

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Buffalo, New York

Sunday, October 17, 2021 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Celebrating our 143<sup>rd</sup> 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**

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

# **PRELUDE**

Préamble and Canon from 24 Pièces en style libre

Louis Vierne (1870 - 1937)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord "Repton"

**ELW 580** 

(vs. 1, 3, 4)



- vo ca tion, Lord, when once we heed your call How clear is our
- 2 But we should find your yoke is hard to if. for - get - ful.
- 3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin-dranc-es more sure;
- In what you give us, do, Lord, to to - geth - er a - lone,



to your word and dai - ly learn, re-freshed, re - stored, live ac-cord-ing to if world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name, old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000

Music: REPTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918
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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.

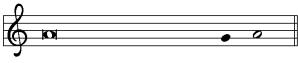
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## **GREETING**

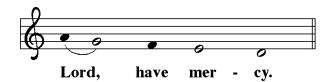
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

# **KYRIE**

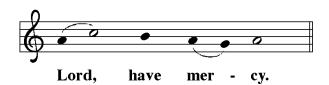


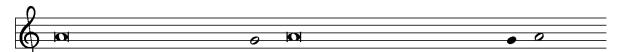
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



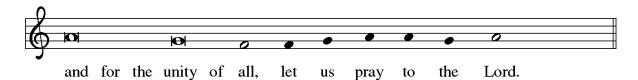


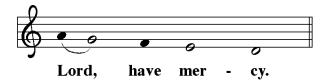
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

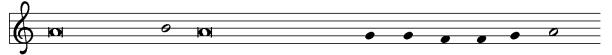




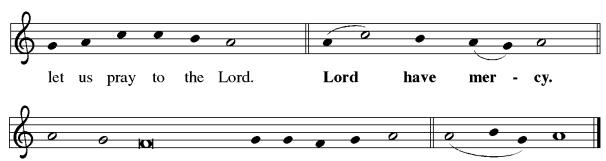
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







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.

# **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response:

I renounce them.

#### THE BAPTISM

Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.

#### WELCOME

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

#### THE HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father "Tryggare kan ingen vara"

**ELW 781** 



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,

- 1 Chil dren of the heav'n-ly Fa ther safe ly in his bo som gath er;
- 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho ly courts they flour ish.
- 3 Nei ther life nor death shall ev er from the Lord his chil-dren sev er;
- 4 Though he giv eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for sak eth;



stjär-nan ej på him-la-fäs-tet, få-geln ej i kän-da näs-tet.
nest-ling bird nor star in heav-en such a ref-uge e'er was giv-en.
From all e-vil things he spares them, in his might-y arms he bears them.
un-to them his grace he show-eth, and their sor-rows all he know-eth.
his the lov-ing pur-pose sole-ly to pre-serve them pure and ho-ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870-1958

# FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

The first reading for the Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Isaiah, the 53<sup>rd</sup> Chapter.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,

and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth;

like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

<sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his future?

For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

<sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich,

although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin,

he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

12Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death,

and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many,

and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(8:30) THE SOLO

Give Me Jesus

Moses Hogan (1957 - 2003)

Mary Kay Atlas, soprano

In the morning when I rise Give me Jesus You can have all this world Give me Jesus

When I come to die Give me Jesus You can have all this world Give me Jesus

When I come to sing
Give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Give me Jesus

# (10:30)

#### THE ANTHEM

God Shall the Broken Heart Repair

K. Lee Scott

Text: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), Matthew 11:28-29, Isaiah 53:4a, 5, ad. (b. 1950)

Ryan Lockwood, baritone

(refrain) God shall the broken heart repair, And for all sickness and despair, A cure in Christ provide; And heal the wounded, sore and bruised, With oil into their wounds infused, And soothing, soothing balm applied.

> Come to me, you wearly, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me. My yoke is easy and my burden is light, and you shall find rest unto your souls.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was pierced for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. The chastening which brought our peace fell to him, and with his stripes we are healed.

(refrain) God shall the broken heart repair...

## **SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10**

The second reading for today is recorded in Hebrews, the 5<sup>th</sup> Chapter. <sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

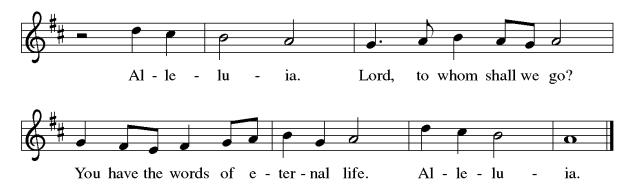
<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

### Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



### **GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45**

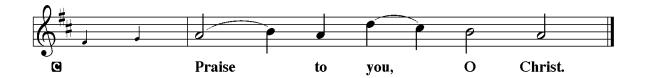
The holy gospel according to Saint Mark



<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.

<sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many." The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

#### **SERMON**

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

Please stand as you are able.



Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953 Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928 Text and music © 1977 Scripture In Song, c/o Integrity's Hosanna Music (ASCAP), c/o Integrity Media, Inc., 1000 Cody Road, Mobile, AL 36695.

(8:30) 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

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms and equip them with your gifts. We pray for our ecumenical and 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. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people. We pray for all those serving in the armed forces and their families. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness, that all may be healed. 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.

Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts. We pray for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Olivia and Elise. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints, continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **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.

# (8:30)

## **SOLO AT THE OFFERING**

# The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Mary Kay Atlas, soprano

The Lord bless you and keep you:
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
To shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious unto you
The Lord lift up the light
Of His countenance upon you,
And give you peace,
Amen

# (10:30)

# THE ANTHEM

*Be Still, My Soul*Text: William Dalrymple Maclagan (1826-1910)

Percy Whitlock (1903 – 1946)

Be still, my soul, for God is near; the Great High Priest is with thee now;

The Lord of Life Himself is here, before whose face the angels bow.

To make thy heart His lowly throne, thy Saviour God in love draws nigh.

He gives Himself unto His own, for whom He once came down to die.

I come, O Lord.

I come, O Lord, for Thou dost call to blend my pleading prayer with Thine.

To Thee I give myself, my all, and feed on Thee, and make Thee mine.

Amen.

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"

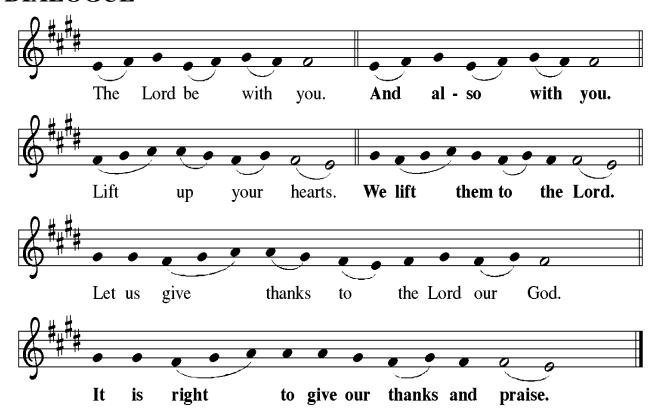
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

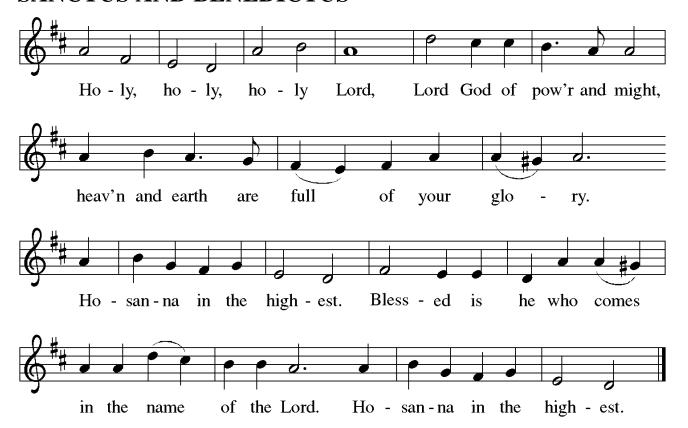
#### **DIALOGUE**



### **PREFACE**

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

### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



# 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.

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**

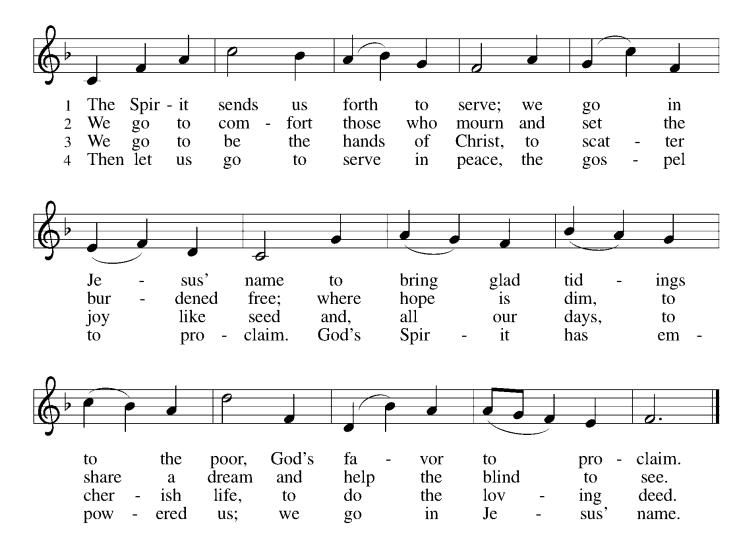
People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve "Chesterfield"

**ELW 551** 



Text: Delores Dufner, osB, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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Please feel free to be seated for the Postlude.

