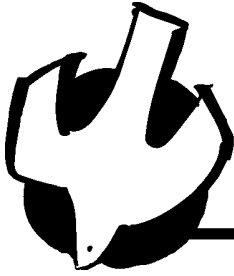




May 28, 2023



The Day of Pentecost

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!

- Restrooms are located in the main hallway, narthex, and back classrooms.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the Fellowship Hall or the Toddler Sunday School Room (located in the back-corner classroom of the building, connected to the Fellowship Hall). Both of these rooms have televisions showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

Serving the Lord and Serving Us:

Pastor: Paul Jenkins

Today's Focus: The Holy Spirit comes to teach, guide, and sanctify. As he does, he brings people together with their Savior, together with each other, and together in a shared mission.

We Come into the Presence of God

MUSICAL INTRODUCTION

This is an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart and prepare for the joy of worshipping your God.

OPENING HYMN: 183 “Holy Spirit, Light Divine”



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, Light di - vine, Shine up -
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, Love di - vine, Cleanse this
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, Joy di - vine, Cheer this
4 Ho - ly Spir - it, Pow'r di - vine, Dwell with -
5 See, to you I give my heart; Cleanse my



on this heart of mine; Chase the gloom of night
guilt - y heart of mine; In your mer - cy pit -
sad - dened heart of mine; Fill me with your heav'n -
in this heart of mine; Cast down ev - 'ry i -
life in ev - 'ry part; Your own tem - ple I



a - way; Turn the dark - ness in - to day.
y me; From sin's bond - age set me free.
ly peace; Let it grow and still in - crease.
dol throne; Reign su - preme and reign a - lone.
would be Now and for e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Andrew Reed, 1787–1862, abr., alt.

Tune: SONG 13 (77 77) Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625, alt.

Stand

INVOCATION

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with You

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray. Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

JOEL 2:28-32

The prophet predicts the coming of the Spirit on Pentecost, and the spread of the Word from that day on. St. Peter quotes these words in his Pentecost sermon.

After this, I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your old men will dream dreams.

Your young men will see visions.

²⁹ Even on the servants, both male and female,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

³⁰ I will show warning signs in the heavens and on the earth:

blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

³¹ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the great and terrifying day of the LORD.

³² And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved.

So on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance,
as the LORD has promised, among the survivors whom the LORD calls.

PSALM OF THE DAY: 51B

Read Responsively

M: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare your praise.

M: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;

C: you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

M: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

C: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

M: Create in me a pure heart, O God,

C: and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

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M: Do not cast me from your presence

C: or take your Holy Spirit from me.

M: Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

C: and grant a willing spirit, to sustain me.

M: Then I will teach transgressors your ways,

C: and sinners will turn back to you.

SECOND LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

Acts 2:1-13

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. ⁴They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

⁵Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷They were completely baffled and said to each other, “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.” ¹²They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocked them and said, “They are full of new wine.”

SEASONAL SENTENCE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit. Fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Stand

GOSPEL

John 14:23-31

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will hold on to my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ The one who does not love me does not hold on to my words. The word that you are hearing is not mine, but it is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ "I have told you these things while staying with you. ²⁶ But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I told you. ²⁷ "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not let it be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I.

²⁹ "I have told you now before it happens so that, when it does happen, you may believe. ³⁰ I will not speak with you much longer, because the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me. ³¹ But I want the world to know that I love the Father and that I am doing exactly what the Father has instructed me."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

Children's Sermon: "The Right Kind of Fire"

HYMN OF THE DAY: 185, "O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace"



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our
 2 Help us that we your sav - ing Word In faith - ful
 3 Then when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter



Lord and Sav - ior In faith and fer - vent love em -
 hearts may trea - sure; Let e'er that bread of life af -
 hour im - pend - ing, May your good work in us be -



brace And tru - ly serve him ev - er, So that when
 ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure. Make us to
 gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing, Un - til we



death is near at hand We at his cross may firm -
 die to ev - 'ry sin; Each day cre - ate us new
 glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our Sav -



ly stand And there find our sal - va - tion.
 with - in That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
 ior's hand To rest in peace e - ter - nal.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Oluf H. Smeby, 1851–1929, alt.

Tune: ES IST GEWISSLICH (87 87 887) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535.

SERMON

TEXT: Acts 2:1-13

THEME: The Spirit Brings Together

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be Seated

OFFERING

Please take a moment to sign the friendship register found in your pew.

The members of Trinity make joyful offerings to support this church's ministry. A portion of our offerings is also used for the training of future pastors and teachers, and the worldwide mission work carried out by our fellowship, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Our guests are under no obligation to give, but any gifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Holy Spirit of God, we worship and glorify you as the Lord and giver of all spiritual life. By our own thinking and choosing, we would still be lost in our sins, wandering in spiritual darkness toward eternal death. Only by your gift of faith do we now confess that Jesus Christ is our Lord; only by your enlightenment do we know the loving heart of our Father in heaven and his promise of eternal life in Christ. With the Father and the Son, you are one God, one Lord.

We thank you for fulfilling the Word you gave by the prophets and the promise spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ. You came down on the Day of Pentecost to guide and comfort the apostles, to lead them into all truth, and to reveal your plan to save us. Extend your Church throughout the world by the words we speak and the messengers we send.

We praise you for calling us by the gospel and making us sons and daughters by faith in Christ Jesus. By baptism you clothed us in his righteousness. You gathered us into his flock, the one holy Christian Church, where we hear the Shepherd's voice proclaiming the forgiveness of all our sins. Live in us, Holy Spirit, and warm our hearts with the fire of your love.

