



Holy Trinity  
Lutheran Church  
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, October 22, 2023  
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
Celebrating our 145<sup>th</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.*

*Visitors interested in membership may talk with a Council representative at the Council desk, contact the Church office or indicate on the yellow Welcome sheet.*

*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*

*Large print bulletins are available at the entrance ways*

## INTRODUCTION

*In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.*

## **PRELUDE**

*Prelude and Fugue in E minor*  
'Cathedral' BWV 533

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **For CARDIAC EMERGENCIES:**

Our Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)  
is located in the Sacristy on the wall near the window.  
Look for the First Aid and AED sign near the top of the door to the Sacristy.  
Exit the Sanctuary next to the Angel Lectern.  
The Sacristy will be the first room on the left.  
Coming from other areas of our building,  
go up the stairs toward the Main Church and turn left.

*Please stand as you are able.*

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*O God of Every Nation* “Llangloffan”

ELW 713

1 O God of ev - 'ry na - tion, of ev - 'ry race and land,  
2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that all may find re - lease  
4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem your whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;  
from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,  
from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
from pride of race and sta - tion and blind-ness to your way,  
when hope and cour-age fal - ter, Lord, let your voice be heard;  
till dawns the morn-ing glo - rious when truth and love shall reign,

in love and mer-cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
de - liv - er ev - 'ry na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.  
with faith that none can al - ter, your ser-vants un - der - gird.  
and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

Text: William W. Reid Jr., b. 1923

Music: LLANGLOFFAN, Welsh tune, 19th cent.

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## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God,  
the one who forms us,  
✠ Jesus who bears the cross,  
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.  
**Amen.**

Let us humble ourselves before God, confessing our sin.

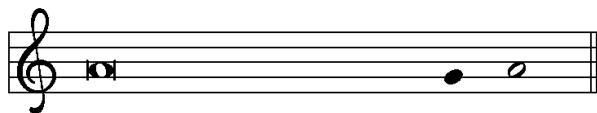
Steadfast and faithful God,  
**you have revealed the ways of justice,  
yet we fail to follow you.**  
**We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering.**  
**We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others.**  
**For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us.**  
**For the unjust demands we place on others  
and your creation, forgive us.**  
**For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us.**  
**Lead us back to you and set us on the right path;**  
**in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**  
**Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,  
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.  
God's compassion is beyond compare.  
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.  
In ✠ Christ, you are already and always forgiven.  
**Amen.**

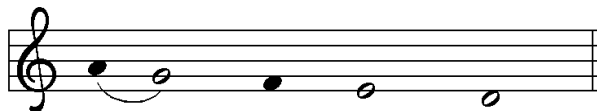
## **GREETING**

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.**

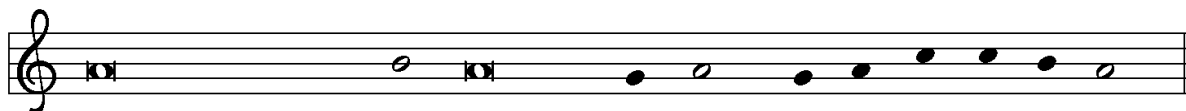
# KYRIE



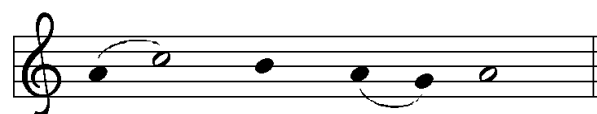
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



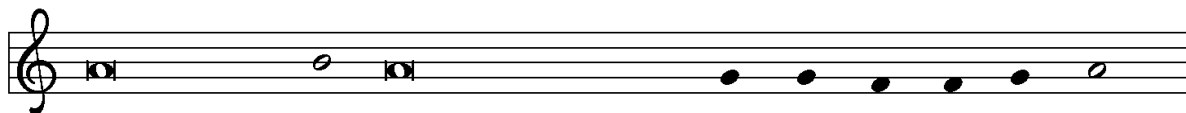
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.

**Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**(10:30)**

**A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN**

The Rev. Richard Neal

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7**

The first reading for the Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Isaiah, the 45<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him—  
and the gates shall not be closed:  
<sup>2</sup>I will go before you  
and level the mountains,  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron,  
<sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.  
<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
and Israel my chosen,  
I call you by your name,  
I surname you, though you do not know me.



<sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other;  
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,  
<sup>6</sup>so that they may know, from the rising of the sun  
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;  
I am the LORD, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness,  
I make weal and create woe;  
I the LORD do all these things.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**(8:30)**

**THE SOLO**

*Thou Art God*

Lionel Bourne  
(b. 1960)

Colleen Flynn, *soprano*

Thou art the peace of all things calm,  
Thou art the place to hide from harm,  
Thou art the light that shines in dark,  
Thou art the heart's eternal spark,  
Thou art the door that's open wide,  
Thou art the guest who waits inside,  
Thou art the stranger at the door,  
Thou art the calling of the poor.  
Thou art peace, Thou art calm, Thou art my love,  
Thou art my Lord and with me still,  
Thou art my love, keep me from ill,  
Thou art the light, the truth, the way.  
Thou art the Saviour this day.  
Thou art the Saviour this very day.

**(10:30)**

## **THE ANTHEM**

*O Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations*

Psalm 117, adapted

Halsey Stevens

(1908-1989)

O praise the Lord, all ye nations;  
praise Him, all ye peoples, praise Him.  
For His merciful kindness is evermore and more toward us;  
and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.  
Praise the Lord, O praise the Lord.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

The second reading for today is recorded in 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians, the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.

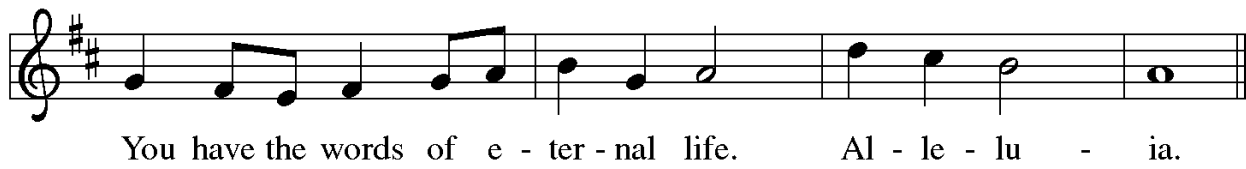
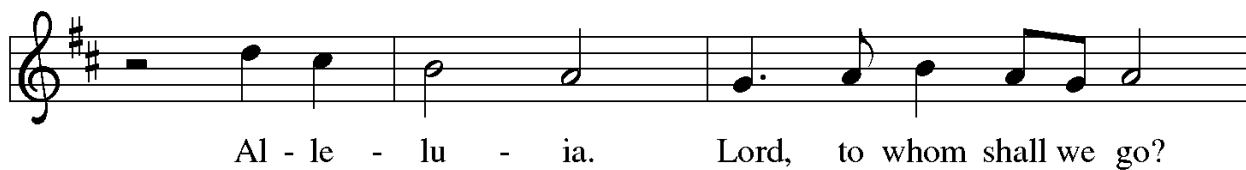
<sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

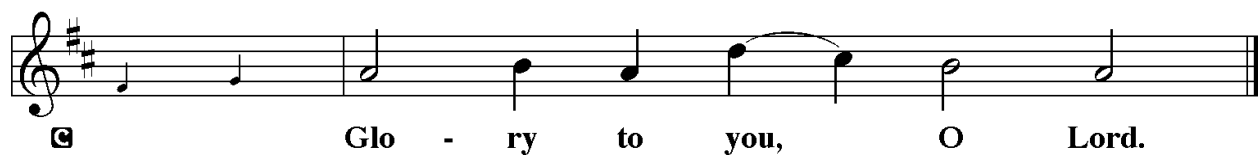
*Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



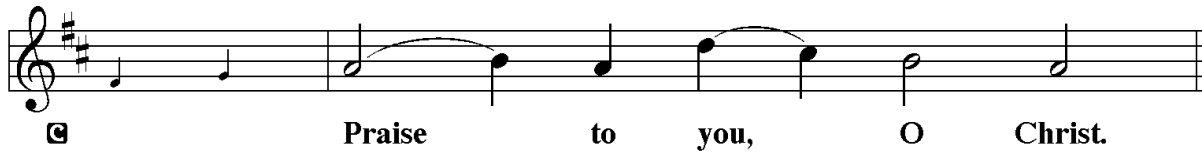
## GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew



<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. <sup>16</sup>So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?”

<sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” <sup>21</sup>They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.  
The gospel of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev. Richard Neal

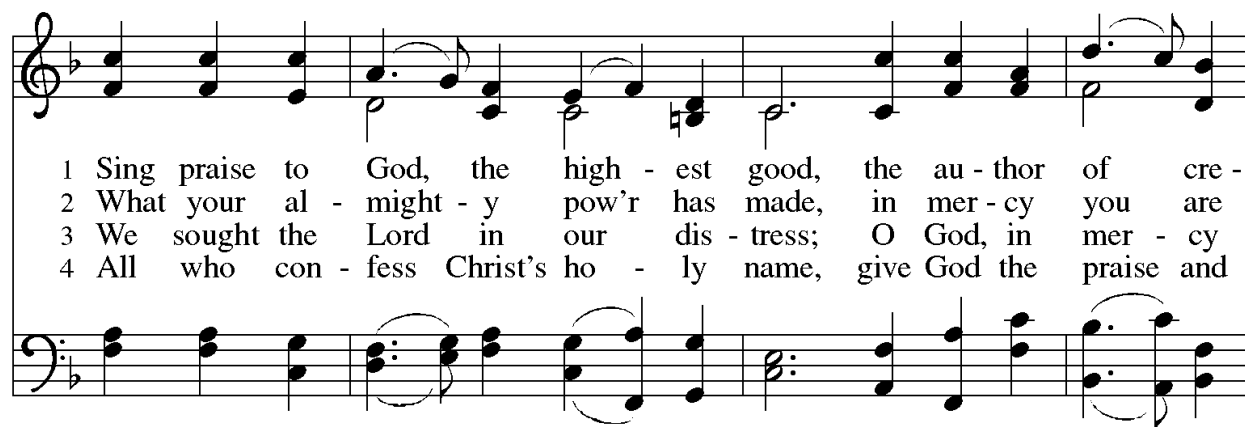
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# SERMON HYMN

## *Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good*

ELW 871

“Lobt Gott Den Herren, Ihr”



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, the au - thor of cre -  
2 What your al - might - y pow'r has made, in mer - cy you are  
3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy  
4 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, give God the praise and



a - tion! O God of love, you un - der - stood our need for  
keep - ing; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade, your eye is  
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness and came with  
glo - ry! Let all God's sav - ing pow'r pro - claim; give God the



your sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our souls you fill;  
nev - er sleep - ing; in the do - min - ion of your might  
peace to cheer us. For this we thank and praise the Lord,  
praise and glo - ry! Cast ev - 'ry i - dol from its throne;



all our la - ment with peace you still.  
all things are just and good and right. To God all praise and glo - ry!  
who is by one and all a - dored.  
God is the Lord, and God a - lone:

## **APOSTLE'S 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 PASTOR AND PEOPLE**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the Christ who lives among us and in us and through us, who is your image among us, and in whom all things in heaven and earth hold together in perfect integrity. In every choice we must make, help us remember the unity in which we and all things exist. And let everything we do begin with your inspiration, continue with your saving help, and through you reach perfection. Trusting in the transformative power of your loving Spirit, help us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Faithful God, your Spirit animates the church throughout the world and binds believers near and far into the body of Christ. Equip us for the work of faith, and enlarge our hearts for the labor of love. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Creating God, the sea shouts, the earth rejoices, and the heavens are glad at the wonder of all you have made. Bless the work of ecologists and conservationists and all those who safeguard the riches of creation. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, your rule and authority span the cosmos. As you once worked through the ruler Cyrus for the good of your people, accomplish your purposes through the work of elected leaders and public servants today. Guide them with your wisdom and compassion. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Caring God, your arms enfold all who are lonely, oppressed, despairing, sick, and suffering and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... . Pour out your abundant mercy on all whom this world has neglected, abandoned, and forgotten, that they may know your joy. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, all our life belongs to you. When earthly idols threaten to lead your church astray, remind us that you alone are the source of our eternal hope. Direct the work of church treasurers, councils, and all who manage financial matters. Protect all of us, including our children, especially Casen and Devin. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Everlasting God, the saints of every age have sung your praise and shared your word. We give you thanks for their witness and pray that we may join them as citizens of your eternal kingdom. Stir our hearts with gratitude as we remember especially today the life, love and faith of Doris Ratcliffe. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray,  
trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus  
Christ, our Savior.

