



Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, November 10, 2024
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
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.



Please see back page for AED Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She, like the widow of Zarephath who shares her last bit of food with Elijah, does something of great importance.

PRELUDE

Andante allegro

from *Organ Concerto no. 6* in Bb Major

George Frideric Händel

(1685–1759)

Tim Socha, *organ*

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT – TEMPLE TALK

Vicki Oliver

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us “Hyfrydol”

ELW 707

PASTORAL GREETING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our refuge,
our delight,
our beginning and our end.

Amen.

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us
and has freed us from our sin.

(10:30)

Please kneel or sit as you are able.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.**

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free.

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus.**

Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true:

Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,
swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are † forgiven
and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again,
and rejoice in your salvation.

Amen.

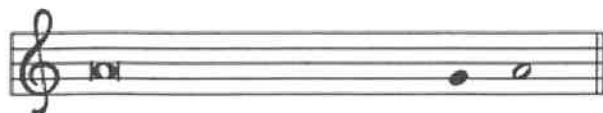
Please stand as you are able.

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.

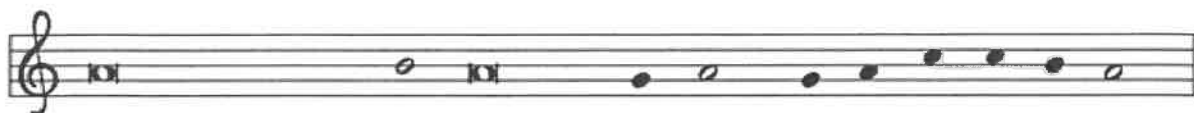
KYRIE



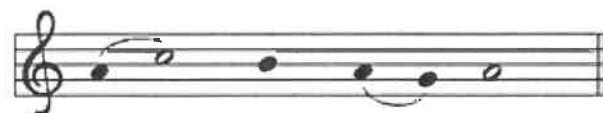
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



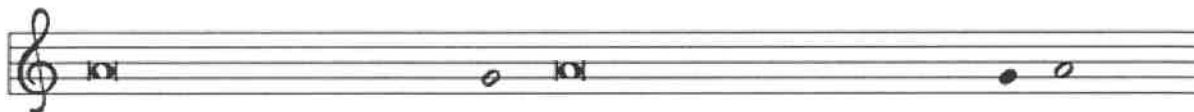
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



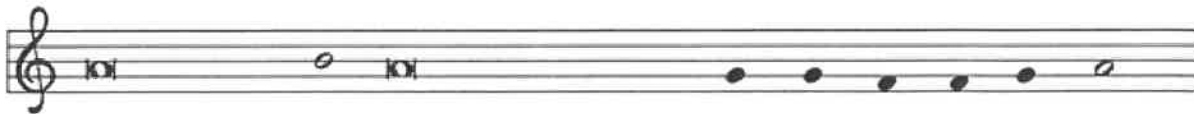
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



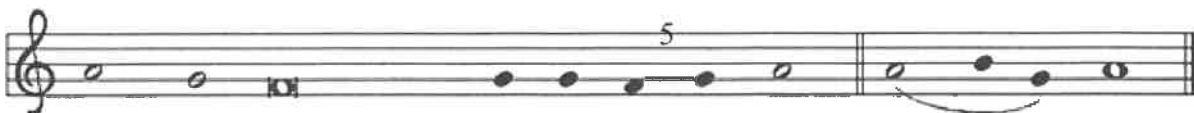
Lord, have mer - cy.



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.

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Wilson

PSALM 146

The congregation will speak responsively the bold-faced type.

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

² **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³ Put not your trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴ **When they breathe their last, they return to earth,**

and in that day their thoughts perish.

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;**

who keeps promises forever;

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those

who hunger.

The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸ **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those**

who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

⁹ The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of
the wicked.

¹⁰ **The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

(8:30)

THE SOLO

He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd
from *Messiah*, Part I (HWV 56)

George Frideric Händel
(1685–1759)

Holly Holdaway, *soprano*

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, and he shall gather the lambs of his arm and carry them in his bosom and gently lead those that are with young. Come unto him, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and he will give you rest. Take his yoke upon you, and learn of him, for he is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your soul.

