



Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, October 10, 2021
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
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,
on Instagram @holytrinitybuffalo or on twitter @holytrinitybuff*

INTRODUCTION

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

PRELUDE

Andante with Variations Op. 83a

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809 - 1847)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord of Light "Abbot's Leigh"

ELW 688

(vs. 1, 3, 4)

1 Lord of light, your name out - shin - ing all the stars and
2 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers in some far out -
3 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, at your feet may
4 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, nev - er si - lent

suns of space, use our tal - ents in your king - dom
ly - ing field, by the cour - age where the ra - diance
low - ly kneel; with your grace our tri - umphs hal - low,
day or night; by the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing

as the ser - vants of your grace; use us to ful -
of the cross is still re - vealed, by the vic - to -
with your char - i - ty our zeal; lift the na - tions
peace to all and heal - ing light; by the love that

fill your pur - pose in the gift of Christ your Son.
ries of meek - ness, through re - proach and suf - f'ring won:
from the shad - ows to the glad - ness of the sun:
pass - es knowl - edge, mak - ing all your chil - dren one:

Refrain

Fa - ther, as in high - est heav - en, so on earth your will be done.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

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

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

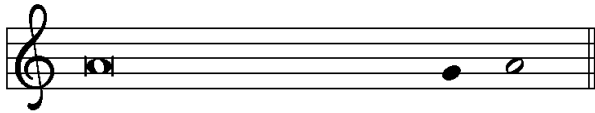
Please stand as you are able.

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.

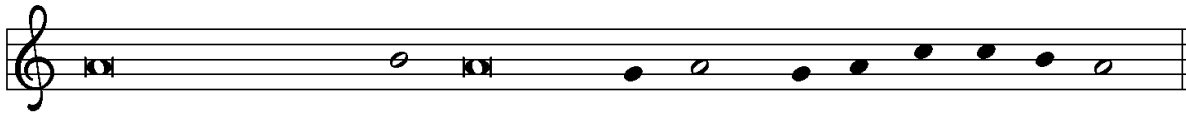
KYRIE



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.



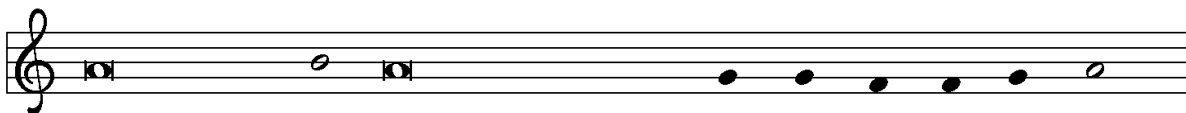
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



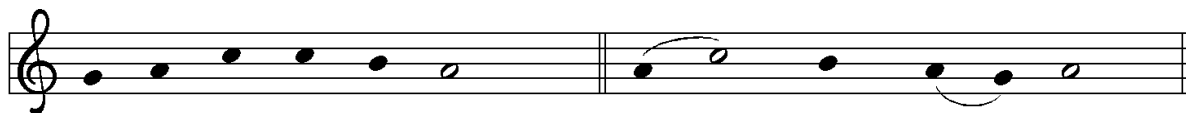
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

The first reading for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Amos, the 5th Chapter.

⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous,
who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SOLO

Give to my eyes, Lord

Ronald Corp
(b. 1951)

Colleen Flynn, *soprano*

Give to my eyes, Lord, the blessing of seeing your face in all around me,
the light of your glorious grace.

Help me to see the needs of your people and be ready to go, Lord,
wherever your Spirit leads me.

Give to my feet, Lord, the blessing of walking your way,
going wherever you lead me throughout the whole day.

Show me the paths that lead where your people need me, mine your own foot steps,
wherever your Spirit leads me.

Give to my mouth, Lord, the courage to speak of your cross,
boldly proclaiming your death was again not a loss.

That through your blood, true justice and mercy may be building your Kingdom,
wherever your Spirit leads me.

Give to my heart, Lord, the grace to rejoice in your love,
showing forgiveness and mercy and grace from above.

That by your word I'll share in the joys you give free, help me to go, Lord,
wherever your Spirit leads me.

Jesus, Lord, take me, I offer my whole life to you
and by my service I'll show that I'm faithful and true.

