HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York
Sunday, July 7, 2019
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebrating our 141st Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!
Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God’s people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ’s teaching to love one another as God loves us.

We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet, found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.

Share your story!
Check-in, Tweet, post, or send an Instagram about your experience at Holy Trinity.
Use #PowerofTrinity to share your Faith in an instant!
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INTRODUCTION
God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord’s invitation to “take and eat . . . take and drink” is a repeated one. In the holy eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

PRELUDE
Sonata No. 3 in E Major BWV 1016 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
I. Adagio

Rebecca Torres, violin

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

God of mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you, and against one another. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news! Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

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.
KYRIE

Let us pray together.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life’s journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.
CANTICLE OF PRAISE

1  Glory be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2  Glory be to Christ for-ev-er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3  Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;

Might-y God of all cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav-i-or, you have come from heav’n a-bove;
Ho-ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God’s right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther’s splen-dor bright.

Saints and an-gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re-store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in-her-it, glo-ry be to God on high!

Please be seated.

(10:30)
A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN  The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14
The first reading for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Isaiah, the 66th Chapter.
Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
   all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy,
   all you who mourn over her—
that you may nurse and be satisfied
   from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight
   from her glorious bosom.
For thus says the LORD:
I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
   and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
   and dandled on her knees.
As a mother comforts her child,
   so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
   your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
   and his indignation is against his enemies.
Holy wisdom, holy word.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:1-9
The congregation will read responsively the bold-faced type.
1Be joyful in God, all you lands;
   be joyful, all the earth.
2Sing the glory of God’s name;
   sing the glory of God’s praise.
3Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!
   Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
4All the earth bows down before you,
   sings to you, sings out your name.”
Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God’s deeds toward all people.

God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

SECOND READING: Galatians 6:7-16
The second reading for today is recorded in Galatians, the 6th Chapter.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Holy wisdom, holy word. Thanks be to God.
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.

Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.

Al-le-lu-ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke

1 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2 He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3 Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ 6 And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.
7Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’

16“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

17The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” 18He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you.

20Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

The gospel of the Lord:

Please be seated.

SERMON The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

Please stand, if able.

HYMN OF THE DAY
We All Are One in Mission “Kuortane” ELW 576
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

Joining our voices with God’s people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.

For the church and its ministries; for pastors and musicians; for teachers and leaders, that their joyful noise clearly announce your reign of peace come near. Strengthen the ministries of the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For your works revealed in creation: for rivers and streams; for thunderstorms and sunshine; and for those preparing for harvesttime, that you inspire our care for the earth, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.
For peace and justice in the world; for all levels of government; for areas affected by strife, that those in authority always work for the good of all, bringing your justice to all people. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the sick and those who console them; for prisoners and those who show them mercy; for the downtrodden and those who help them flourish; for those suffering from malaria and zika; and for all in need of care, that you comfort them as a mother comforts her child. We pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts…, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those spending time with friends and family this summer; for those making employment decisions; for those uncertain what the future holds, that they set their minds on Christ who has called us to himself, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For all of us, the young and young at heart. For your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Ann and Randi, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who have inspired us by their witness to the gospel, that with them we will know the confidence of being held in your embrace, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.
Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ’s peace

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

SOLO AT THE OFFERING
Sonata No. 3 in E Major BWV 1016 Johann Sebastian Bach
II. Allegro (1685-1750)

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER
Let us pray together.
Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY
Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful ELW 184
Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.
THE 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.

PREFACE
It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hos-
san-na in the high-est, hos-san-na in the high-est.
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE
Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. We bless you for creating the whole world; for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells. Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us. Guiding his children, he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us. Dying on the cross, he saves us. Risen from the dead, he gives new life. Living with you, he prays for us.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the mystery of faith.
**Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this meal may be a communion in the body and blood of our Lord. Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast. Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**
LORD'S PRAYER
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
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.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.
eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Please be seated.
THE COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward to the communion rail (or to the presiding minister if the communion rails are not in place) and kneel or stand at the next available place at the rail. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or “intinct” the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. All are welcome to the table of our Lord.

SOLO AT COMMUNION
Sonata No. 3 in E Major BWV 1016
Johann Sebastian Bach
III. Adagio ma non tanto

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER
Let us pray together.

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.
SENDING OF COMMUNION
Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother’s tender care; As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth from this assembly to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this sacrament, that through the body and blood of your Son we all may know the comfort of your abiding presence.

Amen.

BENEDICTION
Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN
O Beautiful for Spacious Skies “Materna”

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE
Sonata No. 3 in E Major BWV 1016
Johann Sebastian Bach
IV. Allegro
(1685-1750)
The six sonatas for violin and obbligato harpsichord BWV 1014–1019 by Johann Sebastian Bach are works in trio sonata form, with the two upper parts in the harpsichord and violin over a bass line supplied by the harpsichord and an optional viola da gamba. Unlike baroque sonatas for solo instrument and continuo, where the realisation of the figured bass was left to the discretion of the performer, the keyboard part in the sonatas was almost entirely specified by Bach. They were probably mostly composed during Bach's final years in Cöthen between 1720 and 1723, before he moved to Leipzig.

