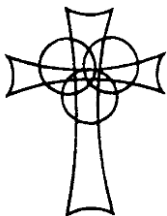


**I can do
all things
through
Him**



**who
strengthens
me.**

Philippians 4:13



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Twentieth
Sunday after
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OCTOBER 15, 2023

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.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

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.

CONCERNING 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. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



THE DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Music for Meditation

The Prelude

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 814

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;
4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.
He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

5 He fills the poor with good;
He gives the suff'ers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud
And justice for th'oppressed.

6. His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
By His belovèd Son.

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 and Absolution:

- 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 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 Collect of the Day:



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

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

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 750

“If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”

We sing Stanzas 1, 3-4, 7

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee And hope in
 3 Be pa - tient and a - wait His lei - sure In cheer-ful
 4 God knows full well when times of glad-ness Shall be the
 7 Sing, pray, and keep His ways un - swerv-ing, Per - form thy

Him through all thy ways, He'll give thee strength, what-e'er be -
 hope, with heart con - tent To take what - e'er thy Fa - ther's
 need - ful thing for thee. When He has tried thy soul with
 du - ties faith - ful - ly, And trust His Word; though un - de -

tide thee, And bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in
 plea-sure And His dis - cern - ing love hath sent, Nor doubt our
 sad - ness And from all guile has found thee free, He comes to
 serv-ing, Thou yet shalt find it true for thee. God nev - er

God's un - chang - ing love Builds on the rock that naught can move.
 in - most wants are known To Him who chose us for His own.
 thee all un - a - ware And makes thee own His lov - ing care.
 yet for - sook in need The soul that trust - ed Him in - deed.

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The Sermon

Joy and Strength through Contentment
 Text: Philippians 4:4-13

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed

- C** 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 while we anxiously await the Lord's return God's people everywhere may never tire 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 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 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. 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 for all the other petitions we have that are unspoken and hidden in our hearts..., and we pray that our God who knows all and sees all would give His gracious and wise attention to all of our needs and desires, conforming all things 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 Ignatius of Antioch, St. Luke the Evangelist, and all of 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 Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

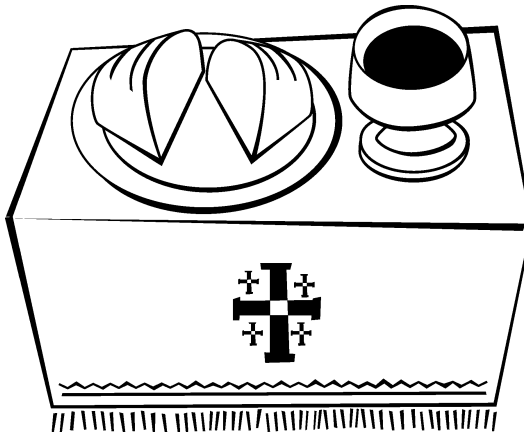
The Sharing of the Peace:

P "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name," says the Lord, "there am I in the midst of them."

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 # 639

“Wide Open Stand the Gates”



1 Wide o - pen stand the gates a - dorned with pearl, While
 2 He speaks the Word the bread and wine to bless: “This
 3 The cher - u - bim, their fac - es veiled from light, While



round God’s gold - en throne The choirs of saints in
 is My flesh and blood!” He bids us eat and
 saints in won - der kneel, Sing praise to Him whose



end - less cir - cles curl, And joy - ous praise the Son!
 drink with thank - ful - ness This gift of ho - ly food.
 face with glo - ry bright No earth - ly masks con - ceal.



They watch Him now de - scend - ing To vis - it wait-ing earth.
 All hu - man thought must fal - ter— Our God stoops low to heal,
 This sac - ra - ment God gives us Binds us in u - ni - ty,



The Lord of Life un - end - ing Brings dy - ing hope new birth!
 Now pres - ent on the al - tar, For us both host and meal!
 Joins earth with heav’n be - yond us, Time with e - ter - ni - ty!

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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.



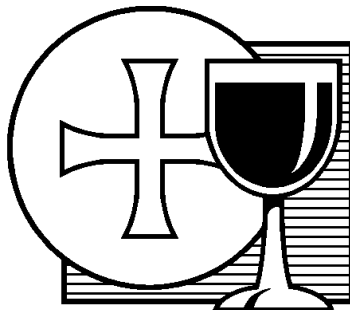
C We lift them to the Lord.

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.
 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
 of the Lord. 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."

