

# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 22, 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 Gio Kelly. Thank you, Gio!

# **GATHER**

**PRELUDE** 

Selections from "Ten Voluntaries"

John Stanley

#### +GATHERING HYMN

#### Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom

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



- 1 Earth is full of wit and wis dom, sound-ing God's de light ed laugh,
- 2 Earth is full of wit and wis dom, wo ven in to har mo ny.
- 3 Earth is full of wit and wis dom: pen guin, pla ty pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe. Ev - 'ry crea-ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum-ble - bee. cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.



All cre - a - tion sings in won-der; e - ven rocks and trees re - joice Spi-der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon-key, chick - en, mouse, and snake In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:



as they join the ring-ing cho-rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice. live with-in a sin-gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make. born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

#### +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

God of servant rule, your kingdom breaks our tangled webs where state and church collude to worship power and trade on fear: grant us the wit and will to give you what is your own, no more nor less than all the world and time; through Jesus Christ, whose kingdom comes.

Amen.

**WELCOME** 

STEWARDSHIP TEMPLE TALK

Steve Murray

# Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45: 1-7

Old Testament, Page 690

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

PSALM 96:1-9 [10-13] John W. Becker

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



Sing to the LORD | a new song;

sing to the LORD, | all the earth.

<sup>2</sup>Sing to the LORD, bless the name <sup>1</sup> of the LORD; proclaim God's salvation from <sup>1</sup> day to day.

<sup>3</sup>Declare God's glory a- <sup>1</sup> mong the nations and God's wonders a- <sup>1</sup> mong all peoples.

<sup>4</sup>For great is the LORD and greatly <sup>1</sup> to be praised, more to be feared <sup>1</sup> than all gods. Refrain

<sup>5</sup>As for all the gods of the nations, they <sup>1</sup> are but idols; but you, O LORD, have <sup>1</sup> made the heavens.

<sup>6</sup>Majesty and magnificence are <sup>1</sup> in your presence; power and splendor are in your <sup>1</sup> sanctuary.

<sup>7</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you families <sup>1</sup> of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD hon- <sup>1</sup> or and power.

<sup>8</sup>Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the | holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts | of the LORD. Refrain

<sup>9</sup>Worship the LORD in the beau- <sup>1</sup> ty of holiness;

tremble before the LORD, | all the earth.

[10Tell it out among the nations: "The | LORD is king!

The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will judge the peo- | ples with equity."

<sup>11</sup>Let the heavens rejoice, and let the | earth be glad;

let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that 1 is therein.

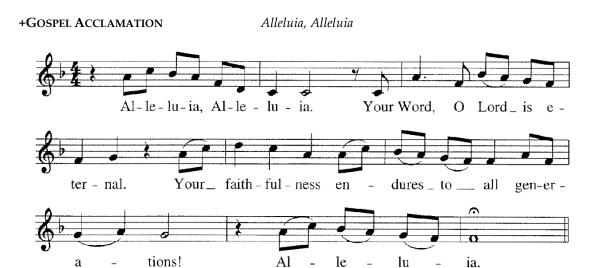
<sup>12</sup>Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your com- <sup>1</sup> ing, O LORD, for you come to <sup>1</sup> judge the earth.

<sup>13</sup>You will judge the <sup>1</sup> world with righteousness and the peoples <sup>1</sup> with your truth.] **Refrain** 

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

New Testament, Page 194

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



+GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:15-22

New Testament, Page 23

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

**SERMON** 



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 all power and might, in your spirit is also love and grace. As leaders wrestle for power in government, as groups of people jostle and judge with zeal, as individuals center their own interests rather than the suffering of their neighbors, give us a fresh look at your spirit's power. Enable us to see strength in surrender, grace in neighborliness, and the liberation of acceptance. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

God of plowshares and pruninghooks, leaders around the world turn to war to confront conflicts. Renew in us a fresh resolve to find peace through justice that honors human worth. May your spirit be with those who mourn and give strength to those who negotiate for resolution. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**.

God of abundance, help us to see and be grateful for the many gifts in our lives. For loving family and friends and for relationships that need our patience. For this church community and all who generously give of their time and commitment. For people rebuilding our neighborhoods when much has been lost from the past. For those on distant shores who stand up for human rights in the face of abuse and resistance. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

God of all community, you long for a peace and justice that covers your world. When taxes are treated as burdens and Pharisees come in a variety of shades and shapes, move us to discern our responsibilities for others in our lives, for the public square, for a fresh cooperation among nations. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

God of all seasons, as autumn sets in we remember that darkness can be as rich as light. Teach us to embrace darkness, whether in the number of hours without sun or in the color of skin. Instill in us a deep appreciation of all things natural and inspire us to a new level of responsibility for reducing pollution, reusing resources, and radically limiting our consumption. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

God of wholeness and health, you tenderly touch your people through the work of health care professionals and simple neighborly care. Bring healing and renewal to all who suffer, especially Joyce Peterson; 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) God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

You are invited to offer spoken petitions. At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "God, 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) Finlandia P. Radtke

(11:00) This Is My Song arr. John Ferguson

This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine. But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover, and skies are everywhere as blue as mine. So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.

O God be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one.

So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.

This is my song, for lands afar and mine.

