

# TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 15, 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 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.

+invites the congregation to stand

Today's bulletin cover art was created by Francis Kelly. Thank you, Francis!

# **G**ATHER

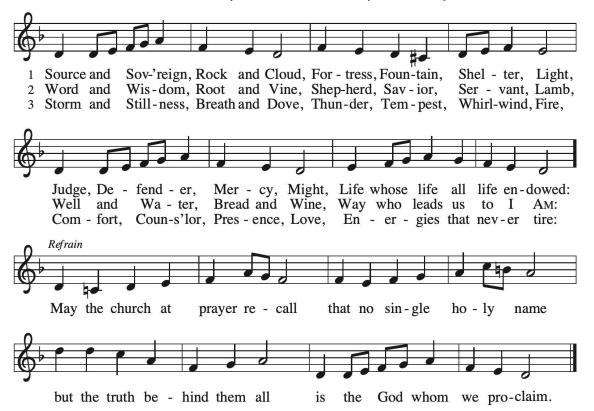
PRELUDE Fantasy on 'Aberystwyth'

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#### +GATHERING HYMN

#### Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

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



#### +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.** 

#### +HYMN OF PRAISE



#### +PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beyond our understanding you alone are God; you speak to a world of brutal rule and shallow indifference, of arms fairs and reality shows: may the one who came to sit at table with the victimized and excluded disturb our barren peace and call us to another feast where only love may rule; through Jesus Christ, the bridegroom. **Amen.** 

Please be seated.

WELCOME

(Pastor Appreciation at 11:00)

# Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:1-9

Old Testament, Pages 666-667

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

#### PSALM 23

Robert Buckley Farlee

**Refrain** (First time: cantor, then **all**)



The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake, **Refrain** 

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **Refrain** 

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever, forever, forever. **Refrain** 

SECOND READING

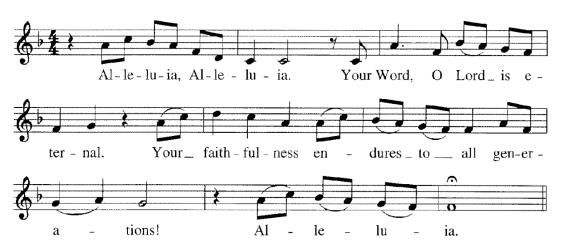
Philippians 4:1-9

New Testament, Page 190

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### Alleluia, Alleluia



+GOSPEL READING

*Matthew* 22:1-14

New Testament, Page 23

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**SERMON** 



+INTERCESSIONS Sandra Hisakuni

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)

God of mercy and refuge, we thank you for the gift of worship in your church and wherever we are gathered in your name. We pray that you would make of us a refuge to the poor and to the needy in their distress. In your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer.

God of mercy and peace, there is so much to fear and be angry about. Give us the strength to follow the Apostle Paul's advice to think on things that are true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, excellent, and anything worthy of praise. Remind us to bring all of our worries and concerns to you, knowing that we can trust you in all matters, great and small. In your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer.

God of mercy and abundance, as the season changes and we collect the bounties of the earth's abundance, we give you thanks. Help us to move forward in taking bigger and bigger steps in being good stewards of our one precious planet. In your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer.

God of mercy and comfort, we thank you that you are our Good Shepherd. We pray that you would especially hold those who are struggling in your loving hands. We especially pray for Joyce Peterson, recovering from hip surgery; Arnie Johanson; Katie Schroeder's mom, Diane; Cliff Brown; Mary Paavola; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care). In your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer.

God of mercy and action, you call to us to act in mercy, justice, and love with all of our neighbors. The world is torn apart by war and violence. Pray for all people in Israel and Palestine. Pray for understanding, for hope, for an answer to these seemingly unsolvable problems. Pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for Afghanistan. Pray for the Central African Republic. Pray for Sudan. Pray for Congo. Pray for Ecuador. Pray for leaders of all nations. Pray for our enemies. Pray for God's reign to take root in our lives. Work for justice. Demand safety to those most at risk. Pray. In your mercy,

# Hear our prayer.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions. At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "In your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, as we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. **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 (8:45) Pastorale Charles Wesley

(11:00) Worthy to Be Praised! Byron J. Smith Adult Choir, Abs Trewin soloist

Holy, holy, holy. Praise our God almighty. Worthy and holy. Lord eternally.

Praise the Lord in the highest. Praise His Holy name. Let all things that haveth a breath just praise the Lord. I believe in the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. I will sing. He's worthy to be praised!

We have come into the house of the Lord to praise His Holy name.

To give glory, honor and adore, His Son whose life He gave.

