

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 24, 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 cover art is provided by Mariana Hendrickson. Thank you, Mariana!

We honor that we gather and worship on the Dakota Homeland.

The Color Orange

Following the news of the 215+ children of the Kamloops Residential School whose remains were found in a mass grave in Canada and the children of the Rosebud Sioux whose bodies were returned to their homeland, The American Indian Alaska Native Lutheran Association invites congregations to place orange cloth in their sanctuaries as a way to remember.

The color orange is symbolic. The inspiration came from a survivor of that era, Phyllis Webstad, who stated that when she was a 6-year-old girl arriving at a residential boarding school, she was stripped of her clothes which included a new orange T-shirt her grandmother had gifted her.

As a church we acknowledge and confess our complicity in the atrocities committed against the Indigenous peoples of North America and throughout the world where western Christianity colonized Indigenous peoples.

GATHER

+invites the congregation to stand

PRELUDE

A Multitude Comes from East and West

setting, Edwin T. Childs

+LITANY OF LAMENT

*Adapted for speaking from works written and compiled by Native Theologian Kelly Sherman-Conroy
(Oglala Lakota) on behalf of the American Indian/Alaska Native
Lutheran Association Inc. of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.*

O God of all Creation, our tears flow freely,
Weeping for the pain our children have experienced.

Grant unto us communion with you, O star-abiding One.

We weep for the sacred children whose bodies have been found,
For the many children who remain lost,
For those who survived and have carried the trauma through generations,
And for the reopened wounds that we are forced to endure.
Together we grieve.

Hear our cries of deep sorrow, O Lord:

Grant unto us communion with you, O star-abiding One.

We weep for the families and communities who lost a child
And carried through the generations a broken heart.
Our tears flow like rivers that never stop,
mourning the pain of the survivors.
Together we grieve.

Hear our cries of deep sorrow, O Lord:

Grant unto us communion with you, O star-abiding One.

Just as Jesus wept, we weep and pray:
O God of love, come to us during this time of pain.
Comfort all who grieve, and weep with those full of sorrow.
Hear the stories of remembrance, carried by generations,
and transform our grief into determination
and our tears into action so that your creation hears their stories.

Amen.

+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

Where God Leads

James Nysse and Phil Radtke

*For Pastor David Larson-Martínez of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis
and his journey navigating the immigration process.*

Where God leads, we will fol - low
Where you go, God is with you

ov - er earth and deep - est seas
All our hearts pray for your peace

God makes peace from the temp - ests
Walk with love, joy, and laugh - ter

with God's hand all trou - bles cease.
trust - ing where our God will lead.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

You who are, who were, who are to come, before whose judgment all fades away that is not love: save us from the violence that seeks to claim our hearts so we might hear a different voice and belong to you in truth, through Jesus Christ, the wounded king of all.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

WORD

ANTHEM (8:45)

O Christ, Be My Light
Children's Choir

arr. Thomas Keesecker

O Christ, be my light, illumine and guide me. Christ be my shield, project me from harm!
Christ be over me and Christ be under me. Christ beside me this day, Christ before me always.

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

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

PSALM 93

Robert Buckley Farlee

Refrain (First time: cantor, then all)

Ev - er since the world be - gan, your
throne has been es - tab - lished.

¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and ¹ armed with strength.
The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- ¹ not be moved.

²**Ever since the world began, your throne has ¹ been established;
you are from ¹ everlasting. Refrain**

³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted ¹ up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their ¹ pounding waves.

⁴**Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers ¹ of the sea,
mightier is the LORD who ¹ dwells on high.**

⁵Your testimonies are ¹ very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- ¹ evermore. **Refrain**

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:4b-8

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

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

All:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Alleluia acclamation. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter notes: A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, D5, C5, B4, A4. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes. The second staff is identical to the first but ends with a double bar line.

