

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

### Old Testament Reading: *Genesis 15:1–6*

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." And behold, the word of the Lord came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

### Epistle: *1 John 4:16–21*

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

### Holy Gospel: *Luke 16:19–31*

[Jesus said:] "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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### ✠ Faith Trusts in Christ for Life Eternal ✠

*When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. For he was truly Abraham's seed. Like Abraham, he believed in the Lord, and the Lord "counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6). The name Lazarus means "God is my help." The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And "he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (Luke 16:19–31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets—that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Only through His death and resurrection are we brought the comfort of life everlasting.*

# First Sunday after Trinity

June 15 & June 19, Year of Our ✠ Lord 2022

**COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Communion is offered today for those who: (1) repent of their sins, (2) believe in Jesus as their Savior, (3) believe that with the bread and the wine Christ gives us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, and (4) desire to amend their sinful ways with the help of the Holy Spirit. We also believe that Holy Communion is a fellowship meal with those of the same confession of faith: therefore, we ask that those **NOT** of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, the American Association of Lutheran Churches, or Lutheran Church Canada **please speak with the Pastor before communing.**

**Introit** (*Sing to Tune C*)

**G** [O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love;  
my heart shall rejoice in your sa- | lvation.

I will sing | to the Lord,  
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for- | ever?  
How long will you hide your | face from me?

How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in  
my heart | all the day?  
How long shall my enemy be exalted | over me?

Consider and answer me, O | Lord my God;  
light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"  
lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

(*Sing Gloria Patri as printed on p. 186*)

## Prayers of the Church

**P** O Lord God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us, that like Abraham we may believe Your promises to us in Christ, and it may be counted to us for righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** Hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord God, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** Hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord God, Your Word teaches that a great army cannot save the king and a war horse is a false hope for salvation. Grant that our nation would not put its hope in the strength of our warriors, but in You. Bless and keep those who serve in our military, and use them as Your arm to guard and deliver us from all our enemies. Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** Hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord God, uphold all who suffer in body or mind, especially..... Be their help and their shield, and remind them of the great reward You have prepared for them in Christ. Grant them health and healing in accord with Your perfect will, and sustain their faith in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**G** Hear our prayer.

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, we implore You to rule and govern our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may not, like the rich man, hear Your Word in vain and become so devoted to things temporal that we forget things eternal; but that we may serve those who are in need readily and according to our ability, not defiling ourselves with carousing or pride. In trial and misfortune, keep us from despair, and let us trust in Your fatherly help and grace, that in faith and Christian patience we may overcome all things; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Divine Service

*Setting Three*



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