



Holy Trinity  
Lutheran Church  
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, November 5, 2023  
All Saints Sunday  
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

*All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.*

# PRELUDE

*Nimrod from Enigma Variations Op. 36*

Edward Elgar

(1857-1934)

## 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

*For All the Saints* "Sine Nomine"

ELW 422 (vs. 1-3, 6, 7)



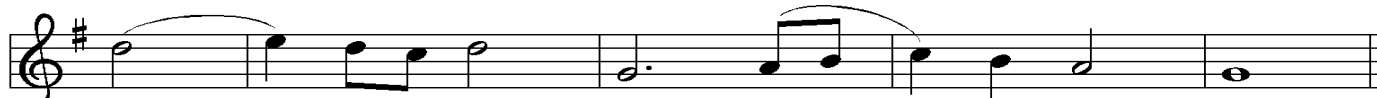
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who  
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,  
*Stanzas 3-5 on facing page.*  
6 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the  
7 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . . .  
saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the  
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, . . .



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,  
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,  
 5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;

we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet  
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and  
 soon, soon to faith - ful ser - vants com - eth rest; . . .

all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 hearts are a - gain and arms are strong.  
 sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
in whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

*(10:30)*

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

Let us humble ourselves before God, confessing our sin.

Holy One,  
**we confess that we are not awake for you.**  
**We are not faithful in using your gifts.**  
**We forget the least of our siblings.**  
**We do not see your beautiful image in one another.**  
**We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.**  
**Open our hearts to your coming,**  
**open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,**  
**open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

Beloved, we are God's children,  
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.  
Through † Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome,  
in Jesus you are called to rejoice!  
Let us live in the promises prepared for us  
from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

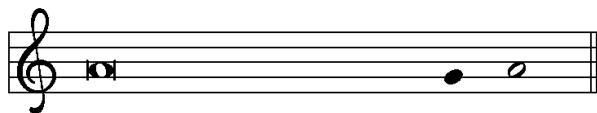
*(10:30)*

*Please stand as you are able.*

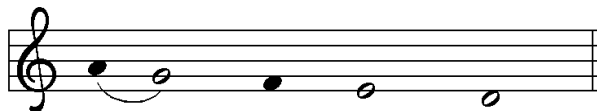
## GREETING

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.**

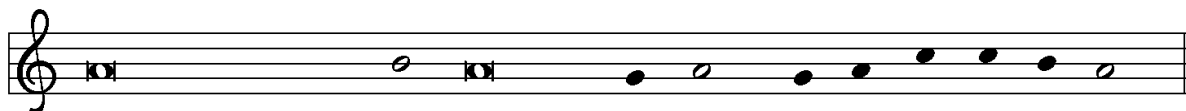
# KYRIE



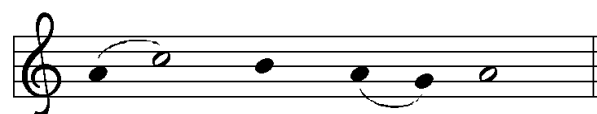
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



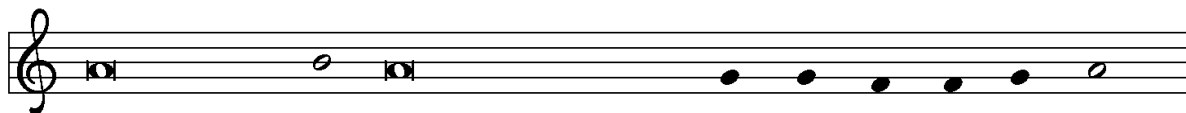
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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 God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**(10:30)**

## **THE YOUTH CHOIR ANTHEM**

*Bright Morning Stars*

traditional Appalachian song  
collected by Alan and Elizabeth Lomax

Bright morning stars are rising  
Bright morning stars are rising  
Bright morning stars are rising  
Day is a-breaking in my soul

Oh where are our dear fathers?  
Oh where are our dear fathers?  
They are down in the valley a-praying  
Day is a-breaking in my soul