**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.*

## **MINISTRY MOMENT – STEWARDSHIP**

Doug Alderdice

## **THE OFFERING**

**(8:30)**

## **THE SOLO**

*Is There Anybody Here That Loves My Jesus*

**Spiritual**

Arr. Undine Smith Moore  
(1904-1989)

Colleen Flynn, *soprano*

Is there anybody here that loves my Jesus?

Anybody here that loves my Lord?

I want to know, do you love my Jesus?

I want to know, do you love-a my Lord?

Although you see me goin' a long so,

I have my trials here below,

This world's a wilderness of woe;

So let us all to glory go.

Is there anybody here, I want to know,

I want to know, I want to know,

Do you love-a my Lord?



**(10:30)**

## **THE ANTHEM**

*Even When He is Silent*

Kim André Arnesen

Text: Anonymous, found on the walls of a concentration camp

(b. 1980)

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining.  
I believe in love even when I feel it not.  
I believe in God even when He is silent.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray together.

**God of power, God of plenty,  
all things belong to you.**

**We bring your gifts to the table,  
that all might be fed.**

**Form us into the body of your Beloved,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**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 also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

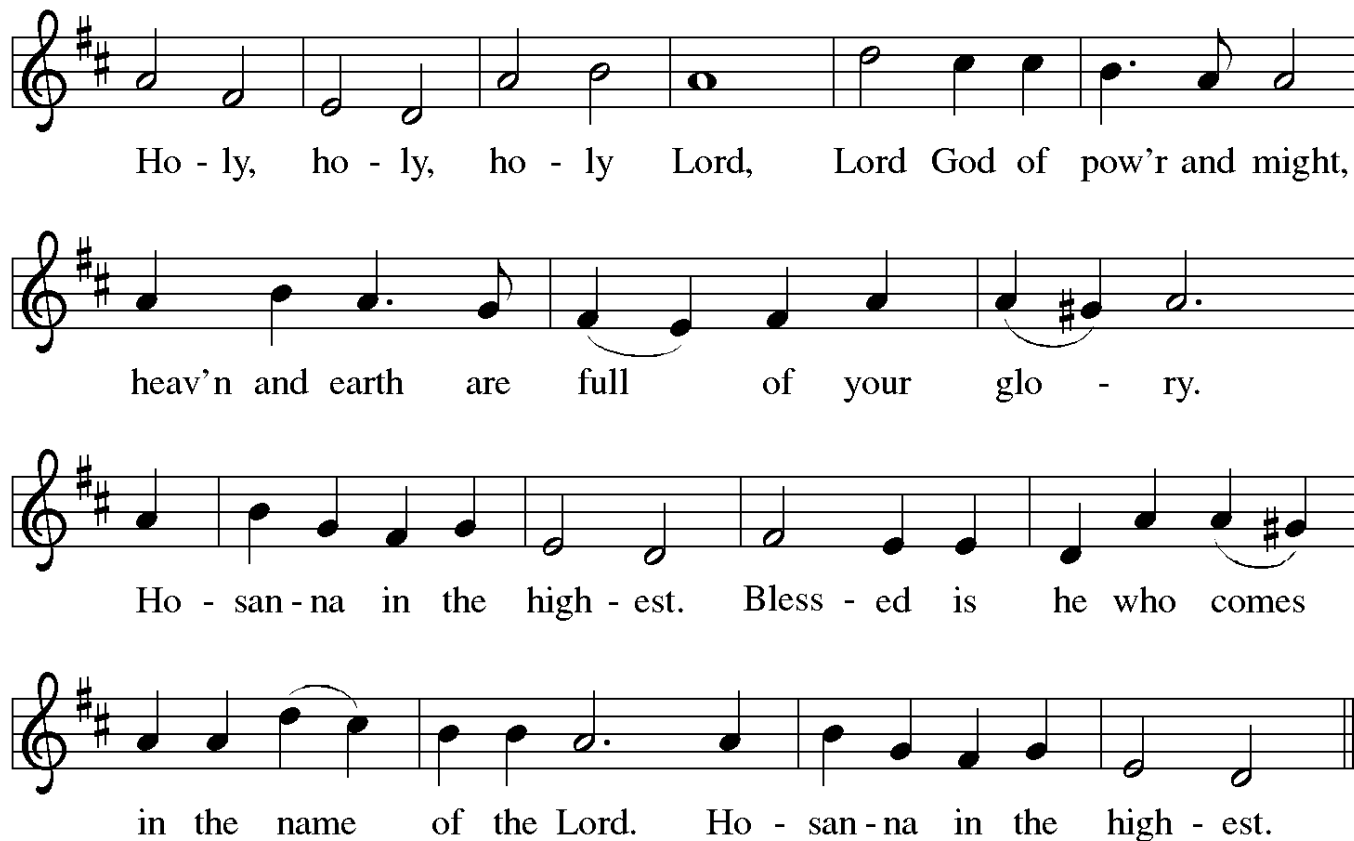
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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 musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,'. The second staff contains 'heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.'. The third staff contains 'Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes'. The fourth staff contains 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' and ends with a double bar line. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many half and quarter notes.

