

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 30, 2023

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

WELCOME TO ALL

The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors!

Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.

*We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.*

Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.

***Accessible and all-gender restrooms** are located in the nursery on the 2nd floor and in the basement.*

***Single-use, all gender restrooms** are located on the 1st floor.*

*For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome, inclusion, and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.*

***Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins** are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.*

*Our **services are livestreamed** on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.*

*If you are seeking **pastoral care**, please speak to a pastor today.*

GATHER

+invites the congregation to stand

PRELUDE

Adoration

Florence Price

+GATHERING HYMN

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

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Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.

1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;
3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;

where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.
where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.
let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,
how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en, may thy word still o'er me shine
may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.

Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!
To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!
so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.
as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.
Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

The musical score consists of five systems, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in the bass clef. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is common time (C). The score includes lyrics for five verses and a concluding prayer.

+GREETING

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

+KYRIE

Cantor

O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy.
Señ - or ten pie - dad de no - so tros. Cri - sto ten pie - dad.

All

O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy.
Señ - or ten pie - dad de no - so tros. Cri - sto ten pie - dad.

Cantor All

Have mer - cy, O Lord. Have mer - cy, O Lord.
Señ - or ten pie - dad. Señ - or ten pie - dad.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Scandalous God, sowing weeds among the crop, raising bread with impure yeast, offering treasure beyond price, casting a net that catches good and bad: throw down our mean idols of purity and possession and let the Son of man show us your inclusive, provocative, wide-branching love; through Jesus Christ, the stumbling block.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

WORD

FIRST READING

1 Kings 3:5-12

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:129-136

Christopher Walker

Refrain (first time: Cantor, then All):



Teach me, O God, to fol-low your ways, to fol-low your ways to the end.____



My heart de - lights to fol-low your ways, to fol-low your ways to the end.

Happy are they whose life is blameless, who follow God's law in their heart.

Happy are all who do God's will, seeking God, seeking God, seeking God with their heart. **Refrain**

It is your will we keep your precepts, obeying them all with due care.

O let my footsteps now be firm, seeking you, seeking you, seeking you with my heart. **Refrain**

Bless me, your servant, in your kindness, obeying your Word all my life.

Marvelous truths are in your law: help me see, help me see, help me see with my heart. **Refrain**

Teach me the way that I must follow, that I will be true to the end.

Help me to understand your law: keeping it, keeping it, keeping it with my heart. **Refrain**

SECOND READING

Romans 8:26-39

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!
sung twice

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

The musical score consists of two systems of vocal lines. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The first system contains the first two lines of lyrics. The second system contains the final two lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving lines.

+GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

To What Can the Kingdom of God be Compared?



1 To what can the king-dom of God be com - pared? A must-ard seed
2 A small bit of lea - ven will change the whole bread; A poor wo-man
3 While some look for treas-ure or one price - less pearl, God's reign is the



falls where a field's been pre - pared, And there, where pre - dict - a - ble
sees that her neigh-bors are fed, A church rea - ches out to the
gift wise ones seek in this world. A girl sells poss - ess - ions to



plant-ings should be, There grows up a wild bush, - as big as a
youth in the town, A man shares his faith and God's bless-ings a -
help those in need; A boy choos-es faith - ful - ness rath - er than



tree! God of love, here on earth, hid-den things still sur - prise: Lov-ing deeds...sings of
bound. God of love, here on earth, hid-den things still sur - prise: Lov-ing deeds...signs of
greed. God of love, here on earth, hid-den things still sur - prise: Lov-ing deeds...signs of



birth... faith-ful, Spi - rit- filled lives. Your reign is a - maz - ing, your
birth... faith-ful, Spi - rit- filled lives. Your reign is a - mong us, cre -
birth... faith-ful, Spi - rit filled lives. Your reign is a trea - sure that



ways still as - tound, Just like that new life spring-ing forth from the ground.
a - tion is blessed, When e - ven a few faith - ful lives change the rest.
wise ones pur - sue; May we seek your king-dom in all that we do.

+INTERCESSIONS

Sundays and Seasons

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

O God, you call your church to announce the gospel of reconciliation and truth both near and far. Guide your church as it seeks your wisdom and shares it, trusting your Spirit bearing witness among us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You brought forth all creation and called it good. Direct policymakers to protect lands and seas. Bring rain to sun-parched fields and protect areas impacted by natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You desire peace among nations and peoples. Guard our neighborhoods from hatred, watch over police officers and firefighters, and teach us to advocate for those who live in fear. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are gracious and merciful, comforting those who suffer any affliction, especially Pam Wetterlund; Mary Paavola; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; Deb Anderson; Mark Symchych; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (*the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You name each of us as your children. Guide our hospitality ministry to welcome all, our education ministry to equip us for faithful living, and our social ministry to enact the gospel in our community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions.

*At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "Hear us, O God,"
to which the congregation will respond, "Your mercy is great."*

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

+PEACE

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

You are invited to exchange words and signs of friendship and love with those around you.

