



THE HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10:00 AM

MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Congregational words are in bold print.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

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Everything you need for
worship is in this bulletin.

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All who trust that
Christ is present in Holy
Communion are invited to
receive Him with us today.

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Please silence your cell
phone.

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Children are always
welcome in our worship!
Classroom 4 in the Annex
has space for nursing,
changing, or a sensory
break, if necessary.

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Our AED is mounted on
the wall in the stairway
next to the baptismal font.

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At Trinity, we welcome
all LGBTQ+ people as
full participants in our
common life. We're proud
to proclaim this publicly in
our city and wider church
as a Reconciling in Christ
congregation.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Arr. by Gilbert M. Martin



Please stand in body or spirit and face the rear of the nave.

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 and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

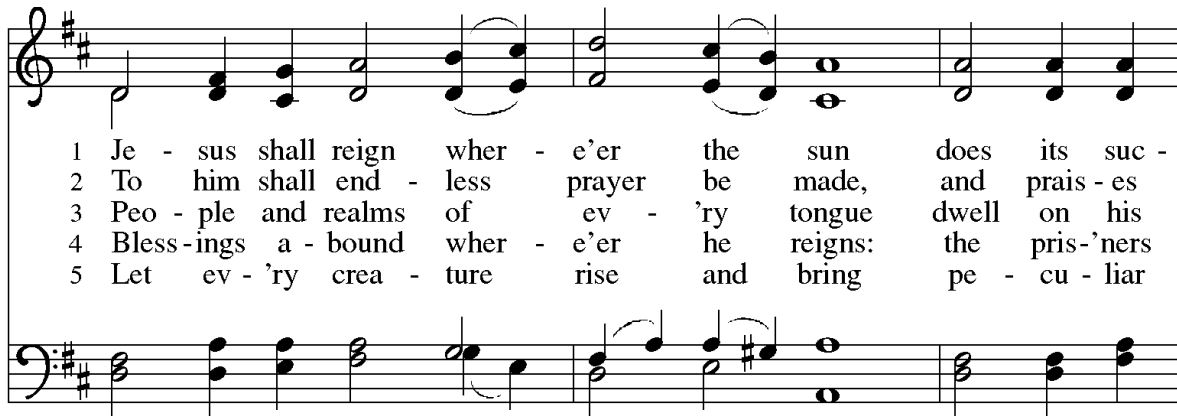
God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

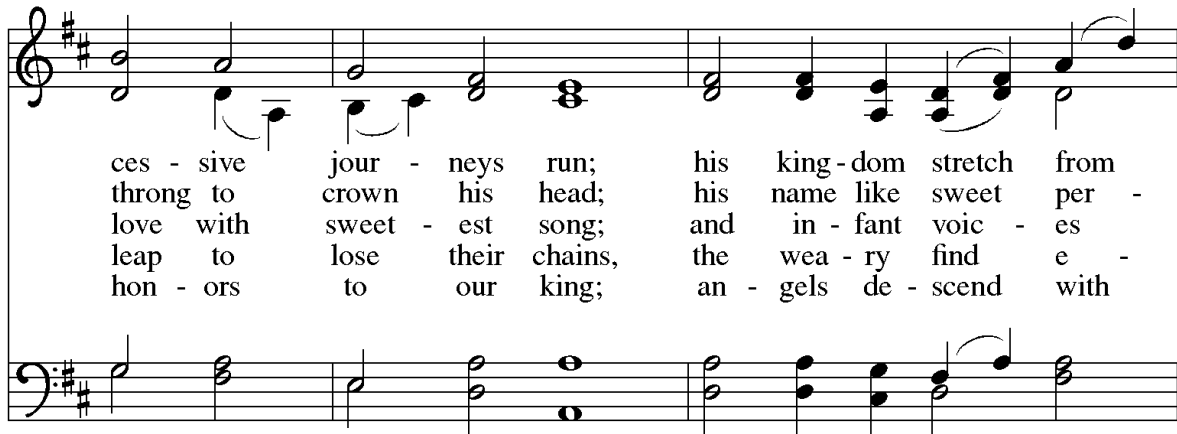
In the name of † Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN - ELW 434 - Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Refrain
 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated.

FIRST READING: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

Daniel trembles in the presence of an angel. That angel tells the prophet about the good and terrible future when the dead will be resurrected and the archangel Michael will usher in the deliverance of the nation.

