

November 1, 2020
9:30 Worship
All Saints Day



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
“Participating in God’s mission of life”
7104 - 39th Avenue
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*We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation
(All are welcome here)*

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Elijah was a great prophet working to get God’s fickle people to return to God. But he couldn’t do it alone. God sent him to a poor widow whose gift of hospitality made all the difference.

God’s mission of life looks like this: during a global pandemic, homebound members are called, prayers are gathered, food is collected for local pantries, worship services are streamed, groceries are delivered to the vulnerable, offerings are given to the glory of God; during times of injustice, voices of the oppressed are lifted up and listened to with respect, oppressors recognize their complicity and repent from wrong doing, and all come together to work for a more just world. God’s mission of life is happening all around and through each of us.

WELCOME

AM: Good morning, welcome to Trinity Kenosha. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America who welcomes and affirms all persons into the life of our faith community.

We extend a special welcome for those watching who are new to our faith community and invite you to explore our ministries by visiting our website at trinitykenosha.org. Our new member team leader, Joe Falduto, is eager to listen and answer your questions about our ministries. Please feel free to email them.

Welcome to worship!

GATHERING SONG

 *Lord Send Revival* (M. Crocker, A. King, B. Tan)

*Peace like a river, wash over me.
Immerse me in water as deep as the sea.
Hide me in love, Your healing embrace.
Peace like a river, wash over me.*

*As I worship Your majesty,
I worship Your holy name.
Jesus, my everything,
All that I am is Yours.*

*Come Holy Spirit, rain down on me.
Break open the heavens and drench the unseen.
Pour out Your presence as I pour out Your praise.
Come Holy Spirit, Lord, have Your way.*

*As I worship Your majesty,
I worship Your holy name.
Jesus, my everything,
All that I am is Yours.*

*I worship Your majesty,
I worship Your holy name.
Jesus, my everything,
All that I am is Yours.*

*Open the heavens, fling wide the gates.
Flood every heart with mercy.
Pour out your presence,
Inhabit our praise as we cry holy, holy.
Open the heavens, fling wide the gates.
Flood every heart mercy.
Pour out your presence,
Inhabit our praise as we cry holy, holy.*

*Whoa--- Whoa--- as we cry, holy, holy.
Whoa--- Whoa---*

*Lord, send revival,
Lord, send it now.
A move of Your Spirit, heaven break out.
Come now in power, cover this land.
Like You've done it before, would You do it again?*

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Lord, send revival,
Lord, send it now.*

*A move of Your Spirit, heaven break out.
Come now in power, cover this land.
Like You've done it before, would You do it again?*

*Heaven break out. Heaven break out.
Heaven break out. Heaven break out.*

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FORGIVENESS AND CONFESSION

P: We gather in the name of God the Deliverer, God the Redeemer, and
God the Encourager who journeys with us. Amen.

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: God of all ages,

C: ...you have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. Sweep away our foolishness and bring us back into a trusting relationship with the one who has lovingly created us and longs to be our strength and life.

P: Dear people, hear the joyful good news: God forgives you. Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator!

All: Amen

SONG OF PRAISE

♪♪ *There's A Wideness In God's Mercy* *Hymn 588*

*There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment
giv'n.*

*There is welcome for the sinner, and a promised grace made good;
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.*

*For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind;
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
But we make this love too narrow by false limits of our own;
And we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.*

*Tis not all we owe to Jesus; it is something more than all:
Greater good because of evil, larger mercy through the fall.
Make our love, O God, more faithful; let us take you at your word,
And our lives will be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day. Steadfast God,

**C: ...you do not wish for us to struggle through this life on our own.
May we accept the people and the signs you send our way to help**

us on the path you have set out for us, and may we trust in the mercy of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

REMEMBERING ALL THE SAINTS

AM: With our grief and with our gratitude we pray for loved ones who've gone before us: O God of the pilgrim's way, we give thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of Your love at work in the world. As we pray, we know that this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses surrounds us. Yet even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.

C: Amen

🔔 After each name is read aloud, a bell tolls. 🔔

P: Since last year's All Saints' remembrance, the following loved ones and members of our faith community now experience the fullness of our faith:

- *Shirley Weyrauch*
- *Arlene Bella*
- *Jeanette Dau*
- *Barbara Schaafsman*
- *Everett Anderson*
- *Amy Cox*

P: Let us pray. Holy God, we honor these, our ancestors in faith and members of our family. We, too, seek to do your will; guide us. We, too, desire to be your servants; strengthen us. We, too, long to know you clearly; teach us. We, too, desire to bear witness to your love and mercy; deepen our faith. And in time, bring us to our eternal home of peace and joy. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen

SPECIAL MUSIC

♪♪ *For All The Saints* *Hymn 422, v.1*

*For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

AM: Scriptures today will be read by Linda McKinney via audio file.

L: Through the proclaimed word of God, the holy Spirit moves to instill and deepen faith.