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy are you, and blessed is Jesus Christ, who called you Abba, Father.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children,  
you embraced a people as your own  
and filled them with a longing for a peace that would last  
and for a justice that would never fail.

In Jesus' suffering and death you took upon yourself our sin and death  
and destroyed their power for ever.

You raised from the dead this same Jesus,  
who now reigns with you in glory,  
and poured upon us your Holy Spirit,  
making us the people of your new covenant.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread . . .  
After supper, he took the cup, . . .

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts,  
that in the breaking of this bread and the drinking of this wine  
we may know the presence of the living Christ  
and be renewed as the body of Christ for the world,  
redeemed by Christ's blood.

As the grain and grapes, once dispersed in the fields,  
are now united on this table in bread and wine,  
so may we and all your people be gathered from every time and place  
into the unity of your eternal household  
and feast at your table for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## THE 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.**

## THE AGNUS DEI



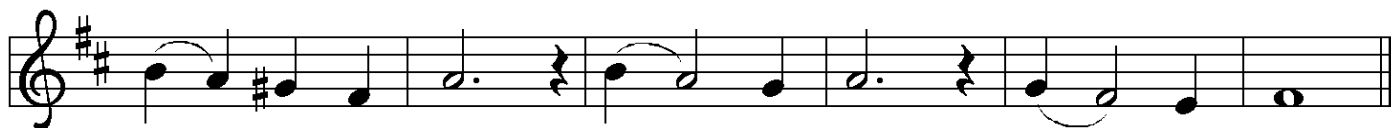
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



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 HOLY 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 down the center aisle to the presiding minister. 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. Portable communion cups are also available for those who are not comfortable sharing the sacrament of Holy Communion in-person. 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 eat and drink; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord.

