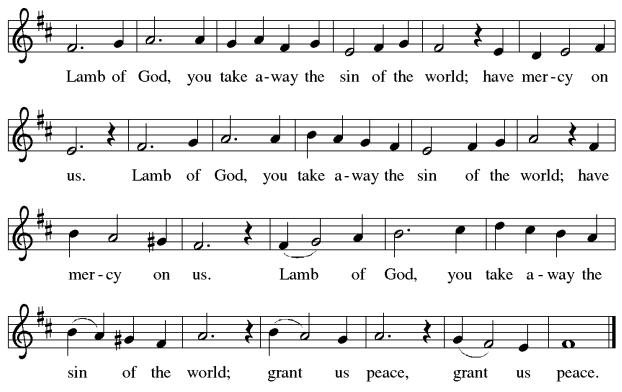
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

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

Lamb of God



(please be seated)

Distribution of Communion

To receive communion, please come down the center aisle, take a cup from the tray and gather at the altar rail. Receive the bread into your hand. Wine will be poured into your cup. The communion wine is gluten free. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. For those unable to receive wine, communion cups with water are available. Leave the altar rail, place your cup on the tray and return to your pew via the side aisles. If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please contact an usher. Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Table Blessing (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

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

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Mothering 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.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

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. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult"

ELW #696

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

<u>THE BROADCAST THIS WEEKEND</u> is dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of our Shepherd Shop volunteers: those who prepare the meals, those who tend to the Shop, and those who share the Word in devotions.

Serving this Weekend

Preaching: Pastor Jason Felici **Presiding:** Pastor Jess Felici

Director of Music: Debbie Morley

Organist: Christina Andrae

Lectors: Saturday 5:30pm: Rick Conrad

Sunday 8:15am: Nick Gebhart Sunday 10:45am: Kathe Houck

Liturgical Deacons: Saturday 5:30pm: Curt Colaianne

Sunday 8:15am: Ted & Amy Benning

Sunday 10:45am: Kathe Houck, Sandy Redinger

Ushers: Saturday 5:30pm: Linda McDowell, David Rock, Isaiah Sherba,

Donna Showalter

Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Herb Harris, Kathy & Mark Jones

Sunday 10:45am: Matt & Kelly Clever, Eli Clever, Tim Potter

Acolytes: Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am: Will Benning

Sunday 10:45am:

Tellers: Sunday 8:15am: Jason Sheppard, John Hugo, Kathy & Mark Jones

10:45am: Eleanor Fagan, Will & Linda Brigaman,

Anna Hudec, Susan Vargo

Acolytes Serving Next Weekend July 19 & 20

Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am: Sunday 10:45am:

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