



# 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 24, 2022

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## Welcome to Trinity Church

We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community centred in the good news of Jesus. We invite you to join us for worship and to take up your place with us on our journey. We'd be glad of your presence and grateful for your company!

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# Trinity Community Worship † 9:30 am

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## Gathering

Prelude Lord of Light – *Valerie A. Floeter*  
Greeting & Welcome  
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Prayer of the Day

## Word

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## Meal

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Offertory Prayer  
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Invitation *All are invited. All are welcome.*  
**Thanks be to God.**  
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## Sending

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Dismissal *Go in peace. Love your neighbor.*  
**Thanks be to God.**  
Postlude Postlude on an Original Antiphon– *C. Uehlein*

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## Serving Today

Presiding Minister: Rev. Tanya Varner  
Assisting Minister: Dean Clarke  
Usher: Ross Eichler  
Musician: Jamie Courtney  
Technology: Amy Courtney

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*We acknowledge that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Neutral, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga peoples.*

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**Lord of Light**

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# Gathering Song

# O God, You Search Me



1 O God, you search me and you know me.  
2 You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing.  
3 Be - fore a word is on my tongue, Lord,  
4 Al - though your Spir - it is up - on me,  
5 For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me,



All my thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze.  
You dis - cern my pur - pose from a - far,  
you have known its mean - ing through and through.  
still I search for shel - ter from your light.  
gave me life with - in my moth - er's womb.



When I walk or lie down you are be - fore me:  
and with love ev - er - last - ing you be - siege me:  
You are with me be - yond my un - der - stand - ing:  
There is no - where on earth I can es - cape you:  
For the won - der of who I am, I praise you:



ev - er the mak - er and keep - er of my days.  
in ev - 'ry mo - ment of life or death, you are.  
God of my pres - ent, my past, and fu - ture, too.  
e - ven the dark - ness is ra - diant in your sight.  
safe in your hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.”

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” <sup>30</sup>Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” <sup>31</sup>He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” <sup>32</sup>Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

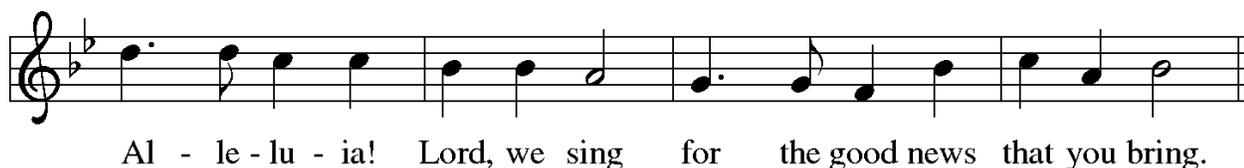
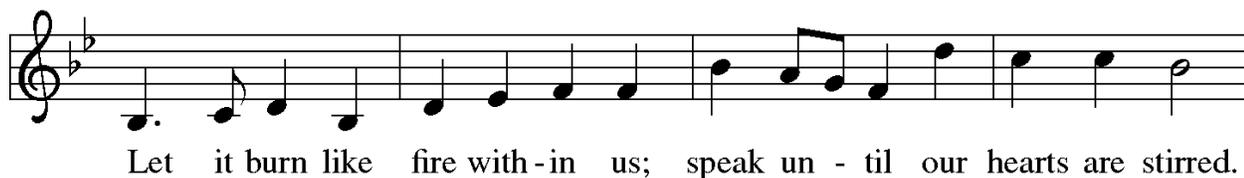
<sup>6</sup>As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup>when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

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## Gospel Acclamation

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## Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

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The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”<sup>2</sup>He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ <sup>7</sup>And he

answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'<sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

1 Ask the com - pli - cat - ed ques - tions.  
 2 Seek the dis - con - cert - ing an - swers,  
 3 Knock on doors of new i - de - as,  
 4 For in strug - gle we dis - cov - er

Do not fear to be found out; for our God makes  
 fol - low where the Spir - it blows; test com - pet - ing  
 test as - sump - tions long grown stale, for Christ calls from  
 truth both sim - ple and pro - found; in the knock - ing,

strong our weak - ness, forg - ing faith in fires of doubt.  
 truths for wis - dom, for in ten - sion new life grows.  
 shores of won - der, dar - ing us to try and fail.  
 ask - ing, seek - ing, we are o - pened, an - swered, found.

