

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, $2025 \cdot 10:30$ AM

about this community Trinity Lutheran Church is a diverse Christian community committed to sharing and teaching the Word of God. We welcome all people and serve to provide Christian education, witness and outreach. In response to God's grace, we are called to support and advocate for our dynamic community, care for others, worship God, develop leaders in our faith, and steward the gifts we have been given by God.

> Our Values: Love + Community + Inclusion + Service + Creativity + Faithfulness + Learning

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today's worship

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the meantime. The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Do not be weary in doing what is right."

Please silence all electronic devices before the service.

You are invited to participate throughout the service with the **bold** responses and in all hymns.

GATHERING

prelude Frelude from Suite in E Major

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

welcome Pr. Stephanie Jaeger

introit All That Hath Life and Breath

Rene Clausen (b. 1953)

All that hath life and breath, praise ye the Lord! Shout to the Lord, hallelujah! Sing praise, give thanks, hallelujah!

confession and forgiveness

+ the sign of the cross is used throughout the service to symbolize the Holy Trinity and Christ's crucifixion—some may choose to cross themselves

Please stand for Confession and Forgiveness
Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Faithful God,

you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths.

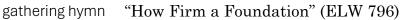
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.

We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth.

We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.

Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, + in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. Amen.



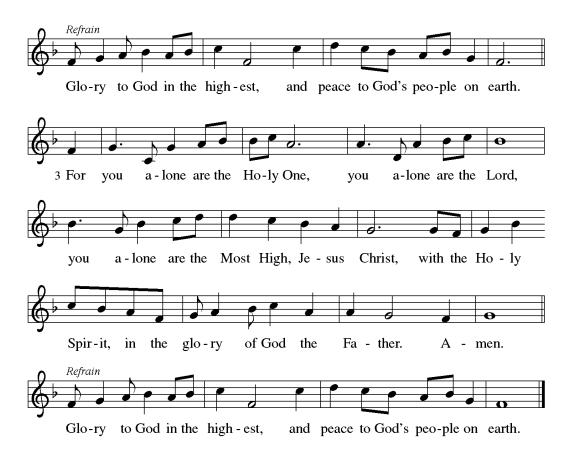


Text: J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt. Music: Early American

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion greeting of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.



(turn page for remainder of the song of praise)



prayer of the day

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

All are seated

children's message Children are invited forward for a message with Pr. Stephanie

Word

first reading Malachi 4:1-2a

A reading from Malachi.

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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



psalm 98 The choir sings through the refrain once, all repeat



Tone



The choir sings the non-bold verses, the congregation joins on the bold verses

- Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done | marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.
- ²O LORD, you have made | known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.
- ³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the 1 house of Israel;
 - all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.
- ⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands; lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.
- ⁵ Sing to the LORD | with the harp, with the harp and the | voice of song.
- ⁶With trumpets and the sound | of the horn shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.
- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and ¹ all that fills it, the world and those who ¹ dwell therein.
- 8 Let the rivers | clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to | judge the earth.
- ⁹ The LORD will judge the | world with righteousness and the peo- | ples with equity. *Refrain*

second reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

A reading from Second Thessalonians.

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Gospel Acclamation

gospel acclamation The cantor sings the Gospel Acclamation once, all repeat



gospel reading Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶ "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

⁹ "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

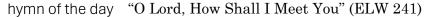
¹² "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated for the Sermon sermon Pr. Stephanie Jaeger

Please stand for the Hymn of the Day





Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676; tr. composite Music: Johann Crüger, 1598-1662

the apostles' creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins. the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

prayers

The assisting minister leads our prayers. You are invited to respond to each petition as follows:

...God of grace,

Receive our prayer.

At the end of the prayers, the pastor says We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unvielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The peace and love of Jesus Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

During the passing of the peace, many will shake hands, hug, or simply make a peace sign

After exchanging a sign of peace, please be seated

announcements Please see this week's Trinity Times for announcements

thanksgiving and We offer thanksgivings and a blessing for Tim and Jan Pranschke as they blessing prepare to move out-of-state.

offering



The offering collected this Sunday supports the ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church. Our inclusive congregation has special commitments to the arts, addressing hunger and poverty in our community, and Christian education. Help us bring the healing love of God into the world by donating generously. To give online, scan the QR code.

anthem at the offertory A Song of Thanksgiving

John Ferguson (1941-2025)

Lord! You have been our refuge from one generation to another. Your love never ceases, your mercies never end. For you are good, O Lord. Your steadfast love endures forever and ever. Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. Lord! You have been our refuge from one generation to another. Amen.

