AND YOU SHALL KNOW THE PLANT OF THE SHALL MAKE YOU FREE!

JOHN 8:32

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Reformation Day



October 31

Confirmation Sunday October 31, 2021

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

Almighty God, through the preaching of Your servants, the blessed Reformers, You have caused the light of the Gospel to shine forth. Grant, we pray, that knowing its saving power, we may faithfully guard and defend it against all enemies, and joyfully proclaim it for the salvation of souls and the glory of Your holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

Divine Service, Setting Two Lutheran Service Book, Page 167ff

₩ In the Name of Jesus Christ ₩

▼ The Preparation **▼**

The Music for Meditation

The Flute & Piano Prelude

"Find Us Faithful"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 506

"Glory Be to God the Father"

- 1 Glory be to God the Father,
 Glory be to God the Son,
 Glory be to God the Spirit:
 Great Jehovah, Three in One!
 Glory, glory
 While eternal ages run!
- 2 Glory be to Him who loved us,
 Washed us from each spot and stain;
 Glory be to Him who bought us,
 Made us kings with Him to reign!
 Glory, glory
 To the Lamb that once was slain!
- 3 Glory to the King of angels,
 Glory to the Church's King,
 Glory to the King of nations;
 Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
 Glory, glory
 To the King of glory sing!

The Hymn concludes on the next page...

4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory,
Glory to the King of kings!

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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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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

Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

- I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]; and shall not be put to shame.
- I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.
- Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
- 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.
- I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]; and shall not be put to shame.

The Kyrie Eleison:

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



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



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



The Hymn of Praise This Is the Feast This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia. is Christ, the Lamb Wor - thy who was slain, whose blood free to be peo-ple of God. set us Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and hon - or and bless-ing glo - ry His. and vic-to-ry for our God. is the feast \mathbf{of} Al - le -This with all Sing the peo - ple of lu ia.

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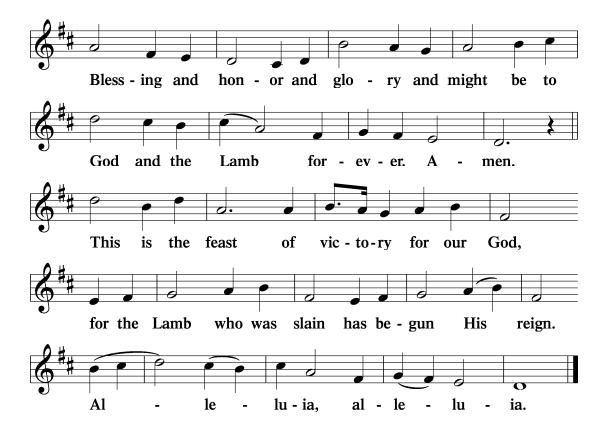
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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

The First Reading Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

"Set Us Free, Lord"

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel John 8:31-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 655

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are Lord of lords alone; Defend Your holy Church that we May sing Your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth; Support us in our final strife And lead us out of death to life.

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The Sermon You Will Know the Truth



▼ The Sacred Rite of Confirmation **▼**

The Confirmation Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 861

"Christ Be My Leader"

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day; Safe through the darkness, for He is the Way. Gladly I follow, my future His care, Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth, Drifting or doubting, for He is the Truth. Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand, Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; Death cannot hold me, for He is the Life. Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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The Hymn concluded, the catechumens present themselves before the altar and the Pastor addresses them.

- Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord's bidding. Jesus said, "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the Name of the Lord.
- **P** Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- R Yes, I do.
- **P** Do you renounce the devil?
- R Yes, I renounce him.
- **P** Do you renounce all his works?
- **R** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- **R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- **R** *Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.*
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?
- Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- **R** Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
- P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?
- \mathbb{R} I do.
- **P** Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?
- \mathbb{R} I do.
- **P** Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- **R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- **P** Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- **R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- **R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.



The catechumens, each in turn, give their right hand and kneel. The Pastor, in remembrance of their Baptism, lays his hands upon the head of each, anointing them with the Oil of Chrism, and gives the following blessing. A confirmation text is then given.

- [Name], the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life + everlasting.
- R Amen.

After the confirmands have received the blessing and text of Scripture, each then receive a candle lighted from the Paschal Candle's flame.