A reading from the Gospel of Luke. (Luke 4:24-26)

²⁴And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Tom

L: A reading from Kings

(Kings 17:1-24)

Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.” ²The word of the Lord came to him, saying, ³“Go from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁴You shall drink from the wadi, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.” ⁵So he went and did according to the word of the Lord; he went and lived by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁶The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the wadi. ⁷But after a while the wadi dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸She then said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!” ¹⁹But he said to her, “Give me your son.” He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰He cried out to the Lord, “O Lord my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?” ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the Lord, “O Lord my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” ²²The Lord listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, “See, your son is alive.” ²⁴So the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Tom

A moment of silence follows the sermon for the movement of the Holy Spirit.

HYMN OF THE DAY

♪♪ *We All Are One In Mission* *Hymn 576*

*We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.*

*We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different our purpose is the same:
To touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,
So every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.*

*Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.*

APOSTLES CREED

AM: Let us confess our faith together with the words of the Apostles 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 THE CHURCH

AM: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: Gracious God,.... **"Hear our prayer"**

AM: We give you thanks for all the people who have guided us, helped us, and provided key support on our journey. Make us signposts and blessings to others as well, for we are all joined in one body.
Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: Resetting clocks and shifting times reminds us how relative and impermanent are the systems and structures which we have set up to mark and measure our days. Give us a vision of your eternal kingdom that we might always keep the most important things in our sight. Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: Creation is meant for our sustenance and enjoyment, and naturally replenishes what is taken from itself. But we have become greedy and take more than we need, at the expense of the planet and others with whom we are meant to share it. Transform our hearts to more

closely reflect your desire for equality and compassion for all life.
Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: As Elijah revived the widow's son by your spirit's power, so revive us when we are dead to hope and resigned to despair. Send your spirit of healing to all those whom we know are in need of it....
Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Creator God, nothing is outside of your Lordship including our systems of governance. As our nation seeks to elect a president, vice president and congresspersons, bless the polls and poll workers with your protection and peace. Many have sacrificed much for our privilege of voting. Bless us with your perseverance if we experience long lines and delays at the polls. Our country is divided on many things. Bless us with unity amidst diversity that you reveal to us in the Holy Trinity. You treat us with mercy and compassion. Bless our elected leaders with your compassion so that justice is experienced by all. In Christ, you give us peace that surpasses all human understanding. Inspire our country to respond to the results of this election, however we individually may experience them, in peace.

Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: *(Here other petitions may be offered)* Gracious God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: Hold all those for whom we pray in your loving embrace, and hear our prayers for the sake of the one who prayed for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

C: Amen.

PEACE

AM: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

AM: If you are gathered with friends or family, share a word of peace with one another.

OFFERING

During this season of “together while apart” your financial gifts given to the glory of God are especially precious and needed. Three ways to give:

1. Mail a check to Trinity, 7104 - 39th Avenue, Kenosha, WI 53142
2. Text a dollar amount with dollar sign (i.e. \$20) to: 262-429-9785
3. Select the “Giving” button on our homepage,

www.trinitykenosha.org

Thank you, and thank God for you!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

AM: Let us pray:

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

C: Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS - Pastor Tom

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pr. Tom will be available until 11:15 this morning for persons to drive to church to receive individually packaged communion kits. If transportation is not possible, you may use bread and wine or juice that you have available in your home during this time of physical distancing.

P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Praising you, O God, is our only response to your mercy and grace revealed most fully through the death and glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

AM: As we pray together the Lord's Prayer, please use the version that best nurtures your faith.

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.

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: Let us gather with eagerness at our Lord's table, to be filled with good things, blessed for our work in the gospel, and sent on our way rejoicing. **Amen.**

BLESSING

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.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

♪ *Rescue* (L. Daigle, P. Mabury, J. Ingram)

*You are not hidden.
There's never been a moment you were forgotten.
You are not hopeless,
Though you have been broken, your innocence stolen.
I hear you whisper underneath your breath.
I hear your S.O.S., your S.O.S.*

*I will send out an army to find you
In the middle of the darkest night. It's true.
I will rescue you.*

*There is no distance
That cannot be covered over and over.
You're not defenseless.
I'll be your shelter; I'll be your armor.*

*I hear you whisper underneath your breath.
I hear your S.O.S., your S.O.S.*

*I will send out an army to find you
In the middle of the darkest night. It's true.
I will rescue you.
I will never stop marching to reach you
In the middle of the hardest fight. It's true.
I will rescue you.*

*I hear the whisper underneath your breath.
I hear you whisper you have nothing left.*

*I will send out an army to find you
In the middle of the darkest night. It's true.
I will rescue you.
I will never stop marching to reach you
In the middle of the hardest fight. It's true.
I will rescue you.
Oh, I will rescue you.*

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DISMISSAL

AM: Go, abounding in hope. Bear witness to Jesus Christ. Depart in
peace.

C: Thanks be to God.