

Trinity Lutheran Church

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Service of Holy Communion—*Lutheran Book of Worship,* Setting II
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, July 16, 2023
In-Person at 10:15 am & Live at Facebook.com/TrinityLutheranNH

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" LBW No. 453

APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 55:10-13

God's Word to Israel's exiles and to us is as sure and effective as never-failing precipitation.

Psalm 65:9-14

⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it ¹ very plenteous; the river of God is ¹ full of water.

¹⁰You pre- | pare the grain,

for so you provide | for the earth.

- ¹¹You drench the furrows and smooth ¹ out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and ¹ bless its increase.
- ¹²You crown the year | with your goodness, and your paths over- | flow with plenty.
- ¹³May the fields of the wilderness be ¹ rich for grazing, and the hills be ¹ clothed with joy.
- ¹⁴May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak them-

selves with grain;

let them shout for | joy and sing.

Gloria Patri (spoken after the psalm)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the / Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be fore-/ ver. Amen

SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who live in Christ. God sent Jesus Christ to accomplish what the law was unable to do: condemn sin and free us from its death-dealing ways. The Spirit now empowers proper actions and values in our lives and gives us the promise of Resurrected life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION/ALLELUIA

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's Word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." Now, in a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast" LBW No. 234

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

THE PRAYERS

PEACE

OFFERING The ushers collect the offering. You can also give electronically through our website, Facebook page, or by <u>clicking here</u>.

OFFERTORY: "Let the Vineyards"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

THE COMMUNION To all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord, are baptized, and confess Jesus' real presence in the Holy Communion, we invite you to join us in the Holy Eucharist. At the usher's invitation you may come forward to kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please take an empty individual cup from the tray and bring it with you to the rail. The host wafer will be placed into your open hands to eat. Your cup will be filled from the pouring chalice, take and drink. Individual cups filled with non-alcoholic grape juice are also available, please point to receive one. Sealed pre-consecrated Communion packages are also available. Please remain at the altar rail until all have finished and a blessing is given.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord"

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "On What Has Now Been Sown" LBW No. 261

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE