

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025



PRELUDE

WELCOME STATEMENT

PROCESSIONAL

“Baptized in Water”

ELW 456

GREETING

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

**Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God, **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

**Amen.**

**Verse 1**

Built on a rock the Church will stand  
Even when steeples are falling  
Built on a rock in ev'ry land  
Christ our Lord is calling  
Calling to the young and the old to rest  
Calling to the souls of those oppressed  
Built on a rock the Church will stand

**Verse 2**

This is a house of living stone  
Built for God's habitation  
He is a rock on humble throne  
Granting us salvation  
Whenever two or more come to seek His face  
God will be among them to show His grace  
He is a rock and this His place  
Granting us salvation

**Verse 3**

Built on a rock the Church will stand  
Firmly on one foundation  
Built on a rock in ev'ry land  
This God's new creation  
Together we have come  
For to give and receive  
In Christ our Lord we do believe  
Built on a rock the Church will stand

**Ending**

This God's new creation  
This God's new creation  
Built on a rock the Church will stand  
Built on a rock built on a rock built on a rock  
Christ our Lord is calling  
Christ our Lord is calling

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c*

*Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.*

A reading from Second Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Holy wisdom, holy word.

**Thanks be to God.**

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

**Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.**

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

**You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

You give food to those who fear you,  
remembering forever your covenant.

**You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

**They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is your name.

**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding.  
God's praise endures forever.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

*2 Timothy 2:8-15*

*Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.*

A reading from Second Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he will also deny us;  
if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

**Thanks be to God.**

(Assembly stands for the gospel.)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

ELW 172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

(2x)

**GOSPEL READING**

*Luke 17:11-19*

*Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.*

The gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Phillip Potaczek

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**  
**PRESENTATION**

*(Candidate for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the minister at the font.)*

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*(The assembly stands.)*

I ask you all to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

If so, please say 'I renounce them'.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Blessed are you, holy God...through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **BAPTISM**

Alina Christine, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Blessed be God, **the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy. You belong to Christ forever, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia!**

Let us pray...

We give you thanks, O God,...both now and forever.

**Amen.**

Alina Christine, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

## **WELCOME**

*PASTOR:* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

*(Applause. The baptized, sponsors, and parents are seated.)*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each prayer petition, please respond:* ...God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

...We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

You hold my every moment  
 You calm my raging seas  
 You walk with me through fire  
 And heal all my disease

I trust in You  
 I trust in You

'Cause I believe You're my Healer  
 I believe You are all I need  
 I believe You're my portion  
 I believe You're more than enough for me  
 Jesus You're all I need

You hold my every moment  
 You calm my raging seas  
 You walk with me through fire  
 And heal all my disease

I trust in You  
 I trust in You

I believe You're my Healer  
 I believe You're all I need  
 I believe You're my portion  
 I believe You're more than enough for me  
 Jesus You're all I need

Nothing is impossible for You  
 Nothing is impossible  
 Nothing is impossible for You  
 You hold my world in Your hands  
 (Repeat 3x)

I believe You're my Healer  
 I believe You're all I need  
 I believe You're my portion  
 I believe You're more than enough for me  
 Jesus You're all I need

I believe You're my Healer  
 I believe You're all I need  
 I believe You're my portion  
 I believe You're more than enough for me  
 Jesus You're all I need  
 You're more than enough for me  
 (Repeat 2x)

But he was wounded for our transgressions,  
 He was bruised for our iniquities;  
 The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,  
 And by His stripes we are healed.

*Isaiah 58:8 (NIV)*

*Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear;  
 then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW 473



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to - res Se - ñor.  
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.....to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Modern Version*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as our Savior taught us:

**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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All who wish to know the love of God in Jesus Christ are invited to Holy Communion. Inform a communion assistant if you need a gluten-free host. Grape juice is located in the center ring of the tray. If you are not receiving the sacrament today, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest for a blessing.*

### COMMUNION HYMN

“All Who Are Thirsty”

Brenton Brown

All who are thirsty  
All who are weak  
Come to the fountain  
Dip your heart in the stream of life  
Let the pain and the sorrow  
Be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy  
As deep cries out to deep  
(We sing)

#### Chorus 1

Come Lord Jesus come  
Come Lord Jesus come  
(Repeat)

#### Chorus 2

Holy Spirit come  
Holy Spirit come  
(Repeat)

#### Interlude

As deep cries out to deep  
As deep cries out to deep  
As deep cries out to deep we sing

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### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Chorus

Baptized into the death of Christ and raised again to new life.  
Baptized into the death of Christ and raised again to new life.

Down, down, down, I was sinking deep in sin,  
Killing me, killing me from deep within.  
He put me to death that day,  
And the fam'ly of God stood up to say,  
(Chorus)

Down, down, down, in the water, down I went,  
Lifted up in a brand new covenant.  
They made the sign on my brow,  
And I'll do it again to remember now.  
(Chorus)

Sing, sing, sing to the ones who have not heard.  
We've been washed in the water and the word.  
We'll sing with every breath,  
"We will share his life like we've shared his death."  
(Chorus)

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SENDING

Our Eucharist has ended.  
**Now it must be lived.**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **\*\*\*Trinity at a Glance\*\*\***

