

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 20, 2024

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.

Today's bulletin cover art comes from Annika Lindorfer. Thank you, Annika!

GATHER

Origami Doves

When we gather for worship our prayers rise up to God. Our community tenderly holds joy, sadness, worry, and everything in between. Starting September 15 and running through December 1, you are invited to write your prayers on pieces of paper that will be folded into origami doves by Juliann Breting Rohn and her friends. The prayer doves will become a part of an art piece that will be built over the coming months and which will live in the sanctuary. At any moment during the service, especially during communion, we invite you to write your prayers. The pieces of paper are on the table near the altar railing.

+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.**

+KYRIE



+HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast



+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Suffering God, in whose name we seek glory for ourselves: cast down the idols that serve our fear and guilt, our need for blame, for punishment; direct our angry hearts to him who bears our wounds where there is no more need to fight; through Jesus Christ, the true God and servant of all. **Amen**.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 53:4-12

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

PSALM 91:9-16 Michel Guimont

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



Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High and abide in the shade of the Almighty say to the LORD: "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!" **Refrain**

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell.

For you God have commanded the angels, to keep you in all your ways. Refrain

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone.

On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. Refrain

You set your love on me so I will save you, protect you for you know my name.

When you call I shall answer: "I am with you,"

I will save you in distress and give you glory. Refrain

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

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



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SERMON



Please be seated for the intercessions.

Intercessions David Larson-Martínez

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)

You for whom there is no adequate name: you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

You bear our unhealth and offer healing. We ask that you give courage to our religious and civic leaders so that they may accompany us faithfully in these coming weeks. Help us to create a world in which the greatest among us are those who serve others.

Fill us with peace that we may live as sisters and brothers, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

You command your angels to guard all those in need. Today we especially remember all of the animals and plants who are facing extinction because of human greed. They are calling out to you, despite the noise we humans make, and so we ask that you answer them with salvation.

Bring healing to our lives that we protect the earth. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey upon it; that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who only look to gain at the expense of the poor. Touch every heart.

You are our High Priest, and you offer prayers for us when we do not know how to pray. Help us to know how to speak and how to hold silence. Encourage us to act on behalf of the world which you created, even as climate catastrophe looms. Give us hope!

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing. Teach us to be filled with the feeling of awe. Teach us to be filled with contemplation and to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey toward your infinite light.

You will bring all things together, and it will be good. Remind us to make you our refuge in these coming days. You are the One who will hold us steadfast, and it is to you whom we will look to for safety. We thank you for being our hope and strength.

We thank you. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us in our struggle for justice, for love and peace. Amen.

Receive our prayers and hopes as we pray especially for Kathy Ekwall's friend, Jim Farnes; Jamie Bistram's dad Dennis, in hospice; Mike Kelly; Christine and Michael Scanlan (Theresa Duty's brother); Amy Johnson; Aric Sorenson and Ty Inglis; James Nysse's cousin, Eric Steckling; Katie Murray's mom Pat Wilson; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Juliet Williamson; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker; and those we hold in our hearts or speak with our voices now (the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care). 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) Holy Manna arr. David Cherwien

(11:00) Lord, O Lord, Your Name Is Wonderful Hal. H. Hopson
Adult Choir

Lord, O Lord your name is wonderful, it is known the world around. You are seen in highest heaven, in each person you are found.

I Look to find the brightest star; I see the moon on high. O God, I think how great you are; you care for every child.

O Lord, you made the fish and sea, the birds high in the air, the great big bear, the little bee, all creatures everywhere.

O Lord, as you watch over all, as you love all your own, so may we care for great and small, and love as you have shown.

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



+OFFERING PRAYER

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

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

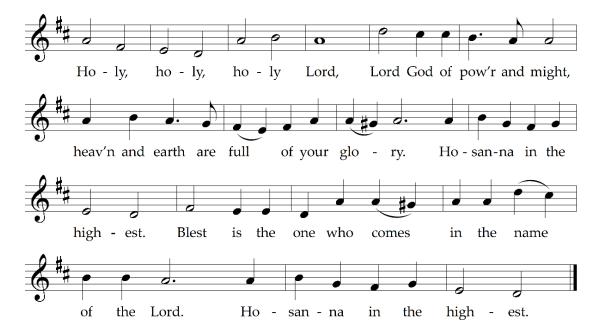
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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; 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 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.