Let the trumpet sound, let the rocks resound, our sinful souls he saved.

I will sing, He's worthy to be praised!

Raise your voices high and sing to the Lord, He's worthy to be praised.

Shout hosanna high to God for His everlasting grace.

Let the trumpet sound, let the rocks resound, our grateful voices raise!

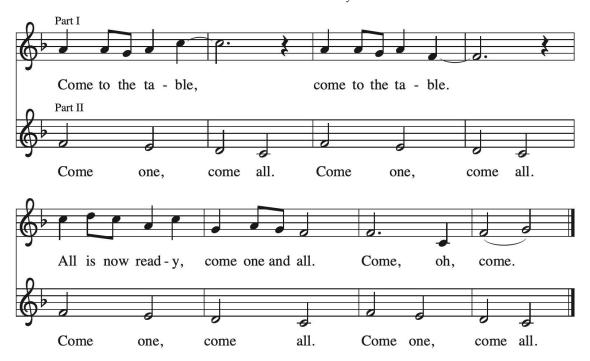
I will sing, He's worthy to be praised!

Join all and sing hosanna. Oh let every voice sing out that He's worthy to be praised!

#### +OFFERTORY

# *Come to the Table*Sung three times

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



#### +OFFERING PRAYER

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and guide.

Amen.

#### +GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

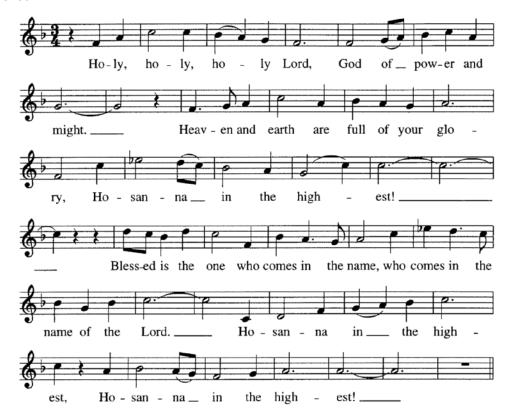
We lift them to the Lord.

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 give thanks and praise to you, O God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. He entered our world and our human story, revealing your love and showing compassion even to those who crucified him. On this day he overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### +SANCTUS



#### +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.

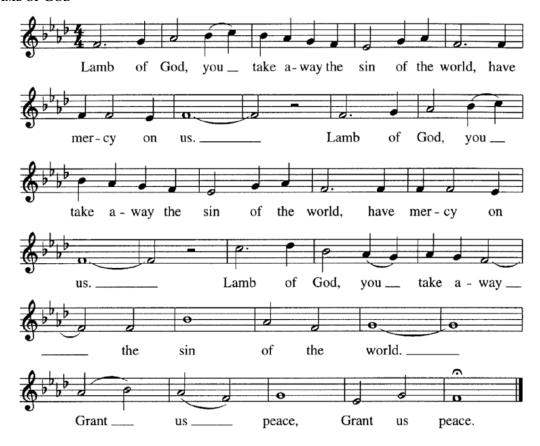
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

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



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.

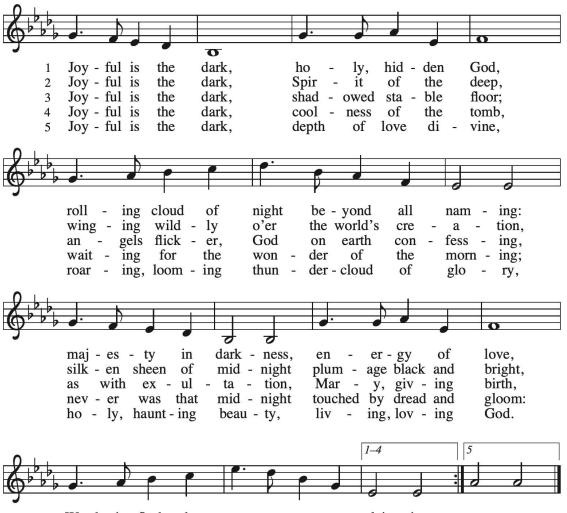
Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

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 your pew, please let an usher know.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

#### Joyful Is the Dark



Word - in - flesh, the swoop-ing with the hails the in - fant dark - ness was the Hal - le - lu - jah! mys - ter - y pro - claim - ing. beau - ty of a ra - ven. cry of need and bless - ing. cra - dle of the dawn - ing. Sing and tell the

sto - ry!



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

#### +POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

# **SENDING**

#### +SENDING HYMN

#### Sent Forth by God's Blessing

**ELW 547** 

Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders as they recess and gather at the rear of the sanctuary to share the dismissal.