**(10:30)**

## COMMUNION SOLO

*Is There Anybody Here That Loves My Jesus*

Spiritual

Arr. Undine Smith Moore  
(1904-1989)

Colleen Flynn, *soprano*

*Please see text printed previously at the Offering Solo (8:30).*

**(10:30)**

## COMMUNION MOTET

*Cantate Domino*

Hans Leo Hassler

Psalm 96

(1564-1612)

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honor unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

**Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray together.

**Blessed be your name, O God,  
for we have feasted on your Word,  
Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.  
Strengthened by this food,  
send us to gather the world to your banquet,  
where none are left out and all are satisfied.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## **SENDING OF COMMUNION**

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a broken and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons, or in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we are one in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*We invite congregation members to share this holy meal with those who are homebound, hospitalized, or otherwise unable to join us in person. Communion elements and a simple printed liturgy are available on the altar for your use. If you take a bulletin from this morning's worship service, you will be able to easily share today's scripture and prayers with the meal.*

## **BENEDICTION**

The God of glory,  
✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names,  
and the Spirit who lives in you,  
bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

*God of Grace, God of Glory* “CWM Rhondda”

ELW 705

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in four columns, corresponding to the four parts of the choir. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a strong emphasis on the first and third beats of each measure. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines in the bass.

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.

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in love.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Voluntary on 'God of Grace, God of Glory'*

Paul Manz  
(1919-2009)

*You are encouraged to take the bulletin  
home with you for future reference.  
Otherwise, please place them in the recycle bins  
at the entrance ways.*

*We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall  
for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.*



The Holy Trinity Chancel Choir  
will be joining forces with the Westminster Choir  
for *Requiem for the Homeless*,  
featuring the *Requiem* Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé,

All Saints Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm at  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 724 Delaware Avenue.

The concert will be conducted by  
Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus director Adam Luebke.  
Please mark your calendar to join us for this special collaboration and benefit concert.





## ***THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY***

### **SUNDAY, October 22, 2023 – Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (with Pastor Rich) (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)
- 6:00 p.m. Buffalo Girlchoir Recording (MC)

### **MONDAY, October 23, 2023**

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)
- 6:00 p.m. Gambler's Anonymous (RH)

### **WEDNESDAY, October 25, 2023**

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

### **THURSDAY, October 26, 2023**

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

### **SATURDAY, October 28, 2023**

- 4:00 p.m. Private Reception (RH)

### **SUNDAY, October 29, 2023 – Reformation Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/Chapel Choir (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (with Pastor Rich) (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)

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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



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer and reader is Linda Schmidt. Ushers and altar guilds are Gail Camilleri and Heidemarie Kunz. Acolyte is Avery Best.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Paul Bauchle. Reader is Jon Barber. Ushers are Marty Bauer, Matt Brown, Carole Casterline, Roger Draper, Craig Johnson, David Pellnat and Juan Perez. Acolytes are Brandon Howard, Henry Peterson, Max Peterson, Griffin Miller and Tony Lizauckas.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Pastor Neil and Pam Kattermann;

and

In Loving Memory of Sandra Walker by her grandsons, Christian Johnson, Gabriel and David Behrens;

and

In Loving Memory of their mother Carolyn Hughes by Karen Saona and her brother Don Hughes.

Collection counters are Peter Bergenstock, Darlene Carden and Ron Pellnat.

Council member, Paul Bauchle, will be at the Main Street entrance 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 Casen and Devin Thompson.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in and helped plan the Saturday Meet & Greet, Worship Service, and the Congregational Meeting last weekend for the Worship Service and Congregational Meeting. 125 members voted: 123 Yes, 0 No, 2 Abstentions. We are pleased to announce that Pastor Jeff Wilson has accepted the call to serve Holy Trinity. He has already begun working with Pastor Rich, the staff and council on transition activities as he finalizes relocation logistics. More details regarding his first Sunday back in Buffalo will be confirmed; our goal is November 5 (All Saints Sunday).

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: "American Racism: Roots and Reality" will continue with presentations by Dave Ulrich on Monday, October 23 and October 30. The topic this Monday is 'The Myth of Martin Luther King: Civil Rights in the 1950s and 1960s.' Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

BLESSING BAGS: Following the beautiful Vespers service, those who attended helped to compile 50 Blessing Bags which are available for you to take and give to those in need. They are located in baskets near the entrances of the main sanctuary and the chapel. Thank you to all who donated money or gift cards for this project.

CRISIS SERVICES: For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is available. 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 Mr. Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.

## **HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP**

### **Congregational Council**

Jennifer Yap, *President*

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