

# DIVINE SERVICE I

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*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

*August 20, 2017*

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Ringling of the Bell

Solo: "Gathered in the Love of Christ" .....Rev. Kevin Vogts

*Refrain:* Gathered in the love of Christ,  
We are one in the family of God.  
We are the dwelling place that love has made;  
We are formed to be goodness and light in the world.

God is light, in Him there is no darkness.  
Let us walk in the light of life.  
If we live in Him, then we must love each other,  
Ever follow the way of truth and life. *Refrain*

See what love the Father has shown us,  
To call us the children of God.  
And as He has loved us, so we must love each other,  
Ever follow the way of truth and life. *Refrain*

Join with me and enter in rejoicing,  
Praise the One who has called us to be.  
And we come to You, the flock that You will shepherd;  
You will show us the way of truth and life. *Refrain*

Praise our God, who fashioned all creation;  
Praise to Christ, who redeems us in love;  
Praise the Spirit blest, who calls us and renews us  
That we walk in the way of truth and life. *Refrain*

*Words and Music by Marty Haugen  
Based on Canon in D by Johann Pachelbel*

Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" .....Hymn 802

Confession and Absolution .....Page 151

Introit (*Spoken Responsively—Psalm 32:1-2a, 5; 103:8-13*):

- P** Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him.
- C** **I acknowledged my sin to You and did not cover up my iniquity.**
- P** I said, “I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord”—and You forgave the guilt of my sin.
- C** **The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.**
- P** He will not always accuse, nor will He harbor His anger forever;
- C** **He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.**
- P** For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him;
- C** **As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.**
- P** As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him.

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis.....Page 152

Salutation and Collect of the Day (*Prayed in Unison*):

- C** **Merciful Father, You have shown love to us by forgiving all our sins for the sake of Your Son. Grant us grace as Your children to love and forgive one another, even as You love and forgive us through Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**



Old Testament Reading.....Leviticus 19:1-4, 11-13a, 16-18

*God requires absolute holiness and perfection—a standard we cannot measure up to. But “we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all” (Hebrews 10:10).*

The LORD said to Moses, “Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: ‘Be holy because I, the LORD your God, am holy.

“Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe My Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God.

“Do not turn to idols or make gods of cast metal for yourselves. I am the LORD your God. . .

“Do not steal.

“Do not lie.

“Do not deceive one another.

“Do not swear falsely by My name and so profane the name of your God. I am the LORD.

“Do not defraud your neighbor or rob him. . .

“Do not go about spreading slander among your people.

“Do not do anything that endangers your neighbor’s life. I am the LORD.

“Do not hate your brother in your heart. Rebuke your neighbor frankly so you will not share in his guilt.

“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.””

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Gradual (Spoken Responsively—Psalm 86:5, Exodus 34:6):*

**P** You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to You.

**C** The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.



Epistle Reading .....Colossians 3:1-17

*Since through Baptism we have spiritually died and risen with Christ, we set our hearts and minds not on earthly things but on things above. The Christian life is one of love and forgiveness, which can only be inspired and empowered by being in God’s Word.*

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds you all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia (*Please Stand*) .....Page 156

*Before the reading:*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel .....Matthew 18:21-35

*We forgive others without limit because of God's limitless mercy for us.*

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven.

"Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

"The servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.' The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

"But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii. He grabbed him and began to choke him. 'Pay back what you owe me!' he demanded.

"His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.'

"But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. When the other servants saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed and went and told their master everything that had happened.

"Then the master called the servant in. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?' In anger his master turned him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

"This is how My heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart."

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed.....Page 159

Hymn: "Jesus Sat with His Disciples".....Hymn 932

Sermon: "How Many Times Shall I Forgive?"....Matthew 18:21-35

Hymn: "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"..... Hymn 683

Presentation of Ruritan Scholarship to Anna Vogts


Prayer of the Church (*Prayed Responsively*):

- P** O Lord, our God, we acknowledge Your great goodness toward us and praise You for the mercy and grace that our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known.
- C** **As You daily pardon our offenses, we pray You to correct and reform what is lacking in us, and help us to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**
- P** Inscribe Your law upon our hearts, and equip us to serve You with holy and blameless lives.
- C** **Grant that Your living and powerful Word may work mightily in us, to Your glory and for our salvation.**
- P** Deliver us from sin and error, from the frailties of the flesh, the allurements of this present age, and the temptations of the devil.
- C** **Give us faith that works in love, hope that never disappoints, kindness that never fails, confidence in You that never wavers, and patience that does not grow weary.**
- P** By Your Holy Spirit bless the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Sacraments, giving success to the labors of [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all faithful missionaries, pastors, and other servants of Your Church.
- C** **Strengthen us with courage always to be ready to confess Christ, that we may live in Your mercy, and die in Your peace.**


