



Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, October 27, 2024
Reformation Sunday
Celebrating our 146th Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 & 10:30 am

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.

Connection Card

The Connection Card insert gives you a direct connection to the leaders and ministry at Holy Trinity. Ask questions, share prayer requests, and find out more about the ministry here. Please return the top portion in the offering plate or to an usher.



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INTRODUCTION

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

PRELUDE

Two settings of:

Erhalt uns, Herr, bei deinem Wort

Dietrich Buxtehude (1668-1707)

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT – TEMPLE TALK

Angela Keppel

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word “Erhalt Uns, Herr”

ELW 517

PASTORAL GREETING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

(10:30)

Please kneel or sit as you are able.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

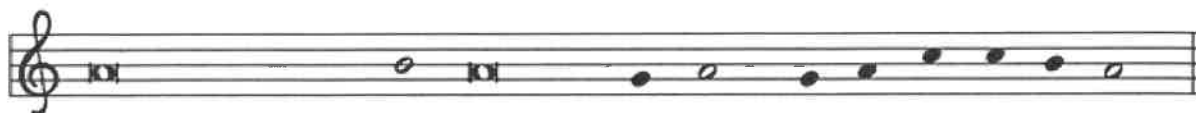
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



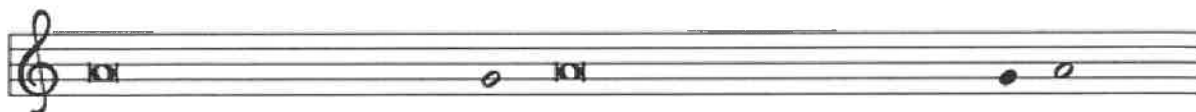
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



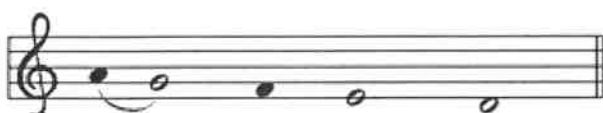
Lord, have mer - cy.



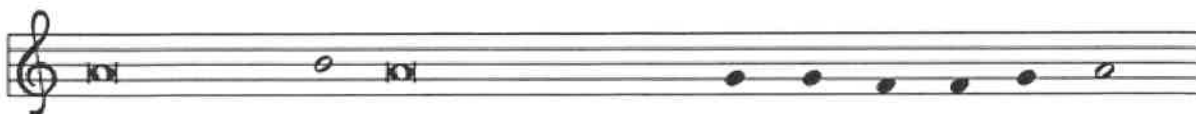
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



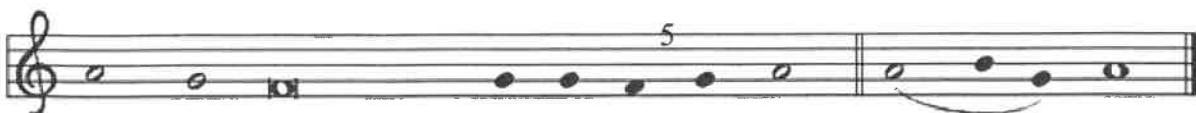
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, 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)

YOUTH CHOIR ANTHEM

Come, together let us sing

Orig: *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Holy Trinity Youth Choir
Erin Alexander, *conductor*

Come, together let us sing,
God for all His goodness praising,
Grateful thanks to Him we bring,
Joyfully our voices raising.
Praise to God in highest heaven,
And on Earth be glory given.

Praise to Him for the fruitful earth,
Youth and health, the sky above us,
This dear land that gave us birth,
Happy homes and friends to love us.
Praise to God in highest heaven,
And on Earth be glory given.

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Wilson

HOLY BAPTISM

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(8:30)

THE ANTHEM

Psalm 150

Text: Psalm 150, Book of Common Prayer

Bob Chilcott

(b. 1955)

O praise God, praise God.

O praise God in His holiness: praise Him in the firmament of His power.

Praise Him in His noble acts: praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

Praise Him in the sound of the trumpet: praise Him upon the lute and harp.

Praise Him in the cymbals and dances: praise Him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise Him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise Him upon the loud cymbals.

Let ev'rything that hath breath praise the Lord, praise the Lord.

(10:30)

THE ANTHEM

O Lord, Increase My Faith

Orlando Gibbons

(1583–1625)

O Lord, increase my faith;

strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith;

endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience;

in all my adversity, sweet Jesus say, Amen.

THE READING: Romans 3:19-28

The reading for today is recorded in Romans, the 3rd Chapter.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith.