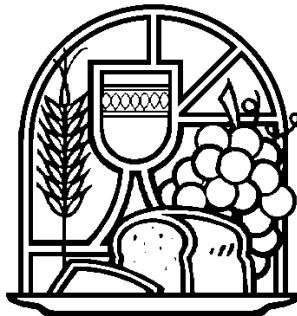
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - - men.



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

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 636

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

We sing Stanzas 1, 5-8



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
 5 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, Tru - est
 6 Je - sus, sun of life, my splen - dor, Je - sus,
 7 Lord, by love and mer - cy driv - en, You once
 8 Je - sus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me



gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day - light's
 friend, and dear - est trea - sure, Peace be - yond all un - der -
 friend of friends, most ten - der, Je - sus, joy of my de -
 left Your throne in heav - en On the cross for me to
 glad - ly here o - bey You. By Your love I am in -




splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 stand - ing, Joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:
 sir - ing, Fount of life, my soul in - spir - ing:
 lan - guish And to die in bit - ter an - guish,
 vit - ed, Be Your love with love re - quit - ed;



Bless the One whose grace un - bound - ed This a - maz - ing
 Hum - bly now, I bow be - fore You; Love in - car - nate,
 At Your feet I cry, my mak - er, Let me be a
 To fore - go all joy and glad - ness And to shed Your
 By this Sup - per let me mea - sure, Lord, how vast and



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
 I a - dore You; Wor - thi - ly let me re -
 fit par - tak - er Of this bless - ed food from
 blood in sad - ness. By this blood re - deemed and
 deep love's trea - sure. Through the gift of grace You



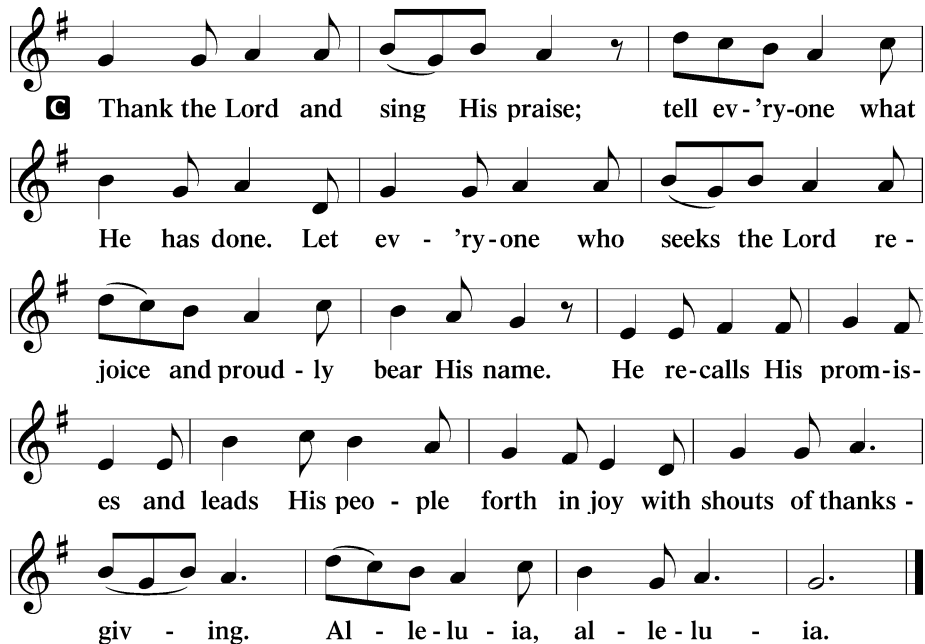
ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive You And, so fa - vored, nev - er leave You.
 heav - en, For our good, Your glo - ry, giv - en.
 liv - ing, Lord, I praise You with thanks - giv - ing.
 give me As Your guest in heav'n re - ceive me.

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The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord

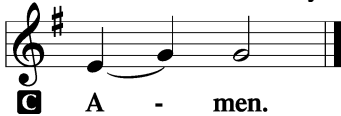


☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is -
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 803

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
 △ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 Chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.
 Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

Text: Henry Van Dyke, 1852–1933, alt.

Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1796–1867

Text and tune: Public domain

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

✕ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✕

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Divine Service, Setting Two from *Lutheran Service Book*

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THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

The Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

The Lector

George Kurtzweil

The Communion Assistant

Waymond Joynes

The Worship Assistant

Paul Ritter

The Parish Musician

Skip Hall

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NOTES AND NEWS

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

SERMON SERIES ... During the “Green Seasons of the Church Year”, the Lectionary takes us through a semi-continuous series of readings from the Epistles and the Gospel that is focused on for the year, with Matthew being used in Year A. This Sunday, we conclude our look at Paul’s Epistle to the Philippians. Sometimes called “Paul’s letter of Joy”, it gives us encouragement to live each day, regardless of the circumstances we find ourselves in, with a joyous confidence in God and His love and grace.

TODAY ... the members of the Ministry Planning Group (MPG) will meet following worship to tend to matters that shape our life and ministry as a congregation. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with Congregational President, Helen Joynes.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2023 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord’s Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$35.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

TREASURER’S NOTE:

With this bulletin we're bringing back a feature from our old bulletins: a list of the previous month’s offerings and how it compares to the income needed to meet our budget. Additionally, this provides an opportunity for an early preview of our financial summary for 2023.

So, here are September's figures:

Offerings received for the month: \$8,858.00

Income needed in September to meet the budget: \$10,829.44

Looking at the entire year, for January through July our offerings were roughly 10% short. In August, they were almost right on target, while in September they were short as listed above. Overall expenses have been basically on target throughout the year, though some individual items have deviated. This has translated into us needing to take out \$8,000 from our Thrivent fund to cover 2023 expenses—\$4,000 on May 1, and another \$4,000 on July 1. Along with \$5,000 that we took out in early January to cover past due (2022) bills, we’ve withdrawn \$13,000 since last December. As of October 5th, the current balance in our Thrivent accounts is \$37, 696.

I’m always impressed and awed by the generosity of this congregation—and the above figures include Mekane Jesus’ much-appreciated regular giving as well. I’ve found it helpful to realize that if everyone increased their offerings by about 10% (maybe a *bit* more), we would probably be in good shape. We've increased our own very modest family offerings by 10%, and I hope others might do so too, or whatever they think is appropriate, giving from the heart as each is able.

– Michael McCoyer, Treasurer

LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Hebrews 6-7 on Sharper Iron’s “The New Covenant in Christ” (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET), study the book of Jonah and begin the Gospel of Mark on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. ET), and study “The Mass” in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (October 21 at 11:00 a.m. ET). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... Hear about the Savior Who walks beside us, at our pace, and teaches us to walk with others. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, October 22, 2023, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Matching Pace", locally on WFX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station’s range you may listen online to WFX worldwide at WFX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under “Media” and “The Lutheran Hour”.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK’S COMMEMORATIONS...

October 17 **Ignatius of Antioch, Pastor & Martyr**
October 18 **St. Luke, Evangelist**

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints’ days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. 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 ongoing time of 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.

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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 they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

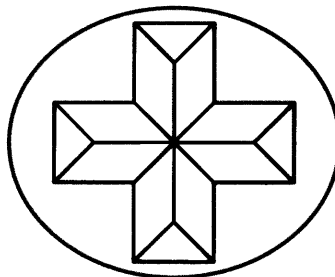
Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM
Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...

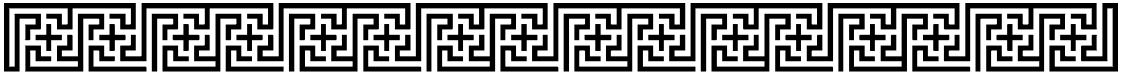
The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost (LSB Proper 24A), October 22, 2023

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



PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 – 22
May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM Ministry Planning Group Meeting
	12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open
Thursday	9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open
Next Sunday	<i>The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</i>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Worship Attendance: 24; Communed: 23.

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✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of October 15, 2023

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Diane, John Tyler, Waymond, Alan, Kate, August, David, Ernie, Paul, Art & Shirley, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda;
Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;
Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy;
Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;
George, friend of Dave & Joyce; Danny, friend of Dave & Joyce;
Paul III, grandson of Paul; Ralph, uncle of Vincent & Tracy;
Cynthia, friend of Kim; Craig, friend of the Praticos; Oliver, son of David & Lisbeth;
Yvonne, relative of Carole; Bea, sister of Waymond; Doris, mother of Vincent;
Dee, Godmother of David; Kay, sister of Carole; John, father-in-law of Kristina;
Billy, co-worker of Judy; Tyler, son of coworker of Paul;
Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ 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 the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✠ 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 an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.

- ✘ 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 shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



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Sunday Mornings:
Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live
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The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor



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