

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Buffalo, New York

Sunday, August 1, 2021 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Vacation Bible School Sunday Celebrating our 143rd 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 creatures welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We commit ourselves to the work of anti-racism and creating an anti-racist space through the protection against oppression internally, in institutions, interpersonally and structurally.

We believe that through our openness we all grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

For the love of one another, we kindly ask

- 1. that you keep your mask on during the duration of this service.
 - 2. that our members and guests fill out the blue sheet and leave at your seat in the pew.

We look forward to continuing to update our practices as we move forward.

We invite you to share your story and your worship experience!
Check-in and share on any of our social media platforms using #poweroftrinity.
You can find us on Facebook @holytrinitybuffalo,
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INTRODUCTION

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

PRELUDE

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring from Cantata 147

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Gather Us In "Gather Us In"

ELW 532

(vs. 1 & 3)



- 1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark ness 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys t'ry, we are the old who
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa ter, here we will take the
- 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con fin ing, not in some heav en,



van - ished a - way; yearn for your face; bread of new birth, light years a - way—

is

now

see in this space our fears and our dream-ings we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters, here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

the

day.





Gath-er the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er the us in, in, us Gath-er rich and the haugh-ty, in, the gath-er us in, the Give us wine of com-pas-sion, the the give us to drink to eat Gath-er in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er and us

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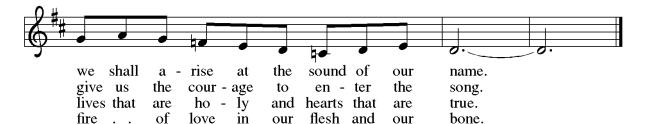
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call to blind and the lame; us now, proud and the strong; give us a heart, bread that is well, you; nour-ish us make us your own; gath - er us in,

the king - dom, and

we shall a - wak - en, meek and so low - ly, teach us to fash - ion peo - ples to - geth - er,



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Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen
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Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able.

God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

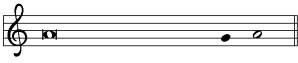
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GREETING

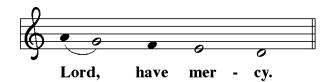
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

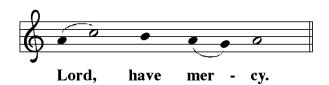


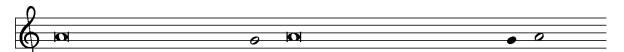
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



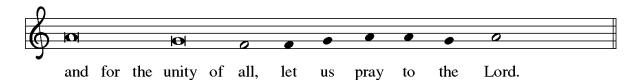


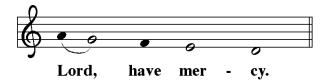
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

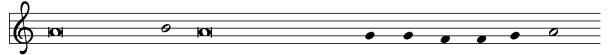




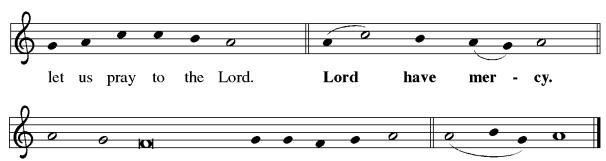
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







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



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

THE READING: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The first reading for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Exodus, the 16th Chapter.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.' "¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SOLO

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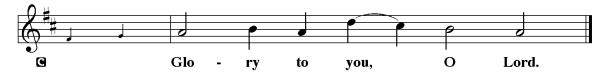
Derek Bourgeois (1941 - 2017)

Jennifer Carden, euphonium

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

The holy gospel according to Saint John



²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.

For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

SERMON MEDITATION

Meditation on "Herzliebster Jesu"

Paul Fey (b. 1998)

Please stand as you are able.

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

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, knit us together and restore the unity of the faith. We pray for our ecumenical and inter-faith siblings in VOICE Buffalo, the Network of Religious Communities, and the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Community of Good Neighbors, and Holy Trinity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You command the clouds above and cause the wind to blow in the heavens. Watch over deserts and wilderness places. Regenerate rainforests, defend species at risk of extinction, and strengthen the work of conservation organizations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community. We pray for all those serving in the armed forces and their families. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Rain down the true bread from heaven that gives life to the world. We pray for those impacted by injustice, those on the front line of the pandemic, and all those we name out loud, or in the silence of our hearts and our minds... Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make this congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare us to welcome them in the name of Christ. We pray for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Ethan, Maximus, Ariana and Vincenzo. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with all the saints and feast together at your heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another.

