

Trondhjem Lutheran Church

Sunday, November 15, 2020 9AM

...a time for embracing and
a time for avoiding embraces.

Ecclesiastes 3:5b



TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH – ELCA

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Worship Guidelines during Covid-19 Pandemic

- Face masks are required.
- Maintain 6 feet of physical distancing.
- Offering can be left in the “noisy offering” bowl on the Welcome Table or given online at TrondhjemLutheran.org
- Prepacked communion sets will be available. Feel free to bring your own if you wish.
- Instead of congregational singing, enjoy the soloist.

Before coming to worship, please screen your family:

Covid-19 screening questions

- Have you or anyone in your family had a fever of 100.0 or higher?
- Have you had any chills or shaking?
- Have you had a cough or shortness of breath?
- Have you had a sore throat?
- Have you had any new body aches or unexplained muscle pain?
- Have you had a headache?
- Have you had new changes in sense of taste or smell?
- Have you had a sense of unusual or extreme fatigue?
- Have you had any congestion or runny nose not related to seasonal allergies?
- Have you had any nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- Have you had contact with someone with a positive COVID-19 test or symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

Worship Service Key

P – Pastor

L - Liturgist

Sign – Congregational Sign Language

WELCOME

P/ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

SIGN/ Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP

L/ We have come to worship God, the living God
Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.
We have come to praise God, the almighty God,
Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.
We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,
Who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope.
All glory to God!

SIGN/ Amen!

SPECIAL MUSIC – Eva Johnson

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P/ Let us confess our sins to God and to each other...

P/ Holy Lord,

L/ We confess that we have done wrong and have made many mistakes.

Things we know we did, things we know we didn't do.

We have sinned in ways we aren't even aware of.

We have misused our thoughts, our words and our actions.

We have not loved you with all of our heart.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us and help us put you first again in our lives. Amen

P/ God is full of mercy and full of love. Jesus died for us and was raised again so we can all have new life and new chances. This is given to us through God's gift of grace. All your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

May the Holy Spirit keep you strong in God's love now and always.

SIGN/ Amen

OPENING HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy* #ELW 413

READINGS

Isaiah 6:1-8

6 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him;

each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Luke 5:4-11

⁴ When he had finished speaking, [Jesus] said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So 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. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and 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." ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY – *Here I Am Lord*..... ELW #574

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P/ Lord in your mercy

SIGN/ Hear our prayer.

MEDITATION *Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord*

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P/ The Lord be with you.

L/ And also with you.

P/ Lift up your hearts.

L/ We lift them up to the Lord.

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

L/ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P/ It is right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

L/ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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LORD'S PRAYER.....ELW page 191

Liturgist/

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.

SIGN/ Amen

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*..... ELW #538

DISMISSAL

P/ Go in peace, serve the Lord and love your neighbor.

L/ And all God's people signed...

SIGN/ Amen!

Quilt Raffle - Buy Your Tickets today!

Don't miss our exciting Blessed Are the Piecemakers capstone event – a Quilt Raffle! This is a special opportunity to own this stunning hand-crafted king size quilt with 2 pillowcases made by Cindy Lee (valued at \$1000!).

\$10 per ticket or \$50 for 6.

Our Ministry Resource Quilt is over a third complete! THANK YOU to all who have so generously gave!

Pieces needed to complete our Ministry Resource Quilt:

- Electricity bill for one month -\$500
- Gas bill for one month -\$1,000
- Telephone bill for one month -\$100
- Church Insurance for one month -\$550
- Mortgage payment for one month \$4,500
- Printer/Copier Fee-\$350
- Property Tax payment -\$6,000
- Snow Plowing -\$250
- Roll of Stamps- \$55
- Office Supplies-\$50
- Ream of Copy Paper-\$40
- Website fees-\$300
- Sponsor Confirmation Student-\$30
- Sponsor Youth service projects-\$150
- Sponsor First Communion-\$40
- Sponsor Sunday Funday Classes-\$30
- Mentors Dessert Event-\$30
- Sponsor 10th Grade Retreat-\$50



Trondhjem Advent Devotional

Advent is quickly approaching, and it will be a unique year. The traditions that mark Advent and connect us as a community will be different. With that in mind, we're creating a daily Advent devotional booklet by Trondhjem, for Trondhjem.

