



Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, November 17, 2019
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
Celebrating our 141st Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

*We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet,
found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.*

Share your story!

*Check-in, Tweet, post, or send an Instagram about your experience at Holy Trinity.
Use #PowerofTrinity to share your Faith in an instant!*

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INTRODUCTION

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the "meantimes." The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right."

VOLUNTARY

Aria quasi una ciaccona Opus 1044 (2013)

Carson Cooman
(b. 1982)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(10:30)

INTROIT

Justorum animae

Orlando di Lassus
(1532 - 1594)

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and the torment of death shall not touch them.
In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die;
but they are in peace.

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service “Beach Spring”

ELW 712

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, healer of our every ill, source
of unending mercy.

Amen.

Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let us turn again to God,
confessing the truth about ourselves.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

Merciful God,
we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us. Amen.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are ✠ forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world.

Amen.

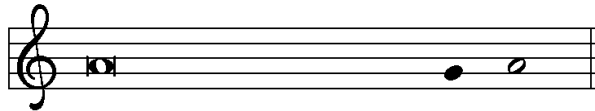
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GREETING

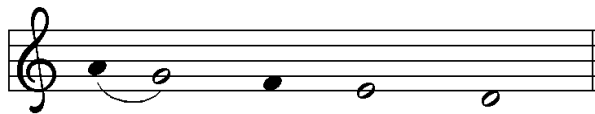
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

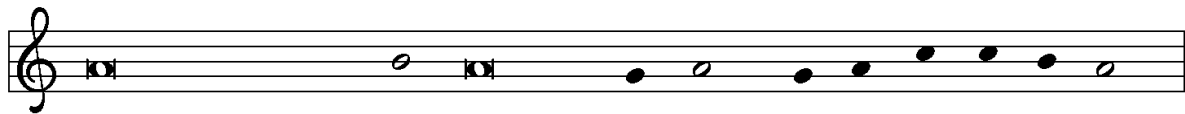
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



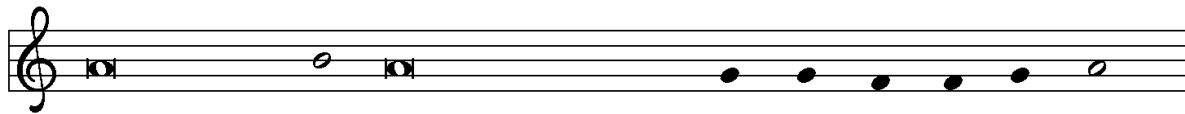
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



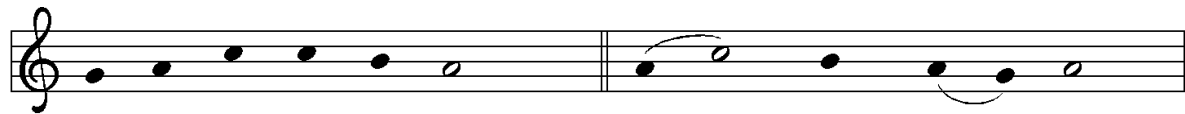
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



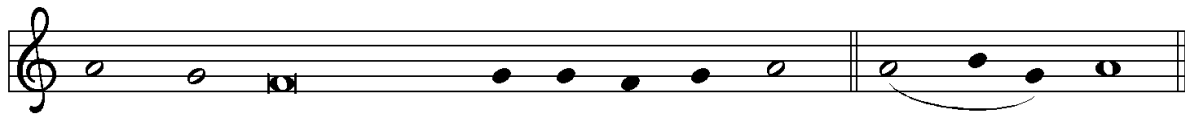
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a

The first reading for the Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Malachi, the 4th Chapter.

¹See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a}But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(10:30)

ANTHEM

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

Traditional Southern Hymn Tune

Arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw
(b. 1925) (1916 – 1999)

(Refrain) I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms. In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! There are ten thousand charms.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. *(Refrain)*

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

The second reading for today is recorded in 2nd Thessalonians, the 3rd Chapter.