Oh, where are our dear mothers?  
Oh, where are our dear mothers?  
They have gone to heaven a-shouting  
Day is a-breaking in my soul

Bright morning stars are rising  
Bright morning stars are rising  
Bright morning stars are rising  
Day is a-breaking in my soul

## **A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN**

The Rev. Jeff Wilson



## **FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17**

The first reading for All Saints Sunday is recorded in Revelation, the 7<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**(10:30)**

## **THE ANTHEM**

*Introit from Requiem, Op. 9*

Maurice Duruflé  
(1902–1986)

Eternal rest  
grant them, O Lord,  
and let eternal light shine upon them.  
A hymn to you is fitting, O God in Zion,  
and a vow made to you  
in Jerusalem;  
hear my prayer,  
all flesh comes to you.  
Eternal rest  
grant them, O Lord,  
and let eternal light shine upon them.

## **SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3**

The second reading for today is recorded in 1<sup>st</sup> John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

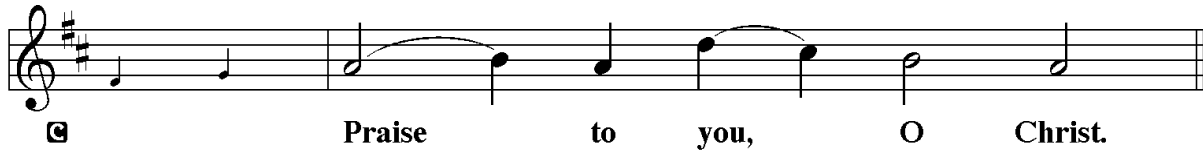
<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The gospel of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