presentation of the offering Please stand for the Presentation of the Offering



Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882-1963

Music: A. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck, 1626

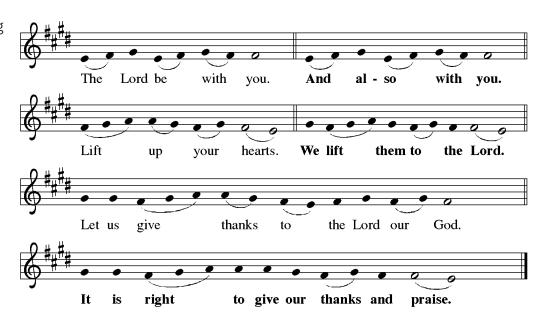
The assisting minister leads us in prayer

offering prayer

Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
but on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
to bless all who are suffering and in need,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

MEAL

the great thanksgiving

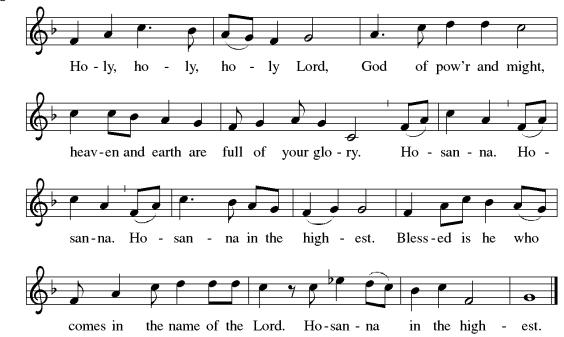


The pastor continues chanting

preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

sanctus



thanksgiving at the table

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

the lord's prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

invitation to communion Jesus welcomes all, sinners and saints, and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace. We commune today at the kneelers at the front row of pews. Come forward to the kneeler closest to you via the center aisle, as indicated by the usher. You will receive the host from the pastor and wine or grape juice from the assistant. You may leave your used cup in the white bowls at the start of the side aisles as you return to your seats.

agnus dei sung in either English or Spanish, whichever is most familiar



communion hymn "When Peace Like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)" (ELW 785)



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888 Music: Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat Music: Irish traditional After communion, all stand and receive the blessing

table blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ + strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

Amen.

The Assisting Minister leads us in prayer

prayer after communion

Let us pray.

O God,

through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

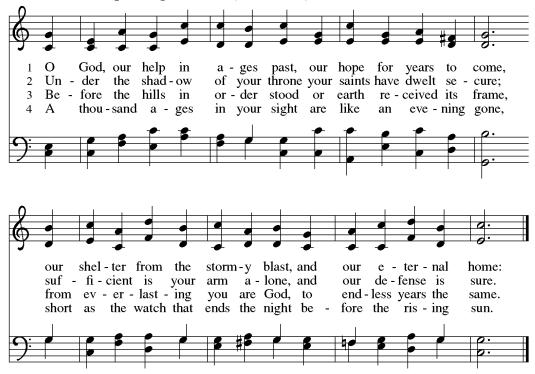
SENDING

blessing

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever.

Amen.





Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549-1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

Music: Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1556-1622

dismissal Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

postlude Fugue in E-Flat Major, "St. Anne," BWV 552

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning! We would love to meet you at Coffee Hour downstairs after the service.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher & Presider Rev. Dr. Stephanie Jaeger

Assisting Minister Richard Schrader

Organist Trent Whisenant

Altar Guild Lorraine & Richard Schrader

Ushers Regina Pearsall

Counters Kathy Klein & Hillie Grossarth

Livestream Tech Peyton Bloom

IN OUR PRAYERS

Justin Solomon, Cindy Roberti, Pat Zulch, Sean Reardon, Lori Homan, Dianne Bombardi, Joseph Campitiello, Barbie Parker, Amy Fittapaldi, Vincent Pizzolo, Gonca Latif-Schmitt and her family, Rita Fowler, Josie Honus, David Dowling, Jörg and Madeline Dreusicke, Jasmine Drake, Joanna Smith, Perry Summerford, Denise Melious, Maria Alvarez Castro, Friends and Family of Phillip Herbst, Angel Luis Rios, Marlies Meyer, Glen Danischewski, Ronnie Bero, Mary Bruno, Pennington Family, Carmen Cognetta, Deacon Margaret Ann O'Donnell, Migdalia Jimenez, Jessica Desens, Edith Piazza, Alice Evensen, Sean C. Sweeney, Janet A. Cleary, George Turner, Christopher Jarrett, Meah Guzman, Carmen Aponte, and James Ciccolella

For those in our armed services, especially Joshua Lentini, Sgt George E Turner, and the US Army

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