

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**1410 Rogers St**  
**Stevens Point, Wisconsin**

**Pastor Bruce Thorsen**  
**Ministers: Every Baptized Member**  
**Sunday, June 29, 2025, 9:00 a.m.**



**Trinity's Mission**

Bringing God's love to the world in worship, witness, and service.

**Trinity's Vision**

A Christ and Scripture centered congregation.

- Mission centered congregation constantly evaluating its vision to accomplish its mission.
- A congregation whose members sense that they belong to the body of Christ and, in turn want to provide for the needs of others.

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# 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

ELW Holy Communion Setting Eight

## Introduction to the day

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

## *Gathering*

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

*\* indicates to stand/sit*

**Prelude:**

***“Jesus You Have Called Us”***

Joel Payne

## Welcome and Announcements

### **\*Confession and Forgiveness**

We struggle to manifest the fruits of the Spirit,  
but often find ourselves bound by works of the flesh.  
We know the whole law is summed up in the single commandment  
to love our neighbor as ourselves.  
Yet we create fences around ourselves to keep neighbors outside  
and tell ourselves we have no responsibility.  
Even in our own back yard we “bite and devour” one another.  
We wish it were different.  
When Jesus calls us to follow him,  
we find every excuse to instead go home  
or to the workplace to finish something more important first.  
Yet we yearn to be more centered on You.

Silent confession.....

Despite our resistance, we can be assured that God's strong arm redeems the people.  
God calls us back to God's realm, and encourages us with a love we can never lose no matter how hard we push back, no matter how often we forget, no matter how far we stray.  
We need but ask and we are forgiven. **Amen.**

## Gathering Song:

## "Everyone Come"

Richard Colligan



Ev-'ry-one come! You are meant to rest in this per - fect love  
Ev-'ry-one come! You are free to drink of de - li - cious love.  
Ev-'ry-one come! We to - geth - er feast in the light of love.  
Ev-'ry-one come! We're be - low a sky of re - lent - less love.



— Ev-'ry-one come! Ev' - ry bird can nest in this per - fect love.  
— Ev-'ry-one come! Taste and see and think of de - li - cious love.  
— Ev-'ry-one come! We for - ev - er see in the light of love.  
— Ev-'ry-one come! We are on the ground of re - lent - less love.



Ev' - ry - one come to the foun-tain of life!



Drink from the riv - er of de - light!

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

# Word

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

## \* First Reading:

## 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

*In the story preceding today's reading, the prophet Elijah flees for his life to the security of God's mountain. There God reveals to Elijah that there are still other faithful people in Israel and commissions him to anoint new leaders, including his own successor, Elisha.*

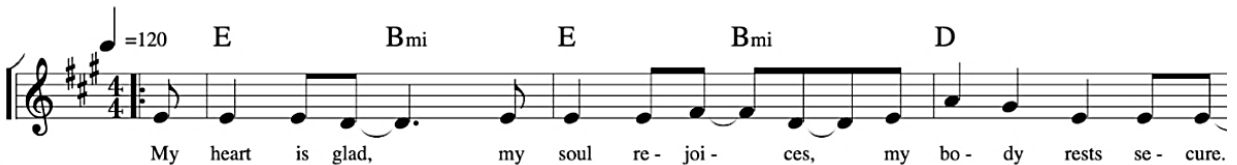
15 Then the Lord said to [Elijah], "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. 16 Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. 17 Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. 18 Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

19 So he set out from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. 20 He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" 21 He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm:

## Psalm 16



- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after | other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

## Refrain

5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.  
6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.  
7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.  
8 I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

### **Refrain**

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.  
10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one | see the pit.  
11 You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