(10:30)

THE ANTHEM

O Taste and See

Text: Psalm 34:8

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872–1958)

Dr. Aurora Deeds, *soprano*
Erin Alexander, *conductor*

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the man that trusteth in Him.

SECOND READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16

The reading for today is recorded in 1st Kings, the 17th Chapter.

⁸The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.”

¹² But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” ¹³ Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.”

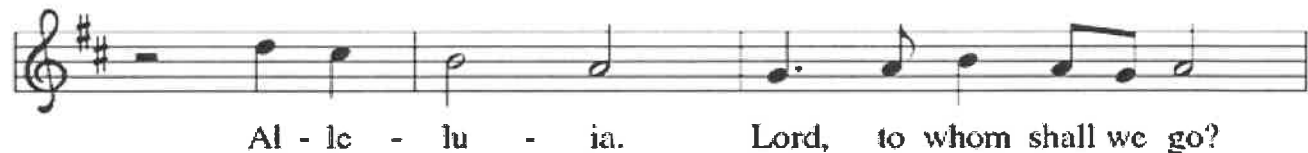
¹⁵ She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

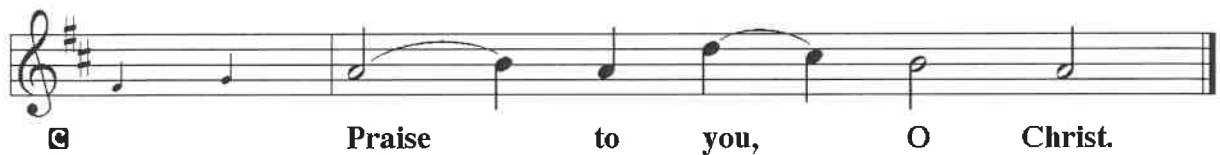
The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark



³⁸ As [Jesus] taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Wilson

Please stand as you are able.

SERMON HYMN

All Depends on Our Possessing “Alles ist an Gottes Segen”

ELW 589

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

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Renew your church, O God. Make us servants to one another for the sake of the gospel. Instill a heart for service and a passion for justice in our bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Renew your creation, O God. Sustain the earth and seas and all that is in them. Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Renew the nations, O God. Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war. Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts and pursue peace. Today, we honor Commander Raúl Saona and all veterans. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Renew your people, O God. Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... . Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone. Watch over all of us, including our children and especially Andrew and Annalie. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Renew this congregation, O God. Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness. Bless our ministries that attend to basic needs of any who lack sufficient resources, that all may live with dignity. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Renew nations and people in countries where violence, and lack of food, daily necessities, and access to health care destabilizes and threatens community. Especially, we pray for the people of Haiti, the medical clinic, and our partners in Ile-a-Vache. We pray for Stanely and Wenschel and all students and teachers for safe travel to and from school. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Happy are those whose help was in you. We give thanks for all your faithful ones who praised you as their God all their life long. We give thanks for the lives of Raymond and Laurie Weil, Raymond Weil, Jr., Elaine Fuhlbruck and Ruth Bloos through today's flower dedications. As we eagerly wait for you, inspire us by their lives of service. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

THE SOLO (8:30)

Panis Angelicus

César Franck
(1822–1890)

Holly Holdaway, *soprano*

The bread of the angels is made the bread of man:
the giver shows Himself in the form of the bread of heaven.
O miraculous thing! To eat the Lord as an unworthy, humble servant.
We implore Thee, triune God, so come to us that we dwell in you;
through your ways lead us, who reach to you, to the light where you live.

THE ANTHEM (10:30)

Ego sum panis vivus

William Byrd
(c.1540-1623)

Erin Alexander, *conductor*

I am the living bread
which descended from heaven.
Any who eat of this bread
shall live forever.
Alleluia.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.**

**Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.**

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.

(10:30)

COMMUNION SOLO

Panis Angelicus

César Franck
(1822–1890)

Holly Holdaway, *soprano*

Please reference the text printed on page 13.