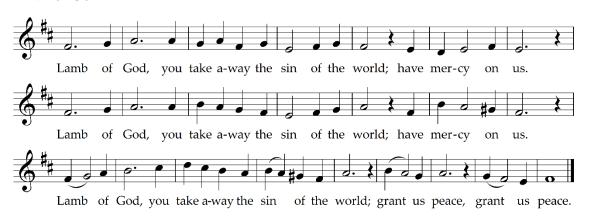
Give us today our daily bread.

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.

(11:00) 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.

All are welcome at the table.

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

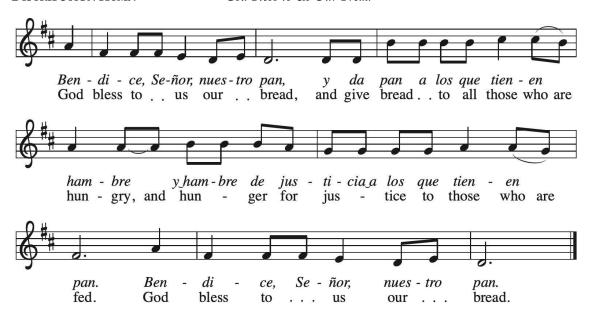
An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle,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

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMN Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth birth God, the bright Moth - er - ing in 1 you gave me of - fer - ing Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, Moth - er - ing Spir arms - it, one, nur t'ring of of world. morn - ing this of Cre - a - tor, source 'ry ev food light, life, of your of grain . . . of and grape me so that in hold faith pa - tience close, Ι me root and breath, rain, wind, you my my sun. are my your y I bod for love, ver -У my peace. un - til flow'r, til Ι know. grow un

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

God Bless to Us Our Bread



+BLESSING

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

+POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

SENDING

+SENDING HYMN

Let All Things Now Living

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

God all mighty,
God all merciful

→ bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbors! Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "The Ash Grove"

P. Radtke

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

"Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom" Text: Adam M. L. Tice, b. 1979

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, 'Columbian Harmony, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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Psalm 91; Text and music from 'Psalms for the Revised Common Lectionary' Michel Guimont © 1998, 2002 GIA Publications Inc. "Glory to God! Your Gift of Song" Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947; © 2018 GIA Publications, Inc.

Music: O WALY WALY; English traditional

"Golden Breaks the Dawn" Text: Tzu-chen Chao; para. Frank W. Price, 1885-1974. Music: LE P'ING, Te-ngai Hu
Text and music © 1977 Chinese Christian Literature Council Ltd., Hong Kong, admin. Augsburg Fortress
"Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth" Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Julian of Norwich, c. 1342-c. 1413
Music: NORWICH, Carolyn Jennings, b. 1936. Text © 1991 Jean Janzen, admin. Augsburg Fortress
Music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress

"God Bless to Us Our Bread" Text: Argentine traditional, collected by Federico Paguara, 1923-2016; tr. John L. Bell, b. 1949
Music: BENDINCE NUESTRO PAN, Argentine melody, collected by Federico Paguara; arr. John L. Bell
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"Let All Things Now Living" Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1890, alt. Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune Text © 1939, 1966 E. C. Schirmer Music Company

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LITURGY: ELW SETTING FOUR

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8:45 AM		11:00 AM
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Ingrid Rasmussen	Presiding Minister	Ingrid Rasmussen
	Crucifer	
Jody Liedholm	Cantor	Jody Liedholm
Rick Liedholm	Assisting Minister	Abs Trewin
Aaron Hanson, Margaret Kolden	Communion	Sean Gosiewski, Stephanie Cole
Sally and David Kohlstedt	Ushers	Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson
Amy Hanson	Altar Guild	Roberta Shaw
Annie Hines	Coffee Servers	Arlene Helvig
	Counters	
	Closer	Rod Johnson

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

DOCUMENTARY 'TIL KINGDOM COME THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