- **Today, October 12th, Open Table Church is hosting a Free Community Meal** at Noon, 910 Columbus St Ottawa. They will be serving Chili, Cornbread & Dessert.
- **On Sunday, October 19th** we will be having a **Pastor Appreciation Celebration** in Java Junction after service. Please join us! There will be a basket in Java Junction to put cards in. Thank you Pastor Phil for all you do for our congregation!
- **Trinity Rose Montessori School had a great September** filled with establishing routines and learning so much practical life. The children learned how to take shoes on and off. They learned how to work a vegetable peeler and how to make lemon water. They learned how to clean up their work areas when finished and how to help friends. They also learned how to work through social problems by using words, how to work independently and much much more! Copies of The Montessori Messenger are located near Java Junction with additional information about all the happenings in September.
- 🚗 **Trunk-or-Treat at Trinity!** 🇺🇸  
Join us for Trunk-or-Treat in the **north parking lot of Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 18th from 1-3pm!** Dress up, decorate your trunk, and bring some candy to share with our neighborhood kids. Don't worry - extra candy will be provided if you run out! It's a fun and safe way to celebrate the season with our community. All are welcome - invite your friends and neighbors! Sign Up Sheet is in Java Junction.
- **Sunrise Rotary will be hosting a German Dinner.** Save the date! **October 24th 5-8 pm.** Please see a Rotary member or the office to purchase tickets @ \$20 each. Proceeds will be donated towards the new stove in Fellowship Hall and the required electrical work. The total bill is estimated **at over \$6,000** for both stove and electrical work. Please help support the Rotary and our church while enjoying good company and a great meal!
- Come support **Elle McGrath on October 26th** as she affirms her baptism. It is also Reformation Sunday so wear red to honor the fire of the Holy Spirit!
- **Welcome to our Thanksgiving Churches Challenge!**

Trinity is aiming to raise **\*\* 700 \*\*** cans (30 oz. ones) of **Pumpkin Pie Mix/Filling**, any brand. These cans will go to the Community Food Basket to provide **700** Thanksgiving meals to those in need. Please place cans by the Giving Tree. All cans are **due by Sunday, November 2nd.**

- **The 2026 calendars have arrived!** \$20 each. Marj Nelson and Kate Reed have copies available in Java Junction. You can call Marj at 815-973-1286 or Kate at 815-830-2061. You can also pick up a copy at the church office during regular office hours. **Profits go to the Growing Project.**
- **The Giving Tree recipient for October will be cans of Pumpkin Pie Filling** for the **Community Food Basket.** Thank you for your continued Spirit of Giving to help enrich the lives of others.
- Learn more on **October 26th as Partners in Pride** will be doing a Temple Talk. We look forward to seeing you there! [www.mypartnersinpride.com](http://www.mypartnersinpride.com).
- **Trinity Stitchers always welcome new helpers** as they sew and tie quilts, lap quilts and walker bags. They meet downstairs in the sewing room and fellowship hall on the **2nd and 4th Thursdays** of each month from **1 to 3 pm**, except for November and December when they meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Come join them for fun and fellowship!
- **Recent events have severely impacted people in Africa, Gaza and other places in our world.** Millions are struggling to stay alive from starvation, the loss of available medical treatment, and more. The loss of help through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has made things worse. Help is needed now! There are a number of ways that you can help with monetary gifts. You can designate your donation on your offering envelope or through one of these websites:
  - Lutheran Disaster Response [disaster@ELCA.org](mailto:disaster@ELCA.org)
  - Lutheran World Relief [give.lwr.org](http://give.lwr.org)
  - ELCA World Hunger [elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger](http://elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger)

Please contact the Mission-Outreach Committee with any questions.

- Just a reminder that the **Church collects empty Laser Jet Printer Ink Cartridges for recycling**. There is a box in the hallway (on the left) as you enter the Education Building.

- **CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- Sept Income = \$17,804.96 (Income YTD = \$178,006.79)
- Sept Expense = \$20,714.58 (Expense YTD = \$181,760.11)
- Income Less Expense = -\$2,909.62 (Income Less Expense YTD = -\$3,753.32)
- Loan Payment = \$2,943.30
- Principal Payment = \$1,000.00
- Left On Loan = \$9,187.37

- **THIS WEEK @ TRINITY:**

- **Monday (10/13):** 10a Staff meeting  
10a Drum Fit (Community Room)  
6p Christian Ed (Board Room)
- **Tuesday (10/14):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)  
7p Finance Committee (Board Room)
- **Wednesday (10/15)** 1p Bible Study (Community Room)
- **Thursday (10/16):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)  
7p Council Meeting (Java Junction)
- **Friday (10/17):** 7a Sunrise Rotary
- **Saturday (10/18):** 1p Trunk or Treat (North Parking Lot)
- **Sunday (10/19)** 9a Sunday Session  
9a Affirmation Class  
10a Holy Communion

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE -**

*Please sign up using the binder at the back of the aisle.*

<p><b><u>Sunday, October 12, 2025</u></b>  Crucifer/Acolyte:  Ushers:  Lector: <i>Jane Goetz</i>  Communion Assistants: <i>Kari Castelli, Jane Goetz, Sue Williamson</i>  Altar Guild: <i>Ann Enke, Sue Williamson</i>  Video Tech:  Music Directors: <i>Matt Makeever &amp; Mary Heider</i>  Altar Flowers:</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, October 19, 2025</u></b>  Crucifer/Acolyte:  Ushers:  Lector: <i>Jane Goetz</i>  Communion Assistants: <i>Jane Goetz, Keith Goetz, Anne Lauterjung</i>  Altar Guild: <i>Anne Lauterjung, Kari Castelli</i>  Video Tech:  Music Directors: <i>Matt Makeever &amp; Mary Heider</i>  Altar Flowers:</p>
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