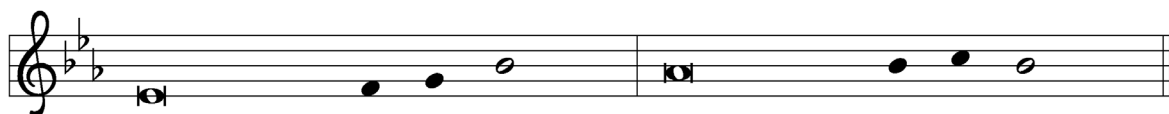
After the reading:

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22

The choir introduces the refrain. The congregation repeats the refrain and sings the refrain where indicated. The psalm will be sung alternately between the choir and the congregation.



Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's | holy name.

**Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and forget not | all God's benefits--**

who forgives | all your sins
and heals all | your diseases;

**who redeems your life | from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast | love and mercy;**

who satisfies your desires | with good things
so that your youth is renewed | like an eagle's.

**Bless the LORD, you angels, you mighty ones who | do God's bidding,
who obey the voice | of God's word. R**

Bless the LORD, all you | hosts of God,
you servants who | do God's will.

**Bless the LORD, all you works of God, in all places | where God rules;
bless the LORD, | O my soul. R**

SECOND READING: Revelation 12:7-12

Armed with the power of God, Michael and the angels of God fight those armed with the power of evil, the devil and the devil's angels. The "blood of the Lamb," our crucified Lord Jesus, gives Michael the power to force the devil from a place in heaven.

After the reading:

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

TEACHING TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Please stand in body or spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL: Luke 10:17-20

The missionary church ("the seventy-two") is given magnificent power. Greater than this gift of power over the enemy, however, is the gift of salvation: their names are written in heaven.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Be seated.

SERMON

Please stand in body or spirit.

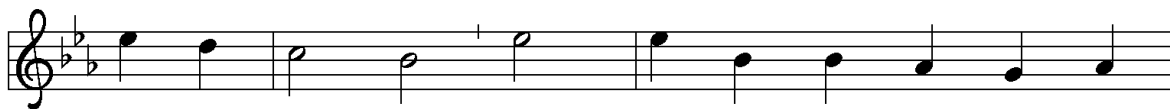
HYMN OF THE DAY - ELW 424 - Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -



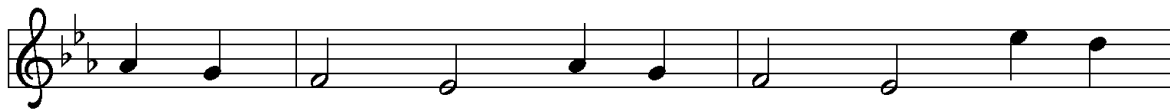
ser - aphs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain:
glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es:
pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le - lu - ia!
per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia!



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,
"Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal
Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs
Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, arch - an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs:
Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:
strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:
Son, and God the Spir - it, Three in One:



"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: J. Athelstan Riley, 1858–1945

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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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 OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, the world, and for all of God's creation.

After a brief silence each petition concludes:

God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

After the final petition:

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Please greet one another and then be seated.

OFFERTORY

You Are Holy

Per Harling

The Trinity Choir

See ELW 525 for text.

Please stand in body or spirit.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE - ELW 486 - God Extends an Invitation



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí es la co - mu - ni - ón.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

Text: Miria T. Kolling; English and Spanish tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923
Music: NUESTRO PADRE, Miria T. Kolling
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OFFERING PRAYER