Cantor: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David. (Mark 11:9)
All: Repeat "Alleluia"

+GOSPEL READING

John 18:33-37

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

MESSAGE

Guest preacher Angela Two Stars (Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, Dakota) is the director of All My Relations Arts, a project of the Native American Community Development Institute (NACDI) in Minneapolis, MN. Angela’s professional arts career began at All My Relations Arts gallery as an exhibiting artist, which then led to further opportunities including her first curatorial role for the exhibition titled, Bring Her Home, Stolen Daughters of Turtle Island, a powerful exhibition highlighting the ongoing epidemic of missing and murdered Indigenous women. Angela is a practicing visual artist with a focus on public art. Angela’s public art graces the shores of Bde Maka Ska in Minneapolis and shares the Dakota language through visual accessibility. Her most recent public art commission, Okciyapi, is installed at the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden, an acquisition of the Walker Art Center. Angela’s public artworks also include commissions for the City of Minneapolis, the Saint Paul Port Authority through a project with Forecast Public Art, the Ordway Center for Performing Arts, and was a featured artist for the inaugural Wakpa Triennial Art Festival with Public Art Saint Paul in 2023. Holy Trinity and other neighborhood partners have been blessed to work with Angela on public art in the wake of the 2020 Uprising.



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Please be seated.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of community and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

This morning we welcome Sophie, Alex, Lori, Madeline, Chloe, Mason, Jess, Dave, Emily, Carrie, Paul, Grace, and Rick into the ministry we share. Through the Holy Spirit, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in Christ's meal, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Siblings in Christ, do you intend to continue in community among God's people in this place? If so, please say, "We do."

We do.

People of God, today this body is expanded to include these individuals. We delight in the ways, known and yet unknown, they will both contribute to this community and transform it. Do you promise to support them as they grow in faith, pray for them in their life in Christ, and warmly welcome these siblings and the gifts they bring? If so, please say, "We do."

We do.

Let us pray: Merciful God, we thank you for these new members. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants and unify the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

Let us welcome these beloved children of God into the ministry we share:

We welcome you into this community of faith. We receive you as members of the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

The congregation may celebrate these new members with applause.

+INTERCESSIONS

Carol and David Berg

Responding to God's call to prayer, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

(silence)

Eternal God, you set Jesus Christ to reign over all things and invited us to be servants in your kingdom. You are the most holy ruler of the cosmos. May your sovereign reign be recognized on earth. We pray that you will draw us together and unite us in the love of Christ that we may proclaim with one voice your justice and righteousness in a broken world. Loving God,

Hear our prayer.

Christ Jesus, you came into the world to testify to the Truth. May we listen to your voice speaking Truth to us today. Holy One, enthroned in glory over all creation, you are a shepherd for the lost and the least. Embolden us to advocate for the most vulnerable among us. We pray in particular for those living in places of war and strife including Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and Yemen. Loving God,

Hear our prayer.

You are the Alpha and Omega, who is and who was and who is to come. We come before you with hearts full of gratitude and praise. Thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to gather as your people and glorify you in all that we are and do. In the midst of so many uncertainties around us, we give thanks that you are more majestic than the thunder of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea. Loving God,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for healing to flow to all those who are sick in body, mind, and spirit and pray for those who care for them. We ask that you be with Marilyn Miller; Jackson Murray; Mark Horning, friend of Tony Wald; Merlin Wells; Bill Blood; Ann Schrooten; Katie Schroeder; Kathy Ekwall's friend, Jim Farnes; George Madich; Mike Kelly; Christine and Michael Scanlan; Aric Sorenson and Ty Inglis; James Nysse's cousin, Eric Steckling; Katie Murray's mom Pat; 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*). Loving God,

Hear our prayer.

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

Receive our prayers, God of Compassion, Protection, and Love as we pray in the name of our Creator, Mother, and Father. **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)

I'm Gonna Sing with Over My Head
Children's Choir

arr. Terry D. Taylor

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says "sing," and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
Over my head, There is music in the air. God's love reaches everywhere.
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says "shout," and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
There is music, music, music everywhere.