*Additional Petitions Each Concluding:*

- P** Lord, in Your mercy. **C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** Guide us and our loved ones this week by Your fatherly hand, and keep us under Your protective care.
- C** **Preserve us in peace, that trusting in Your everlasting goodness we may rest secure in Your love.**
- P** For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

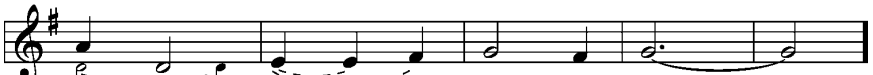
Hymn.....“Blest Are They”



1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it;      Theirs is the  
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones;      They shall in -  
 3 Blest are they \_\_\_\_\_ who show mer - cy;      Mer - cy  
 4 Blest are they \_\_\_\_\_ who seek peace;      They are the  
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, \_\_\_\_\_ All \_\_\_\_\_ be -



king - dom of God. \_\_\_\_\_ Blest are they, \_\_\_\_\_ full \_\_\_\_\_ of  
 her - it the earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Blest are they who hun - ger and  
 shall \_\_\_\_\_ be theirs. \_\_\_\_\_ Blest are they, the pure \_\_\_\_\_ of  
 chil - dren of God. \_\_\_\_\_ Blest are they who suf - fer in  
 cause \_\_\_\_\_ of Me. \_\_\_\_\_ Re - joyce and be glad, \_\_\_\_\_ yours is the




sor - row;      They \_\_\_\_\_ shall be con - soled. \_\_\_\_\_  
 thirst; \_\_\_\_\_ They \_\_\_\_\_ shall have their fill. \_\_\_\_\_  
 heart; \_\_\_\_\_ They \_\_\_\_\_ shall see God! \_\_\_\_\_  
 faith; \_\_\_\_\_ The glo - ry of God is theirs. \_\_\_\_\_  
 king - dom;      Shine \_\_\_\_\_ for all to see. \_\_\_\_\_



Re - joyce \_\_\_\_\_ and be glad! \_\_\_\_\_ Bless - ed are you,



ho - ly are you. Re - joyce \_\_\_\_\_ and be glad! \_\_\_\_\_ Yours is the



king - dom of God. \_\_\_\_\_

Lord's Prayer and Closing Collect (*Prayed Responsively*):

**P** Rejoicing in Christ's presence among us, we offer up our prayers in the words He Himself has taught us:

**C** **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.**

**P** Almighty God, heavenly Father, You have commanded us to love You above all things, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Increase in us Your gifts of faith, hope, and love, that we may forgive one another as we have been forgiven, and together joyfully serve You in godly peace and tranquility; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction .....Page 166



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" .....Hymn 803

***Everyone Is Invited to Stay and  
Enjoy Coffee Hour in the Overflow***

WELCOME! We pray this worship hour is a blessing for you and invite you to please come again soon! If you are a visitor please sign the Guest Register in the entry and introduce yourself to the Pastor.





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## **Birthdays**

<b>Sunday</b>	Angela Carwile	Enora Coppenbarger
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gayle Plummer	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Ryan Boyer	
<b>Thursday</b>	Kelly Gerken	Anna Vogts
<b>Friday</b>	Derik Vaughn	
<b>Saturday</b>	Brooke Prothe	

## **Anniversaries**

### **We remember in our prayers:**

Damon Kettler, Sherri Webb, Darrell Peckman, Hazel Prothe, Robin Cotrell, Grant Haley, Alexis DeLuca, members and relatives serving in the armed forces including Jake Crome, Jeremy Howard, Zac Howard, Aaron Prothe, and Travis Peckman.

## TREASURER'S REPORT Aug 20, 2017

<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	Aug 12, 2017	\$ 5,154.94
Income:	Deposit	\$ 1,990.70
Expenses:	Checking	\$ (4,501.97)
Balance	Aug 19, 2017	\$ 2,643.67

### Attendance

**Worship Attendance** Aug 13, 2017 108

**TODAY'S WORSHIP** — *Forgiving as the Lord Forgives Us.* In settling His accounts with us, our Lord acts not with anger, but with compassion. He does not imprison us as we deserve, but He forgives all our debts and releases us (Matthew 18:23-27). Therefore, our Lord bids each of us to have “mercy on your fellow servant” and “forgive your brother from your heart” (Matthew 18:33, 35). By the Lord’s forgiveness of our sins, we are free to forgive those who sin against us, because He has been handed over to the jailers in our stead, and He has paid our entire debt with His lifeblood. By God’s grace in Jesus Christ we are holy just as He is holy (Leviticus 19:2). This gift of holiness begins with fearing, loving, and trusting God above all things and leads us to love our neighbor as ourselves (Leviticus 19:18). No longer will we “take vengeance or bear a grudge” (Leviticus 19:15-18). For, though we were His enemies, our Lord Jesus Christ has loved us and forgiven us. In response, we will “Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you” (Colossians 3:13).