## Prayers of Intercession

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Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Rooted and built up in Christ, we pray for the church. Embolden church leaders to take risks for the sake of the gospel, and equip the baptized to proclaim your extravagant love for the whole world. With the worldwide ecumenical community, today we pray for the churches of Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Rwanda.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the works of your hands, we pray for the natural world. Make rivers and lakes, oceans and all waterways, sparkle with your radiance. Protect water sources, especially the Nith and Grand Rivers, and the Great Lakes, and strengthen those who defend them.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Interceding on behalf of the vulnerable, we pray for the peoples of the world. Inspire all rulers and governing authorities with your justice. Guide the work of legislators and public officials, that they advocate for the well-being of those they serve.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Persistent in prayer, we pray for our neighbors in need. To all who have hunger, give daily bread. To all who have bread, give hunger for justice. Open us to the cries of those who suffer. We pray especially for Paul, Janice, Manfred, Judy, Nancy, Art, Cliff, Anne, Merva, Michelle, Dan, Winnie, Doris, Bob, Hans, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

[a pause]

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Abounding in thanksgiving, we pray for this congregation. Bless the prayer and fellowship ministries in this place. Call us together in times of praise and blessing, trouble and sorrow, in your holy name.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Buried with Christ in baptism and raised with him to new life, we give thanks for your saints who rest in your eternal presence. Join our voices with theirs as we sing of your great glory.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

## Dialogue

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The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

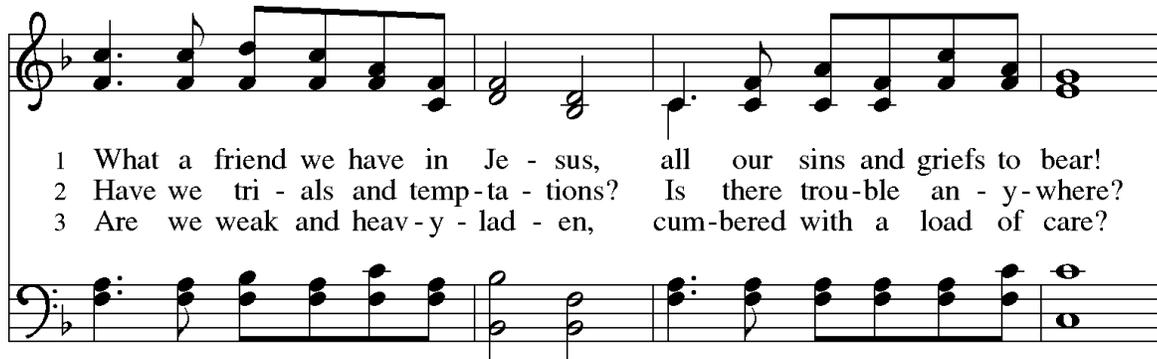
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