Gratitude for Erik Gerhardt (8:45)

(11:00)

Song at the Center
Adult Choir

Marty Haugen

From the corners of creation to the center where we stand,
let all things be blessed and holy, all is fashioned by your hand;
Brother wind and sister water, mother earth and father sky,
sacred plants and sacred creatures, sacred people of the land.
In the east, the place of dawning, there is beauty in the morn,
here the seeker finds new visions as each sacred day is born,
All who honor life around them, all who honor life within,
they shall shine with light and glory when the morning breaks again.
In the south, the place of growing, there is wisdom in the earth,
both the painful song of dying and the joyful song of birth;
As the earth gives up her life blood so her children's hearts my beat,
we give back to her our reverence holy ground beneath our feet.
In the north, the place of wisdom, there is holy darkness deep,
here the silent song of mystery may awake you from your sleep
Here the music still and holy sounds beneath the snow and night
in the ones who wait with patience for the coming of the light.
In the west, the place of seeing, there is born a vision new
of the servant of the servants, who proclaimed a gospel true;
Let the creatures of creation echo back creation's prayer,
let the Spirit now breathe through us and restore the sacred there.

+OFFERTORY HYMN

God Alone Be Praised

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



1 O - ceans rise, the coast-land trem-bles; moun-tains melt and dry earth
2 Na - tions rage, the em - pire fal - ters; seek-ing ref - uge, ex - iles
3 Come and see; God's mer - cy gath - ers all that sin and grief have



crum-bles. All the world with long - ing groans. Love a -
wan - der. Walls and weap - ons rise from fear. Through this
shat - tered. Life from fields of death is raised. Peace, be



bides, this gra - cious prom - ise is our help, our hope and
wil - der - ness a riv - er flows to heal and bless us
still; let pride - ful thun - der yield to songs of joy and



so - lace. God's strong word is sol - id ground.
ev - er. God the cru - ci - fied dwells here.
won - der. God and God a - lone be praised.

+OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

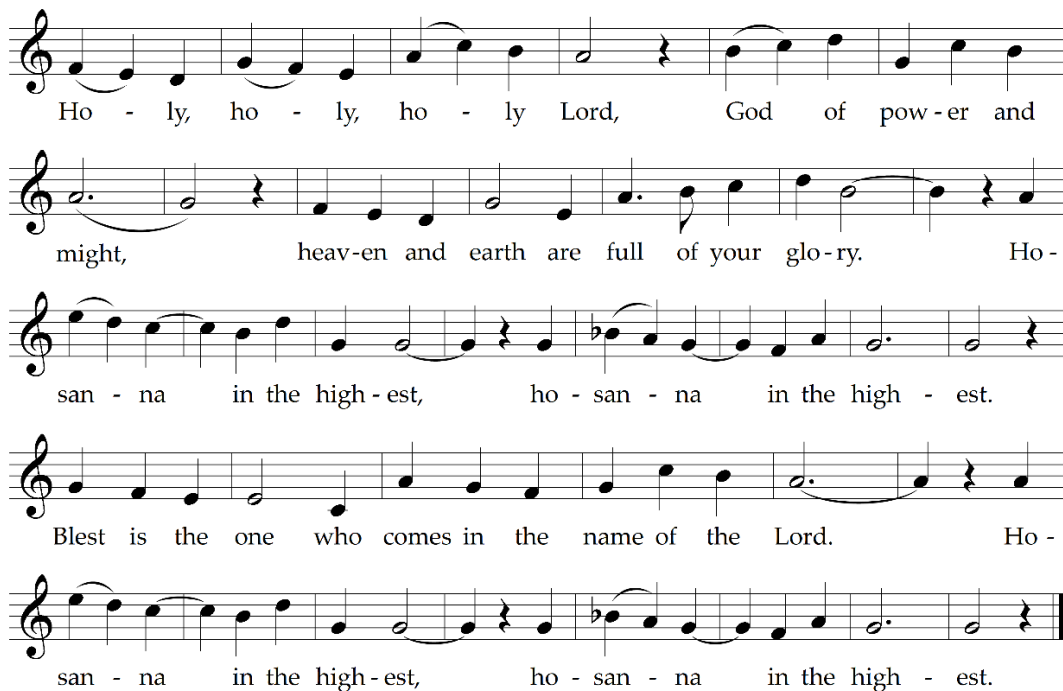
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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 to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them. You raised up prophets among your people and through them spoke your word of life and truth. In your compassion, Jesus came among us lifting up those who were bowed down, feeding the hungry, and setting free those held captive by society's chains. Through his living, dying, and rising, we, too, are raised and made new. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, 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.**