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** — *Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

**NEXT WEEK’S SERMON** — Next week’s message will be by guest minister Rev. Roger Schepmann. Sermons by Pastor Vogts are available in both printed and audio form on our church web site, [www.trinitylcms.org/sermons](http://www.trinitylcms.org/sermons), as podcasts in the iTunes store under “Kevin Vogts,” online at [www.kevinvogts.podbean.com](http://www.kevinvogts.podbean.com), or for mobile devices at [www.kevinvogts.podbean.com/mobile](http://www.kevinvogts.podbean.com/mobile). Printed copies of today’s message and those from the past several weeks are also available in a small literature rack in back of the church.

**THANK YOU** — *Dear Block Congregation, Thank you for all of the cards and prayers. It was so thoughtful and kind of you to think of us. It really meant a lot to us. We feel so blessed with all of the support and prayers we are receiving. We enjoy visiting your church. You make us feel so welcomed. Thanks again for the cards and prayers. Yours in Christ, Troy, Amy, Kaylana, and Layla Schepmann*



**BLOCKTOBERFEST SEPTEMBER 16**  
— *Ach du lieber!* It’s almost time for our fifth annual Blocktoberfest! Held on the grounds at Trinity on Saturday, September 16, from noon to 6:00pm. This year’s Blocktoberfest will again feature lots of fun activities and

delicious food. On Sunday, September 17 we will also hold our annual “Blocktoberfest Outdoor Service” in the Shelter House at our regular worship time of 10:00am. We look forward to another *wunderbar* year celebrating our German heritage—and having fun!

**BLOCKTOBERFEST FOOD STAND** — The TLC Youth will once again be running the food stand at Blocktoberfest on September 16. The funds raised at this awesome event allow our kids to attend local, state, and national events. It is a lot of work and we could use your help! We can use donations of German Potato Salad, pie/strudel, and apples for applesauce (do you have a tree we can come pick from?). We are also seeking extra help serving at the event, as many of our youth are graduating and moving on! Kids, parents, grandparents, friends—all are welcome! If you would like to donate items or your time, please let us know. The recipe for the potato salad is located in the Church Office. Contact Janette Reinke, Susan Schmitt, Pam Peckman or any youth parent.

**150th ANNIVERSARY MEETING TODAY** — There will be a meeting *today* immediately following the service to work on planning our 150th Anniversary Celebration in 2018. We invite anyone interested in helping plan this event to join us! If you have any questions please contact Greg Windler, Erin Meyer, or Phyllis Trickett.

**AUGUST TRINITY TRIBUNE** — The August issue of our church newsletter *Trinity Tribune* is available in the large literature rack in the overflow, in both regular and large-print. Pastor Vogts' article this month is about the trip he and Terry took to Germany last month and the significance of Martin Luther's 95 Theses. Current and past issues of our newsletter are also available online on the church's website, [www.trinitylcms.org/newsletter](http://www.trinitylcms.org/newsletter). Pick up your copy of *Trinity Tribune* today!

**LUTHERAN WITNESS** — If you wish to change your subscription or if you wish to start receiving a subscription, please leave a note on the desk in the office.

**BUILDING UPDATE** — Our building project has been delayed because the engineering survey revealed our existing septic tank is directly under the footprint of the proposed addition. Because of the complexity and potential high cost of a new septic system, and uncertainty about what type

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for the  
Future*

of system the county would require, we have been working on an alternate plan that would keep the same features but place the addition and new drive-thru entry on the north side of the building. This addition would mirror the wing currently extending from the south side of the building and create a T-shaped structure. In addition to saving a great deal of effort and expense replacing our septic system, it also seems this alternate plan could have other benefits over the original proposal. We are currently finalizing plans with Legacy Builders of Paola, who have recently completed several church additions in our area. At this time we have only preliminary sketches, but when the new plan is completed it will be shared with the congregation. If you have questions please contact chairman Greg Windler. Thanks for your patience!

**GUEST MINISTER NEXT SUNDAY** — Rev. and Mrs. Vogts will be taking their daughter Anna to begin her studies at Concordia University Texas in Austin this week. In Pastor Vogts' absence next Sunday, August 27, our guest minister at Trinity will be Rev. Roger Schepmann. While he is out of town Pastor Vogts can be reached by calling his cell phone (913-594-9865) or his study at the parsonage, which will be forwarded to his cell phone (913-849-3711).

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** — The quarterly issue of the devotional booklet *Portals of Prayer* for July thru September is available in a small literature rack in the Overflow, in standard size, large print, and “digest” size (same size as *Reader’s Digest*). A great way to keep close to the Lord!

**DISHES IN KITCHEN** – Please check the kitchen for any dishes or pans that might be yours. There are several on the counter by the refrigerator.