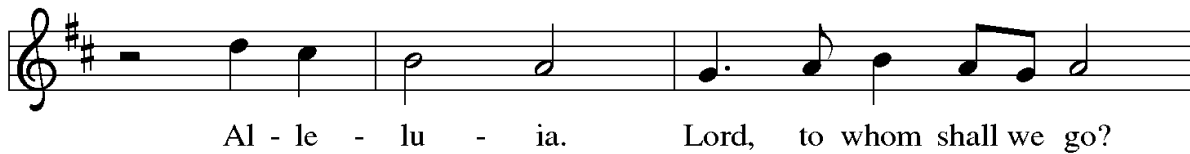
⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

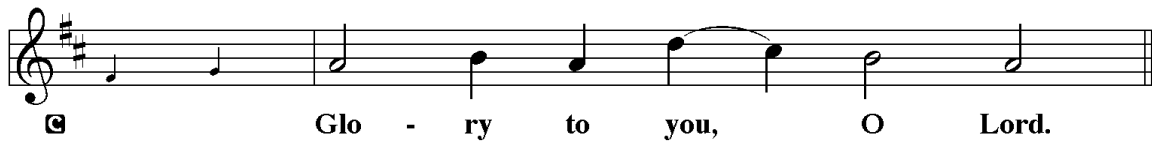
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke



⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

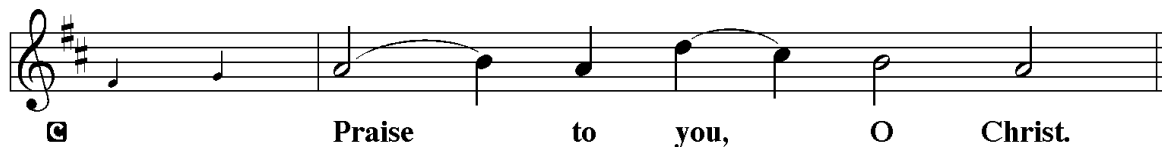
⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name.

¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

Please stand, if able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

We Plow the Fields and Scatter “Wir pflügen”

ELW 681

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

United with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Faithful God, when we question the future, you reveal the hope of victory through your Son, Jesus Christ. Give us the wisdom to rely on your words and the courage to witness to your love and faithfulness. Strengthen all communities of faith, including the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our joy, the seas and the hills shout your praise. Inspire us to sing a joyful song to you as we work to preserve and protect your marvelous creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our ruler, you judge the world with righteousness and the people with equity. Grant perseverance to world leaders and elected officials, so that they never grow weary in doing what is right. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gracious God, you offer peace to fearful hearts. Heal the hurts of all those who suffer injustice and persecution, those who spend months and years in prisons and in hospitals, and for anyone in need today. We also pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts... . Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our song, thank you for worship leaders, artists, and musicians who create works of praise and prayer. Guide them in their leadership, and empower them to lift up new voices and works of art among the assembly. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, watch over all of us, the young and young at heart. For your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Benjamin and Zachary. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Everlasting God, as we await the dawn of the new heaven and the new earth, we give thanks for your beloved who have died in Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in hope, we lift our prayers to you, most gracious Lord, trusting that you have received them in your care.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

MINISTRY MOMENT - STEWARDSHIP

Uli MacDonald

Stewardship Thought for your reflection

When God works in us, the will, being changed and sweetly breathed upon by the Spirit of God, desires and acts, not from compulsion, but responsively.

Martin Luther

**Thank you to those who have already
submitted their pledge cards.**

**For those who are ready to submit their
stewardship commitment cards today,
we ask that you place it in the offering plate.**

If you still need one, please see the insert in your bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity.

(8:30)

SOLO AT THE OFFERING

Clouds and Darkness

Antonin Dvorak

(1841 – 1904)

Aurora Deeds, soprano

Clouds and darkness are round about Him; Righteousness and judgment, these are His habitation. From His presence goeth fire and consumeth all His enemies. For His lightnings have lighten'd the world, the earth beheld and trembled. Mountains shall melt as wax at His presence, when the Mighty one cometh to judgement. The heavens declare His truth and righteousness, and all the earth rejoiceth in his greatness.

(10:30)

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

Cantate Canticum Novum

Text: Charles Anthony Silvestri (b. 1965)

Dan Forrest
(b. 1978)

Marcia Giambrone, *conductor*
Buffalo Choral Arts Society

Sing a new song!

Cantate canticum novum!

When darkness falls, when spirit is lost,

Bravely sing, Sing a new song,

A song of light.

Cantate canticum novum!

When all is silence and nothing is clear.

Bravely sing, Sing a new song,

A song of faith.

Let it rise up from the spirit of truth

And echo from heart to heart.

Joyfully sing, Sing a new song,

Till all are filled with love.

Cantate canticum novum!

Sing a new song!