We ask that you remain at your seat.

You may share the sign of peace
with a head nod or peace sign.

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

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

Offerings and tithes may be left in the offering plate located at the exit.

SOLO AT THE OFFERING

In Modo Humano (2020) I. La Fantasia Thomas Rüedi (b. 1969)

Jennifer Carden, euphonium

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

"Old Hundredth"

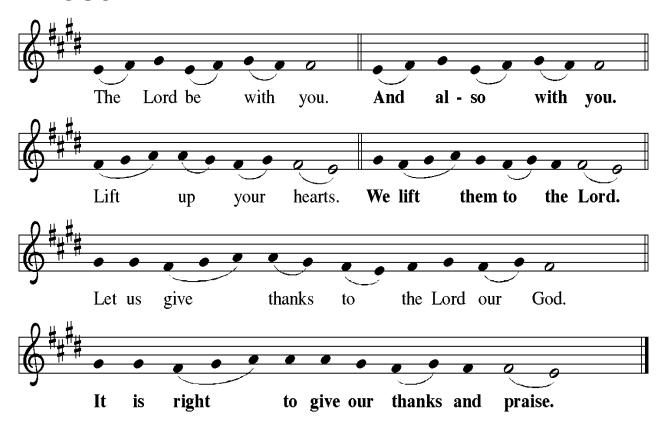
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

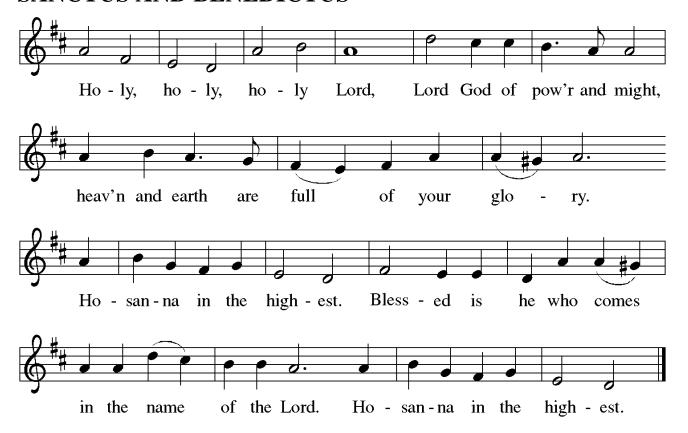
DIALOGUE



PREFACE

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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



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.

Please be seated.

THE COMMUNION

Please follow Pastor's instructions on the distribution of communion

All are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. At this time we will be serving communion in a contact-less manner. Please take your prepackage communion cup that you received at the entrance (gluten free are available, please see an usher at the entrance). The wafer can be found at the top of the cup (lift up the top, clear layer) and you will be invited to eat the wafer at the word, "The body of Christ given to you." You may then open the grape juice and drink at the word, "The blood of Christ given to you." Please leave the used and unused communion cups in the pews.

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.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer "CWM Rhondda"

ELW 618

(vs. 1 & 3)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ach Gott, vom Himmel sieh darein

Johann Pachelbel (1653 - 1706)

Please continue to leave your bulletin, communion cup and attendance sheet at your seat.

We will collect everything following the service.

There is no coffee hour at this time. Updates will be coming.

Music Notes

Paul Fey (b. 1998) is an organist/composer from Leipzig, Germany, currently attending university. He has an active, self-named YouTube channel where he performs his own and others' compositions, releasing several videos of his performances each week. He was recently featured in the YouTube Beauty in Sound channel's online organ festival joint junior organ recital. Today's sermon meditation is an original composition of Paul's, a poignant setting of the Lenten hymn, "Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended."