## THE SERMON

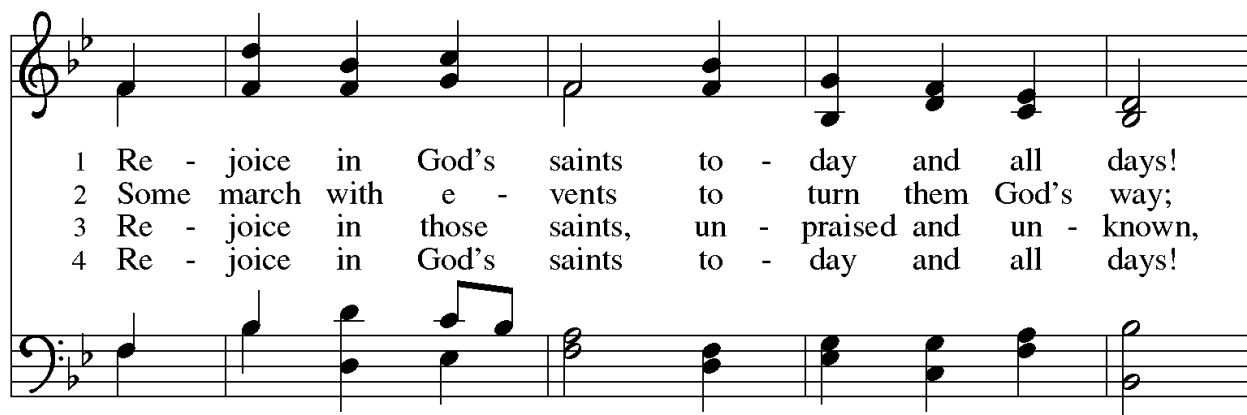
The Rev. Jeff Wilson

*Please stand as you are able.*

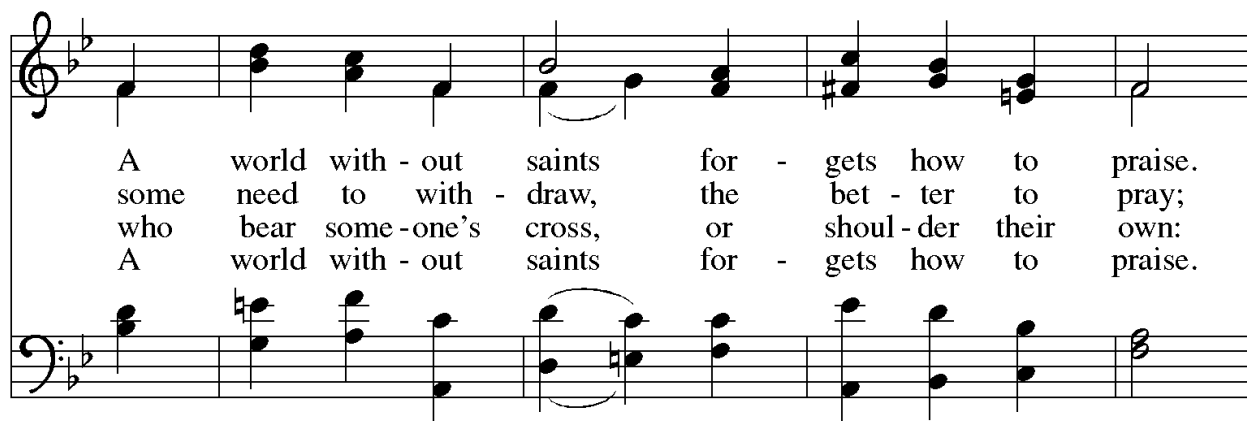
# SERMON HYMN

## Rejoice in God's Saints "Laudate Dominum"

ELW 418



1 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!  
2 Some march with e - vents to turn them God's way;  
3 Re - joice in those saints, un - praised and un - known,  
4 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!



A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.  
some need to with - draw, the bet - ter to pray;  
who bear some - one's cross, or shoul - der their own:  
A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.



Their faith in ac - quir - ing the hab - it of prayer,  
some car - ry the gos - pel through fire and through flood:  
they share our com - plain - ing, our com - forts, our cares:  
In lov - ing, in liv - ing, they prove it is true:



their depth of a - dor - ing, Lord, help us to share.  
our world is their par - ish, their pur - pose is God.  
what pa - tience in car - ing, what cour - age is theirs!  
their way of self - giv - ing, Lord, leads us to you.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: LAUDATE DOMINUM, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918

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## **THANKSGIVING FOR ALL THE SAINTS**

*On this day we give God thanks for all the saints – for those whose rest is won, who have died in the last year; and for those who have joined the church through the waters of Baptism. As their name is read, a candle will be lit in their memory and a bell rung in their honor.*

Behold the saints – that mighty host behold,  
**Gathered as one within the Shepherd's fold,**  
Casting before the Lord their crowns of gold.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Let us pray. O God, those who are baptized into your name are baptized into your death and resurrection. We give heartfelt thanks for the grace bestowed upon your servants who have finished their course in faith and for those saints now beginning their new life with you through baptism.  
**Amen.**

*Please kneel and remain kneeling for the reading of the prayer petitions.  
The names of those baptized in our congregation in the past year are read aloud.*

William Carrick Deeds

Kilian Jeremy O'Brien

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation;  
**The old has passed away, behold, the new has come.**

*The names of Holy Trinity members and friends who have died in the past year are spoken aloud.*

Loretta Queffelec  
Carl Dyson  
Betty Hutcheson  
Henry Semmelhack  
Clifford Lochhaas  
Lynice Searles  
June Erler  
Sally Mix

Dominick Oliver  
Frank Hurlimann  
Mary Sellig  
Roger Draper  
Kurt Kaufmann  
Peggy Heiss  
Doris Ratcliffe

I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die;

**And whoever lives and believes in me will never die.**

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord;

**So, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.**

Into your hands we commend all of these, O merciful Savior, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming.

Jesus Christ you are the light of the world.

**The light no darkness can overcome. Amen! Amen!**

**(10:30)**

**THE SOLO**

*Pie Jesu* from *Requiem* Op. 9

Maurice Duruflé  
(1902–1986)

Erin Alexander, *alto*

Gracious Lord Jesus,  
Grant them eternal rest.