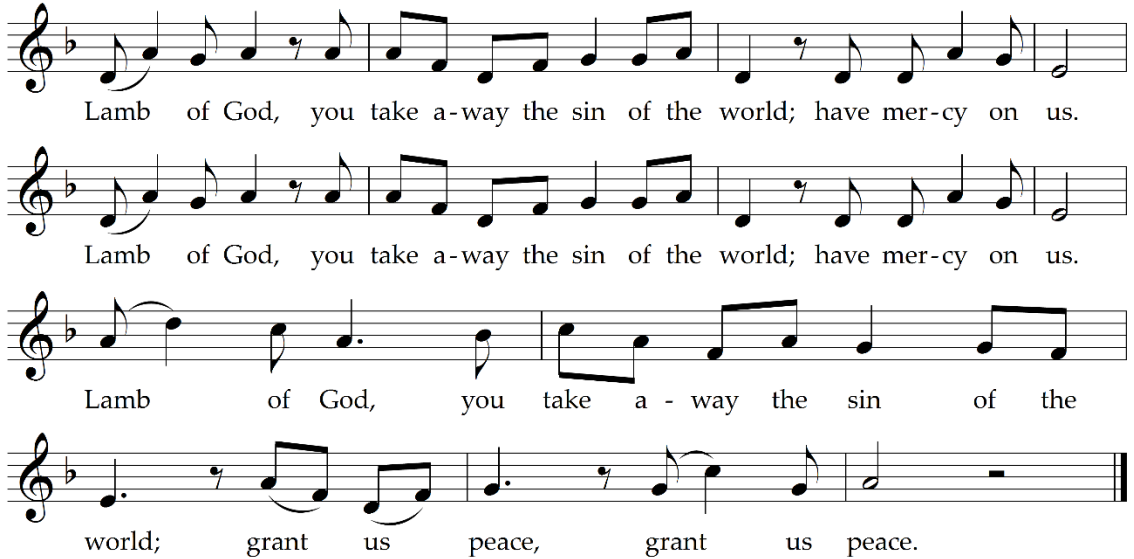
Give us today our daily bread.

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



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.

COMMUNION INVITATION

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger.

(11:00) For those worshipping 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

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning



1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your
 2 Dark-er mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er
 3 Lo, the morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the
 4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your



lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps
 mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er mid - night
 morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the morn - ing
 lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps



trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.
 lies be - fore us, for this work's al - most done.
 soon is break - ing, for this work's al - most done.
 trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.

Refrain



Chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry; chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry;



chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry, for this work's al-most done.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

We Come to the Hungry Feast



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

+BLESSING

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

Amen.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

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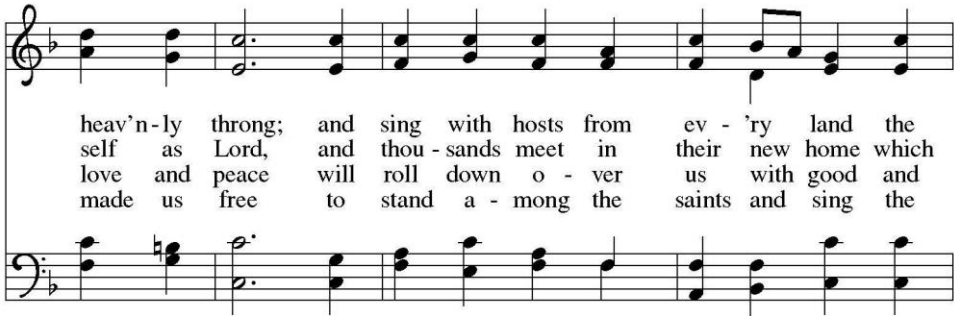
+SENDING HYMN