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring,
and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your
saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink
your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the
world, spoken in Jesus' name.**

Amen.

OFFERTORY

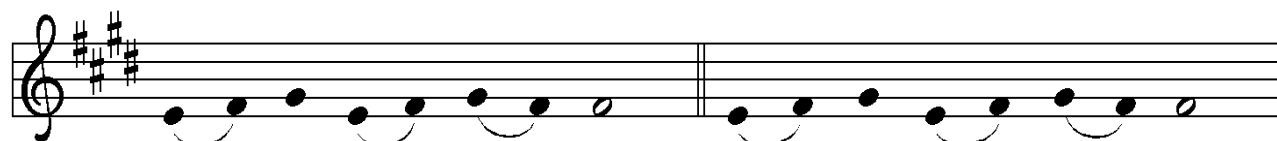
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885


“Old Hundredth”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.


DIALOGUE



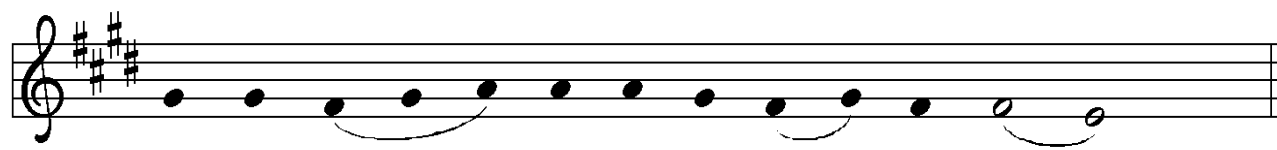
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

