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Peter and Paul, Apostles June 28 & 29, 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)

Today we celebrate two great figures of the early church, Peter and Paul, who represent the spread of the gospel to both Jews and Gentiles and, according to tradition, were martyred on this date. The witness of Peter and Paul inspires us as we seek ways to faithfully proclaim the gospel in our contemporary context.

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.**

Gathering Hymn

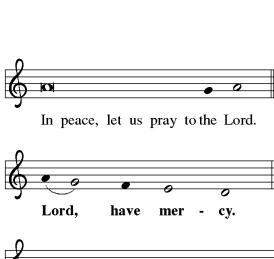
"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

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Greeting

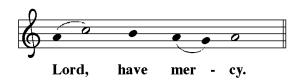
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie





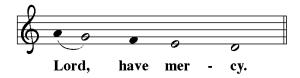
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





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. Almighty God, we praise you that your blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you by their martyrdoms. Grant that your church throughout the world may always be instructed by their teaching and example, be knit together in unity by your Spirit, and ever stand firm upon the one foundation who is Jesus Christ our Lord, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(please be seated)

WORD

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

Children's Message

First Reading: Acts 12:1-11

Both Peter and Paul were imprisoned repeatedly for their preaching of the Gospel, and Acts relates the miraculous rescues of each from that bondage.

¹ About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. ² He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. ³ After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) 4 When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. ⁶ The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his wrists. 8 The angel said to him, "Fasten your belt and put on your sandals." He did so. Then he said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." 9 Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. 10 After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. 11 Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 87:1-3, 5-7 (Leader/Assembly: Spoken)

Both Peter and Paul proclaimed the Gospel not only to Jews but to Gentiles. Their proclamation was the fulfilment of the promise with which this psalm ends: no one is an alien to God's city.

On the holy mountain stands the city God has founded;

² the Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

³ Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of our God.

⁵ Of the city it shall be said, "Everyone was born in Zion, and the Most High shall sustain the city."

⁶ Enrolling the nations, the LORD records:

"These also were born there."

⁷ The singers and the dancers will say, "All my fresh springs are in you."

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

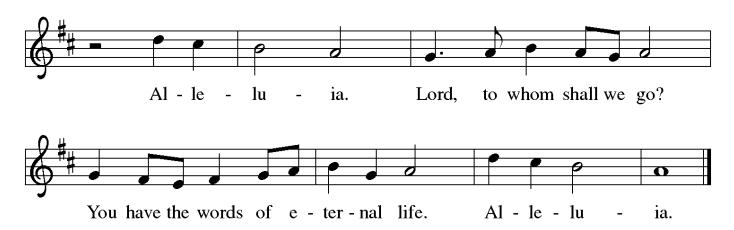
In the first century it was common practice for others to write what major figures might have said. While Paul probably did not write 2 Timothy, this passage is true to his experience of incarceration and to his dedication to the universality of God's love in Christ Jesus.

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation

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



Gospel: John 21:15-19

John's Gospel ends with this appearance of the resurrected Jesus to Peter. The apostle's three-fold affirmation of love echoes his threefold denial of Jesus the night before the crucifixion. Christ lets him know that (like Paul) he will die a martyr's death.

The Holy Gospel according to John the 21st chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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)

"By All Your Saints"

ELW #420

Stanzas 1, 2, Last

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 the Mission Investment Fund. The MIF is a ministry of the ELCA with faith and finance at its core. It is both a source of financing to ELCA congregations and ministries and a vehicle for ELCA congregations, ministries and individuals to invest in the work of our church while receiving interest.



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)



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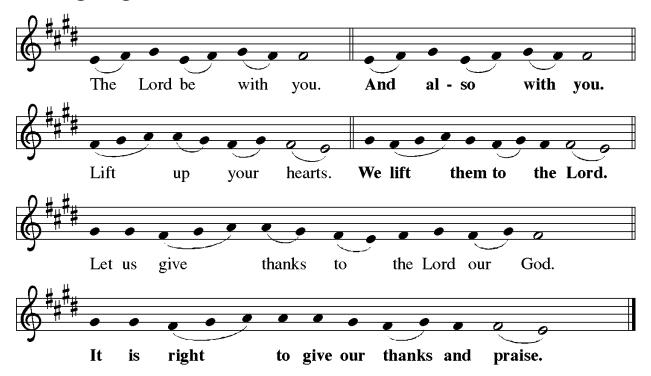


Offering Prayer

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.

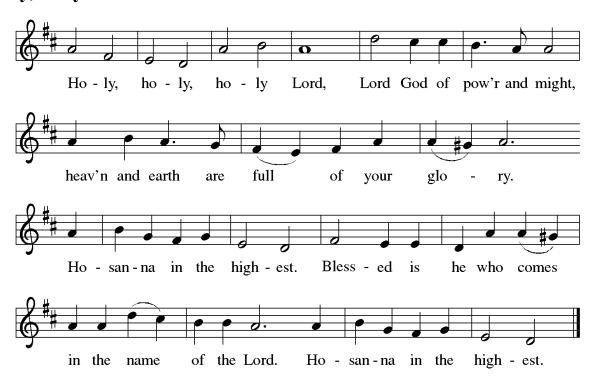
Amen.

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 the great shepherd of your flock, our Savior Jesus Christ; who after his resurrection sent forth the apostles to preach the gospel and teach all nations, and promised to be with them, even to the end of the age. And so, with Peter and Paul and the glorious company of the apostles, with the choirs of angels and all 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.

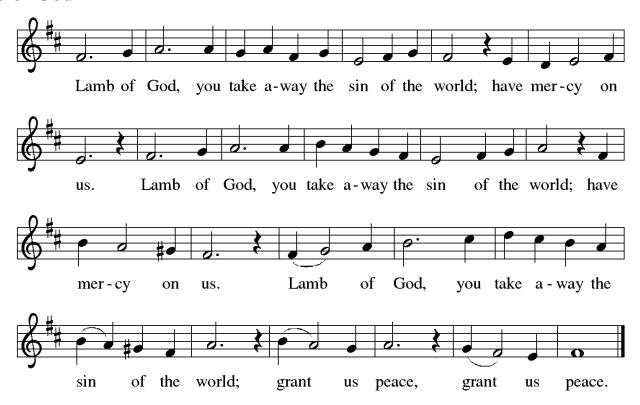
Lord's Prayer Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

"For All Your Saints, O Lord"

ELW #427

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 daughter, Beth.

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of and in celebration of our 50th Wedding Anniversary, given by Scott and Susan Berkebile.

Serving this Weekend

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

Director of Music: Debbie Morley

Lectors: Saturday 5:30pm: Margaret Conrad

Sunday 8:15am: Herb Harris Sunday 10:45am: Susan Vargo

Liturgical Deacons: Saturday 5:30pm: Darlene Hoffmann

Sunday 8:15am: Nancy McHenry, Evan Stemler

Sunday 10:45am: Karen Clair, Kathe Houck

Ushers: Saturday 5:30pm: Kasha & Don Loveridge, Jay Elder, John Elder

Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Rick Baldonieri, Herb Harris,

Melinda Terney

Sunday 10:45am: Anna Hudec, Glenn Gold, Tim Potter, Susan Vargo

Acolytes: Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am:

Sunday 10:45am:

Tellers: Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Candace Bungard, Kathy Ferlin,

BJ Hebenthal

10:45am: Linda McDowell, Christina Andrae, Mike Macey,

Darlene Schultz

Acolytes Serving Next Weekend July 5 & 6

Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am:

Sunday 10:45am: Allie Glagola, Autumn Glagola

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