

Welcome to Trinity

#39 Man Cannot Truly Love Christ Unless He Believes in Him

This Gospel (John 14:23-31) is a part of the exhortation which Christ addressed to His disciples on the evening before His sufferings, and contains words of especial importance. Christ would teach us in these words how vain is the endeavor to obtain a knowledge of God and to come to Him without loving: the Saviour. Where this is wanting, our thoughts of God and our devotion are without assurance and we cannot apprehend Him. But if we love Christ we can come to the Father and He will love us.

How is it that Christ here speaks of love and does not say, as He is wont to say: "Believe in me?" Is love more efficacious than faith that He says: "If a man loves me?" We answer: The sense is the same; man cannot truly love Christ unless he believes in Him and is comforted in Him. The word "love" is in this case plainer and more forcible, because it indicates so nicely, how our hearts should turn from everything else in heaven and on earth, and should cling alone to this Man, Jesus Christ. For we know how love, according to its very nature, concentrates all its energies upon the object of its devotion, and remains attached to it, regardless of aught else in the wide world. It is the Lord's will that we should thus cherish and love Him with our whole heart. This we cannot do except through faith. Hence this declaration concerning love does not in the least detract anything from faith, but rather instructs us as to the true character and efficacy of faith. (Luther's House Postil, Second Sermon for Pentecost, Volume 2, p. 598-599)

Assistants

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Announcements

Trinity Lutheran Church & Early Childhood Learning Center
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Joel 2:28-32

²⁸ “And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. ²⁹ And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. ³⁰ And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. ³² And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the LORD has said, among the remnant whom the LORD calls.”

Acts 2:1-13

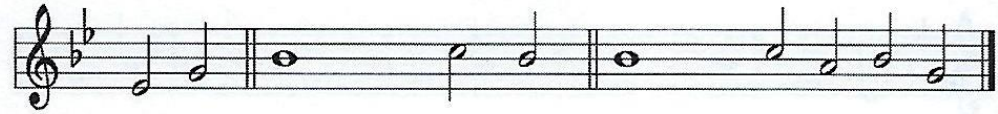
¹ When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. ² And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵ And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. ⁷ Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, “Look, are not all these who speak Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts

of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God.” ¹² So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “Whatever could this mean?” ¹³ Others mocking said, “They are full of new wine.”

St. John 14:23-31

²³ Jesus answered and said to him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. ²⁴ He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me. ²⁵ These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. ²⁸ You have heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away and coming back to you.’ If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, ‘I am going to the Father,’ for My Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me. ³¹ But that the world may know that I love the Father, and as the Father gave Me commandment, so I do. Arise, let us go from here.”

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST, WHITSUNDAY. (RED) PSALM 48, 68, 45/104, 145



Introit.

Ant. THE SPIR-IT || of the Lord filleth the | world | - :

— | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

|| Let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before | God | - :

yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Hallelujah. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Psalm. || Let God arise; let Him enemies be | scatter- | ed.

Let them also that hate Him | flee | be- | fore | Him.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :

and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be:

world with- | out | end: | A- | men. (*Ant. Repeated.*)

Collect.

O God, who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. Acts 2:1–13

Gospel. John 14:23–31

Additional reading: Joel 2:28–32

Gradual.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are | creat- | ed:

and Thou renewest the | face | of | the | earth.

|| Hallelujah. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faith- | ful:

and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* Suddenly there was heard a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, where they were sitting, alleluia, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, proclaiming the wondrous works of God, alleluia, alleluia (Acts 2:2,11). **Ps 68.**

General Prayer p.18-19

Special Prayers

- Pastoral Office:** Bishop, James Heiser, Pastor Michael D. Henson, Deacon Gary K. Harroun
- Eldona Congregations:** Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church (Peoria, IL), Pr. Benjamin Henson, Pr. Em. Douglas Handrich
- Armed forces:** Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.
- Police officers:** Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.
- Shut-ins:** Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta
- Elderly:** Violet Kemp Tom Smith
- Pregnant:** Clara Melvin
- Various Needs:** Larry & Deb Vancil (friends of Melvins), Jim and Charollette Harroun (declining health), Murvon Minnemann (brother of Oletha Taft), and Jennifer Denton (rare cancer, Golconda friend).

Weekly Calendar

PENTECOST

- Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
- Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM

MONDAY -Pentecost Monday, no service

TUESDAY -Pentecost Tuesday, Divine Service, 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY -Ember Wednesday, 8 AM

-Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM

-Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY -Ladies Meeting, 6:00 PM

FRIDAY -Ember Friday, 8 AM

SATURDAY -Ember Saturday, no service

NEXT -*THE HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY*

SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM

-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM

MONDAY -*Memorial Day*

Trinity News

Florida Mission Trip. Chuck and Joyce Mann came with me to visit Violet Kemp at her daughter's house in Okeechobee, Florida.



The Lord's Supper

Trinity Lutheran Church observes the Scriptural practice (*Eph 4:3, 2 John 1:10-11*) of communing only with those for whom their public profession of faith (congregational

membership) is in agreement with God's Word and the correct exposition of Holy Scripture as found in the Book of Concord (1580). All who desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins are asked to **speak with Pastor Henson before coming forward to commune.**

Trinity Lutheran Church is served by pastors who are members of the **Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (Eldona.org).**

--Those who are members of Eldona-affiliated congregations are welcome to commune after announcing to Pastor Henson.

--Those who are not members of Eldona-affiliated congregations will need to set up an appointment with Pastor Henson to discuss their public church membership.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Trinity Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but **His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.** Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Those who are not yet invited to receive the Sacrament are encouraged to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when our divisions will have ceased.

Before and after Vespers 1.

JESUS, Master, do Thou meet us while we walk in the way, and long to reach the heavenly country, so that following Thy light, we may keep the way of righteousness, and never wander away into the horrible darkness of this world's night, while Thou, Who art the Way, the Truth, and the Life, art shining within us; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.154-155).



Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (VI:57) Pentecost Acts 2

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