TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, FINDLAY, OH **July 12, 2026**
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION **9 AM Service**
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Joy Conners – Director of Music

PRESERVICE MUSIC

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING LITANY
The congregation stands and faces the rear of the sanctuary. Please read responsively with assisting minister:

The God of heaven has made a home on earth.
Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Come now all who thirst,
and drink the water of life.

Come now all who hunger
and be filled with good things.

Come now all who seek
and be warmed by the fire of love. Amen.

GATHERING SONG:** ***Great is Thy Faithfulness (ELW 733) red hymnal

***GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray… Almighty God, through your Son, Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all preachers to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:28-31
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:20-21
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ***Alleluia!*** (s124) red hymnal

***GOSPEL READING: John 15: 1-8**
The holy Gospel according to John the fifteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
…
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON **Jeannine Grimm**

SERMON SONG:** ***Borning Cry (ELW 732) red hymnal

THE INVITATION TO SERVICE OF A NWOS SYNOD AUTHORIZED MINISTER
(please note that (PM) identifies the presiding minister; (SAM) identifies the response of the SAM being installed; (C) identifies the congregation's response.)

[PM] Having been authorized by the church to commission Phil, our co-worker in the gospel, as a synod authorized minister of word and sacrament of Trinity Lutheran Church, Findlay, Ohio, I now ask for certification of this appointment.

(*Council Representative comes forward with the SAM being invited to serve and addresses the presiding minister*.)

[Rep] After prayerful consideration, we, the members of Trinity Lutheran Church, certify that Phil has been appointed to serve as the synod authorized minister. I present him on behalf of the congregation.

(PM) Our lord, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You stand among us as one called to render a particular service, a gift from God to inspire us to love and good works.

(PM) Phil, in the presence of this congregation, will you assume the ministry in the confidence that it comes from God?

(SAM) I will, and I ask God to help me.

(PM) Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the teachings and practice of the Lutheran Church?

(SAM) I will, and I ask God to help me.

(PM) Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace and in prayer?

(SAM) I will, and I ask God to help me.

(PM) Will you trust in God's care, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the gospel of God with a godly life?

(SAM) I will, and I ask God to help me.

(PM) Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

(ALL) **Amen.**

(*the presiding minister, candidate*)

(PM) Phil, you have been certified for this ministry and have made your confession and promises before this assembly. I therefore commission you as a synod authorized minister in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(the new synod authorized minister may kneel)

(PM) Let us pray. Gracious God, as you have called workers to varied tasks in the world and in your church, so you have called this your servant to a special ministry of outreach. Grant him joy and a spirit of bold trust, that his work may stir up each of us to a life of fruitful service; through your son, Christ Jesus our lord.

(ALL) **Amen.**

(PM) Almighty God, our heavenly father, guide, bless, and keep you, Phil, that you may be faithful in the ministry to which you have been called.

(ALL) **Amen.**

***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**

*(Each petition ends with the words "God of Grace," Please respond with **"hear our prayer."**)*

***PEACE**
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

***OFFERING PRAYER**
Let us pray. God our provider,
we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***DIALOGUE**
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.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS – HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW S130) red hymnal

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

***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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.
Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI: ***Lamb of God*** (ELW s135a) red hymnal

COMMUNION SONG: ***Shout to The Lord*** (ELW 821) red hymnal

COMMUNION SONG: ***Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult*** (ELW 696) red hymnal

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**
Let us pray… God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face,
and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***BLESSING**
Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.
Almighty God (†) bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG:** ***Sent Forth by God's Blessing (ELW 547) red hymnal

***DISMISSAL**
Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	**TLC Financial Position Jan- May 2026**
Ushers: The Smith Family Assisting Minister: Danielle Russell Lector: Bonnie Ward Communion: Linda Henschen & Ivadel Nehls	**Budget - $300,800** **Income – $267,171** **Expense - $205,953**

SERVICE & FAITH STUDY INFORMATION

Sunday Services	9 AM
Sunday Children's Chapel	During 9AM worship
Wednesday Evening Service	6:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July Noisy Offering

This month's Blessing Basket is a monetary collection for **Chopin Hall**. Through their bulk purchasing power, your financial gifts are effectively multiplied, allowing them to provide fresh eggs, milk, meat, and hygiene essentials to hundreds of local families every single day. Let's come together to support their mission of ensuring no one in our community goes hungry!

Ordination of Jacinda Jones!

By the Grace of God and the call to the church, Jacinda Jones will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament on Sunday, July 19, 2026, at 3:00 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church (18974 State Route 12, Arcadia, OH). Bishop Daniel Beaudoin will preside, and Rev. William Stenke will preach. All clergy, SAMs, and seminarians are invited to vest and process; the color of the day is red, but you are encouraged to wear your favorite stole of any color. A reception will follow the service, and everyone is warmly welcome to attend and celebrate.

Wine and the Word at Gillig Winery –Thurs. Evenings at 6:30 PM, July 9 – Aug 27

Do you want an informal setting to explore stories and teachings from the Bible? This year's theme is "Wine in the Bible," and during our Wine and the Word sessions, we offer a relaxed setting to reflect on scripture and discover the messages about God found within it. Whether you enjoy wine, a soda, or simply the beautiful outdoor setting, you are welcome to join us—and bring friends along!

Breakfast Celebration!

Please join us to celebrate Phil Koenig as he begins his new role as a Synodically Authorized Minister. We will celebrate in the East Room following the 9:00 AM service on Sunday, July 12. All are welcome to join us for breakfast! ~*The Koenig Family*

Walk With Us Summer Sundays –June 7th – August 30th

Summer Sundays walks kick-off on Sunday, June 7th. The Fellowship Team invites anyone interested to join in for some exercise by walking around the church track starting at 8:30 am before and/or at 10:00 am after Sunday church services. With casual Sundays, feel free to wear your sneakers and favorite TLC or religious T-Shirt. It's a time to talk, socialize, or listen to your own music. Please help yourself to the water provided in the track area. No RSVP necessary.

Mobile Food Distribution – Volunteers & Support Needed!

Our next mobile food distribution is happening on **Saturday, August 1st**, and we need **20–25 volunteers** to help make it a success! **Please scan the QR code below to register.**

How you can help right now: To make this event possible, the congregation is warmly encouraged to donate to our **Food Distribution fund**. Let's work together to fund this event, feed God's children, and make a massive impact in our community!

TLC Summer VBS – Christmas in July! (July 13–17)

Join us for **Christmas in July: A Journey to Bethlehem**, a fun-filled Vacation Bible School for children in **Preschool–5th Grade**!

From **9:00 AM–12:00 PM**, kids will explore the story of Jesus' birth through Bible adventures, crafts, games, music, and new friendships.

Register: Scan the QR code or contact Nicole at **youth@trinityfindlay.org**.

VBS Donations Needed

We are currently collecting **supplies, snacks, craft materials, game items, and Bible Adventure props** to help make VBS a success. A complete donation list, including Amazon links, is available through our **SignUpGenius**.→

- **Supply donations:** Due by **July 1** (Library/Room 213)
- **Food donations:** Due by **July 12** (marked "VBS" and placed in the Gym Kitchen)