On Thursday, October 24, the documentary 'Til Kingdom Come will be shown at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Through extensive interviews with Israel-supporting pastors in the southern US and the Jewish Israeli director of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews, 'Til Kingdom Come takes a deep look at the ties between Christian Zionist congregations in the US and the Israeli government. This film is important for Christian and Christian-lineage people to see as we learn more about our own ancestral and cultural ties to the ongoing Israeli genocide in Gaza. Food will be provided as well as a facilitated discussion following the showing. This event is sponsored by MN Christians for a Free Palestine, WAMM, and the Palestine/Israel Committee of Holy Trinity.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28—SECOND OF A TWO-PART SERIES ON CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM AND CHRISTIAN ZIONISM

In October the Adult Ed committee will host a two-part series on Christian Nationalism and Christian Zionism. In preparation for this series, you are invited to read Pamela Cooper-White's book *The Psychology of Christian Nationalism: Why People Are Drawn In and How to Talk Across the Divide*. Part two will be a discussion on Christian Zionism led by Teresa Butel, Monday, October 28, 7:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room.

BIPOC EDUCATION GRANT FUNDRAISING BRUNCH NOVEMBER 9, 2024

The Racial Justice and Indigenous Justice Committees of our congregation extended our collaboration with the Tiwahe Foundation and Mother St. James AME Church to provide educational grants to BIPOC students. Education is one critical key to closing the wealth gap for Native American and African American communities. As part of our congregational commitment to reparative or restorative justice for racial wrongs, these special appeals funds will award grants to BIPOC students to provide the resources needed for those who might otherwise leave academic programs prematurely.

To learn more about this special appeal, plan to attend a special brunch with the leaders of St. James AME on Saturday, November 9, from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. There will also be an adult forum on this special appeal effort on Sunday, November 17.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

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, November 10, at 10:00 a.m. in between services in the Bartsch Room. Over coffee and snacks, 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.

BOOK GROUP WITH PASTOR DOUG NOVEMBER 21, 2024

Join Pastor Doug in reading Cole Arthur Riley's book *This Here Flesh*. In her stunning debut, Riley weaves stories from three generations of her family alongside contemplative reflections to discover the "necessary rituals" that connect us with our belonging, dignity, and liberation. You can sign up in the Community Room, copies of the book are also available there for those interested in joining the discussion. Pastor Doug will send out a short reflection by email each week. The group is invited to gather for one in-person gathering on Thursday, November 21, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Further details will be sent to participants.

NOMINATE A SPECIAL APPEAL FOR 2025

Each year, Holy Trinity identifies and authorizes special financial appeals for 2-3 organizations or efforts. Special appeals are characterized by being open ended (i.e., we give to the organization(s) what we receive), they are normally approved for just one year, and they are supported by a special appeal letter which is sent to all the giving households in the congregation.

The Financial Stewardship Committee and Church Council work together to select the organizations. They evaluate proposed organizations based on the organization's relationship to or history with Holy Trinity; the connection between the organization and the goals of Holy Trinity; and the donation's impact. They seek to achieve a balance between local and global giving.

If you have a 501(c)3 organization that you'd like to nominate, please contact one of the church's standing committees and ask for support of your nomination. By tradition, the World Hunger of the ELCA has been included as one of the causes designated for a special appeal and therefore does not need to be submitted by a standing committee. Nominations will be accepted until November 11, 2024. Nominations, supported by a standing committee, may be emailed to Pastor Ingrid. The congregation will be informed of the 2025 special appeals at our annual meeting in January.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Monday, October 21	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, October 22	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, October 23	5:00 PM	Choir Family Meal
	5:45-6:30 PM	Jubilation Youth Bell Ensemble
	5:45-6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:00-8:00 PM	Supervised Play Time
	6:30-8:00 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
	6:45-7:30 PM	Cantate Rehearsal
Thursday, October 24	5:30-8:30 PM	Documentary 'Til Kingdom Come
Sunday, October 27	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
Reformation and	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
Confirmation	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion/Confirmation
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service

ADULT FORUM

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

TODAY "Presentation by Longfellow High School Student"

Sarai Hernandez, a student at Longfellow, will tell her story of her journey from El Salvador to Minnesota, including how she crossed the border into the United States and how going to Longfellow has changed her life.

October 27 "Uprising Theology Presentation" Dr. Amy Levad

Watch next week's Community Church and Bulletin for more details.