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand

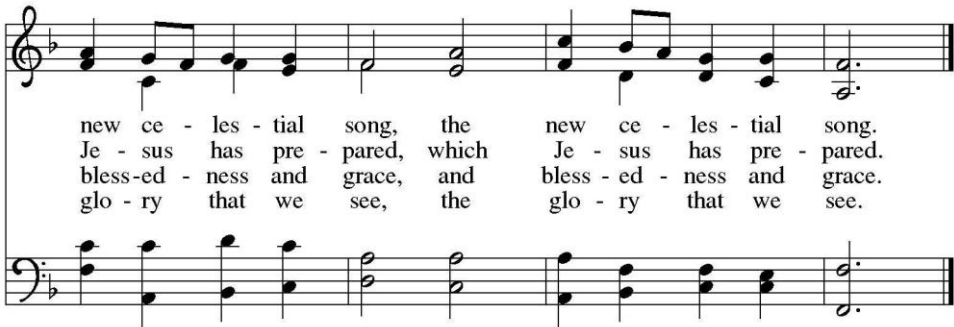
Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders near the baptismal font today.



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the
2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -
3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and
4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has



heav'n - ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the
self as Lord, and thou - sands meet in their new home which
love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and
made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the



new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song.
Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared.
bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace.
glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

+BENEDICTION

May the Creator grant enough,
May the Redeemer ease fears,
May the Comforter hold us all,
✠ now and forever.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE (8:45)

Shine on Me
Cantate & Adult Choir members

arr. Rolo A. Dilworth

Shine on me. I wonder if the lighthouse will shine on me.
Is a light shining above? Is it shining above in the heavens for me?
I'm wondering if there's a light that is shining above in the heavens for me.

(11:00)

Postlude

Raymond Haan

*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: *ELW SETTING NINE*

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Angela Two Stars	Preacher	Angela Two Stars
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Drew Lindorfer	Cantor	Drew Lindorfer
Andrea Hansen	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
Sue Roberts	Communion	Zoe Martinez, Dennis O'Brien
Julie Cahoy, Bob Peschiutta	Ushers	David Rediger, Chris Amundson, Alan Libra
Ginny Jordan	Altar Guild	Doris Gbala
Sue Roberts	Coffee Servers	Pat and Alan Libra
	Counters	John Sulzbach
	Closer	Roberta Shaw

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C O M M U N I T Y I N F O R M A T I O N

PHOTOGRAPHER AT HOLY TRINITY TODAY BETWEEN SERVICES

A photographer will be taking photos of members today between services. If you wish to update your photo in the picture directory, look for the photographer in the narthex or Community Room and ask for a new picture!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WEDNESDAYS IN ADVENT

We are looking for volunteers to help with Advent Evening Soup Suppers (December 4, 11, and 18). For each meal, 4 households would prepare and serve enough soup for 30 people, and one household would prepare 4 boxes of Kraft Mac & Cheese. We also need volunteers to set up and clean up each of these evenings. Sign up in the Community Room.

HONORING SACRED VOICES NOVEMBER 26

Join Pastor Doug on Tuesday, November 26, 5:30 p.m. at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 2315 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis, for a gathering to support All Nation's Indian Church, UCC. There is a sign-up in the Community Room, including some opportunities to bring snacks or bake cookies if you would like. The event begins with a pizza dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by a program. Please indicate on the sign-up if you would like to ride together from Holy Trinity.

