



# Holy Trinity

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Growing in Faith - Making a Difference - Open to All*

**17th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Baptism of Josephine Grace Sozer**  
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*You are a child of God and you are welcome here: whatever your faith commitment, experience, or level of doubt, mental or emotional health, physical abilities, financial or employment status, race, ethnicity, or primary language; whatever your gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation. We welcome you whether you are a parent or caregiver; whether you are a fussy baby, an energetic toddler, a 'tween, or a teen; whether you are an inquisitive young adult, exhausted adult, or wise senior citizen; whether you are single, in a relationship, married, divorced, or widowed; whether you struggle with an addiction to drugs, alcohol, or anything else. We welcome you however you found us: on the internet, from your neighbor or friend, or passing by our Giving Garden. We welcome those who hurt and those who celebrate, those who worship every week or just this once, and in whatever you choose to wear. We extend a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now. We welcome you to join us as we grow in faith through worship, study, and friendship. We welcome you as we seek to make a difference through combating food insecurity, ministering with those in need, and committing to racial equity. And we welcome you to help us be fully open to all. Whoever you are and wherever you are from, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.*

**+ GATHERING +**

**Prelude**

Berceuse

Louis Vierne

**Welcome**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism:**

L:     Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
       we are raised with him to new life.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**C: In the waters of baptism,  
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,  
and we are a new creation.  
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come.**

**We thank you, God, for your river of life,  
flowing freely from your throne:  
through the earth,  
through the city,  
through every living thing.  
You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;  
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.  
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,  
and our sin is drowned forever.  
You open the gate of righteousness  
and we pass safely through.  
In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.  
You nourish us and enclose us in safety.  
You call us forth and send us out.  
In lush and barren places, you are with us.  
You have become our salvation.  
Now breathe upon this water  
and awaken your church once more.  
Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.  
Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.  
To you, our Beginning and our End,  
our Shepherd and Lamb,  
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn: God is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

## Greeting:

L: 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.**

## Prayer of the Day:

L: Let us pray together...

C: **Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Holy Trinity Remembrances: Expressions of Faith & Community

**+ WORD +**

### First Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

L: A reading from the second letter to Timothy, the 1st chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

<sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

L: Word of God. Word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **Gospel Reading: Luke 17:5-10**

**L:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

**L:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon:** Pastor Dan Smith

## Hymn of the Day: Baptized in Water



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his  
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -  
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

## + BAPTISM +

L: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

### *Sponsors present the candidate for baptism:*

I present Josephine Grace Sozer for baptism.

### *The presiding minister addresses parents:*

L: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your daughter baptized into Christ?

*Response:* I do.

L: As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that her child may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:* I do.

### *The presiding minister addresses sponsors:*

L: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Josephine in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*

L: People of God, do you promise to support Josephine and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C: **We do.**

*The assembly stands.*

**PROFESSION OF FAITH:**

L: I ask you 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?

*Response:* I renounce them.

*The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.*

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

C: **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.**

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: **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.**

*The assembly may be seated.*

**BAPTISM:**

L: Josephine, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

L: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

*Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays:*

L: Sustain Josephine with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized.*

L: Josephine, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: **Amen.**

**WELCOME:**

*A lighted candle may be given to one of the parents or sponsors.*

L: Let your light so shine before others

C: **that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly.*

L: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: **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.**

**The Peace of Christ:**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

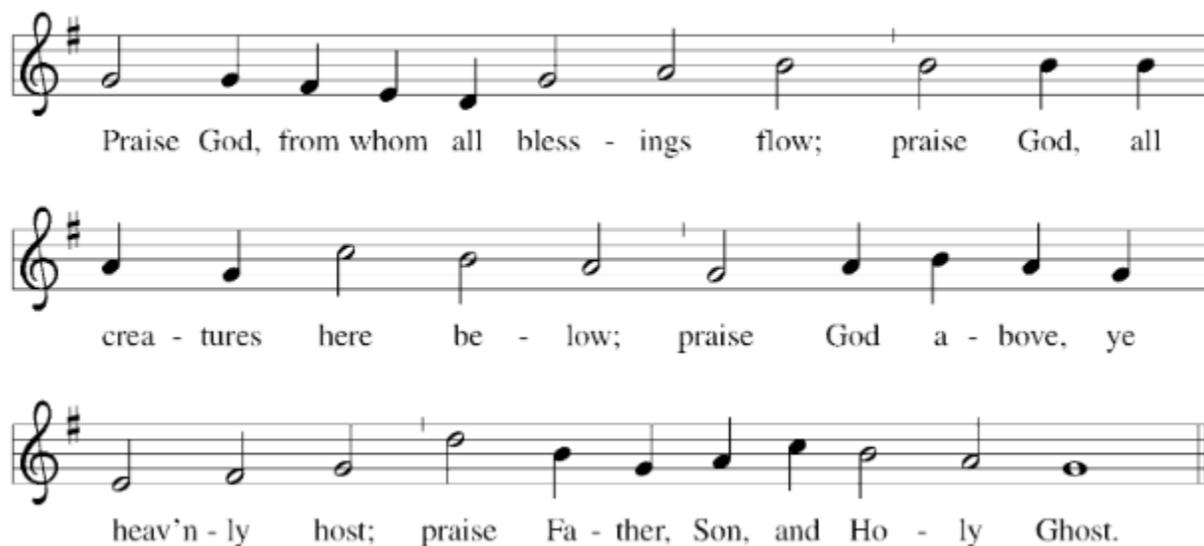
L: Let us share a sign of peace with one another, as you are comfortable.