What is the theme you ask? Jesus of course! "Who Does Trondhjem Say I Am"

Sign up for a bible verse and write a short reflection, or poem or artwork. If you wish, you can submit a poem/writing that's in the public domain that resonates with you if you wish. Feel free to wrap up your devotion with a prayer.

Devotion booklets will be available in printed form by the First Sunday in Advent (Nov. 29th) and will be emailed daily to our congregation everyday during Advent. We will also have a sticker Advent chart to go along with the devotional.

Writings/poems/artwork should be submitted by Monday, November 17th, although the earlier the better! :)

Sharing faith bonds a community and our hope and prayer is that these devotions will spark ideas, build connections, and help us to more fully engage in meaningful conversation about the faith we hold dear.

Sign up through the Thursday email or contact Kim in the office.

Rice County Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign Bell Ringers Needed!

The Red Kettle bells will be ringing this weekend at Mackenthun's! Please consider giving your spirit a lift by spending 2 hours of your time to help those in need in Rice County. Bells and aprons are supplied (and sanitized between shifts) you supply the enthusiasm! If you have any questions, contact Wayne Bakke or Kim Smisek. Sign up at <http://www.registertoring.com>.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR & COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dear Trondhjem Friends,

In this time of pandemic, the church has a particular role in caring for the neighbor. Our concern extends beyond ourselves as individuals and beyond ourselves as a faith community and into the wider community.

Because we seek to love all our neighbors well, we take special care as we gather for worship and other ministries to keep the health and safety of all our primary concern. We look to the CDC, the MN Department of Health, the Governor's Office and the SE MN synod of the ELCA to provide us guidance on how best to do that. Additionally, we pay attention to the actions and decisions of the local school districts since they take into account the local situation with Covid.

If you have been keeping an eye on the news, you are likely aware that Minnesota is seeing a significant spike in Covid-19 cases. With that spike, the Governor has issued new guidelines for gathering. Additionally most area school districts are moving away from in-person learning to a distance learning model in the next few weeks.

Taking all that into consideration, in order to love our neighbor within the faith community as well as the greater community, the church council decided this week to follow the lead of the school district and return to online gatherings only. We are all very disappointed the situation has compelled us to make this decision. You probably are as well especially with the holidays upon us.

What does this mean?

- Beginning November 22, we will be worshipping online only.
- Confirmation will be moving to online only November 18.
- Children's ministries and all other ministries will remain online.

We do have some meaningful and fun Advent and Christmas worship plans in the works: a digital Christmas Pageant and an outdoor event to celebrate the birth of Jesus for starters!! Be watching for the specific details of these events and more in the coming weeks.

The Holy Spirit holds us together as the church regardless of how we gather. We remain the body of Christ committed to loving God and loving our neighbor. We will move through this together!

Peace,

Pat Sexton - Council President

Pastor Sue Leibnitz

TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH:
SUNDAY 12.20.20 5:30-7:30PM



An Outdoor Drive-Through Experience

Living Nativity-Luminary Lighting-Music
Ornaments-Family Photos

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The image is a dark blue poster for a church event. At the top, it says 'TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH:' followed by 'SUNDAY 12.20.20 5:30-7:30PM'. In the center is a silhouette illustration of a nativity scene viewed through a cave opening, with a bright star in the sky and the text 'A Journey to the Manger'. Below the illustration, it says 'An Outdoor Drive-Through Experience' and lists activities: 'Living Nativity-Luminary Lighting-Music' and 'Ornaments-Family Photos'. At the bottom, it gives the address '7525 Garfield Avenue Lonsdale MN'.

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