He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

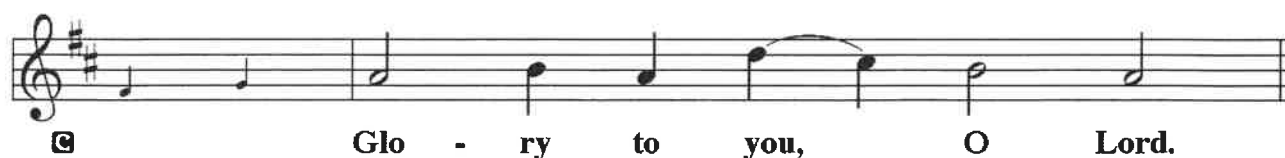
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John



³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Wilson

Please stand as you are able.

SERMON HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God “Ein Feste Burg”

ELW 504

(8:30)

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

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

Lord of all, we give thanks for the whole church throughout the world. Open wide the paths toward unity between denominations so that all followers of Christ may join in shared worship and mission. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Renewing God, as the dying leaves display their beauty, we are reminded that nature's cycle of life includes and requires both life and death. Instill in your people a mission of preservation and appreciation for trees, animals, and waterways threatened by climate collapse. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, in the spirit of reformation we pray for all who cry out for relief from systemic oppression. May the hearts of those who occupy seats of power be reformed so that peace becomes the center of our life together. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Comforting God, be with all who are sick, suffering, or grieving in our own community and beyond, especially those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... . Surround them with the promise of your love, comfort, and grace that never ends. Watch over all of your children, especially Cole and Emily. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Divine Guide, continue to challenge this community to be ever reforming in our ministries and outreach efforts. Inspire creative ideas among us so that the communal, grace-filled word of God remains at the heart of our ministry. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Almighty God, in Christ's resurrection you ensure that though life be wrenched away, death cannot win the day. May the truth of your saving grace through faith sustain our hope for life in you. We remember Ruth and Jack Alexander and Jo and Bud Hunt and honor the wedding anniversary of Helen and Martin Wright through today's flower dedications. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

(8:30)

THE ANTHEM

Let the Whole Creation Cry

Text: Stopford Brooke (1832-1916)

Roland E. Martin

(b. 1955)

Let the whole creation cry:
Glory to the Lord on high!
Heav'n and earth, awake and sing:
God is good and therefore King!

Praise Him, all ye hosts above,
Ever bright and fair in love,
Sun and moon, lift up your voice,
Night and stars in God rejoice.

Warriors fighting for the Lord,
Prophets burning with His Word,
Those to whom the arts belong,
Add their voices to the song.

Kings of knowledge and of law,
to the glorious circle draw,
All who work and all who wait,
Sing, "The Lord is good and great!"

Men and women, young and old,
Raise the anthem manifold,
And let children's happy hearts,
In this worship bear their parts.

From the north to southern pole,
Let the mighty chorus roll,
"Holy, holy, holy One,"
"Glory be to God alone!"

(10:30)

THE ANTHEM

Ich bin die Auferstehung und das Leben

Text: John 11:25-26

Heinrich Schütz

(1585-1672)

I am the resurrection, and the life:
he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
“Old Hundredth”

ELW 885

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 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your 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.

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.

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. Come eat and drink; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord. Communion is received by "intinction" - you will be offered the wafer (gluten-free is available) and you dip the wafer into either the wine (silver chalice) or grape juice (ceramic chalice).

Pre-filled communion cups are also available for those who prefer less physical contact. People who do not receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. Please advise an usher if you would like the pastors to bring communion to you in your pew.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Verleih' uns Frieden WoO5, composed 1831

Felix Mendelssohn

Text: Martin Luther (1483-1546)

(1809-1847)

Grant us peace graciously,
Lord God, in our time;
there is indeed no other
who could fight for us
than you, our God, alone.

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.

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Let us pray. Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

We invite congregation members to share this holy meal with people who are unable to worship in person. Communion elements and a simple printed liturgy are available on the altar to guide you. Please take a bulletin with you to be able to easily share today's scripture and prayers with the meal.

THE BENEDICTION

God all mighty, God most merciful †
bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less "The Solid Rock"

ELW 596

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott BuxWV 184

Dietrich Buxtehude
(1668-1707)



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 the Ministry Team Fair. Refreshments will be available.

Stewardship – Environment

With the darker season approaching, we can conserve energy by turning off the lights after we leave a room.