About Ms. Jennifer Carden

A 2020 graduate of Lancaster High School and a lifelong member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Jennifer Carden has been involved with numerous music ensembles, including the LHS Symphonic Band, Symphony Orchestra, Musical Pit Orchestra, Carnival Kids Steel Orchestra (Steel Drum Ensemble), LHS Concert Choir, Brass Choir, Jazz Ensemble, Marching Band, and a of the Academy of the Visual and Performing Jennifer was selected numerous times to perform with Erie County Music Educators Assn. (ECMEA) and NYSSMA Area All-State Honors Ensembles, and was selected to be a part of the prestigious NYSSMA Conference All-State Symphonic Band at the Eastman School of Music her senior year. Outside of school, Jenny continues to be a soprano member of Holy Trinity's Chancel Choir and plays euphonium with the Lancaster Town Band. During her Junior year, Jenny had the opportunity to be a guest artist with the Greater Buffalo Youth Orchestra. Jennifer was recognized as the LHS Music Department "Student of the Year" her Sophomore Year, and this year was the recipient of the Wilma Taylor Dedication Award, the Leadership Award, the Music Major Scholarship, the Distinguished Musicianship Award, the Richard E. Pascucci Memorial Music Scholarship, the Persistence and Effort Award, and the Music Major Award from the LHS Academy of Visual and Performing Arts. She will be attending the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam pursuing a degree in Music Performance.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, August 1, 2021 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC) 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

MONDAY, August 2, 2021

8:00 a.m. HT Golf Tournament at Pendleton Creek Golf Club

6:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous (RH)

TUESDAY, August 3, 2021

5:30 p.m. Burrito Project

THURSDAY, August 5, 2021

10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH) 7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SUNDAY, August 8, 2021 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Happy Birthday John Busch

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC) 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer is Guy Huber. Usher is Gail Camilleri. Worship assistant is Eliana Perez.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Barb Wozniak. Ushers are Jim Dunnigan, Charmaine Kaltrider and Kurt and Mary Kaufmann. Worship Assistant is Timothy Yap.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Dr. Robert Schopp by his wife Gwen Schopp and Family; and In Loving Memory of Verna and Frank Kolb by Karen Kolb.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Ethan, Maximus, Ariana and Vincenzo DeSabio.

Many thanks to our guest organist, Doug Alderdice.



Office Staff may be reached by phone daily Monday – Friday.

Please call the church office should you need anything.

As always, the Pastors are available by appointment.

We will continue to share information regarding life and worship at Holy Trinity. You can always check out the website for up-to-date information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF BISHOP: A Service of Holy Communion with the Installation of The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II as Bishop of the Upstate New York Synod will take place on Saturday, September 18 at 2:00pm at Bethany Baptist Church, 149 Beattie Street, Syracuse, NY. Doors open at 1:00, Pre-Service music begins at 1:30 and a reception follows at the church. New York State and CDC gathering guidelines in effect on September 18 will be observed.

GOLF OUTING: Thank you all that have signed up for the Golf Outing we have filled all the spots; see you at the course on Monday 8am coffee and 9am Tee off! Any questions contact Guy Huber (716) 597-4825.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: We will again be collecting school supplies for PS 17. The school houses classes for Pre-K through 4th grade. They are always grateful for any support we are able to provide. Some suggestions: crayons, pencils, pens, pencil box, composition notebooks, folders with pockets, scissors, highlighters, backpack. Donations may be left in the bins by the entrance ways. All supplies are appreciated.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: A memorial service to celebrate the life of The Rev. John A. Buerk will be held at Holy Trinity on Saturday, September 25 at 11am. Pastor Buerk passed away on July 29, 2020 and due to the pandemic, funeral services in 2020 were held for family only. This service is our opportunity to celebrate Pastor Buerk's life, together as a community.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Each Sunday, the beautiful vases of flowers gracing the chancel are often dedicated by members of our congregation in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Looking ahead, the following dates have one vase available- September 19 and October 17. Please contact Linda Schmidt with your request for these or any other specific date during the year. She can be reached at msmarylschmidt@gmail.com or 716-835-3325. Vases are \$40 each.

CRISIS SERVICES: For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is working around the clock to respond to and combat the impact COVID-19 has on our community. Their hotline number is 834-3131 and are available 24-hours a day. If you are looking for counseling services, we share a partnership with Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.

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