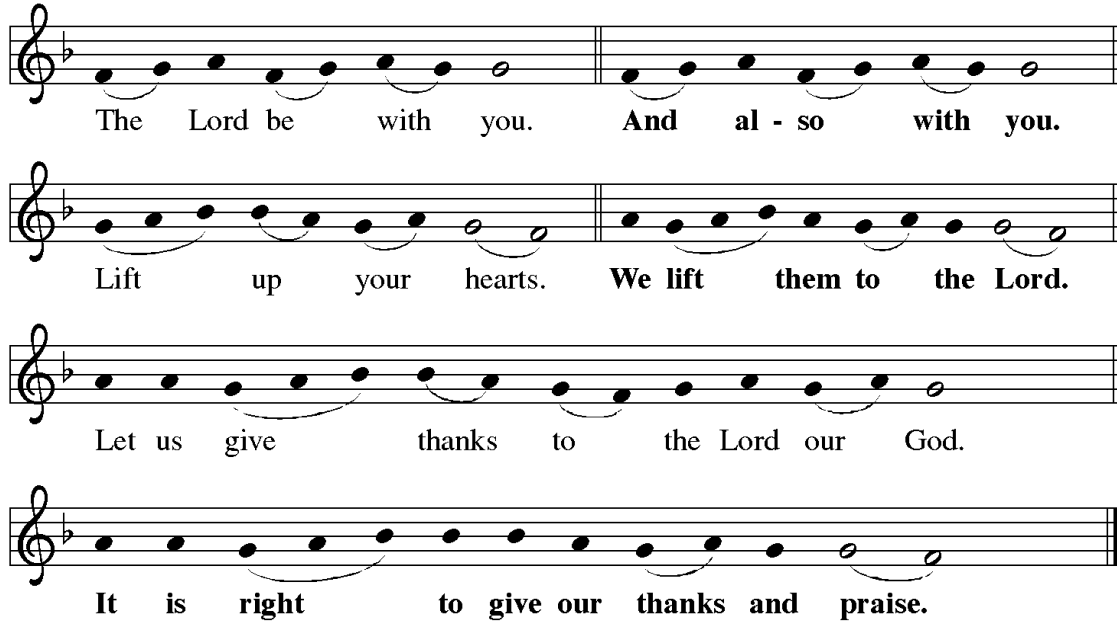
Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation.

By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

DIALOG



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

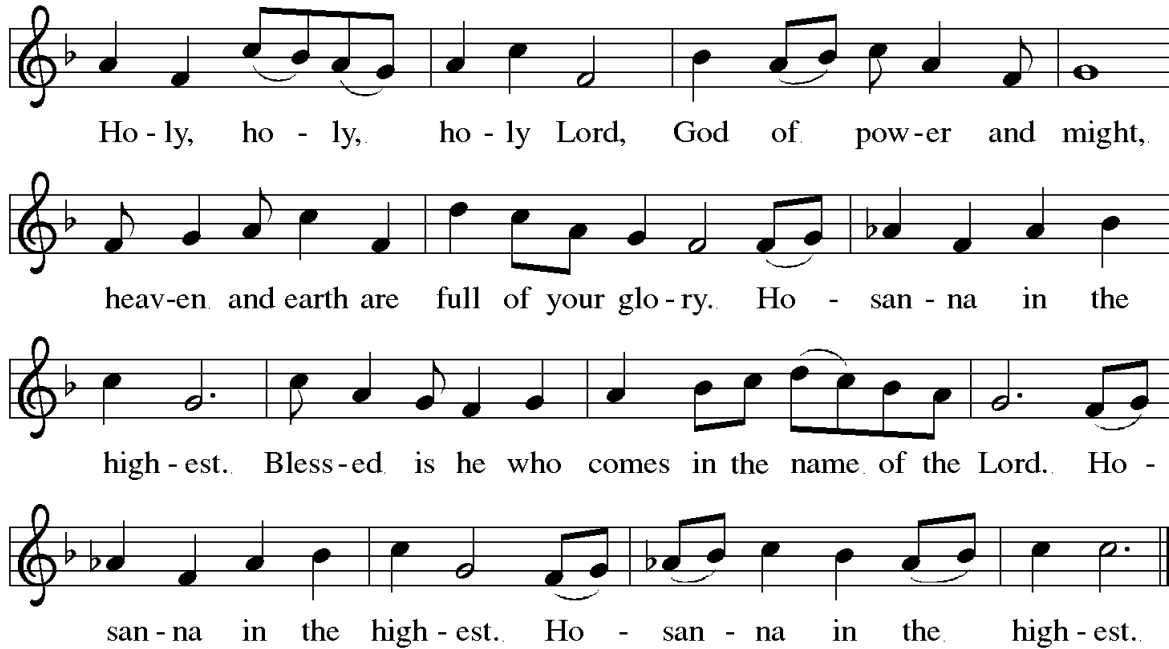
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



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

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God...
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 ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command...
To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



