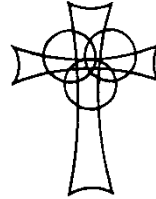
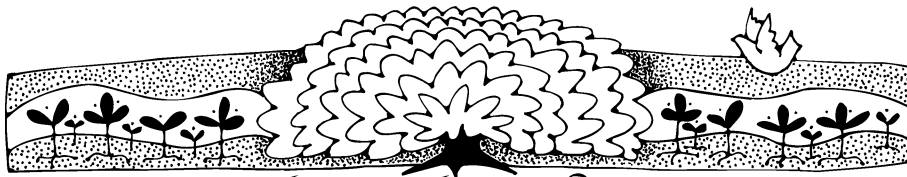


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Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

*The 89th Anniversary of the Founding of Trinity Congregation
October 11, 2020*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! As the seasons change and time continues to run its appointed course, people are always confronted with how change-filled our lives can be. The Pastor and People of Trinity are happy that you have come to worship with us this morning and to receive strength for daily life and living through God's holy Word and Sacraments. We hope and pray that as you go back into the change-filled world we live in, the changeless Christ that we proclaim in this place will go with you.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Lord of the feast, You have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out Your life with abundance. Call us again to Your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

Divine Service, Setting Two
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✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Prelude

“For Many Years, O God of Grace”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

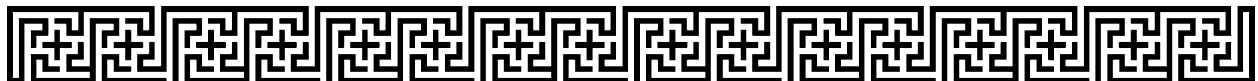
The Opening Hymn

The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 639
“For Many Years, O God of Grace”

- 1 For many years, O God of grace,
This church has been Thy dwelling place
And we Thy congregation.
Upon the precious Cornerstone
Our faith is built, and Christ alone
Is still our one Foundation.
Today We pray:
"Let us greet Thee, Lord, and meet Thee
Here with singing,
All our praises to Thee bringing."**

- 2 Here children have been born anew
As manifold as morning dew,
Their vows to Thee confessing.
Here many found a table spread,
They ate Christ's body with the bread
And drank the cup of blessing.
Today We pray:
"Let none falter At Thine altar,
We adore Thee,
Gladly worship here before Thee."**

The Hymn continues on the next page...



- 3 Here when the marriage vows were made,
Both bride and groom besought Thine aid,
Thy love their own transcending.
Here mourners, with their troubled hearts,
Have found the peace Thy Word imparts,
The joy that has no ending.
Today We pray:
"May the story Of Thy glory
Here resounding
Be a song of grace abounding!"**

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The Invocation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

The Confession of Sins:

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.



✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

- P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- C** **I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;**
my soul shall exult in my God,
- P** for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
- C** **as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,**
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

The *Kyrie Eleison*:

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

The Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Salutation and Collects of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

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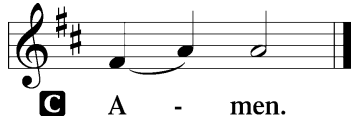
Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.



For the Anniversary of a Congregation:

P Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Epistle

Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

Psalms 91:11; 103:1; Revelation 22:17

P He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

C **Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

P Alleluia. The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come."
Let the one who hears say, "Come."

C **Let the one who is thirsty come;
let the one who desires take the water of life without price. Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day
A Hymn for a Church Anniversary

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By You, O Trinity

*For the People of God at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mount Rainier, Maryland
in thanksgiving to the Triune God on the 90th Anniversary of their founding,
and as a gift of love from their Pastor.*

1. **By You, O Trinity,
We in this place are known.
And gathered by Your Name,
Your praises we proclaim.
Oh, let Your glory shine on us
That we may all Your deeds declare,
That all the world Your love may share.**

2. **O Father, You did make
Each of us as Your own.
Reflecting You, we show
Your care for all You made.
Created by You in great love,
May we always Your mercy share
That all Your life and joy may know.**

3. **O Jesus, Son of God,
Our great Redeemer true,
By Your most precious Blood
Our lives are ever new.
Made Yours by faith and held by grace,
May we ever give You all praise
For all that by Your Cross You won.**

4. **Spirit, whose holy fire,
Our hearts with pow'r enflame,
That we may heed Your Word
And speak it to the world.
O always set our minds above
So that with Christ we may ascend
And share His glory without end.**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

5. **Most Holy Trinity**
Our praise to You we sing
For all these years of grace
Which You have blessed us with.
Remain with us and keep us Yours.
And we will bless You all our days
Until at last we see Your face.