## **PRAYERS OF PASTOR AND PEOPLE**

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, the church triumphant gathers around your throne to praise you. We join them in worship and remember your sustaining grace in every generation. Heal our divisions; show us unity in your presence. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy creator, we marvel at your creation revealed in the cycle of seasons, changing landscapes, and the rise and fall of ocean tides. Turn us from selfish consumption and open us to gentle healing of the earth so all creation thrives. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy advocate, we lift grateful hearts for the ability to vote and elect leaders. Grant wisdom to those who will be elected and safety to poll workers. May civic leaders serve the whole community, especially all who are underrepresented or oppressed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy healer, bless the brokenhearted and all who mourn. Send your compassion to all who grieve, grant wholeness to those who are sick, and accompany the dying. Be near to all who need you and to those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... . Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**



Holy comforter, we pray for this congregation, that the promise of your new life may be shared and experienced and especially for William and Kilian. We pray for the funeral ministry of this congregation, that families and friends seeking your love find it here. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, for the saints who now rest in your mercy, we give you thanks. We remember their witness of faithfulness and love. Loretta, Carl, Betty, Henry, Clifford, Lynice, June, Sally, Dominick, Frank, Mary, Roger, Kurt, Peggy and Doris. Praise to you for the eternal life they have been given through Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

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

*Please be seated.*

## **THE OFFERING**

**(8:30)**

## **THE SOLO**

### *Mighty day*

Commemorating the great Galveston flood of 1900

American Folksong

arr. by Bryan Stanley (b. 1972)

Mighty day! Mighty day!

1. I remember one September when the storm winds swept the town.  
Women and children were dy'in, Lord, and death was all around!
2. There was a seawall guarding Galveston to keep the waters down,  
But the high tide from the ocean, Lord, put water in the town.  
Wasn't it a mighty day, great God, that morning when the storm winds swept the town!
3. Well, the trumpets gave them warning: "You'd better leave this place!"  
But they never meant to leave their homes, till death was in their face.
4. The trains, they all were loaded with people leaving town:  
the tracks gave way to the ocean, Lord, and the trains went falling down.
5. The waters, like some river, came rushing to and fro.  
I saw my father drowning, Lord, and I watched my mother go.

**(10:30)**

## **THE ANTHEM**

*Kyrie* from *Requiem*, Op. 9

Maurice Duruflé

(1902–1986)

Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**God of all goodness,  
generations have turned to you,  
gathered around your table,  
and shared your abundant blessings.**

**Number us among them  
that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance,  
and give thanks for your rich blessings,  
we may feast upon your very self  
and care for all that you have made,  
through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.  
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.**