Help me to live and praise you; please Lord set me free that you may use me,
wherever your Spirit needs me.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12-16

The second reading for today is recorded in Hebrews, the 4th Chapter.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

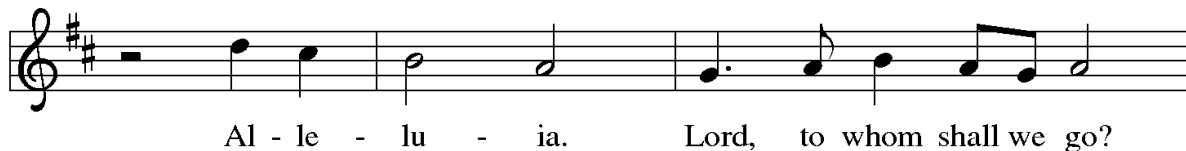
¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

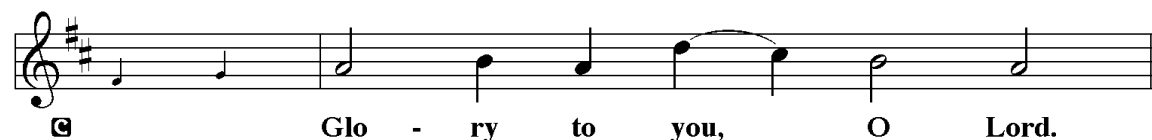
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark

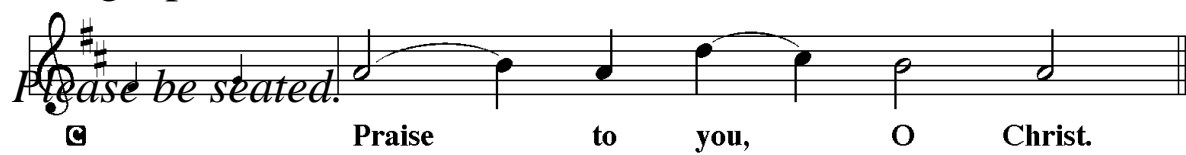


¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Julius Carroll

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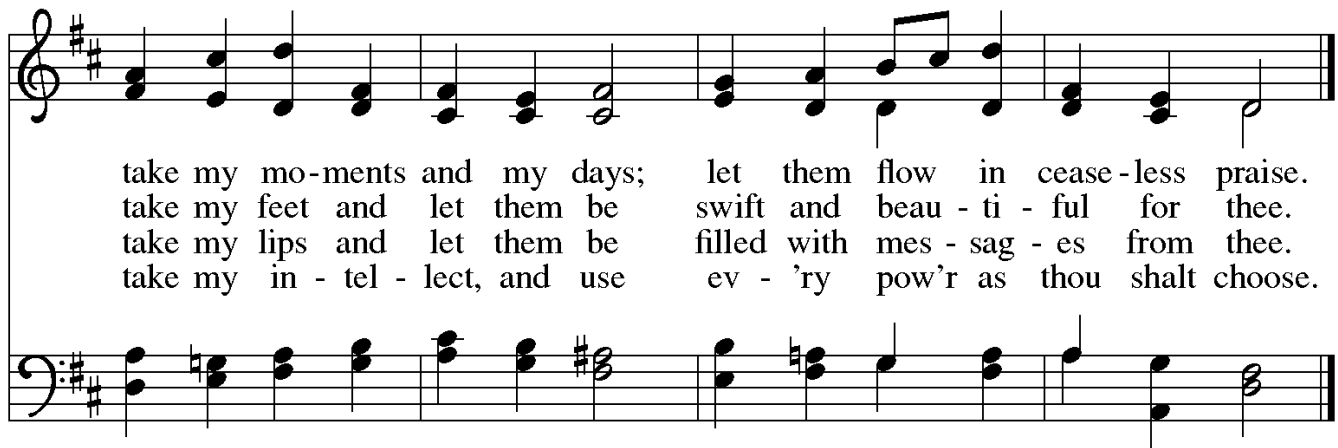
SERMON HYMN

Take My Life, That I May Be “Patmos”

ELW 685



1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

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

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. We pray for our ecumenical inter-faith siblings at VOICE Buffalo, the Network of Religious Communities and the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Community of Good Neighbors, and Holy Trinity. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. We pray for all those serving in the armed forces and their families. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind. We pray for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Lily, Liam and Andrew. 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... Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died. Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; 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

By An' By

African-American Spiritual
Arr. Harry T. Burleigh (1866 – 1949)

Colleen Flynn, *soprano*

Oh, by an' by I'm going to lay down this heavy load.

I know my robe's goin' to fit me well.

I tried it on at the gates of Hell.

Oh some-a these mornin's bright an' fair.

Gon' to take-a my wings an' cleave the air.