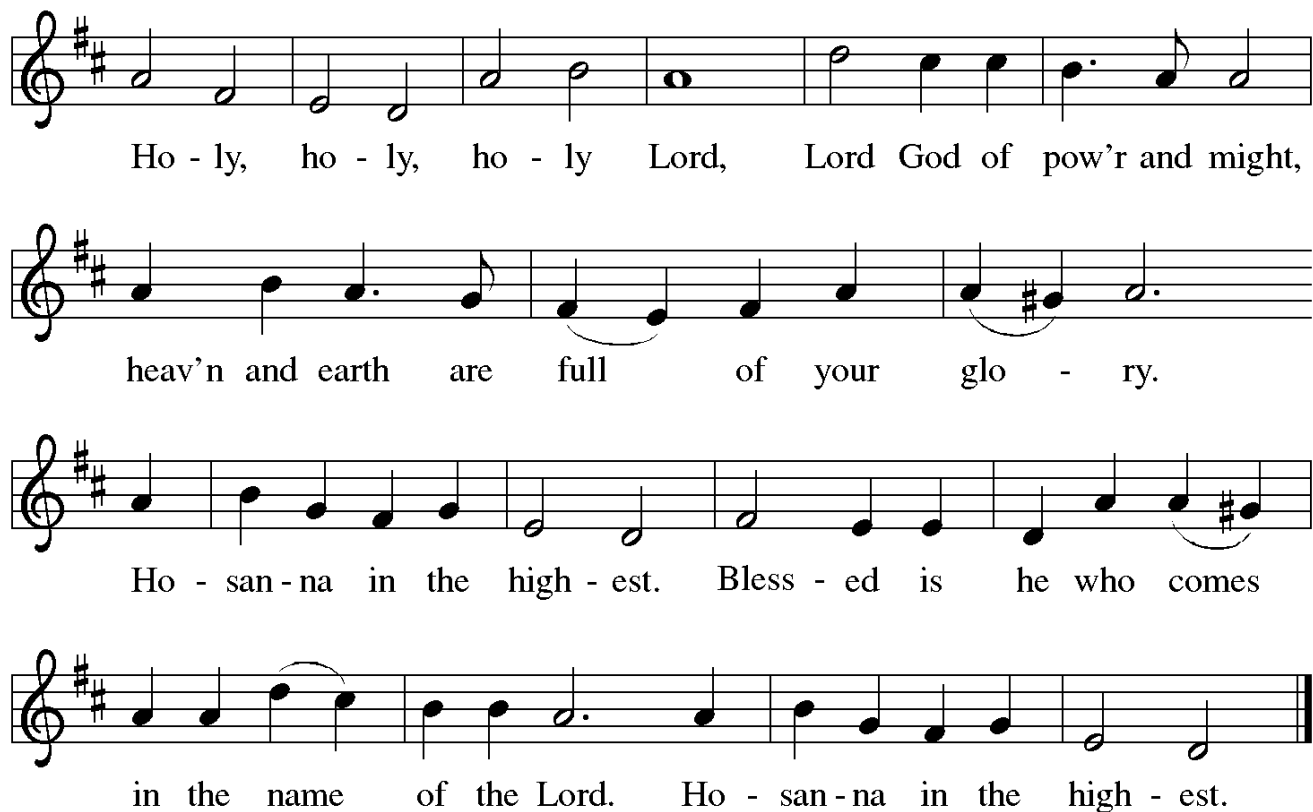


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

THE COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward to the communion rail (or to the presiding minister if the communion rails are not in place) and kneel or stand at the next available place at the rail. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or “intinct” the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. Come; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord.

(8:30)

SOLO AT COMMUNION

Hear My Cry, O God

César Franck

(1822 – 1890)

Aurora Deeds, *soprano*

Hear My Cry, O God, attend unto my prayer; From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee, When my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the Rock that is higher than I, that is higher than I. For Thou hast been a shelter for me and a strong tower from the enemy.

When I cry unto God then shall my enemies turn back; this I know, God is for me. In God will I praise His word, In God have I put my trust, In God will I praise His word. Let my mouth be filled with praise, and with Thy honor all the day. Amen.

(10:30)

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Ocean of Light Opus 1315 (2018)

Carson Cooman

Text: Phineas Fletcher (1582 - 1650)

(b. 1982)

Commissioned by the Buffalo-Niagara Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
for the 2019 Buffalo Northeast Regional Convention

Vast Ocean of light, whose rays surround
The Universe, who know'st not ebb, nor shore,
Who lend'st the Sun his sparkling drop, to store
With overflowing beams Heav'n, air, ground,
Whose depths beneath the Center none can sound,
Whose heights 'bove Heav'n, and thoughts so lofty soar,
Whose breadth no feet, no lines, no chains, no eyes survey,
Whose length no thoughts can reach, no worlds can bound,
What cloud can mask thy face? where can thy ray
Find an Eclipse? what night can hide Eternal Day?

The Eyes Of All Wait Upon Thee

Jean Berger

Text: Psalm 145: 15,16

(1909 – 2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of ev'ry living thing.

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Signed and sealed by the Holy Spirit, you are Christ's message of love for this troubled world, written by the same Sender. May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ✠ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Soon and Very Soon "Very Soon"

ELW 439

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Acclamation Opus 1279

Carson Cooman
(b. 1982)



*We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall
for a pot-luck luncheon and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.
All are welcome.*

Music Notes

We extend a special welcome to our guest conductor this morning, **Marcia Giambrone**, music director of the Buffalo Choral Arts Society. Named one of Western New York's Business First 2013 WOMEN OF INFLUENCE and more recently voted New York Theatre Guide 2016 PERSON OF THE YEAR, Marcia Giambrone proudly marked her 30th season with the Buffalo Choral Arts Society in the fall of 2016. During her tenure, this vibrant, non-profit organization has continued to grow in stature and audience appeal. Ms. Giambrone began her conducting career as a high school choral director at West Seneca West Senior High School where she and her students developed an exemplary vocal/choral department. Besides classroom teaching, she directed numerous Broadway musicals and inaugurated the Sacred Music Mother's Day concerts, a tradition which is still carried on today. Ms. Giambrone received both BFA (Music Education) and MFA (Aural Perception and Vocal Pedagogy) from UB, with additional studies at SUNY Fredonia, Westminster Choir College and Canisius College. However, her experiences as a singer under the baton of Robert Shaw at both Westminster Choir College Summer Workshops and at the Carnegie Hall Workshop for Singers and Conductors in NYC, were truly a highlight of her teaching and conducting training.

Carols New and Old

The Buffalo Choral Arts Society presents their Holiday Program "Carols New and Old." Get in the spirit of the season with a wonderful choral concert of classic Christmas favorites plus a few new compositions and arrangements.

Friday, December 6, 2019, 7:30 PM
St. Amelia's Church
2999 Eggert Rd, Tonawanda, NY 14150

Sunday, December 8, 2019, 3:00 PM
St. Joseph Cathedral
50 Franklin St, Buffalo, NY 14202

An Afternoon with Dan Forrest

This highly anticipated choral event has taken three years to come to fruition. Dan Forrest, world famous composer/arranger, will be in residence with BCAS in Buffalo NY April 24 – 26, 2020. This residency, which will include rehearsals of Forrest's music, will culminate in an uplifting concert with the chorus and friends. It will be accompanied by a chamber ensemble of strings and percussion.