- At your Baptism, a candle was given to you as a reminder for you to live by the Light of Christ and by your living to be prepared and ready to enter into the joys of eternal life. Now, as you have affirmed your faith and allegiance to Christ and His Church, receive again the Light of Christ and remember always to "fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you" that you may be bold and courageous witnesses in the world to the faith that our gracious God has worked and will continue to work within you.

 from 2 Timothy 1:6-7
- Let us pray.

 Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving Name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,

our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

C Amen.

forever.

- Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by His blood. Renew in them the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His Body and Blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen them to believe that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable them to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and their neighbor and to bear the cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of their bodies to life immortal; 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 Pastor blesses the confirmands, saying:

- \blacksquare Peace + be with you.
- C Amen.

The Song of Welcome

"All of Us Are Welcome" – The Trinity Singers

The confirmands return to their places in the Congregation.

▼ The Service of Prayer **▼**

The Congregation rises.

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.
- Remember, heavenly Father, Your holy Church, which Your Son redeemed to be His beloved Bride by His own blood and which Your Spirit has gathered to You in living faith. Protect Your people from every deceit of the enemy and strengthen them in their mission of proclaiming Your Gospel to every creature. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Remember, Lord, all pastors, teachers, deaconesses, and missionaries of Your Church. Grant them to hold and teach the faith once delivered to the saints, boldly proclaiming to the world the righteousness that is wholly Your gift in the Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Remember, Lord, our Trinity and Mekane Yesus congregations, and every congregation of our Synod, and strengthen us to be bold confessors of the hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Remember, Lord, our confirmands—Sarah, Deborah, and Ruth—and all Your people, and grant that all of us remain faithful to our Baptism, strengthened to live out the faith all of our days through the blessings You daily give to us in Your holy Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Remember, Lord, all the nations of the world. Grant peace to all places where strife and trouble reign. Thwart the schemes of those who promote lawlessness and violence, and sustain the countless number who suffer at the hands of the wicked. Grant all people good and faithful rulers who seek the common good, and especially in our own nation as we elect our own leaders in this season, so that all may live in peace and quietness. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

P	Remember, Lord, all who cry out to You for healing in their lives, especially Behold, visit, and relieve them, granting to each hurting heart what You know to be best for their eternal wellbeing. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Remember, Lord, all those who mourn the death of loved ones <i>(especially)</i> . By the proclamation of Christ's victory over death grant comfort and assurance that all who die in Christ will surely rise to eternal life on the Last Day. Help us all to live each day in that confidence so that we may face our final hour in confidence and hope. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Remember, Lord, all those who celebrate Your great and abundant blessings to them, especially Continue to bring them joy and move us all to be ever thankful for all the blessings that come to us from Your loving hand. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Remember, Lord, every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have, especially remembering, as well as the requests of those who have asked for our prayers, which we present to You from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts And we pray You to hear and accept our prayers, granting us all things that seem best for us according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Remember, Lord, all who approach Your holy altar today, that they may find in the gift of the Savior's Body and Blood, assurance of Your love, hope for the future, and strength to bear their crosses with grace and confidence. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Thanks and praise to You, Lord, for all those who have gone on before us, boldly confessing in word and deed the freedom that our Lord Jesus Christ has brought to the world. We especially thank You on this day for Martin Luther, Phillip Melanchthon, Martin Chemnitz, and all others who were leaders of every time and place who boldly and courageously confessed our Lutheran Christian faith. May we, like them, ever stand firm in the truth of Your Word and come at last to the everlasting joys which You have prepared for those who believe and trust in Your salvation alone. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

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Amen.

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

The Sharing of the Peace:

- 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 # 617

"O Lord, We Praise Thee"

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy Body and Thy Blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish:

O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy Body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy Blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need:

O Lord, have mercy!

- 2 Thy holy Body into death was given, Life to win for us in heaven. No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this Feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy! Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee That Thy Blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
 - Peace with God once more is made:

O Lord, have mercy!

3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion!
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity:
O Lord, have mercy!

The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

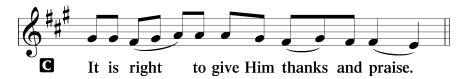
P The Lord be with you.



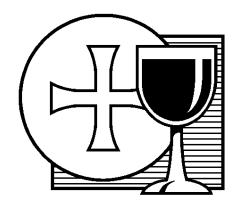
P Lift up your hearts.