Oh, by an' by I'm going to lay down this heavy load.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

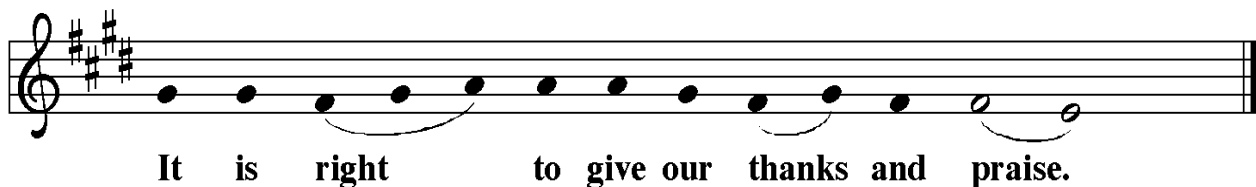
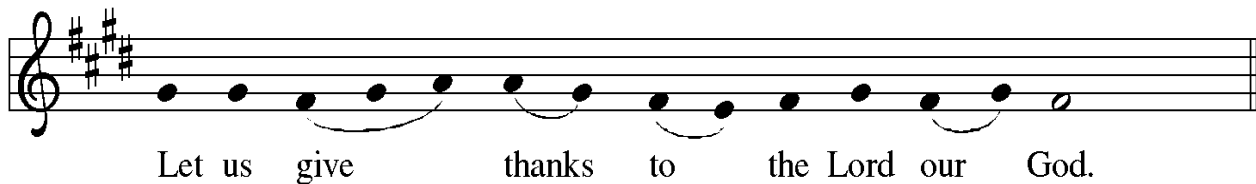
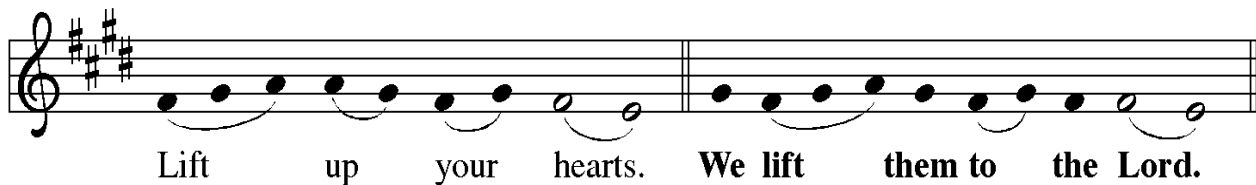
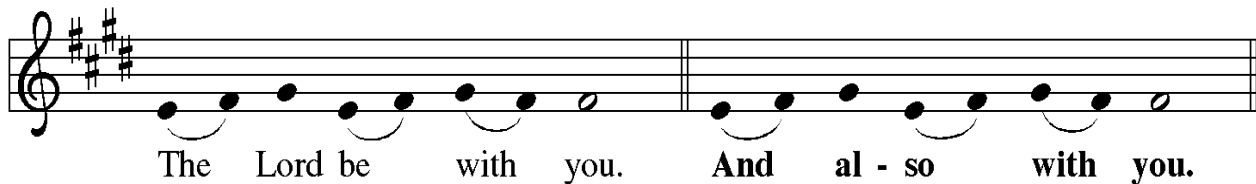
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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.

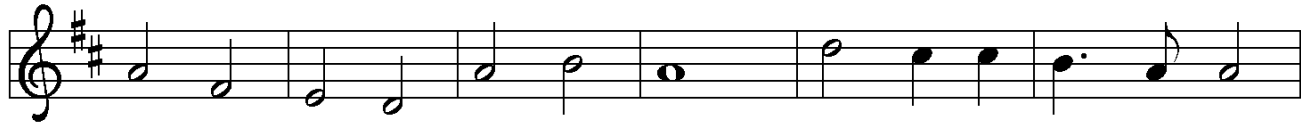
DIALOGUE



PREFACE

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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



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.

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 pre-package 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.

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, † one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory "CWM Rhondda"

ELW 705

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.

Please feel free to be seated for the Postlude.

POSTLUDE

God of Grace, God of Glory

Paul Manz
(1919 – 2009)

*Please remain at your seat until the conclusion of the postlude
and the cross has returned to the chancel.*

*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.*



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer is Guy Huber. Usher is Gail Camilleri. Reader is Richard Lee. Worship Assistant is Sofia Atlas.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Barb Wozniak. Ushers are Doug Alderdice and Paul Biesinger. Reader is Fred Howard. Worship Assistants are Natalia Bavaro, Oscar Guzzino, Timothy Yap and Elizabeth Yap.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Loving Memory of Hildegarde Heidt and Sue Biesinger by Paul Biesinger.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Lily Holmberg and Liam and Andrew Kibler.