## Offertory Anthem:

Look at the World

John Rutter

## Doxology & Offertory Prayer:



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

L: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

C: **Amen.**

**+MEAL +**

## The Great Thanksgiving:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## The Proper Preface:

L: 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 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 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

L: O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child; When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

L: In the night in which he was betrayed, when he gave his life for the life of the world, 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



L: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer:**

L: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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:**

L: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

C: **Amen.**

### **Communion Song**

I Am the Bread of Life

Suzanne Toolan

### **Prayer after Communion:**

L: Let us pray. Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

### **Announcements**

**+ SENDING +**

### **Benediction:**

L: The God of peace, Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C: **Amen.**

## Sending Hymn: Earth and All Stars



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!  
2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!  
3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!  
4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!  
5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!



Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!  
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!  
Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!  
Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!  
Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!

### *Refrain*



God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

**Dismissal:**

L: Go in peace. Grow in faith, make a difference, and be open to all.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

“Little” Prelude and Fugue in B<sup>b</sup>

J. S. Bach

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***The special flower arrangement memorializes Josephine’s great-grandparents and family who join us in spirit today. The white vase belonged to Josephine’s Great-Great Grandma, Emma Josephine Kubecek Moritz.***

***Josephine and her family invite everyone to a reception in the CLC to celebrate the baptism. All are welcome!***

**Happy birthday to: Bob Barkhau (10/3).**

**Holy Trinity's Prayer List**

Dottie Adams  
Harvey Davis  
Doris Jane Starankovic  
Frank Wick  
Linda Wieteha  
Alesha Brophy

**Friends and Relatives**

Bettina Chavanne (friend of the McCluskeys)  
Katy & Nick (Pat Brubaker's family)  
Kellie & Bob Coombs (friends of Anne Hoffman)  
Vincent Sangmeister (Mary Williamson's brother)  
Fran Gebhart  
Sharon Neall (Hall family member)  
Ve Woodson (daughter of Harvey Davis)  
Beth Brady (Kristine DelMonte's co-worker)  
Lois Kistler (friend of the Hoffmann's)  
Norma DelMonte (Tom's mother)  
Sandy Bauer (friend of Pat Brubaker)  
Cindy and Bobbie (cousins of the Hoffmann's)  
The Houghs (friends of Pat Brubaker)  
Linda Baldi-Boyd  
Cheryl & Donna (friends of Pat Brubaker)  
Kelly (Carolmarie Scanlon's sister in law)  
Beth Ann Force (friend of Louise Hoffman)  
Georgette, her daughter Kara, and Chuck  
Marbury Hooey  
John & Rosemary Lynch (friends of Pat Brubaker)  
June Duncan  
Nancy Nesbitt (friend of Bob Catherman)  
Annette Steiger (Dave Steiger's sister)  
Martin Eichner (Gloria Eichner's son)  
Margie (Jan Doan's friend)  
Eleanor Crissman (Bob Catherman's sister)  
Joseph Davis  
Winifred Joyce (friend of the Hoffmans)  
Peter Stein (friend of the McCluskeys)

Danelle VanInstendal (friend of the Steigers)  
Heinrich Mengel - cousin of the Hoffmann Family  
Donna Dutton (daughter of June Duncan)  
Peter Stein and Michelle Murdock (Peter's wife)  
Louise Jackson (cousin of Julie Ackerman)  
Ralph Hunt (Kim Crews-Engelhard's step-father)  
Ginny Engelhard (John's step-mother)  
Mae Smith (Diana Vidlak's mom)  
Jody and Alan (friends of Pat Brubaker)  
Margaret and Kurt (friends of Pat Brubaker)  
Michael, Marian, and family (friends of Pat Brubaker)

*Want to add someone you love and care about to the prayer list? Contact the church office anytime.*