

January 24, 2021
9:30 Worship
Third Sunday of Epiphany



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
“Participating in God’s mission of life”
7104 - 39th Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53142

*We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation
(All are welcome here)*
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Peter was weary after a long night of fishing with nothing to show for it. But when a traveling preacher stepped into his boat, he would never be the same.

The mission of God is life. Hope replaces despair. Faith replaces fear. Life replaces death. How are you participating in God’s mission of life?

WELCOME

AM: Good morning. Welcome in the name of the Lord 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 him. Welcome to worship!

♪ GATHERING SONG

Come as You Are

Glover, Crowder, Maher

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been,

Come broken-hearted let rescue begin.

Come find your mercy, oh sinner, come kneel.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.

So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.

All who are broken, lift up your face.

Oh wanderer come home, you're not too far,

So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.

There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed.

Come sit at the table; come taste the grace.

There's rest for the weary, rest that endures.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.

So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.

All who are broken, lift up your face.

Oh wanderer, come home; you're not too far,

So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.

*Come as you are, come as you are.
Fall in his arms, come as you are.*

*There's joy for the morning, oh sinner, be still.
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.*

*So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.
All who are broken, lift up your face.
Oh wanderer, come home; you're not too far.
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.*

FORGIVENESS AND CONFESSION

P: We gather in the name of God the Creator, God the Incarnate, and
God the Advocate. Amen.

Trusting in the abundant mercy and everlasting love of the Holy Triune
God, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: God of light,

**C: ...You light a fire within us and ask us to shine, but we are quick
to hide and make excuses. We shrink from challenges, avoid
responsibility, and deny the goodness of your creation. We seek
hollow praise and then don't believe it. Forgive us for hiding our
God-given light and remaining self absorbed.**

P: Children of God, never fear, for you have always lived in the mercy
of your creator. Hear the words of absolution and believe then: you
are forgiven, you are made whole, you are restored to God.
Hallelujah!

All: Amen

♪ SONG OF PRAISE

Let Everything That Has Breath

Redman

Praise You in the morning, praise You in the evening,

Praise You when I'm young and when I'm old.

Praise You when I'm laughing, praise You when I'm grieving,

Praise You every season of the soul.

If we could see how much You're worth,

Your power, Your might, Your endless love,

Then surely we would never cease to praise.

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

Praise You in the heavens, joining with the angels,

Praising You forever and a day.

Praise You on the earth now, joining with creation,

Calling all the nations to Your praise.

If they could see how much You're worth,

Your power, Your might, Your endless love,

Then surely they would never cease to praise.

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

Let everything that, everything that, everything that has breath

Praise the Lord!

And I will worship, I will worship, I will worship You with every breath.

And I will worship, I will worship, I will worship You with every breath.

And I will worship, I will worship, I will worship You with every breath.

And I will worship, I will worship, I will worship You with every breath.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

C: ...You turned fishermen into disciples, teachers, and healers. Transform us in the ways which serve you best, and lead us fearlessly forward in faith. Amen.

AM: Scriptures today will be read by Peni Keeling.

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

A reading from the book of Psalms. (Psalm 90:14-17)

¹⁴Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.

¹⁶Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

¹⁷Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A reading from the gospel of Luke. (Luke 5:1-11)

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night

long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.”
⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Tom

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

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

*You have come down to the lakeshore
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
But only asking for me to follow.
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling,
You've called out my name...
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you, I will seek other seas.*

*You know full well what I have, Lord:
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
Just these my fish nets and will for working.
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling,
You've called out my name...*

*On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you, I will seek other seas.*

*You need my hands, my exhaustion,
Working love for the rest of the weary -
A love that's willing to go on loving.
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling,
You've called out my name...*

*On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you, I will seek other seas.*

*You who have fished other waters;
You, the longing of souls that are yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call me.
Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling,
You've called out my name...*

*On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you, I will seek other seas.*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

AM: Please text your prayer requests to 287-8098.

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: Inviting God,....**"Hear our prayer"**

AM: You amaze us with how well you know us. You invite us to know ourselves more deeply through serving you. Give us the courage to follow where you are leading. Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: As a new presidential term begins, we pray for your blessing upon this land and all of its people, that everyone would find a way to contribute and flourish within the fabric of society, and that we

would truly accept the gifts of those who differ from us. Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: As disciples gathered great multitudes of fish from the sea, so they in turn gathered the multitudes of people longing to hear the good news. May we capture hearts with your words of life, and demonstrate how your love embraces your whole creation. Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Sometimes the unfamiliar is where we need to go to find our true home. Shake us out of inertia and disrupt our lives with your healing Spirit. Bless those who need it most today... Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: We may never know the kind of persecution which your saints and martyrs have suffered, yet their lives stand as beacons of faith to inspire and draw us forward. Join our songs of praise with theirs and bring us all together on the last day. Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: (*Here other petitions are offered*) Inviting God,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: Receive our prayers and shed light on our path as we seek to walk in your ways and bring glory to you through your son Jesus, 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

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

There are 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

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.

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

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS - Pastor Tom

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father +Son and Holy Spirit bless us and keep us,
guiding our thoughts and our actions in the grace of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

♪ SENDING HYMN

AM: The sending hymn is #580, *How Clear is our Vocation, Lord*

*How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call
To live according to your word and daily learn, refreshed, restored,
That you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.*

*But if, forgetful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
If worldly pressures fray the mind and love itself cannot unwind
Its tangled skein of care: our inward life repair.*

*We marvel how your saints become in hindrances more sure;
Whose joyful virtues put to shame the casual way we wear your name,
And by our faults obscure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.*

*In what you give us, Lord, to do, together or alone,
In old routines or ventures new, may we not cease to look to you,
The cross you hung upon, all you endeavored done.*

DISMISSAL

AM: Go. Walk in the light of Christ. **C: Thanks be to God.**