OFFERING

Total Praise
Pop-up Choir

Richard Smallwood

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from you.
Your peace you give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength.
You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to you. Amen.

+OFFERTORY HYMN

Come, Lord Jesus

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



1 Oh, come, Lord Je - sus, be our guest, and
2 Oh, come, Lord Je - sus, be our guest, and
3 Oh, come, Lord Je - sus, be our guest, and
4 Oh, come, Lord Je - sus, be our guest, and



let your gifts to us be blest. Keep us for - ev - er
let your gifts to us be blest. Oh, may there be a
let your gifts to us be blest. Guide us a - long the
let your gifts to us be blest. Come deep with - in our



in your sight, and be our joy, our hearts' de - light.
good - ly share on ev - 'ry ta - ble ev - 'ry - where.
ser - vant's way, and lead us to your dawn - ing day.
hearts to dwell, that we may all your good - ness tell.

**may be sung in canon*

+OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Sower of Good News, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who, on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+SANCTUS



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together:

**Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+LAMB OF GOD

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do: ten pie -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the sin of the world; . . . have . .

dad de no - so - tros. Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the sin of the

mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros. Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que
world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb . . of God, you . .

qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros, ten pie -
take a - way the sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us, have . .

dad de no - so - tros. Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.
mer - cy up - on us. Grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION INVITATION

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger. For those worshiping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

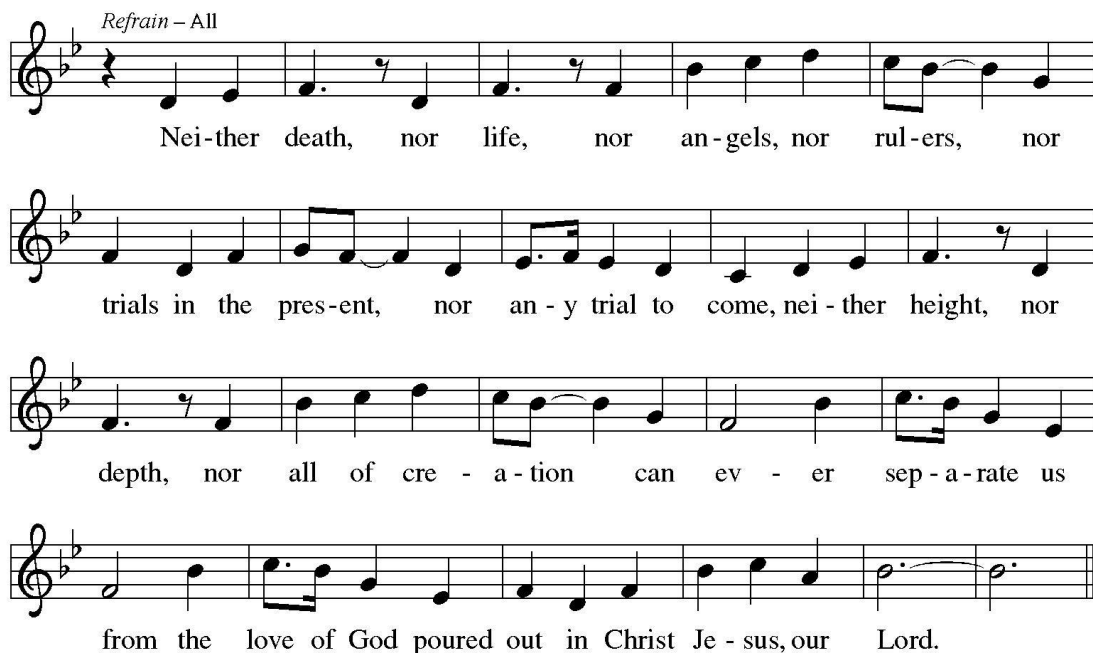
Thanks be to God.

Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from a pastor in your pew, please let an usher know.

Refrain – All



Nei-ther death, nor life, nor an-gels, nor rul-ers, nor
 trials in the pres-ent, nor an - y trial to come, nei - ther height, nor
 depth, nor all of cre - a - tion can ev - er sep - a - rate us
 from the love of God poured out in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Cantor: Dwell in the one who raised Christ from the dead;
 though your body shall die,
 in Christ you shall rise through the Spirit who brings you to life. **Refrain**

All who are led by the Spirit shall live as children of God,
 and heirs with Christ Jesus, God's adopted and chosen and loved. **Refrain**

All of the suffering we now must endure is nothing to the glory so soon to be revealed
 when creation itself is set free. **Refrain**

All of creation awaits the new birth, the fullness of redemption, through labor pains of love,
 and so we wait in patience and hope. **Refrain**

Who can separate us from the love of Christ?
 Will hardship or distress, persecution of famine, or nakedness or peril or sword? **Refrain**

+BLESSING

The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Sower of Good News, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

+BLESSING AND SENDING FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS TRAVELING TO NYC

SENDING

+SENDING HYMN

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing
in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the
spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with the word 'Refrain' and contains the melody for 'Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing'. The second staff continues with 'in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the'. The third staff concludes with 'spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.' The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and ties.