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The Sermon

Come to the Wedding Feast

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed:

- ☩ I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Let us pray that the faithful from every nation would continue to receive from the Lord Jesus His life-giving gifts and daily return to Him their thanksgiving and praise. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that the Lord of the Church would raise up faithful pastors, teachers, and other ministers to proclaim the Word of life to a lost and dying world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that God would bless the faithful with generous hearts, giving freely from the bounty that He has bestowed on them, both in their witnessing the Good News of Christ, and in the sharing of their resources for the building of God's kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that Lord would continue to bless our Trinity Congregation as we remember His blessings to us these past 89 years, and that He would still empower us by the Spirit for bold witness, enrich our life together, bless others through our faithful service, and that the Lord would send all of His faithful people as His witnesses to every place, never tiring of inviting others to hear the Good News of life in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that God would grant the whole world civil rulers who desire what is best for our life together in this world, teaching them forbearance, wisdom, and humility. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that the Lord would bless our nation, our leaders, and those who serve the common good of our people with wisdom and honor as they work to promote peace, safety, security, and justice among us, and for wisdom for all of our citizens as we prepare to vote in the upcoming elections. Lord, in Your mercy.
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray that all those who are plagued with illness or suffer from the challenges of life, especially remembering _____, asking that they would know the healing hand of God, waiting patiently for the relief that He knows to be best for us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray that those who mourn, (especially _____), that they may be comforted with the certainty of life everlasting for all who die in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray that those who rejoice in the rich blessings of God (especially _____), that they may always remember the Giver of every gift and give Him heartfelt thanks. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for all those who have committed themselves to our prayers, (especially _____ and) and for all other things which are unspoken and hidden in our hearts..., that God who knows all and sees all would give His gracious and wise attention to our needs and desires, conforming all to His holy will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray that those who commune this day at the Lord's altar may find peace and life as they eat and drink the Lord's life-giving Body and Blood. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us give thanks and praise to God for the saints who have gone before us. And let us pray that we may look forward with sure confidence to the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

P Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to His grace.
The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

The Congregation is seated.



✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 642

“O Living Bread from Heaven”

- 1 **O living Bread from heaven,
How well You feed your guest!
The gifts that You have given
Have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
Oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
With praises overflows.**
- 2 **My Lord, You here have led me
To this most holy place
And with Yourself have fed me
The treasures of Your grace;
For You have freely given
What earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven,
That now I shall not die.**
- 3 **You gave me all I wanted;
This food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted
The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
The favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit
Bow down before Your throne.**
- 4 **Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow.**

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The Congregation rises.



The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.



C And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

The *Sanctus*:



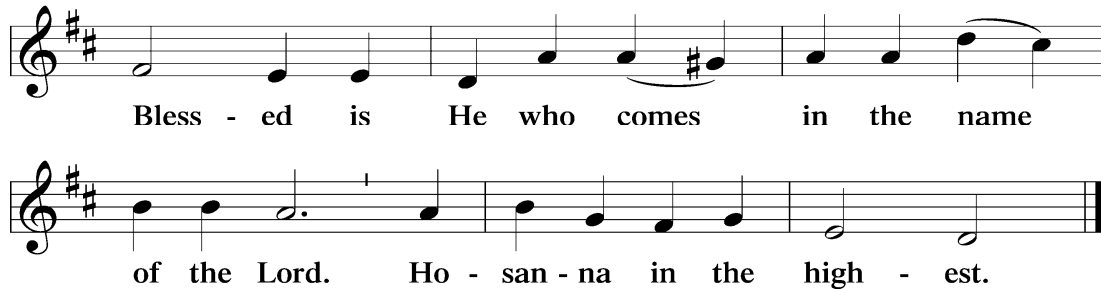
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

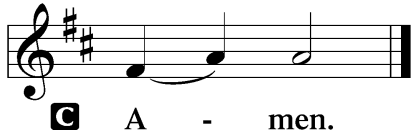
- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord:

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
 In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



The *Agnus Dei*:

C 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.