# **POSTLUDE**

Musica da Processione Op. 1305

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

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

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **Thanks be to God.** 

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.



The sacrament of Holy Baptism has several parts which together constitute the fullness of the sacrament of initiation into the community of faith: presentation, thanksgiving, renunciation, profession of faith, baptism with water, laying on of hands and signation, and welcome into the congregation. Today we welcome into the Lord's family and in our fellowship in the gospel Olivia Mary and Elise Margaret, daughters of Mary Margaret "Maggie" and Tyrone Stinson.



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer is Emily Notari. Reader is Todd Kroening. Worship Assistant is Nathaniel Wareham.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Jennifer Yap. Ushers are Ron Leiser, Kristen Best, Mike Day, Alan Heiss, Kaci Kaltrider, Elizabeth Vihnanek and Helen and Marty Wright. Reader is Daniel Culross. Worship Assistants are Alex Cialone, Brandon Howard, Ethan McKinney, Griffin Miller and Erica Sampman.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Celebration of our 48<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Pastor Neil and Pam Kattermann; and

In Loving Memory of Earl Kunz by Heidi, Margaret and Sarah Kunz.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Olivia and Elise Stinson.



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 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)	
12:00 p.m.		
MONDAY, October 18, 2021		
9:30 a.m.	Monday Morning Bible Study (FR)	
6:00 p.m.	Gamblers' Anonymous (RH)	
7:00 p.m.	Monday Evening Bible Study (FR)	
7:00 p.m.	Worship Meeting (CR)	
TUESDAY, October 19, 2021		
7:00 p.m.	Executive Meeting via Zoom	
THURSDAY, October 21, 2021		
10:00 a.m.	Watercolor Class (RH)	
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir (MC)	
7:00 p.m.	Story Time	
7:00 p.m.	AA/AL-ANON (RH)	
FRIDAY, October 22, 2021		
5:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal (MC)	
SATURDAY, October 23, 2021		
2:00 p.m.	Murphy/Gadson Wedding (MC)	
SUNDAY, October 24, 2021 – Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost		
8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (MC)	
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir (MR)	
10:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion w/baptism (MC)	
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School (SS)	
CH = Mansperger Chapel FR = Fellowship Room	CI = Crib Room FI = Fireside Room/Library	CR = Conference Room MC = Main Church
MR = Music Room	PS = Pastor's Study	RH = Redeemer Hall
SC = Sacristy	SS = Sunday School	YR = Youth Room

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Monday Morning Bible Study continues tomorrow in-person at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. Dr. Carroll will continue the series "Major Themes in the Gospels: St. Mark."

MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY also continues from 7:00 – 8:00pm in the Fellowship Room. We will follow the same series as the morning bible study. All are welcome to attend.

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

WATERCOLOR CLASSES, with our own Paul Biesinger, continues on Thursdays 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!

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 today 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 Schmidt. She reached via Linda can he email msmarylschmidt@gmail.com or 716-835-3325.

COLD AND FLU SEASON: As we enter cold and flu season, if you are not feeling well, please stay home, get plenty of rest/fluids, see your doctor and/or get a Covid test if necessary.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet tomorrow, October 18, at 7:00pm in the Conference Room

# 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.

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.

#### **JOIN OUR CHOIRS!**

Did you once sing in a choir? Have you ever thought,
"Maybe I'd like to sing again?"
Well - stop thinking about it and get involved in
Holy Trinity's Choral Program!

Holy Trinity is blessed to be the home of one of Buffalo's storied musical treasures, yet it is still a tight-knit family of people who love to sing and make music for this congregation to the glory of God.

Our Chancel Choir sings 2-3 pieces of music weekly at the 10:30 Service. Standards are high, and strong music reading skills are a benefit, but the strengths of our Lead Singers will guide you through the rehearsal process.

If that commitment seems too much, our Chapel Choir moves at a more accessible pace, singing 2 pieces of music monthly, with four Lead Singers to guide. Several of our congregational singers even sing in both choirs! Feel free to reach out to Justin Pomietlarz if you have any questions. Singing in our choirs is not as daunting as you may think! Come, join our family, and be nourished in music and fellowship.

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