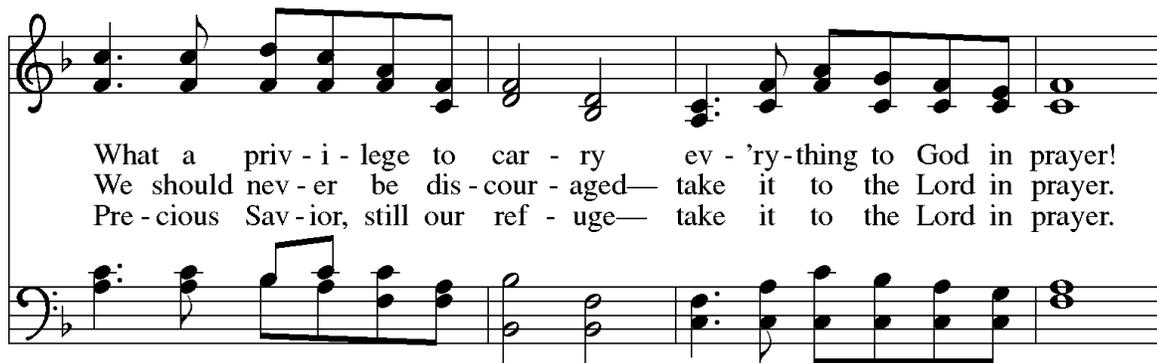


# Communion Song

# What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



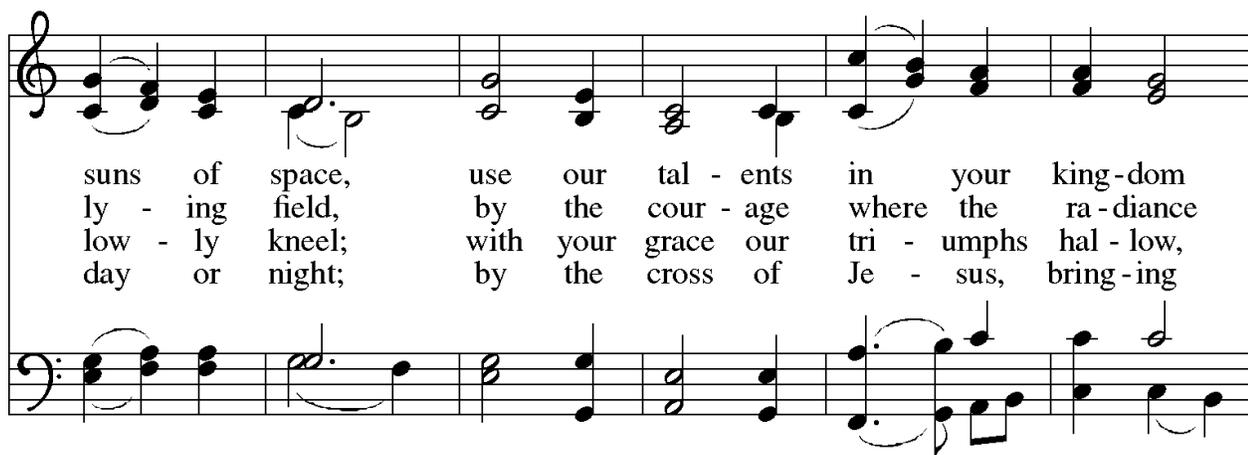
Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.



1 Lord of light, your name out - shin - ing all the stars and  
 2 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers in some far out -  
 3 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, at your feet may  
 4 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, nev - er si - lent



suns of space, use our tal - ents in your king - dom  
 ly - ing field, by the cour - age where the ra - diance  
 low - ly kneel; with your grace our tri - umphs hal - low,  
 day or night; by the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing



as the ser - vants of your grace; use us to ful -  
 of the cross is still re - vealed, by the vic - to -  
 with your char - i - ty our zeal; lift the na - tions  
 peace to all and heal - ing light; by the love that

fill your pur - pose in the gift of Christ your Son.  
 ries of meek - ness, through re - proach and suf - f'ring won:  
 from the shad - ows to the glad - ness of the sun:  
 pass - es knowl - edge, mak - ing all your chil - dren one:

*Refrain*

Fa - ther, as in high - est heav - en, so on earth your will be done.

## Announcements

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### ✦ COVID-19 Precautions for In-Person Worship

Wearing a **facemask** is strongly recommended. During the **sharing of the peace**, please remain in your seat to share a sign of peace with those around you. The **offering will be collected** by an usher. **Holy Communion** will be offered as bread alone.

### ✦ Flowers for Worship

We welcome donations of flowers to adorn the worship space on Sundays throughout the year. If you would like to donate flowers to mark an occasion, either solemn or joyous, or just because, please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact the church office. Flowers from your garden or your favourite florist are welcome.

## + Pastoral Care

Pastor Tanya will be on vacation from July 26<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Leanne Darlington will be on-call for pastoral care emergencies and can be reached by calling 519-801-5316. Pastor Stephen Gross will preach and preside in worship on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

## + Coffee Fellowship Helpers

We could use a few more folks to help with our Sunday morning coffee fellowship after worship. Duties are straightforward: put on the coffee before church starts, then assist with the cleanup at the end. Right now, we don't have enough helpers, so our fellowship times may not include coffee every week.

## + Sunday to Sunday

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24 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + Pentecost 7
	10:30 am	In-Person Fellowship (outdoors)
25 – Monday	10:00 am	Monday Morning Meetup
	6:00 pm	TOPS
30 – Saturday	7:30 pm	A/A – Open Meeting
31 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + Pentecost 8
	10:30 am	In-Person Fellowship (outdoors)

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**Al Junker**, president ▪ **Tanya Varner**, pastor  
**Jamie Courtney**, parish administrator & minister of music  
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**Heidi Van Schaik**, youth worker ▪ **Ron Leonard**, honorary assistant pastor  
**Gywin Murray**, emerita director of music