#### +BENEDICTION

From where we are, to where you need us,

#### Christ be beside us.

From what we are, to what you can make of us,

#### Christ be before us.

From the private dreams we cherish, to God's redemption of the world's life in us, through us, in spite of us,

#### Christ be beneath us.

Through the streets of this world, to the gates of heaven,

#### Christ be above us.

Surround us with your presence, O God, inspire us with your purpose, confirm us in your love. **Amen.** 

#### +DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbors.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Overture G. F. Handel

At this time, you are invited to the Community Room (located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.

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# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## LITURGY SETTING TODAY: CUP OF BLESSING by Rachel Trelstad Porter

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
David Larson-Martínez	Preacher	David Larson-Martínez
Doug Mork	<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Doug Mork
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	
Ann Schrooten	Cantor	Ann Schrooten
Caren Hiatt	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Stephanie Cole
Sue Roberts, Kris Christians, Sean Gosiewski	Communion	Kathy Hollander, Matt Floding
	Ushers	David Broberg, Chris Amundson, Jeff Olsen Biebighauser
Julie and Tom Cahoy	Altar Guild	
Sue Roberts	<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Joy Nelson
Annie Hines, Jennifer Frenzel	Counters	
	Closer	Rod Johnson

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#### PARISH INFORMATION

#### WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE FROM NOVEMBER 1-DECEMBER 31 IS LIVE

The worship participant schedule from November 1-December 31 is now live. This includes three Advent evening prayer services and the adjusted Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve schedules. Note that on Christmas Eve, Sunday morning services have been canceled. We will worship at 4:00 and 9:00 p.m. that day. On New Year's Eve, we will have on service only at 10:00 a.m. Please login to your Ministry Scheduler Pro account and sign up for worship services from November 1-December 31.

#### ENCORE! AT TURTLE BREAD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 8:00 A.M.

Encore! (the group for members 50 years of age and older) meets monthly at 8:00 a.m. at Turtle Bread (4205 E. 34<sup>th</sup> St.). There is no agenda. Breakfast goers simply get to know one another. No sign up necessary. Talk to Pastor Ingrid if a scholarship would allow you to participate!

#### SINGLES OUTING AT ARBEITER BREWERY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Let's meet up at Arbeiter for drinks, board games, and chatting. If it's nice, we'll be on the patio. If it's not, we'll be inside. We'll plan to be there from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Hopefully there will be a food truck there, too!

#### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY OCTOBER 22

Grab a breakfast taco in the Community Room and then join us at 10:15 a.m. in the sanctuary to celebrate God's work through the ministry of Holy Trinity. You will be invited to commit financial support for our ministry in 2024. This gathering takes place of the adult forum.

#### PROPERTY WORK DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 4:00-7:00 P.M.

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with raking and bagging, weeding and trimming. We'll work from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. (and again on Saturday, November 4). Sign up in the Community Room.

#### MOVING FROM MICRO-AGGRESSIONS TO MICRO-INCLUSIONS SAT., OCT. 28

Join facilitators David Scherer and Joe Davis from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 28, as we gather to work against anti-Blackness and white supremacy and build more skills in caring communications about race. Sign up in the Community Room.

#### NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 12:00-1:30 P.M.

We at Holy Trinity believe that community is integral to faith, which is why we invite interested persons to consider membership in this congregation. A new member orientation will be held on Sunday, October 29, from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. in the library. Over a simple meal, those interested in membership will have the opportunity to learn more about one another and about Holy Trinity's mission and ministry. There are no prerequisites; all are welcome. Please speak with one of the pastors if you intend to come.

# PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, October 16	6:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, October 17	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
	6:30 PM	Executive Council
	7:00 PM	Council
Wednesday, October 18	6:00-7:30 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, October 19	8:00 AM	Encore! at Turtle Bread
	5:00-7:00 PM	Singles Outing at Arbeiter
Friday, October 20		Confirmation Retreat (return Sunday)
Sunday, October 22	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Stewardship Breakfast
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Worship Service

#### ADULT FORUM

10:00 a.m. each Sunday in the Library

# TODAY "Public Theology Project" Dr. Amy Levad

Amy Levad will be introducing her ethnographic study of Holy Trinity. She has already met with some members, but this will be a chance to spread the information to more of the congregation.

# October 22 "Stewardship Breakfast"

Grab a breakfast taco in the Community Room and then join us at 10:15 a.m. in the sanctuary to celebrate God's work through the ministry of Holy Trinity. This gathering takes the place of the adult forum today.

REMINDER: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CONFIRMATION ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, DUE TO MEA BREAK.