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 into our fellowship in the gospel: Lily Cohl.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, October 27, 2024 – Reformation Sunday

- 8:30 am Service of Holy Communion w/Chapel Choir (CH)
- 9:00 am Family Play Group (RH)
- 9:30 am Ministry Fair (RH)
- 9:30 am Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 am Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 am Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 am Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
- 11:30 am Ministry Fair (RH)
- 12:00 pm CGN Service (CH)

MONDAY, October 28, 2024

- 9:30 am Bible Study (FR)
- 6:00 pm Gamblers' Anonymous (RH)
- 7:00 pm Budget Meeting (via Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Buffalo Niagara Chorus Rehearsal (CH)

TUESDAY, October 29, 2024

- 6:00 pm Halloween Party Grades 7-12 (FR)

WEDNESDAY, October 30, 2024

- 6:00 pm Vocalis Rehearsal (MC)

THURSDAY, October 31, 2024 *Happy Halloween*

- 10:00 am Watercolor Class (RH)
- 7:00 pm AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SATURDAY, November 2, 2024

- 7:00 pm Incipio Singers Rehearsal (FR)

SUNDAY, November 3, 2024 – All Saints Sunday *Daylight Saving Time Ends*

- 8:30 am Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:00 am Family Play Group (RH)
- 9:30 am Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 am Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 am Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 am Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
- 11:30 am Coffee Hour (RH)
- 11:30 am Confirmation Class at St. Paul's
- 7:00 pm Requiem at Calvary Episcopal Church

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 am the announcer and reader is Pat Ulrich. Ushers and altar guilds are Gail Camilleri and Heidemarie Kunz. Acolyte is Henry Peterson.

At 10:30 am the announcer is Paul Bauchle. Reader is Neil Kattermann. Ushers are Paul Biesinger, Doug Alderdice, Paul and Karen Bauchle and Karen Kolb. Communion Assistant is Ron Leiser. Chancel Care member is Elizabeth Vihnanek. Acolytes are Tim Yap, Morgan Leiser, Erys Yap, Rowan Leiser and Killian Brown.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Ruth and Jack Alexander and Jo and Bud Hunt with love from the Hunt Family; and In Honor of Helen and Martin Wright's 57th Wedding Anniversary given by Kristen, Matthew, Avery and Clayton Best and Karen, Tim, Kyle and Cameron Taylor.

Collection counters are Paul and Karen Bauchle and Claire Carmer.

Council member, Paul Bauchle, will be at the 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 Cole and Emily Schweikhard.

A Radio Show Christmas on Friday, Dec. 13th

In 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... and we're live! *A Radio Show Christmas* is a short play that touches on the true meaning of Christmas. The children of HTLC will perform this play at the Christmas Dinner the evening of Friday, December 13th. If your child is interested in participating, please register them by scanning this QR code and submitting the form ASAP!

Our first meeting will be **Sunday, Nov. 3rd at 12:00pm in the Choir Room downstairs.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

A MINISTRY TEAM FAIR will be held today in Redeemer Hall after both services. This will be a chance to learn more about Ministry Teams and speak with members representing the many volunteer opportunities here at HT.

ELECTION EVE PRAYER AND MEDITATION: Holy Trinity joins with faith communities throughout the Buffalo community on Monday, November 4, for a time of prayer and meditation. Four diverse congregations will host as we pray for our community, our country, and for a peaceful election process. We are and will remain the “City of Good Neighbors” regardless of the outcome of the election. See the flier available at church and on Facebook.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Bible Study continues tomorrow at 9:30am. Wondering/worrying about the election? Dave Ulrich will be leading a two-part presentation at the Monday morning Bible Study. On November 4 the topic will be "What to watch for on Election Day," and on November 18 "What does it all mean?" Each program starts at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

HALLOWEEN HANGOUT: Hey, 7th-12th graders! You're invited to a Halloween Hangout this Tuesday, from 6:00-8:00pm in the Fellowship Room. Enjoy delicious treats and get into the Halloween spirit with fun activities and games. Don't miss out! It's going to be a fang-tastic evening! Please RSVP using the link or QR code bit.ly/7-12Halloween



REQUIEM CONCERT by Roland Martin will be held on Sunday, November 3 at 7:00pm at Calvary Episcopal Church, 20 Milton at South Cayuga, Williamsville. The choirs of Calvary Church and Holy Trinity will be performing. All are welcome.

HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP

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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.

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word "Erhalt Uns, Herr"

ELW 517



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.
may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

SERMON HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God "Ein Feste Burg"

ELW 504



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*

Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less "The Solid Rock"

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- 1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness;
- 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un - chang - ing grace;
- 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
- 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer - it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
when all sup - ports are washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.

Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868