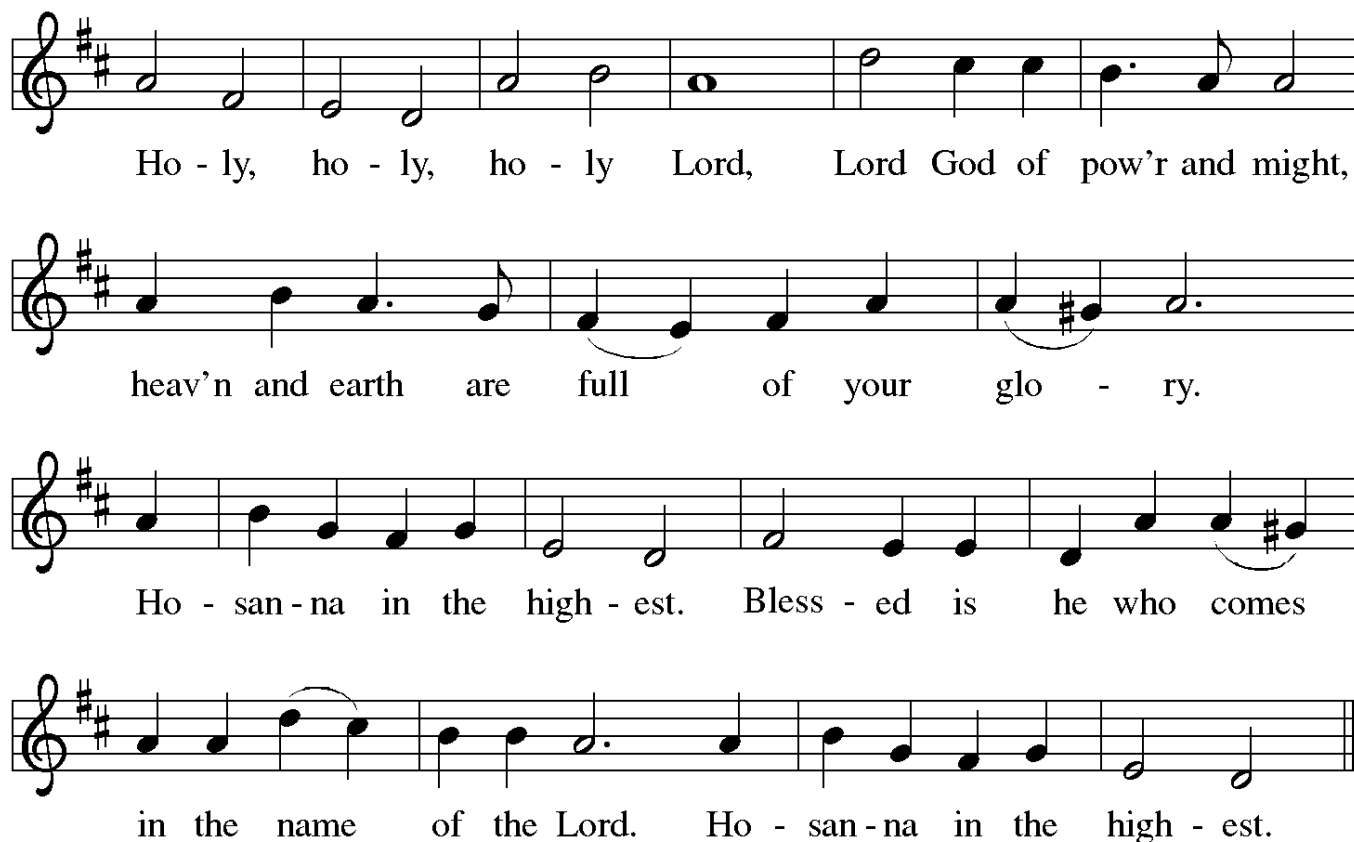
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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 written on four staves in G major (one sharp). 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 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.

**After you have received the sacrament,  
we invite you to retire to the side altar to light a candle  
in memory of a loved one.**

## COMMUNION SOLO (8:30)

*Pie Jesu* from *Requiem* Op. 9

Maurice Duruflé  
(1902–1986)

Erin Alexander, *alto*

Gracious Lord Jesus,  
Grant them eternal rest.

## COMMUNION ANTHEMS (10:30)

*Lux aeterna* from *Requiem*, Op. 9

Maurice Duruflé  
(1902–1986)

May eternal light shine on them, Lord,  
with your saints forever,  
because you are gracious.  
Eternal rest  
grant them, O Lord,  
and let eternal light shine upon them.

Into Paradise  
may the angels lead you,  
may the martyrs welcome you in your coming  
and guide you into the holy city  
Jerusalem.

A chorus of angels will greet you,  
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,  
may you have eternal rest.

*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.

**Lord Jesus,**

**in this simple meal you have set a banquet.**

**Sustain us on the journey,**

**strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,**

**and give us glad and generous hearts**

**as we meet you on the way. 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**

May the God of all creation,  
in whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved,  
who strengthens us for service,  
give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God,  
Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit,  
be with you today and always.