Continue to preserve us in this one true faith by the means you have chosen, our Savior's gospel in Word and sacraments. Enable us to present ourselves with all our abilities as thank offerings to him who sacrificed himself for us.

Special prayers

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: Sanctify us in body, mind, and spirit to glorify our Father in heaven and to serve our neighbor here on earth with good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

CLOSING HYMN: 241 "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" Verses 3 and 4



3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Ho - ly
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to our tri - une



Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion. The sav -
 God we sing; Blest be his name for - ev - er! With an -



ing faith in us he wrought And us un - to the
 gel hosts let us a - dore And sing his prais - es



Bride-groom brought, Made us his cho - sen na - tion.
 more and more For all his grace and fa - vor.



Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, Ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly.



There is man - nã And an end - less, glad ho - san - nã.
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God the Lord of glo - ry!

Text: *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, Darmstadt, 1698; tr. composite.

Tune: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET (887 887 22 44 48) Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608, alt.

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Voter's Meeting Next Sunday

Trinity's next voters' meeting is Sunday, June 4 at 1:30pm on Zoom. A link and agenda for the meeting will be coming to your email inbox soon from President Steve Proksch.

Join the Trinity Book Club at 9am on Saturday, July 1, at Cuppi Coffee in Dumfries.

We'll discuss *Code Name Edelweiss* by Stephanie Landsem. Contact Rachel Kovaciny with any questions.

Fellowship Opportunities This Summer: "Chosen" Nights

On most Wednesday nights this summer, everyone is welcome to potluck suppers that will start at 6. Beverages and tableware will be provided; please bring a dish to pass if you can. After supper we will watch an episode of the acclaimed series, "The Chosen," which tells the story of Jesus through the eyes of those who followed him. A little discussion time will follow the show.

The "Chosen" nights will be: June 21 and 28; July 12 and 26; August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Speak to Pastor if you have any questions.

Wine and Word Bible Study – Thursday, July 6

The Wine and Word Bible Study meets at the home of Bruce and Dawn Knox. Their home is located just 5 minutes from the church in Old Bridge Estates. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 7-8:30pm. We are studying the book of Revelation with Larry Kovaciny as our guide. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and small bite appetizer. Come and join us whether you drink wine or not! Contact Dawn at 703-615-9320 or dawn.f.knox@gmail.com to RSVP.

Excess Offerings Team

From Trinity's President Steve Proksch: Trinity was blessed with an abundance of financial offerings beyond our actual expenses in 2022. Anyone in the congregation may contact the treasurer, Mr. Jim Strock, if they would like to participate on the team to help decide what to do with Trinity's surplus funds. This could include additional support to world missions, helping other WELS churches in need, or adjusting Trinity's financial investments.



Vacation Bible School

It's time to register for this year's VBS, which will be held here at Trinity July 17-21 from 9:00-11:30 am. Come join us for a Stellar VBS where kids will have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. We're looking forward to sharing God's Word, singing songs, making crafts, playing games, and of course, having some awesome snacks together. VBS is for kids ages 3 (and potty trained) to those entering 6th grade in the fall. Please register here: <https://vbspro.events/p/events/trinity2023> or scan the QR Code below



If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Erika Ohlendorf (erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com). Kids entering 7th grade and older may volunteer as helpers.

Small Choir

Trinity's small choir sings once a month during Worship. Anyone is welcome to join! We'll sing hymns from our hymnal, Christian Worship. If you are interested in joining, please let John or Erika Ohlendorf know.

Help Needed with New Mover Welcome Packages

Each month Trinity delivers welcome care packages to new residents in our nearby neighborhood. We have a dedicated but small crew undertaking this project. If you would like to help, either providing care packages or delivering them, please speak to pastor. We are trying to make friends, inviting contact with as many new neighbors as possible, but need more help. Thank you for considering.

Youth Activities Coming This Summer – Update!

Camp Chi Rho will take place July 24-28, 2023. The location is moving from Elk Neck, MD to Shenandoah River State Park. This new location is more centralized and has more comfortable accommodations (A/C cabin rooms) while still maintaining the possibility to tent camp. And, who can pass up the world class finishing in the Shenandoah River? The cost will be roughly \$25 a night. Camp Chi Rho is for kids finishing grades 4-8. Kids finishing grades 9-12 can attend as "counselors." **Full information and registration is now up at campchirho.org. Please remember that a kind offer has been made by an anonymous donor at Trinity to pay the way for a kid to attend. If you'd like to take advantage of this offer, please speak to pastor and he'll put you in touch!**

The next regional youth rally, for students finishing grades 8-12, is planned for July 10-13, 2023 at Slippery Rock University (50 minutes north of Pittsburgh). The overall theme will center on relationships (with God, with others, and with ourselves). More detailed information will be available in the coming months.

Ushers and Usher Assistants Needed

A sign-up sheet is sent via email through Sign-up Genius. You are welcome to fill in as many Sundays as you are available. If you would like to become part of the regular rotation of ushers, or even just fill in once in a while when needed, please speak to Worship Elder Matt Popelier. If you are not getting the emails for Sign-Up Genius, please email admin@trinityofwoodbridge.org

Our Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library always welcomes donations of books and food! If the library outside is full, you can place donations in the white plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall right beside the door to the hallway.

Lord's Supper Available to All Members

If you are a confirmed member of Trinity, Pastor would be happy to commune you at home, or anywhere else you would like to meet. Just contact him at (309) 433-5807 or revpauljenkins@yahoo.com with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work

It is the mission of



to glorify God

by growing in His Word and by going with His Word

to Woodbridge and to the world.



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