(10:30)

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Christus factus est

Text: Philippians 2:8-9

Anton Bruckner
(1824-1896)

Erin Alexander, *conductor*

Christ became obedient for us unto death,
even to the death, death on the cross.
Therefore God exalted him and gave him a name
which is above all names.

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.

Faithful God,

**you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink
in the body and blood of your Son.**

**Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign “Duke Street”

ELW 434

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C from *Sonata II*

Felix Mendelssohn

(1809-1847)

Tim Socha, *organ*



*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.*



Stewardship – Near

Thanks to Pastor Jeff, members of diverse faith communities opened their doors to pre-election prayer and meditation services this past Monday. This was the first of three interfaith events exploring the concept of how we can be good neighbors to each other. The next one will be an interfaith Thanksgiving Service at Holy Trinity on November 25 from 7-8 pm to which all are invited.

Special Thank You to Tim Socha, *organ* and Erin Alexander, *conductor* for sharing their gifts of music with us this morning.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, November 10, 2024 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost

- 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)
- 12:15 pm Finance/Investment Meeting (FR)
- 4:00 pm Buffalo Master Chorale Concert (MC)

MONDAY, November 11, 2024 *Veterans Day*

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, November 12, 2024

- 12:00 pm Women at the Well (FR)
- 7:00 pm Executive Meeting (FR)

WEDNESDAY, November 13, 2024

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting (CR)
- 5:30 pm Grades K-6 Craft Night (FR)
- 6:00 pm Vocalis Rehearsal (MC)
- 7:00 pm Personnel Meeting (FR)

THURSDAY, November 14, 2024

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

FRIDAY, November 15, 2024

Happy Birthday Pastor Rich

- 7:00 pm Vocalis Rehearsal (MC)

SUNDAY, November 17, 2024 – 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Commitment Sunday

- 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 w/baptism (MC)
- 10:30 am Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
- 11:30 am Coffee Hour (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 Judy Kroll. Ushers and altar guilds are Gail Camilleri and Heidemarie Kunz. Acolyte is Clayton Best.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Chris Huber. Reader is Karen Saona. Ushers are Jim Dunnigan, Ryon Fleming, Prudence Hollands, Charmaine Kaltrider, Mary Kaufmann and Joe Kryszczuk. Communion Assistant is Sue Cosentino. Chancel Care member is Martha Kutas. Acolytes are Griffin Miller, Saniyah Gilchrist, Henry Peterson, Max Peterson, Natalie Leiser, Mer'Liah Gilchrist and Maia Leiser.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Raymond Ph. and Laurie Weil and Raymond Weil, Jr.; and
In Loving Memory of Elaine Fuhlbruck from the Thomasula, Carmer, Addison and Fuhlbruck Families; and
In Loving Memory of my mother, Ruth Bloos by Heidemarie Kunz;
and
In Honor of Commander Raúl Saona (ret'd), US Navy, and all Veterans by Karen Saona.

Collection counters are Darlene Carden, Tom Johnson and Ron Pellnat.

Council member, Chris Huber, 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 Andrew Scinta and Annalie Simpson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed tomorrow in observance of Veterans Day.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: There will be no Bible Study tomorrow.

There's much to process following the November 5 election. During the Monday Morning Bible Study on November 18, Dave Ulrich will help us do that by addressing three questions. What happened in the election? Why did it happen? And what are the policy implications of the election? To give us a balance of perspectives, our own Don Miller will join Dave in leading the discussion. Join us from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: It is that time of year when we send college care packages to all of our students who are currently in college. If you have a student who would like to receive a care package from the church, please call the church office and let Linda know the name and address of the student. We are planning to get these mailed out by the beginning of December before the winter break. The youth group will be helping with this project this year. If you would like to help by donating snacks for the packages, please contact Kathy Crissey-Biesinger – kc1008@aol.com.