Sunday, April 26, 2020, 2:00 PM
St. Joseph Cathedral
50 Franklin St, Buffalo, NY 14202

For more information, visit: <https://buffalochoralarts.org/>

*Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings
November 2019*

November 10 In Loving Memory of Roy Kuck from his wife Jeanette

November 10 As we celebrate Paul Nikischer's 87th birthday, we want to thank the members of Holy Trinity for the cards, phone calls and prayers during his recent illness. Special thanks to Karen Howard, Barb Wozniak, Karen & Raul Saona and Pastor Miller. This is the caring that makes HT a special place to worship, from Paul and Millie Nikischer

Now you can honor special events and special people in your life!
Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to Holy Trinity for \$25 for each event you wish to honor. Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.

**THANKSGIVING (EVE) SERVICE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

6:30 p.m. Worship Service

Pie Fellowship following service.

Bring your favorite pie to share.

There will be no Service on Thanksgiving Day.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, November 17, 2019 – 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Stewardship Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m. Sunday Forum (FR)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
11:45 a.m. Potluck Luncheon (RH)
1:30 p.m. Natasha Farny Recital (MC)
2:30 p.m. Worship to Go at Wedgewood

MONDAY, November 18, 2019

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)

WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2019

- 5:30 p.m. Sue's Supper (RH)
6:00 p.m. Buffalo Niagara Youth Chorus (MC)
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Worship (RH)
7:15 p.m. HT Play rehearsal (CH)

THURSDAY, November 21, 2019

- 5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (MC)
6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir (CH)
6:30 p.m. Executive Meeting (CR)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MR)
7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SATURDAY, November 23, 2019

LYO Apple Pie Overnight

- 10:00 a.m. LYO Apple Pie Prep (RH)
2:15 p.m. Knight/Fendrick Wedding (MC)

SUNDAY, November 24, 2019 – Christ the King Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/chapel choir (CH)
9:30 a.m. New Member Orientation (FR)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)

CH = Mansperger Chapel
FR = Fellowship Room
MR = Music Room
SC = Sacristy

CI = Crib Room
FI = Fireside Room/Library
PS = Pastor's Study
SS = Sunday School

CR = Conference Room
MC = Main Church
RH = Redeemer Hall
YR = Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FORUM: Today bring the whole family as we see the Buffalo Zoo through the eyes of two docents, our own Donna Leiser and Elizabeth Vihnanek. There will be no Sunday Forum next Sunday. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

STEWARDSHIP POT-LUCK LUNCHEON: Join us for a pot-luck luncheon today after the 10:30 service in Redeemer Hall to celebrate the generosity and support of our congregants. Thank you for all you do!

NEW MEMBERS will be received on Sunday, December 8 at both services. For those interested in becoming a new member or in learning more about Holy Trinity, we will be holding an orientation with light refreshments on **Sunday, November 24 at 9:30am** in the Fellowship Room. We ask that you please call the church office at 886-2400 to make your reservation or if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Once again the congregation is being asked to contribute toward the purchase of poinsettias which will be placed in the chancel for Christmas. Flowers are \$10 each and may be given in memory or honor of someone. Order forms are available in the entrance ways.

HOLIDAY BASKETS: The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee will once again be collecting food and cash donations for our holiday baskets. All non-perishable food items will be used for the baskets. Cash donations to help provide gift certificates and can be sent to the church office and designated "holiday baskets". The Committee will be preparing the baskets on Monday, December 16 following Bible Study at 11:00am. All are welcome. Thank you for your donations.

APPLE PIES: The Annual LYO Apple Pie Fundraiser is here! Orders are now being accepted! Apple Pies will be sold for \$10 each and can be frozen on request. Apple Pie pick-up day is Sunday, November 24. Please see Pastor Brenda or any LYO member for questions. Order forms can be found in the entrance ways or by any LYO member.

APPLE PIE PREPARATION will take place Saturday, November 23 from 10am-noon. We are looking for help in rolling out pie crusts. We ask that people bring their own rolling pins and other tools for rolling pie dough. Please see Pastor Brenda with any questions.

