



Emmanuel Trinity Lutheran Church

August 30, 2026 10am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*For those joining worship via Zoom, we are celebrating Holy Communion today. If you wish to participate, please get something to represent the wine and the bread. We invite you to participate in worship by sharing your prayers in the **Chat box**. Write your prayers there and press "enter." You will be muted during the service so that you don't hear reverberations, but please speak and sing as you desire. You can unmute yourself if you wish to speak at the end of the service.*

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

HYMN

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW325

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual. Music: African American spiritual; arr. Hymnal version

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world.

C: Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

PSALM

Psalms 26: 1-8

A: Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

C: Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.

A: For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.

C: I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.

A: I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.

C: I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,

A: singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

C: Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.

SECOND READING

Romans 12: 9-21

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

GOSPEL READING

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 16: 21-28

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹From that time on, after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you O Christ.

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Kim Hintzman

HYMN:

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW798

Will you come and follow me, if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind, if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind, and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r, in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see, if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free, and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean, in you and you in me?

Will you love the you you hide, if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside, and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found, to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound, in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true, when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you, and never be the same.
In your company I'll go, where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow, in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949 Text © 1987 Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638

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 INTERCESSION

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit *especially....* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

We bring our offerings of our time, our talents and our treasures to serve God's mission.

P: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

C: Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord; We want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch him, And say that we love him.

Open our ears, lord, And help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, We want to see Jesus.

BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: **Amen**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.

C: **Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN:

Bind Us Together

WOV748

Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;
Bind us together with Love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.
There is only one Body; That is why we sing.

Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;
Bind us together with Love.

You are the family of God. You are the promise divine.
You are God's chosen desire, You are the glorious new wine.

Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;
Bind us together with Love.

Text and Music: Bob Gillman, b. 1946

BLESSING

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays September 4 – Kim Staub

This week at ETLC:

August 30 – Got Questions, 9am

August 30 – Sunday Worship Service, 10am

September 1 – Outreach Committee Meeting, 10:30am

September 2 – Encountering the Word, 7pm

September 3 – Executive Committee Meeting, 5pm

Upcoming at ETLC:

September 6 – Got Questions, 9am

September 6 – Sunday Worship Service, 10am

September 10 – Church Council Meeting, 5pm

September 12 – Food Bank open, 10am-12pm

September 12 – Church Picnic at Ballenger Creek Park, 1-4pm

September 13 – Worship music provided by the Home Comfort Bluegrass Band

The flowers on the altar are given in honor of our grandson, Maddox, for his 20th birthday by Bill & Becky Keeney.

Food Bank

On the first Sunday of each month, we invite you to bring in food donations. The food bank is currently in need of the following items: mayo, tea, coffee, dried beans, cake mixes, flour, cereal, boxed pasta (not spaghetti), cream of mushroom soup, oil, sugar, soup, salad dressing, tomato sauce, toothpaste, and bar soap. Thank you!

Mark Your Calendar

The ETLC church picnic is coming up on Saturday, September 12 from 1-4pm at Ballenger Creek Park. Mark your calendar and invite your family and friends for another fun afternoon together! **Lisa Carr is organizing the picnic; please contact her if you would like to help.

For Your Consideration

Summer is here and autumn is just around the corner. So is the congregation annual meeting and council elections. The nominating committee has asked you to consider running for council. Well, we are still asking and praying for your discernment of calling. During the next two months, members of the nominating committee will be personally asking members to run for council. Please pray; we are.

2026 Community Table Dates

ETLC will be serving dinner at the community table on Sunday, November 22, 2026.

Got Questions?

Join Pastor Kim in the gathering space or on zoom (using the worship link) at 9am on Sundays. Bring your questions or come to hear other people's questions. All are welcome!

Have an event or other announcement for the weekly email?

Please send a writeup to Kerry at office@emmanueltrinity.org. Announcements that are received by noon on Tuesday will be included in the following Sunday's announcements.

Prayer List

Need a name placed on the prayer list? If there is someone who you want us to include just on the current Sunday, you may write it on the prayer book on the podium currently in the front of the church near the gathering space door. If you have any questions about the prayer list and how it is determined or maintained, feel free to ask Pastor Kim.

2026 Church Council Members

The Executive Committee members of the church council are: Ruth Cramer, President; Angelee Mullins, Vice-President; Emily O'Hara, Secretary; MaryAnne Golling, Treasurer, and Lasse Syversen, Mission & Outreach Chairman. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact any one of the Council members.

Office Hours

FYI - office hours for new Administrative Assistant, Kerry Davis, are Wednesday's and Thursday's from 10am – 3pm.

REMINDER: Never send cash or gift cards in response to online, text, or phone requests. Pastor Kim will never reach out asking for gift cards or money by email, text, video message, or phone call - even if it might look like or sound like her. Don't get scammed.