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Seventh Sunday  
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*Divine Service*

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**Holy Communion** is celebrated this Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church in the glad confidence that our Lord, as His Words say, gives not only bread and wine, but also His true Body and Blood for us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. Our Lord invites to His table those who believe He is truly present, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive as He forgives us. Because Saint Paul reminds us that we can receive the Lord's Supper to our judgment, we are very careful to administer the Sacrament only to those who are properly prepared. When we receive Holy Communion, we publicly declare our agreement with the teachings of the church from which we receive it. *Therefore, if you are not yet a member of this congregation, a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and if you have not previously spoken to the Pastor about Holy Communion, please refrain from coming forward to receive Communion until you have first spoken with the Pastor.* If you cannot receive the Lord's Supper but desire a blessing, please join us at the Communion rail and cross your arms over your chest to tell the pastor of your intent.

**Opening Hymn**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

LSB 790

**Liturgy**

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**Introit**

P: Clap your hands, all | peoples!\*

Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!

For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,\*

a great king over | all the earth.

C: **He subdued peoples | under us,\***

**and nations un- | der our feet.**

**Sing praises to God, sing | praises!\***  
**Sing praises to our King, sing | praises!**  
**For God is the King of | all the earth;\***  
**sing praises | with a psalm!**  
**God reigns over the | nations;\***  
**God sits on his | holy throne.**

**All:      Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**P:        Clap your hands, all | peoples!\***  
**Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!**  
**For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,\***  
**a great king over | all the earth.**

<b>Kyrie</b>		p. 152
<b>Gloria</b>	<i>Gloria in Excelsis</i>	p. 154
<b>Collect</b>		

**P:        O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in  
            heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us  
            all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for  
            us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and  
            reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C:        Amen**

**Old Testament** Genesis 2:7-17 (ESV)

Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. The name of the

second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

## **Gradual**

**C:       Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;\***  
              **I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.**  
              **Those who look to Him are | radiant,\***  
              **and their faces shall never | be ashamed.**

## **Epistle**

Romans 6:19-23 (ESV)

I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **Alleluia**

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## **Gospel**

Mark 8:1-9 (ESV)

In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, he called his disciples to him and said to them, “I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away.” And his disciples answered him, “How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?” And he asked them, “How many loaves do you have?” They said, “Seven.” And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before

the crowd. And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. And there were about four thousand people. And he sent them away.

<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	<i>Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good</i>	LSB 819
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<b>Sermon</b>	<i>I Have Compassion</i>	Mark 8:1-9
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	<i>Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face</i>	LSB 631

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