ADVENT BAZAAR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 8:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Time to begin planning and honing our culinary and crafting abilities for the youth Advent Bazaar! It will be on Sunday, December 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity. Our youth will sell your generously donated creations in this festive community event that supports summer youth trips and other youth activities. Sign up to contribute in the Community Room. Bring donations to the church building by Friday, December 6, or Saturday morning, December 7. It's okay to just shop! For questions, contact Pat Libra (612-729-5172) or Amy Froiland-Parada (302-419-8124).

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia for the altar area at Christmas, please contact the church office (612-729-8358 or office@htlcmpls.org). Cost is on a sliding scale from \$0-30. Donate according to your ability. The Christmas Eve bulletins will list the names of sponsors and the loved ones they are remembering or honoring.

SOUP FOR YOU! NEEDS PAPER BAGS

Soup for You! has a constant need for brown paper bags. If you can spare a few (or a lot), bring them to the office.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

God has chosen to make a home among us. In our joys and sorrows, in our longing for healing and justice, in our gathering for worship, God promises to embrace us in love.

Please join us for worship and other special events in the coming weeks.

Wednesdays, December 4, 11, 18—Advent Suppers and Evening Prayer Services

All are invited to partake in the free Advent soup suppers on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. in the Community Room. As has been our tradition in years past, we will also gather at 7:00 p.m. for a Service of Evening Prayer in the Sanctuary. People of all ages are invited to worship. Please note: The service on December 18 will be a *Longest Night Service*, honoring the reality that for those experiencing losses or grief, this can be a difficult time of year.

Sunday, December 8—Music Sunday

Hymns, anthems, poetry, and scripture combine as we explore the themes of Advent this morning. The Adult Choir joined with Gloria Ringers will lead worship at both services as we joyfully make music together as a congregation.

Sunday, December 15—Adult Forum Featuring the Advent Hymn Sing

So many hymns, so little time! We'll use the forum hour to get a few more Advent hymns in before the season is over. Join us in the Bartsch Room this week.

Sunday, December 15—Sunday School Advent and Christmas Program

Children and youth will lead our 11:00 a.m. worship service on this day, the third Sunday of the Advent season. Participants will gather in the sanctuary at 9:55 a.m. for a final rehearsal.

Monday, December 23—Church Office Closes at Noon

The church office closes at noon today. We'll reopen and answer the phones again on Thursday, December 26!

Tuesday, December 24—Christmas Eve Worship

We will gather for worship at 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Please join us for a family-friendly service at 4:00 p.m. and a service led by the Adult Choir at 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25—The church office is closed.

Sunday, December 29—One Service only

We will gather on Sunday, December 29, for one service at 10:00 a.m. There are no Godly Play, Trinity Village, Confirmation, or adult forum classes today.

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

Monday, November 25	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, November 26	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Thursday, November 28		Building closed for Thanksgiving
Friday, November 29		Building closed for Thanksgiving
Sunday, December 1	8:45 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM	Worship Service of Holy Communion Adult Forum Worship Service of Holy Communion Swahili Service

ADULT FORUM

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

TODAY “New Member Welcome”

The congregation is invited to come and boldly welcome new members at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room. We’ll hear from current members Pat Libra, Alyson Sorensen, and Ben Koch, who will offer reflections on what it means to be a part of this community of faith. We’ll also be introduced to those choosing to join the congregation, including Sophie Breen, Alex Brandt, Lori Lathrop, Madeline Burbank, Chloe Gil, Mason Gil, Jess Yarger, David (Dave) Herrera Santacruz, Emily O'Brien, Carrie Poster, Paul Poster, Grace Basler, and Rick Lathrop. A photographer will be taking pictures of members for the directory. Grab a breakfast taco in the Community Room at 10:00 a.m. and join in the fun!

December 1 “Clare Housing” Thomas Page

In the ongoing effort to end the HIV epidemic, why does housing matter? How does housing radically improve HIV health outcomes? And why is it a crucial element in stopping the epidemic for good?

Join us for a 45-minute HIV & Homelessness 101 learning session to find out. This program explores how the Housing First model not only enhances the lives of residents with HIV but also plays a key role in preventing HIV transmission within the community.