OUR COMMUNITY MEAL MINISTRY/SUE'S SUPPER, will be hosting a free dinner on Wednesday, November 20 at 5:30pm. **Please note Sue's Supper has moved to the 3rd Wednesday of each month.** We will hold a brief evening worship following supper. The entire church family is invited to this event for food and fellowship.

POCKET/PURSE PRAYER SQUARES are available in baskets on the tables at the entrance ways for you to pick up. Thank you to Judy Kroll for providing these.

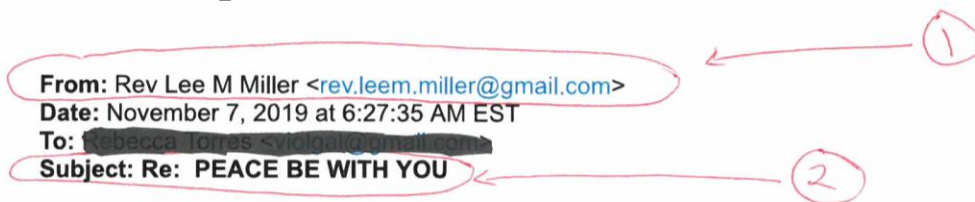
CHANGES TO THE CHURCH PAPER: We will continue to publish our Church Paper every other month. However, **beginning in January 2020**, we will no longer be mailing paper copies without a print subscription. You will have the option of subscribing to a paper edition. The cost would be \$10 per year and you will need to call the church office to sign up for this delivery. You will be able to find the newsletter on our website, or you may sign up to receive it via email. **Please know that copies are always available on the tables at the church or chapel entrance ways or at the church office.** If you would like to sign up electronically, subscribe to your print edition, or if you have any questions about this transition, please call the church office at 716-886-2400.

BEWARE SCAM E-MAILS

We recently received notice that someone is imitating Pastor Lee and Pastor Brenda in attempts to steal information. Ways to tell an email is a scam:

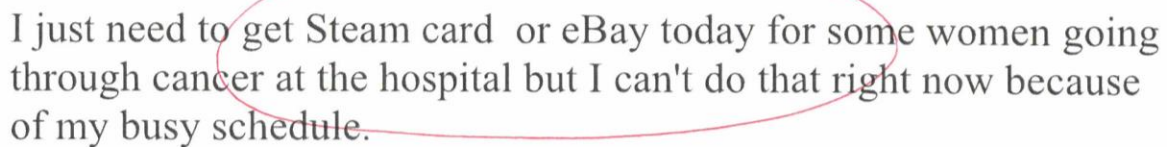
1. Sender e-mail is not an official e-mail address. It looks similar, but is different.
2. The subject of the e-mail seems vague. When in doubt, you can call the church office or the Pastor's cell phone.
3. Neither the Pastors nor the church office will ask for money or gift cards on an emergency basis.

Please see example below:



From: Rev Lee M Miller <rev.leem.miller@gmail.com>
Date: November 7, 2019 at 6:27:35 AM EST
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: PEACE BE WITH YOU

Thanks for getting back to me [REDACTED], Am in meeting right now , and can not make calls , and due to my busy schedule, I can not get things done myself ,



I just need to get Steam card or eBay today for some women going through cancer at the hospital but I can't do that right now because of my busy schedule.

Can you get it from any store around you? and I will pay you back later in cash or check.

Let me know if you can get the card for these patients.

God Bless

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Robert Mann. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Todd Kroening. Communion assistant is Susan Bundt. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Barb Wozniak. Lay reader is Karen Saona. Altar guilds are Martha Kryszczuk and Kathy Szakmary. Greeters are Martha Kryszczuk and Claire Carmer. Ushers are Jim Dunningan (captain), Ryon Fleming, Herb Hough, Charmaine Kaltrider, Kurt and Mary Kaufmann, Joe and Martha Kryszczuk and Juan Perez. Communion Assistants are Paul Bauchle, Peter Bergenstock, Eliana Perez and Adrianna Wareham. Worship Assistants are Randi Jones, Sam Guzzino, Nathaniel Wareham, Adam Hakansson, Natalia Bavaro, Oscar Guzzino, Eliana Perez, Adrianna Wareham and Max Hakansson. Collection counters are Paul Bauchle, Ryon Fleming and Martha Kutas.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Kathy's Mom and Kai's Oma, Jutta Kosan, by Kathy and Gary Szakmary.

Council Member Elizabeth Vihnanek will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Benjamin and Zachary Chase.

The flag flying on the flagpole has been dedicated In Memory of Ken James by Gail and John Camilleri.

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