Many thanks to Rebecca Torres for sharing Sonata No. 3 with us this morning.
THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, July 7, 2019 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (FR)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

MONDAY, July 8, 2019
6:00 p.m. Christian Education Meeting (FR)

TUESDAY, July 9, 2019
Happy Birthday Justin Pomietlarz
12:00 p.m. Women at the Well (FR)
6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study (FR)

WEDNESDAY, July 10, 2019
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (CR)
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Worship (CH)

THURSDAY, July 11, 2019
7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SATURDAY, July 13, 2019
9:00 a.m. AA Day of Sharing (RH)

SUNDAY, July 14, 2019 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (FR)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)

CH = Mansperger Chapel  CI = Crib Room  CR = Conference Room
FR = Fellowship Room   FI = Fireside Room/Library  MC = Main Church
MR = Music Room        PS = Pastor’s Study    RH = Redeemer Hall
SC = Sacristy          SS = Sunday School     YR = Youth Room
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOMEN AT THE WELL will meet on July 9 at 12:00. In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment, we will be viewing "Why They Marched: Untold Stories of the Women who fought for the Right to Vote". Profiles of 19 women.

GOLF OUTING: The Fellowship and Hospitality Committee are sponsoring the Annual Holy Trinity Golf Outing on Monday, July 29 at Tan Tara Golf Club. Cost for the day is $60 and includes a continental breakfast, nine hole scramble and BBQ lunch. The cost for lunch only is $12. Checks should be made payable to “Holy Trinity Lutheran Church” and mailed/given to the church office. Prize donations gratefully accepted. Tan Tara is located at 4391 Tonawanda Creek Road North, North Tonawanda 14120. Please see Guy Huber, Craig Johnson or call the church office to make your reservation.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL runs from August 19-23. Registration and volunteer forms can be found on the table by the church doors or from the office. Each year we collect new items to use in community service projects during VBS. This year we asking for pajamas in all sizes from child through adult, books for ages 8 - 18, and travel size toiletries. There will be a box by the chapel door for these donations. Thank you for helping us to help others.

BOAT CRUISE: Join us for an Irish Music Cruise on the Canal with Music from our own Jim Dunnigan and his band the Rosewood Bridge on Sunday, August 11 from 3:00-6:00. The cruise departs from and returns to the Lockport Locks and the cost is $20. Please contact Guy Huber or Jim Dunnigan for more information.
FINAL CALL FOR MEMORIAL BRICK dedications. Our garden veranda will provide a gathering space for the community all around us. This is your opportunity to play a special role in the building of our Garden Veranda. Memorial Bricks may now be reserved and dedicated in the memory of, or honor of, a loved one. Order forms for the bricks may be found on the tables at the entrance ways.

Holy Trinity has supported *Family Promise* for many years. If you'd like to tour the shelter or find out more about their mission and ministry, join volunteers (past and present) at the facility at 75 Hickory St. on Sunday, July 28 from 2:00-4:00pm. Flyers with details are posted or contact Linda Schmidt or Barb Wozniak for more information.

FAMILY PROMISE: Do you have a membership to the Buffalo Zoo, and are you wondering what to do with those extra guest passes you receive as a member? Please consider donating them to Family Promise, a local shelter for homeless families and part of Holy Trinity’s mission outreach. Barb Wozniak and Linda Schmidt will be happy to deliver them to LuAnne Firestone, the director, or you may mail them directly to Family Promise, 75 Hickory St. Buffalo, NY 14204. Thank you for considering just another way to spread love throughout our city.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Holy Trinity has an electronic option for making regular offerings or a one-time donation. If you would like to sign up, please fill out the forms located on the tables in the narthex and return to the office. Please call the church office with questions.
Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings
July 2019

July 3  In Loving Memory of my Dad’s birthday (Hans Illhardt), my parents Anniversary (Hans and Mildred Illhardt) and my Anniversary to Nick – all celebrated on July 3rd. Sadly missed by wife and daughter – Cris Campana

Now you can honor special events and special people in your life! Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to Holy Trinity for $25 for each event you wish to honor. Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.

Altar Flower Dedication

Altar flower dedications are available for $40 per vase. Checks are payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Please contact Mary Linda Schmidt 835-3325 or msmarylschmidt@gmail.com to secure a date.
At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Brandon Howard. Altar guild is Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Dave Ulrich. Communion assistant is Paul Bauchle. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcers are Jen and Ellie Yap. Altar guild is Kathy Szakmary. Ushers are Marty Bauer (captain), Mary Sue Bauer, Matthew Brown, Carole Casterline, Gary Herrnreiter and Craig Johnson. Communion Assistant is Susan Bundt. Worship Assistant is Nathaniel Wareham.

The flowers on the altar are given To the Glory of God on our Anniversary and in Honor of Pastor Charles Bang by Orest and Janice Iskalo.

Council Member Ryon Fleming will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today’s prayers of intercession include Ann and Randi Jones.

The flag flying on the flagpole has been dedicated In Memory of Ken James by Gail and John Camilleri.

Stewardship Thought of the Day

Let us remember the poor, and not forget kindness to strangers; above all, let us love God with all our soul, and might, and our neighbor as ourselves.

Anthanasius of Alexandria
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