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.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, October 10, 2021 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
9:30 a.m. Youth Choir OFF! Come sing next week!
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
12:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (FR)

MONDAY, October 11, 2021 *Columbus Day*

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, October 12, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Conversations with Dr. Carroll (FR)
12:30 p.m. Women at the Well (FR)
7:00 p.m. Holy Conversations with Dr. Carroll via Zoom
7:00 p.m. Buffalo Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal (MC)

WEDNESDAY, October 13, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (RH)

THURSDAY, October 14, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH)
6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir (MC)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MC)
7:00 p.m. Story Time
7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SATURDAY, October 16, 2021

- 7:30 p.m. Buffalo Gay Men's Chorus Concert (MC)

SUNDAY, October 17, 2021 – Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
9:30 a.m. Community of Good Neighbors Open House
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/baptism (MC)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)

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

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed tomorrow in observance of Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day.

PLEASE WELCOME our Intentional Interim Pastor, The Rev. Dr. Julius Carroll who will work with us on our journey to find a new Pastor. Welcome Dr. Carroll and his wife, Geneva.

WELCOME also to First Year Seminarian, Teresa O'Connor, who is worshipping with us today. Under the guidance of Dr. Julius Carroll, she will be participating and assisting in worship, education, faith formation and service ministries at Holy Trinity to fulfill requirements for her degree. Teresa will be available to meet you at the baptismal font after the 8:30 service and in the narthex near the Main Street exit doors after the 10:30 service.

BIBLE STUDY: There will be no Morning or Evening Bible Study this week for the holiday. We will continue next Monday.

HOLY CONVERSATIONS: Mark your calendars for the first of three sessions of Holy Conversations with Dr. Carroll on **Tuesday, October 12 from 10:00-11:30am in the Fellowship Room or 7:00-8:30pm via Zoom**. We will delve into the responses to the recent survey questions. If you are planning to join us via Zoom, please contact Dr. Carroll via email (drcarroll@holytrinitybuffalo.org) with your email address so that he may send a Zoom invitation to you.

HEALTH CHECKS: Our parish nurse, Judy Reifsteck, will be doing blood pressure checks and health teaching next Sunday, October 17 following each service. She will be in the usher's room in the back of the church.

WATERCOLOR CLASSES, with our own Paul Biesinger, start again on Thursday, October 14 in Redeemer Hall. We will meet each week from 10am to Noon. Classes are free but you will need to bring your own supplies. A list of suggested supplies is available from Heather Miller(convmiller@yahoo.com). All are welcome!

OPEN HOUSE: You are invited to an Open House for Community of Good Neighbors at 1092 Main Street on Sunday, October 17 from 9:30am – 10:30am. Pastor Kwame Pitts will be providing an overview of the mobile food pantry programs, the ministries she is leading and LuMin Campus Ministry.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: It that's time of year again when we send college care packages to all of our college students. If you have a student away at college (or at home in college) and would like them to receive a care package, please contact the church office and provide the name of the student and mailing address. We fill a box with snacks and a pastor letter. If you would like to donate snacks for the boxes, that is always welcome also. Kathy Crissey, Gwen Mann and Beth Pellnat will be working on getting these out so please feel free to check in with one of us. We will need to have names and addresses by 10/15 so we can get the packages out by the end of October. Always nice to let the college students know that their church family is thinking about them!

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.

CLOTHESLINE PROJECT: It's that time again. Our sixth year! Once again, the clothesline will be placed in the front of the church near the fountain garden. Beginning Sunday, October 17th right through March, items will be hung in plastic bags for those in need of something warm during the colder months. Donations of gloves, mittens, socks, hats and scarves are always needed and can be placed in the labeled boxes in the narthexes of the main sanctuary. Any questions or comments, please see Linda Schmidt. She can be reached via email msmarylschmidt@gmail.com or 716-835-3325.

COMMUNITY OF GOOD NEIGHBORS FOOD COLLECTION:

During October, Thrivent Financial is helping members combat food insecurity in communities across the region with the **Feed Northeast 2021** Thrivent Action Team Incentive program. **You can be a part of it!** Linda Schmidt, as a member of HT, has received a Thrivent grant of \$250 to get the drive going. She is asking you, as a member or friend of HT, to also support this incentive by bringing food to church through October 31st. If our collection reaches a minimum of 500 items for donation to a local food pantry, Community of Good Neighbors could be eligible to receive an additional \$500 from Thrivent. Here is a list of needed items: Gluten free bread, Gluten free snacks, rice, both brown and white, Instant potatoes, canned fruits and vegetables, canned beans and soup, cereal and other breakfast items, canned tuna and chicken, pasta, canned pasta meals, spaghetti sauce and alfredo sauce, Ramen noodles, peanut butter and jelly, granola bars, fresh fruit and veggies. Individual food items or better yet, full cases will be gladly accepted. If you cannot bring these to church, please call or text either Donna Leiser 716-868-3862 or Linda Schmidt 716-472-4194 and a pickup will be arranged.

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