### **Refrain**

## **Second Reading:**

## **Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

*For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.*

1 For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. 14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

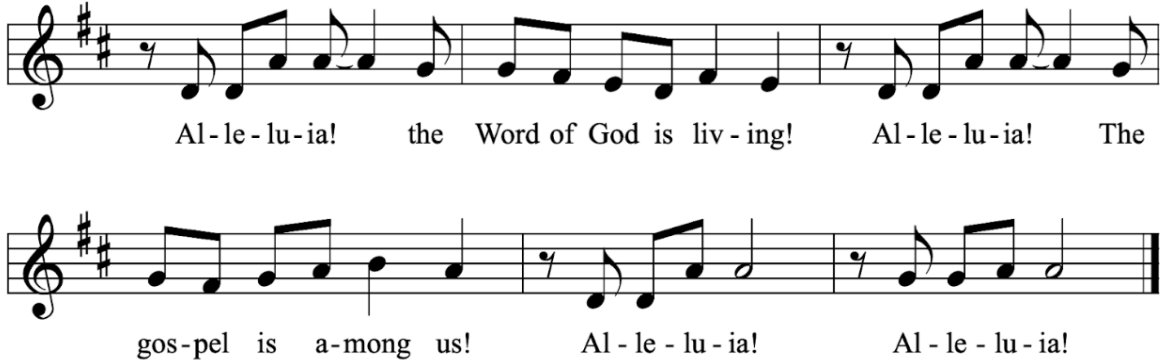
16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, 21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Children's Message**

**\*Gospel Acclamation:**



**Gospel:**

**Luke 9:51-62**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.*

51 When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, 53 but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. 54 When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” 55 But he turned and rebuked them. 56 Then they went on to another village.

57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” 58 And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” 59 To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” 60 And Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” 61 Another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” 62 And Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

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

**\* Sermon:**

**Pastor Bruce Thorsen**

## ***“Jesus You Have Called Us”***

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$$F(D)$$

1.	Je - sus,	you have	called us:	come,	fol - low	me,_____	take
	Je - sus,	I am	wil - ling	though	I am	weak;_____	I'll
2.	Je - sus,	you have	shown us	how	we should	live:_____	in
	Je - sus,	I am	wil - ling	though	I am	weak;_____	I'll

F (D)

[illegible]

up your cross,        de - ny your-self    and live.\_\_\_\_ I will  
trust\_ you    and I'll go\_\_ where you lead.\_\_\_  
sac - ri - fice,      hu - mi - li - ty    and love.\_\_\_  
fol-low you with your Spi - rit    in me.\_\_\_\_

F (D)

### Chorus

Chorus



The musical notation for the chorus is written on a single staff in treble clef. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of the following notes: a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B-flat4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a half note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a half note B-flat3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, a half note F3, a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, a half note C3, and a final quarter note B-flat2. The notes are grouped into measures: the first measure contains G4 and A4; the second measure contains B-flat4 and G4; the third measure contains F4 and E4; the fourth measure contains D4 and C4; the fifth measure contains B-flat3 and A3; the sixth measure contains G3 and F3; the seventh measure contains E3 and D3; the eighth measure contains C3 and B-flat2.

fol - low, I will fol - low, I will

$$F(D)$$

D.S. last time fine

fol - low                      where you      lead.\_\_\_\_

## 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 Intercession

God of grace, hear our prayer.

## Peace

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

*Meal*

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**\*Offering/Band Song:**     ***“Come Praise and Glorify”***     Bob Kauflin | Tim Chester

## \* Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



## **Great Thanksgiving**

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.**

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.

## **Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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 Communion** All are welcome. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*Our communion bread is always gluten-free. For those with greater allergen concerns, sealed gluten-free communion kits are available on the front table.*

# Communion Songs:

## "Feed Us"

♩ = 84



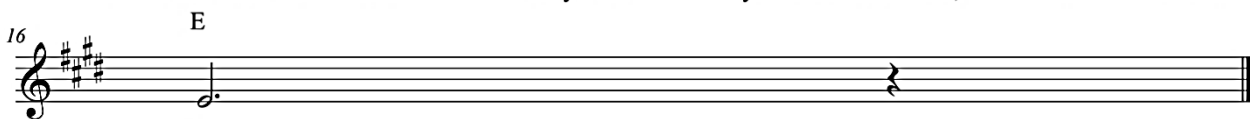
1. Feed us now, Bread of Life, in this ho - ly meal; Let us know Your
2. Piece of bread, glass of wine: Lord, this food is good; Love and mer - cy
3. God is here, O so near, near - er than our thoughts. Stay with us wher -



love a - new; We hun - ger for You. Feed us now, Bread of Life,  
 come to us, Your prom - ise we trust. Piece of bread, glass of wine;  
 e're we go; Lord, help us to grow. God is here, O so near,



come and live with - in; Let Your peace be ours to - day, Lord Je - sus, we  
 Who can un - der - stand how His mer - cy works in these? Yet, Lord, we be -  
 in this heav - en's meal. May we al - ways feed on You, on the Bread that's



pray.  
 lieve.  
 true.