**Amen.**

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Rise Up, O Saints of God!* “Festal Song”

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1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

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## THE DISMISSAL

Beloved of God,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Fanfare*

Kenneth Leighton  
(1929-1988)

*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, November 5, 2023 – All Saints Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)
- 2:00 p.m. Private piano recital and reception (MC)

### **MONDAY, November 6, 2023**

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)
- 6:00 p.m. Gambler's Anonymous (RH)
- 7:00 p.m. Investment Meeting (via Zoom)

### **TUESDAY, November 7, 2023**

- 12:00 p.m. Needlers (FR)
- 5:30 p.m. Burrito Project (Zion Clarence)
- 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting (FR)

### **WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2023**

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (CR)
- 7:00 p.m. Personnel Meeting (FR)

### **THURSDAY, November 9, 2023**

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

### **FRIDAY, November 10, 2023** – *Veterans Day Observed*

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

### **SUNDAY, November 12, 2023 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

#### *Commitment Sunday*

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour hosted by Stewardship Committee (RH)

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 Pat Ulrich. Ushers and altar guilds are Gail Camilleri and Heidemarie Kunz. Acolyte is Max Peterson.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Kathy Crissey. Reader is Daniel Culross. Ushers are Ron Leiser, Mike Day, Alan Heiss, Elizabeth Vihnanek and Marty Wright. Acolytes are Maddie Brown, Avery Best, Adrianna Wareham and Max Hakansson.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Loving Memory of Raymond Ph. And Laurie Weil and Raymond Weil Jr. from their Family;

and

In Loving Memory of Audrey Claus by David Schopp.

Collection counters are Uli MacDonald, Ron Pellnat and Sue Spindler.

Council Vice-President, Kathy Crissey, 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 William Deeds and Kilian O'Brien.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CANDLELIGHT VESPERS** - New Mid-Week “HT Together” Program: Please join us on Tuesday, November 14, for our next Candlelight Vespers worship and fellowship program. We will start at 6:30pm with a brief (~20 minute) candlelight vespers service in the Chapel, followed by a variety of activities to choose from and conclude by 8pm. We expect the activities to evolve based on the interests of participants. Please contact Pastor Rich for more information or to volunteer to lead an activity.

**SAVE THE DATE** – everyone is invited to a special coffee hour hosted by the Stewardship Committee after the 10:30 service on November 12<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate the abundant generosity of our members.

**MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** During the season of Advent we recall the coming of the Messiah in Jesus and anticipate the Messiah's coming anew in our lives today. But how might we prepare for Advent in a way that makes it a richer and more rewarding season leading to the celebration of Christmas? That's the question Pastor Rich will help us consider during a new Monday Morning Bible Study series, "Preparing for Advent," beginning tomorrow, November 6. Join us in the Fellowship Room from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. to enjoy some refreshments, join in some stimulating conversation with old and new friends, and experience a renewing encounter with the scriptures. Everyone is welcome to participate (and to bring a friend).

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** Once again the congregation is being asked to contribute toward the purchase of poinsettias which will be placed in the chancel for Christmas. Flowers are \$12 each and may be given in memory or honor of someone. Order forms can be found at the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in the weekly email.

**BURRITO PROJECT:** Thank you to everyone who donated items for distribution. We continue to welcome donations, especially socks, blankets, hats, gloves and scarves. The group continues to alternate hosting locations with Zion (Clarence). All are welcome to participate at either location. Please contact Jen Yap, Guy Huber or the church office for more information. The schedule for this fall will be:

- Nov 7: meet at Zion at 5:30
- Dec 5: meet at HT at 5:30

**HOLIDAY BASKETS:** The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee will be collecting food and cash donations for our holiday baskets through December 15. All non-perishable food items will be used for the baskets. Cash donations to help provide gift certificates can be sent to the church office and designated “holiday baskets”. Thank you for your donations.

**CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER** will be held Friday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m. in Redeemer Hall. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$40 for family. Reservation forms can be found on the tables in the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in the weekly email.

**TURKEY BOWL AND TAILGATE 2023:** “Drafting” all 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders to come play in our first ever flag football tournament! From 10am – 4pm we will be exploring our “Faith through Service”, donating turkeys to military families, making flag pennants, playing tailgate games, serving the local community and more! Flag Football tournament at Howe Field. Tailgate, games and food at All Saints Lutheran, 6065 South Park Ave, Hamburg, NY. Register at [lutheranyouthwny.org](http://lutheranyouthwny.org) or with your youth director! The cost for a team is a donated turkey and a monetary donation. The cost for an individual is \$5 per person.

## ***HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP***

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