FALL CRAFT NIGHT (Grades K-6): Get ready to celebrate fall with a festive and fun craft night on Wednesday, November 13th from 5:30pm-6:30pm in the Fellowship Room! We will be making beaded Indian corn, a perfect fall decoration to take home and enjoy or give as a gift. All supplies will be provided, so just bring your creativity and excitement. Light snacks will also be provided. Please RSVP using the link or QR code.

bit.ly/FallCraftK-6



THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION (Grades 7-12): Celebrate the season of gratitude with an evening of delicious food, fresh baked desserts, and sharing what we're thankful for through the creation of a thankful tree. We will gather in the Fellowship Room on Friday, November 22nd from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Bring a friend, an appetite, and a thankful heart! Please RSVP using the link or QR code. bit.ly/Thanksgiving7-12



LET'S MAKE SOME DUST: As many of you have seen the refinishing work being performed by Andrew Kraus, on the church's front doors, some help is needed to complete the task before the cold sets in. We are looking for volunteers to help with sanding, staining and finishing coats of polyurethane. Supplies and tools will be provided. However, if you would feel more comfortable using your own, feel free to do so. You will need to bring your own safety glasses. Andrew has electric sanders, including orbital (no belt sanders, please); sanding blocks for manual sanding; sandpaper, gloves, masks, wire brushes, and a wire wheel. He also has some drills which can be used with a wire wheel. Again, feel free to bring your own tools. Andrew will also provide instructions on the various tasks. Next week, the temps will be in the upper 40s to mid-50s. Andrew will be working on the doors Monday, from 1:00-4:00 and Tuesday through Friday, from 8:00AM-4:00PM. You will choose your own days and hours, and you can come and go as you please – whatever fits your schedule. Please call the church office at 716-886-2400 to let him know if you'll be able to help on any of the days over the next couple of weeks, or so. Of course, this task is weather dependent, so please call Andrew prior to heading to HT. Each day we have volunteers, we will have lunch brought in.

Resettling a Refugee Family - Holy Trinity is partnering with St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Eggertsville and Parkside Lutheran, to welcome a family from Syria who will arrive on November 19. We are forming a short-term "Resettlement Team" to respond to the needs of this family. If you would like to be part of this team that will coordinate Holy Trinity's response along with our partners, please indicate your interest using the Connection Card, or talk with Uli Macdonald or Pastor Jeff.

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PLAY will be held Friday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Redeemer Hall. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$45 for family. Reservation forms can be found on the tables in the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in the weekly email.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: The chancel is so beautiful on Christmas Eve with the striking red of poinsettias. If you would like to purchase poinsettias in memory or honor of someone or simply "to the glory of God," they may be purchased for \$12 each. Order forms can be found at the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in the weekly email.

HOLIDAY BASKETS: The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee will be collecting non-perishable food items during November and December for our Christmas baskets. Cans with tabs are preferred and, as always, no expired food. Last year we were able to give each recipient a \$100.00 gift card. Your monetary donations would greatly help get us the funds we need. Checks can be made out to Holy Trinity with a Christmas basket notation.

BLUE CHRISTMAS WORSHIP: For many, Christmas is a joyous season with family and friends, parties and laughter. But for many others, Christmas is not these things. Grief, loss, loneliness ... these are especially poignant during this season. This year as Advent begins, we are reminded that we are not alone. It's ok to feel these things and bring them with us to church as we experience the light of Christ that shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it (John 1:5). Please share this invitation with people who you know may be experiencing these things. Join us on Friday, December 6 at noon and 7:00pm in the chapel.

LUTHERAN YOUTH WNY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT: Grades 6-12. Turkey Bowl and Tailgate-A Friendly Flag Football Tournament at All Saints Lutheran, 6065 South Park Ave, Hamburg, on Monday, November 11, 2024 from 9am-4pm. \$5 per youth or free with a turkey donation. Turkeys will be donated to local U.S. Military Troops/Families. The day will begin with a leaf raking service project (tools included), then starts the 7v7 Flag Football Tournament. Small breakfast items and a whole lunch are included. There will be tailgate games. Intermittent flag football games will take place throughout the day. No skills nor prior experience needed! For more information and registration, please visit: www.lutheranyouthwny.org/events.

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.