The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Cantic:

Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

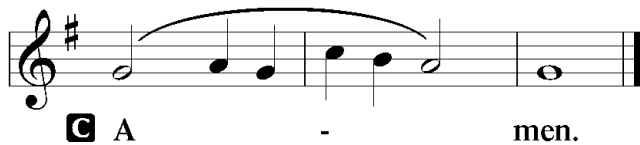


The Benediction:

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 643

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

**1 Sent forth by God’s blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended.
O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

**2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.**

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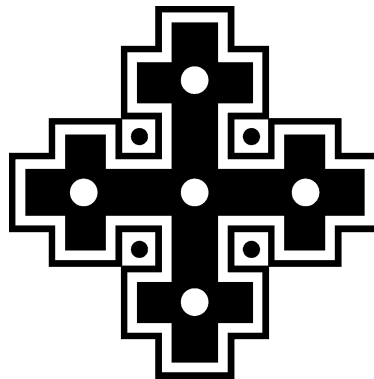
The Silent Worship

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The Postlude

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

✠ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✠



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NOTES AND NEWS

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God in honor of Trinity Congregation's **89th Anniversary.**

OUR NINETIETH YEAR ... Today, October 11th, marks the moment when 89 years ago in 1931 the first Lutheran worship service was held in Mount Rainier and so began what is now Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. As we enter into our 90th year of service to our Lord and our community, may God continue to bless this year as He has every year of our existence and for all the years He wills to grant us into the future yet to come. To God all praise and glory!

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we will be taking our study opportunities on a summer break doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use during the month of October. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... "We've all been asked to testify, to give a witness to what it is that we're looking for. We're always sending messages to the people watching us: this is what I value, this is what I'm looking for." Dr. Michael Zeigler. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, October 18, 2020, for this message by Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "What I'm Looking For", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS...It is that time again when you need to renew your subscription to *The Lutheran Witness* or to become a new subscriber. The current rate for 2021 is **\$12.95** per subscription. The Lutheran Witness has timely, informative articles about the faith life of fellow Missouri Synod Lutherans. If you wish to renew or subscribe, please make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with the notation, Lutheran Witness, and place them in the offering plate. **Deadline for ordering is next Sunday, October 18th.**

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit www.cph.org and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... If you had scheduled a Sunday to donate Altar Flowers during the time when we were away from our church building, and have already paid for them in advance, we would like to still honor your gift by purchasing those flowers for a Sunday service now that we've returned. Please let the church office know which Sunday you would like to sponsor. We also welcome other donors for other available Sundays as well. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY ... This Wednesday at 4:00 PM, Pastor will be livestreaming Devotions and Bible Study from Trinity on Facebook Live. You are welcome to join him either live or by viewing the archived video available on the church Facebook Page. We will revisit our "delivery" of this study opportunity over the coming weeks so that we can be responsive in the best way to our members and friends.

Our opening study for this year will be on the Book of Ecclesiastes. In these days when many are looking for wisdom, we will look at this part of the wisdom literature of the Old Testament to gain insight into God's wisdom and how we might apply it to our own life and living. We hope that you will join us!

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;
Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

SPECIAL FOOD INGATHERING ... Thanks to the generosity of Thrivent Financial and their *Feed Northeast* Thrivent Action Team Incentive Program, we have an opportunity to both gather food and raise funds to help keep the food pantry at our Compassion Center stocked. By collecting 500 food items, Thrivent will donate \$500 to help provide more food for those we serve.

Join us on **Sunday, October 18th, from 12 Noon to 2 PM**, for this special food ingathering. You can drop off your donations for the Compassion Center at Redeemer during those hours. Please consider helping our Center through this “double giving” event.

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, October 18, 2020

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 45:1-7; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11 – 18

May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	4:00 PM	Midweek Devotions and Bible Study (via Facebook Live)
Thursday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Next Sunday	<i>The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	Noon—2 PM	Food Ingathering at Redeemer (at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, October 4, 2020

Worship Attendance: 21; Communed: 17.



Hyattsville Compassion Center

*A shared ministry of
Redeemer & Trinity Congregations
and the Lutheran Mission Society*

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours will be:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM

Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM

Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- ❖ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- ❖ If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- ❖ While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- ❖ Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- ❖ Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- ❖ Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- ❖ Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- ❖ Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- ❖ All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- ❖ Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- ❖ Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of October 11, 2020

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Robert, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; John, relative of Pastor; Dina, niece of Sylvia;
Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen;
Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce;
Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce;
Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce;
Eric, homeless; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim;
Shirley, aunt of Kim; Eric, son of Sylvia; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim;
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Tasha, and her son Layton, friends of Kristina;
Bill, brother of Peter; Robin, friend of Kristina

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Michael & Rebecca McCoyer, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

For 89 years of grace here in this place as Trinity Congregation

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- ✠ For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- ✠ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✠ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✠ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✠ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ✠ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- ✠ All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.