# 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.** 

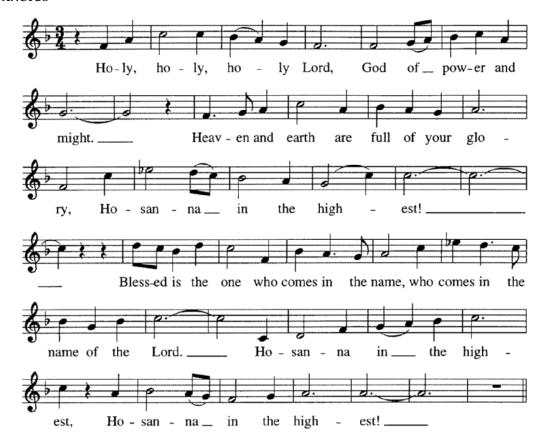
#### +GREAT THANKSGIVING

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:



#### +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.



*Please be seated.* 

#### **COMMUNION INVITATION**

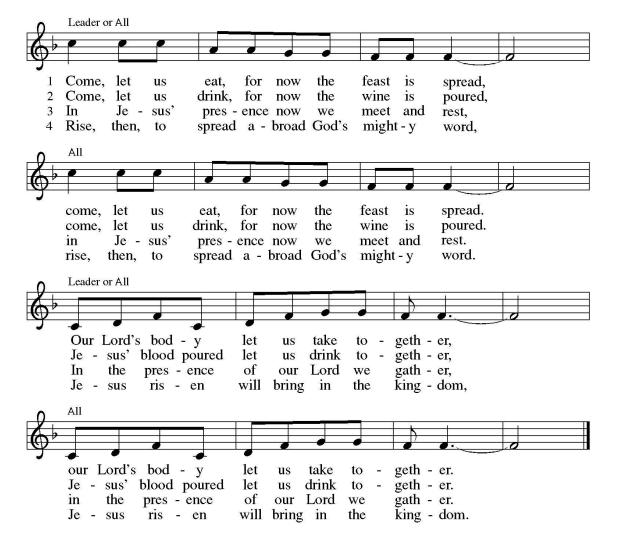
All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger. For those worshiping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

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.





#### +BLESSING

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

## God Of Grace and God of Glory

**ELW 705** 

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 Grand Choeur Alexandre Guilmant

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

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Doug Mork	Preacher	Doug Mork
Doug Mork	<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Doug Mork
	Crucifer	Wayne Vetter
Carol Masters	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Deb Anderson
Allison Johnson Heist, Carol Berg, Sean Gosiewski	Communion	Matt Floding, Sue Roberts
Julie and Tom Cahoy, Chris Engen	Ushers	David Broberg, Jeff Olsen Biebighauser,
Mary Engen, Ginny Jordan	Altar Guild	
Nicki Hines, Connie Adams	<b>Coffee Servers</b>	David Broberg
Chuck Jordan, Jennifer Frenzel	Counters	Deb Helmel, Wayne Vetter
	Closer	Roberta Shaw

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Kathy Ekwall, Communications & Congregational
Coordinator
Nolan Gusdal, Building Maintenance
Phil Radtke, Cantor
Kaia Ellis, Financial Administrator

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Sue Roberts, *Publications Coordinator*Erik Gerhardt, *Accompanist*Dennis Nordholm, *Custodian*Logan Olson, *Gloria Ringers Director* 

#### LEADERSHIP

Allison Johnson Heist, Council President Gretchen Lund, Council Vice President Erin Henry, Council Secretary Katie Schroeder, Council Treasurer

### PARISH INFORMATION

#### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY TODAY

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. (If it's raining, we'll work on Saturday, November 4, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.). 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.

#### CONFIRMATION AND REFORMATION, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Four young people from Holy Trinity—William Hansen, Benjamin Hanson, Noah Hines, and Bea Martin—will affirm their baptisms during the 11:00 a.m. service. Adult and youth choirs will help lead the celebration.

#### 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.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WEDNESDAYS IN ADVENT

We are looking for volunteers to help with Advent Evening Soup Suppers (December 6, 13, and 20). Each Wednesday, 4 households would prepare and serve enough for 30 people. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up all three Wednesdays. Sign up in the Community Room.

#### 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.

# PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, October 23	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, October 24	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, October 25	5:00-6:00 PM	Choir Family Meal
	5:30-6:30 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:00-8:00 PM	Supervised Play Time
	6:00-7:30 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, October 26	4:00-7:00 PM	Property Work Day
Saturday, October 28	9:30-11:30 AM	Micro-Aggressions/Micro-Inclusions
Sunday, October 29	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Youth Education
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	12:00-1:30 PM	New Member Orientation
	2:00 PM	Swahili Worship Service

#### ADULT FORUM

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

# TODAY "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.

# October 29 "Creation Care" Russ Henry

More information coming next week.

# November 5 "Honoring the Saints"

Today we remember those sinner-saints who have died before us. Too rarely are we given the opportunity to talk with one another about the loss of beloved friends and family members. This year, we invite you to bring pictures of the saints in your life and display them in the Community Room during the adult forum hour. During the hour, we'll have an opportunity to share stories about the photos we bring.

#### "STILL" PHOTO EXHIBIT IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM BY EMILIE BOUVIER

Read Emilie's essay on the south wall in the Community Room (near the children's table).