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.**

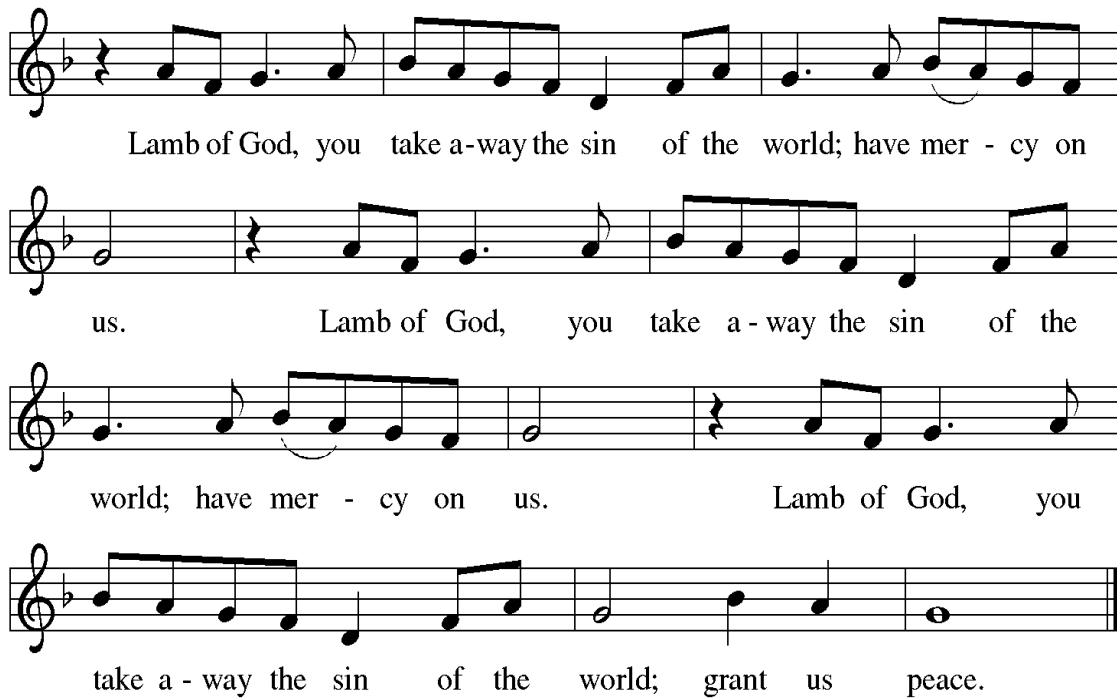
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

All who trust that Jesus Christ is present in this holy meal are invited to receive communion.

Please follow the direction of the usher; if your pew is located on one of the side aisles, walk to the rear of the sanctuary. Two lines will form in the center aisle. The left line will commune at the left side of the altar rail; the right line will commune on the right side.

When you reach the front of the sanctuary, there are serving trays located on the tables. Please choose either an empty glass to receive wine, or, if you prefer, a prefilled glass in the center ring containing grape juice. After taking your cup, proceed to the rail. Fill in around the rail from the center to the ends. You may stand or kneel as is your preference.

The pastor will give you a piece of bread; eat it when you receive it. If you prefer a gluten free alternative, please inform the pastor.

Then, an assistant will come to offer wine from a pouring chalice. Please extend your glass to be filled with wine or indicate that you have grape juice. After drinking the wine or juice, you are welcome to remain in place for a moment of meditation.

After you finish your time of reflection, please return to your pew, depositing your empty glass in the trays located on the tables at the head of the side aisles.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION - ELW 490 - Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.

Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

Please stand in body or spirit.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BLESSING

God all mighty,
God most merciful
+ bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN - ELW 638 - Blessed Assurance