2024 HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

12:00 p.m. Worship Service (Chapel)

7:00 p.m. Worship Service (Chapel)

BLUE CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

12:00 p.m. Service (Chapel)

7:00 p.m. Service (Chapel)

CHRISTMAS EVE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

4:00 p.m. Family Service

9:45 p.m. Preservice music

10:30 p.m. Festival candlelight service of Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas service (Chapel)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us "Hyfrydol"

ELW 707



1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly, free - ly,
3 Won - drous hon - or you have giv - en to our hum - blest
4 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood



as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -
of your own. With the sun - shine of your good - ness melt our
char - i - ty in your own mys - te - rious sen - tence, "You have
as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -



men - dous sac - ri - fice; and with that have free - ly giv - en
thank - less hearts of stone till our cold and self - ish na - tures,
done it all to me." Na - ked, sick, in pris - on, hun - gry—
men - dous sac - ri - fice. Give us faith to trust you bold - ly,



bles - sings count - less as the sand to the un - thank - ful
warmed by you, at length be - lieve that mere hap - py
in the least, your face we view, say - ing by your
hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of



and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.
and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.
poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you."
all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818–1889, alt.

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

SERMON HYMN

All Depends on Our Possessing "Alles ist an Gottes Segen"

ELW 589



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's free grace and
2 God, who hith - er - to has fed me and to man - y
3 When with sor - row I am strick - en, hope my heart a -
4 Well you know what best to grant me; all the long - ing
5 If on earth my days should length - en, God, my wea - ry



con - stant bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me, is and ev - er shall be mine.
new will quick - en, all my long - ing shall be stilled.
hopes that haunt me, joy and sor - row, have their day.
soul still strength - en; all my trust in you I place.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en by their God are
God, who did so gent - ly school me and who dai - ly
To your lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der all my be - ing
I shall doubt your wis - dom nev - er; as you will, so
Earth - ly wealth is not a - bid - ing; like a stream a -



not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me, will re - main my help di - vine.
I sur - ren - der; Lord, on you a - lone I build.
be it ev - er; I com - mit to you my way.
way it's glid - ing; safe I an - chor in your grace.

Text: Gesangbuch, Nürnberg, 1676; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.

Music: ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN, Johann Löhner, 1645–1705, adapt.

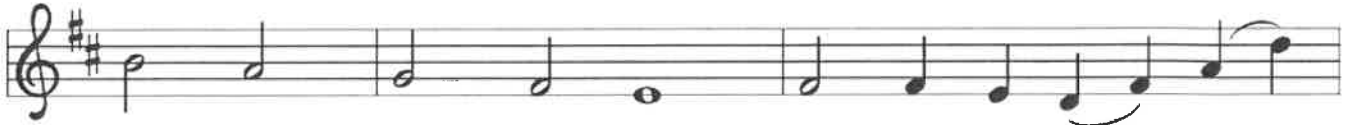
RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign "Duke Street"

ELW 434



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP

Congregational Council

Jennifer Yap, *President*

Kathy Crissey, *Vice-President*

Fred Howard, *Treasurer*

Linda Horton, *Secretary*

Paul Bauchle, Matthew Brown, Gail Camilleri,
Christopher Huber, Karen Kolb, Pat Lonergan,
Raúl Saona and Elizabeth Vihnanek

Staff Contacts for Programs and Services

Kristen Pomietlarz, *Organist* ~ Justin Pomietlarz, *Choirmaster*

kjpomietlarz@holytrinitybuffalo.org

Linda Lipczynski, *Office Manager* - info@holytrinitybuffalo.org

Carol Littlefield, *Parish Accountant*

Andrew Kraus, *Director of Buildings and Grounds*

Charles Ryniec, *Steward of Buildings and Grounds*

Erin Alexander, *Youth Choir Director*

youthchoir@holytrinitybuffalo.org

Johnetta Kenner, *Security*

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Wilson, *Lead Pastor*

pastorwilson@holytrinitybuffalo.org

The Rev. Richard Neal, *Pastor for Parish and Spiritual Development*

pastor.rich@holytrinitybuffalo.org

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.

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1080 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14209
(716) 886-2400 phone / (716) 884-7505 fax
info@holytrinitybuffalo.org
www.holytrinitybuffalo.org