Verses: Cantor

1. Upon the mountain my Lord spoke,
out of his mouth came fire and smoke. **Refrain**
2. All around me looked so fine,
asked my Lord if all was mine. **Refrain**
3. Jordan river, chilly and cold,
child the body but not the soul. **Refrain**

+BENEDICTION

May God bless you and keep you.
May God's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
May God look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in Seven

John Rutter

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672-1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.
Music: UNSER HERRESCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650-1680

"Teach Me, O God"/Psalm 119: Text and music © 1990, 1997, Christopher Walker.

"To What Can the Kingdom of God be Compared?" Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Music: TO GOD BE THE GLORY, William Howard Doane, 1875. Text © 2011 Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, used with permission

"Come, Lord Jesus" Text: traditional table prayer, adapt. Susan Briehl. Music TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis
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"Neither Death nor Life" Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on Romans 8. Music: NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE, Marty
Haugen

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"Every Time I Feel the Spirit" Text: African American spiritual
Music: PENTECOST, African American spiritual, arr. Melva W. Costen, b. 1933
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LITURGY: ACS SETTING ELEVEN

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

10:00 AM

Preacher	David Rojas Martinez
Presiding Minister	Doug Mork
Altar Guild	Vicki Bergman, Kathryn Howe
Crucifer	Katie Schroeder
Cantor	Abs Trewin
Assisting Minister	Margaret Kelly
Ushers	David Broberg, Chris Engen
Communion	Rick Liedholm, Sean Gosiewski, Matt Floding
Coffee Servers	Bob and Jane Aldrich
Counters	Julie Cahoy, Deb Helmel
Closer	Roberta Shaw

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P A R I S H I N F O R M A T I O N

PHOTO EXHIBIT IN COMMUNITY ROOM: *OUR AMAZING UNIVERSE—GOD'S CREATION*

The astronomy exhibit on display in the Community Room and the Library is the product of Bob Ochtrup, a resident of Becketwood Senior Cooperative. It combines his love of astronomy and photography. The exhibit provides diverse images across the spectrum of stellar objects, from planets and our moon to galaxies, star clusters, nebula, nova, supernova, and even a visiting comet.

KNITTING GROUP TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2:00 P.M.

Knitters (and crocheters!) are invited to bring their knitting or crochet projects to Holy Trinity on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to join in for needlework and conversation. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com).

LONGFELLOW SUMMER SING CONCERT THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 7:00 P.M.

After five weeks of Longfellow Summer Sing rehearsals, the group will present a short presentation of music on Thursday, August 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Stop by to support friends, family who might be singing or just come to enjoy the music.

MUSIC AND LUNCH IN THE GARDEN SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 11:00 A.M.

There will be no adult forum on August 13. All are invited to join musician Nathaniel Gillen (<https://nathanielgillen.bandcamp.com/album/young>) for music and food in the garden at 11:00 a.m. (immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service). \$5 suggested donation for lunch; however, don't let the money keep you away from the fun. All are welcome!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AUGUST 14-17, 2023, 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

We are planning four days of learning about faith-filled responses to injustices in our neighborhood and greater society. There will be music, food, games, stories, and lots more every day of VBS! Please consider volunteering one hour, one morning, one day, or four days of your time throughout the week. We will need help with preparing/serving lunches, child supervision, and helping with crafts. Contact Deacon David (drojasmartinez@htlcmpls.org) or Cantor Phil (pradtke@htlcmple.org) if you can help.

Please call the office to register. We hope you will consider joining us!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT HOLY TRINITY WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

Sign up to donate blood at Holy Trinity on Wednesday, August 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: holytrinitympls to schedule an appointment.

CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC AT HIDDEN FALLS PARK, SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 5:00 P.M.

As summer wanes, Holy Trinity families will gather for fun, food, and frolic at Hidden Falls Park. Plan to join us at 5:00 p.m. and bring a dish to share for potluck.

C H U R C H S C H E D U L E

Tuesday, August 1	11:00 AM 2:00 PM	Worship Readings Discussion Knitting
Thursday, August 3	6:00 PM 6:45 PM	Longfellow Summer Sing Big Meeting Night
Sunday, August 6	10:00 AM 11:15 AM 2:00 PM	Youth Trip to NYC Worship Service of Holy Communion Adult Forum Swahili Service

ADULT FORUM

11:15 a.m. Sunday in the Library

TODAY “Removing Racial Covenants”
Rachel Broeke

Join Rachel Broeke, the Executive Director of the Longfellow Community Council, for a presentation on Minneapolis’ racial covenants and how to research and remove them.

August 6 “Astronomy and Photography”
Bob Ochtrup

Bob Ochtrup, whose love of photography and astronomy have combined to produce the exhibit on the wonders of the universe that is on display in the Community Room and the Library, will introduce us to his work.

August 13 No Adult Forum

Join us in the rain garden for lunch and music with guitarist and singer Nathaniel Gillen.