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

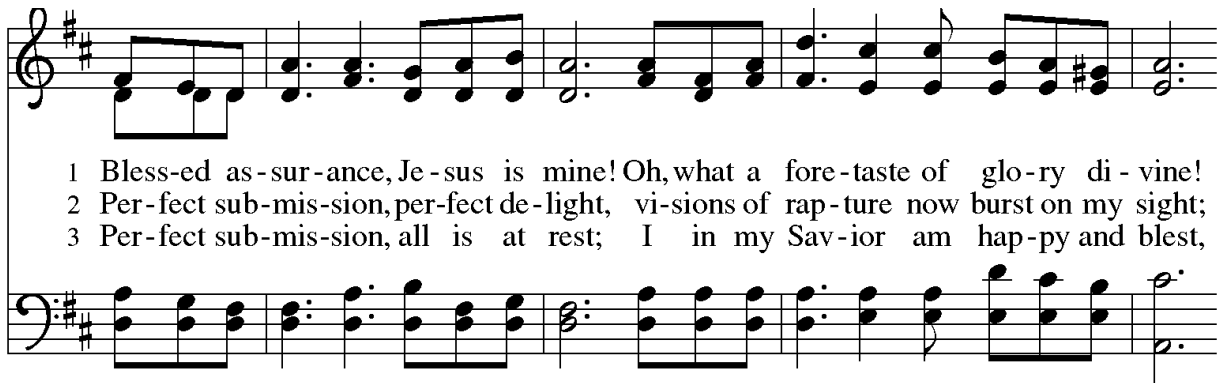
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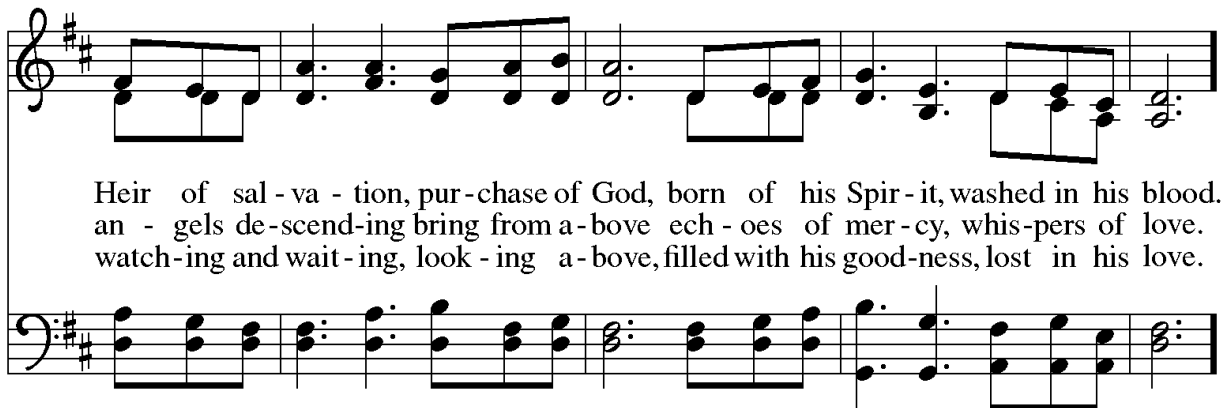
*Please join us for coffee and conversation in the All Saints Room (Auditorium)
immediately following worship.*

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SENDING HYMN - ELW 638 - Blessed Assurance

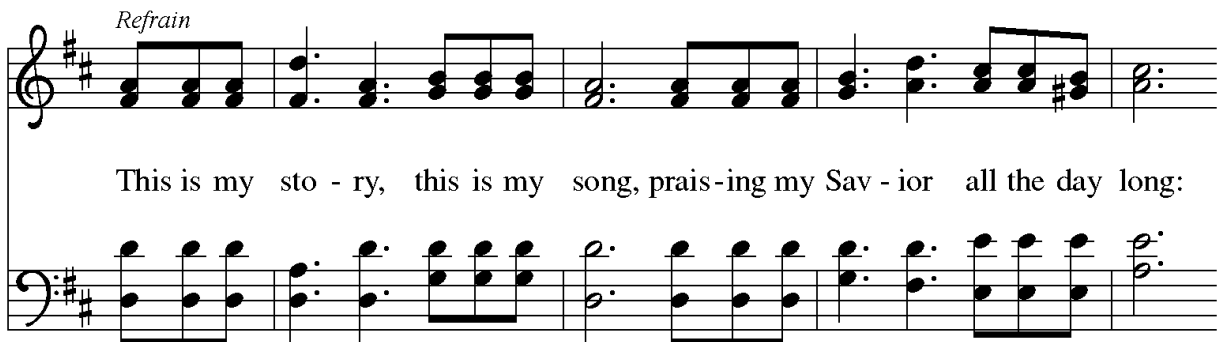


1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915
Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830-1908

Sunday, September 29, 2024 - Michael and All Angels

Leaders in Today's Liturgy

Presiding and Preaching: Pr. Virginia Biniek

Assisting Minister: Dcs. Deborah Graf

Minister of Music: Karen S. Eddinger

Lector: Eric Rosenbaum

Communion Assistant: Pam Wasmuth

Acolyte: Jacinda Motley

Greeter: Lawrence Fredericks

Ushers: Jeff & Pam Wasmuth

Media Team: Amy Bornhofen, Grace Norton-Ritz, and Veronika Shick

Altar Guild: Michael Faust, Linda Grim, Erica Hofmann, Amy Litvinov, and Doris Strobel

Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Tony, Sherri, Ali & Meg Sacco in loving memory of Marion Sacco, Tony's mother, on her birthday
We thank David Strobel for choosing today's hymns

Immediate Prayer Requests

Nina Litvinov, David Strobel, Ed & Peg Coleman, Darryl Jeffries, Dick Horst, Christine Wells (friend of Jan Opalinski), and Rev. Judy McKee (friend of the Opalinskis)

Blessing of the Pets with our Covenant Partners Christ Episcopal Church

Thursday, October 3 at 6 PM at Christ Episcopal Church

Grab your leashes and treats and come down to the annual Blessing of the Pets! This year we'll join Christ Episcopal for a service featuring the music of David Cullen.