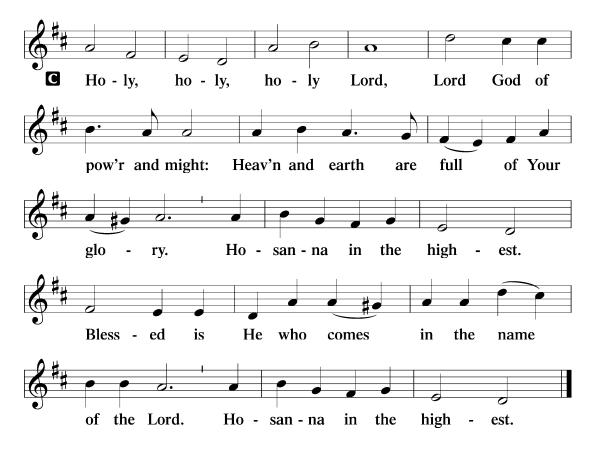
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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; for You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, in which the blessed apostles and evangelists proclaimed Your divine and saving Gospel. Therefore with patriarchs and prophets, apostles and evangelists, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Sanctus:



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:
- 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:

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."

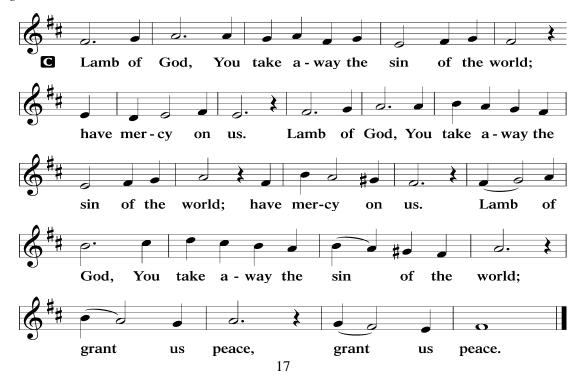
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



The Agnus Dei:



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.

Music at the Distribution: "Come, Let Us Eat" – The Trinity Singers

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

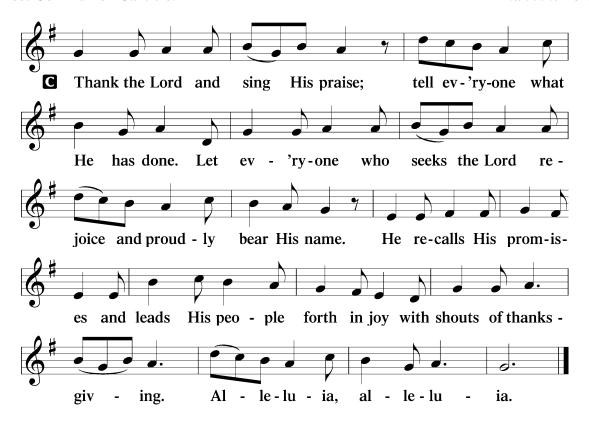
The Eucharistic Blessing:

- 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 Collect:

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Benediction:

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.



"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

- A mighty Fortress is our God,
 A trusty Shield and Weapon;
 He helps us free from ev'ry need
 That hath us now o'ertaken.
 The old evil foe
 Now means deadly woe;
 Deep guile and great might
 Are his dread arms in fight;
 On earth is not his equal.
- With might of ours can naught be done,
 Soon were our loss effected;
 But for us fights the Valiant One,
 Whom God Himself elected.
 Ask ye, Who is this?
 Jesus Christ it is,
 Of Sabaoth Lord,
 And there's none other God;
 He holds the field forever.
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill,
 All eager to devour us,
 We tremble not, we fear no ill;
 They shall not overpow'r us.
 This world's prince may still
 Scowl fierce as he will,
 He can harm us none.
 He's judged; the deed is done;
 One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain
 Nor any thanks have for it;
 He's by our side upon the plain
 With His good gifts and Spirit.
 And take they our life,
 Goods, fame, child, and wife,
 Though these all be gone,
 Our vict'ry has been won;
 The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

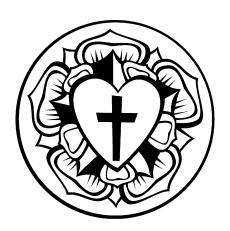
The Piano & Organ Postlude

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

▼ To God All Praise and Glory! ▼

Those Who Serve Us Today in Worship

The Celebrant & Preacher
The Choir
The Trinity Singers
The Flutist
Susan Kennedy
The Percussionist
The Pianist
The Parish Musician
The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
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NOTES AND NEWS

The flowers on the Altar today have been given to the Glory of God in honor of our confirmands.