**“God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me” ACS #1084**



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to  
2 Bind to my-self the name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -  
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light - ning,  
4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to  
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:  
es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:  
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:  
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:  
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

**\*Communion Blessing**

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*Sending*

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

**Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

# Sending Song:

## "Go"

### CHORUS

♩ = 88

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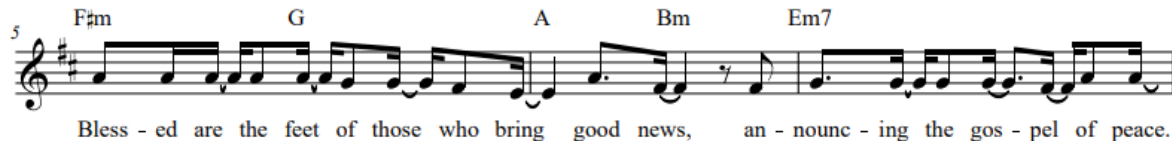
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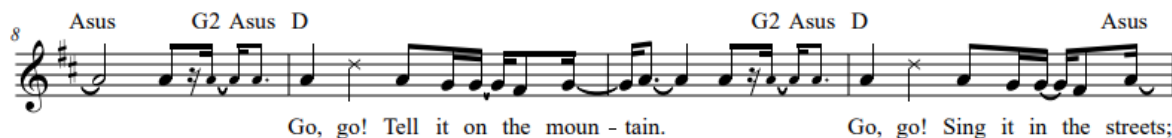
Go, go! Tell it on the moun - tain.

Go, go! Sing it in the streets;



Bless - ed are the feet of those who bring good news,

an - nounc - ing the gos - pel of peace.



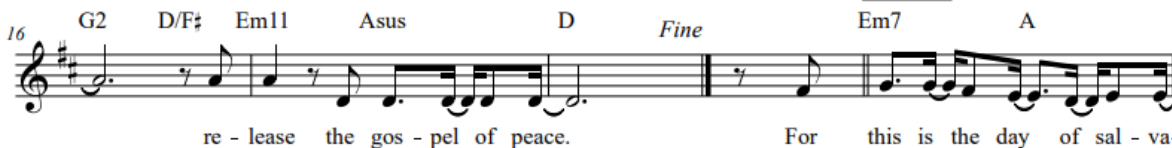
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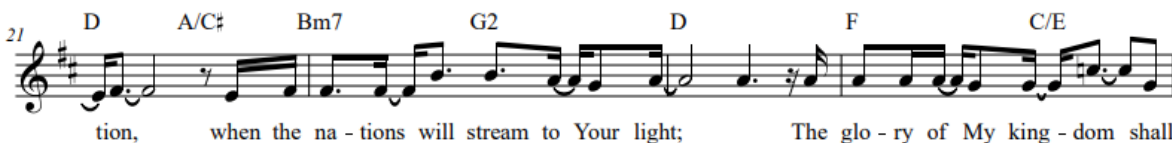
Do not keep si - lent, do not hold back, re - lease the gos - pel of peace,

### VERSE



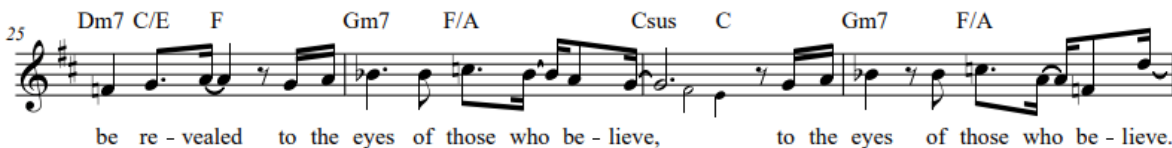
re - lease the gos - pel of peace.

For this is the day of sal - va -



tion, when the na - tions will stream to Your light;

The glo - ry of My king - dom shall



be re - vealed to the eyes of those who be - lieve,

to the eyes of those who be - lieve..

**Dismissal** Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.