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Linda Motley, Walter Maier, Chris Drayer, George Phelps, Harry Feinauer, Jerry Holleran, Walter Schur, Christopher Brooks (friend of Nancy Everson), Deborah Lawton (aunt of Jessica Manning), Celia Cosentino (friend of Jane Zobian), Tina Koch (friend of Jenn Smith), the Sawyer family, David Unruh (brother of Ralph Unruh), and Craig Poole

Trinity Households and Ministry Partners

Ron, Karen, Zach & Jesse Eddinger; Meghan, Ned, Ann & Helen Ehrlich; Kaye Endres; Dick & Suzy Evans; and Nancy & Bob Everson; Christ Episcopal Church and Fr. Bryce Wandrey; the Common Ground Recovery Community, Pr. Tom Scornavacchi and Pr. Jayme Babczak; and Trinity Lutheran Church in Gouglersville

Attendance Sunday, September 22: 88

Attendance Wednesday, September 25: 13

Prepare for Worship October 6

Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 8; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; and Mark 10:2-16

Broadcast Schedule for this week on Comcast Channel 190

Sundays

6:00 PM World Views:
Contemporary Quaker Tradition
6:30 PM Music From Trinity:
Vince Ryan, organ
7:00 PM Trinity Worship Service

Wednesdays

4:00 PM Trinity Worship Service
5:00 PM Music From Trinity:
Vince Ryan, organ
5:30 PM World Views:
Contemporary Quaker Tradition

Trinity's Sunday morning worship is also live streamed via Facebook and YouTube. You may log on to either platform on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM and worship at the same time as the in-person congregation.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, September 29

9:00 AM: Sunday Time - Bible 101 (start in Chapel)
9:00 AM: Sunday Forum
(All Saints Room/Auditorium)
10:00 AM: Worship (Nave)
11:00 AM: FINAL DAY - FFA Art Exhibit
(Hintz Room)
11:15 AM: Coffee & Conversation
11:15 AM: Mixed Ensemble Rehearsal (Bard House)
2:00 PM: Common Ground Worship and Meal
3:00 PM: FFA presents: Life in Step with
Danny Gardner (WCR Center for the Arts)

Tuesday, October 1

9:30 AM: Full Staff Meeting
5:45 PM: Property Work Night

Wednesday, October 2

12:05 PM: Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
6:30 PM: Trinity Ringers (Choir Robing Room)
7:30 PM: Trinity Choir Rehearsal (Bard House)

Thursday, October 3

6:00 PM: Blessing of the Pets (Christ Episcopal)

Sunday, October 6

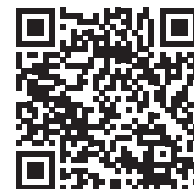
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Fall Festival of the Arts: Life in Step with Danny Gardner TODAY

Sunday, September 29 | 3:00 PM at WCR CENTER FOR THE ARTS

TICKETED EVENT | \$30 ADULTS; \$10 STUDENTS

Buy your tickets online using the QR code or at the door (cash or check only).



The Fall Festival is excited to present the brilliant Danny Gardner, a Reading native, in the premier of his one-man show. Danny is a dancer and choreographer who has performed on Broadway and in numerous regional theaters. He is excited to bring to his home town this brand-new afternoon of tap dance inspired by the history of tap, Broadway, movie musicals and the joy of performing that will entertain, wow and excite you. Don't miss it!

Fall Festival of the arts: Broadway Goes to Church

Directed By Faye Warmkessel & Stephen Longenecker

Friday, October 11 | 7:30 PM and Sunday, October 13 | 3:00 PM at Christ Episcopal Church

435 Court Street | TICKETED EVENT | \$20 ADULTS; \$10 STUDENTS

Broadway has been taking us to church for decades: from the Salvation Army's Rockin' the Boat, to Tevye's family Shabbat, to Purlie Walking Up the Stairs, to singing nuns in an Austrian convent and the hilarious, high-kicking sisters of Nunsense. The Fall Festival is proud to present, from the creative minds of Faye Warmkessel and Stephen Longenecker, this brand new, joyful, uplifting and often very funny, singing and dancing revue of Broadway's celebratory spirit.

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