OUR CONFIRMANDS ... Today, we rejoice over three growing Christians as they confirm their Baptismal faith and promises, and as they are admitted to the Lord's Supper.

Received into Communicant Membership at Trinity:

Sarah Lydia McCoyer Confirmation Text: John 8:12

Admitted to the Lord's Supper as members of

the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland:

Deborah AntenehConfirmation Text: Psalm 25:4-5 **Ruth Anteneh**Confirmation Text: Proverbs 30:5

May God and His richest blessings attend these young women in their continued faith and growth of their spiritual lives.

BAPTISM SERVICE ... Lord willing, we will celebrate a special Baptism Service this coming Wednesday for Owen Ricagno, son of Michelle Varona & Andrew Ricagno, and for Penelope Varona, daughter of David and Lizbeth Varona. May God bring these children safely to the waters of life and rebirth that we may rejoice in their being gathered into the number of Christ's flock.

TIME CHANGE REMINDER... Don't forget to set your clocks **back** one hour next weekend as Daylight Savings Time comes to an end on Saturday.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... The story of David and Bathsheba is a scandalous tale of adultery, treachery, and murder—but it also shows God's undeserved mercy for David and for us. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday November 7, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "The Father of Solomon, by Uriah's Wife", 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.

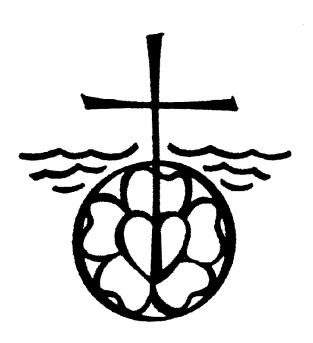
COVID UPDATE ... As the County Executive has reinstated the indoor mask mandate in our area, we kindly ask those attending worship in person to once again wear their masks while inside the church building. Our prayer continues to be that the Lord will continue to look on us and our world in mercy and continue to keep us from harm even as we all do those things which we can to keep one another as safe and healthy as possible.



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.

PARISH CALENDAR ... With the world gone topsy-tervy during "COVID time", many things that were somewhat routine here at Trinity were put aside to concentrate on week-by-week concerns. One of those things was keeping an up-to-date monthly calendar which would have been included in our quarterly *Trinity Tribune*. Though we are not yet sure about a return of the *Tribune* at this time, we will have the monthly calendar available again on our church website. To view the calendar, please visit www.tlcmr.org, and click on the "Calendar" link, found under the "Current Events & News" tab on the menu bar found under the church's picture. We hope you will find this helpful.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2021 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 \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).



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

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Feast of All Saints (Observed), November 7, 2021 Scripture Readings: Revelation 7:9-17; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12



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 are:

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.)
- As the county has reinstated the indoor mask mandate, we ask everyone to once again wear a mask while in the church building.
- Physical Distancing Requirements have been lifted, so you are free to sit where and as you wish. Use your own best judgement as to how close you wish to sit to others.
- 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.
- 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.

Thank you all for your continued patience and concern for one another during this time.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31 – NOVEMBER 7 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Festival of the Reformation

8:30 AM Bible Study

9:30 AM Worship Service with the Rite of

Confirmation and Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

11:00 AM Fellowship

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

Monday10:00 AM - 4:00 PMCompassion Center OpenTuesday9 AM - NoonChurch Office Open

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Wednesday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open

1:00 PM Baptism Service

Thursday 9 AM—Noon Church Office Open

Next Sunday The Feast of All Saints (observed)

8:30 AM Bible Study

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

11:00 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, October 24, 2021 Worship Attendance: 22; Communed: 19.



🛚 O Christ, Hear Us! 🔻

Intercessions for the Week of October 31, 2020

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Angela, and David, Sr.

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; Alan, cousin of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Joyce, friend of the Peeles; Cora, aunt of Tracy; Catelyn, step-grandaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim; Sandy, relative of Kim; Cherra, mother-in-law of Meghan; Jim, friend of Judy; Scott & Tori, friends of Matt; Ray & Barbara, relatives of Rick; Nathan, son of Art

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

Cassidy Bowman, Kodie Hagedorn, and Roxanne Elias, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

For our Confirmands: Sarah, Deborah, and Ruth.

For Owen & Penelope, who will be Baptized this week.

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.
- $f \varpi$ 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.