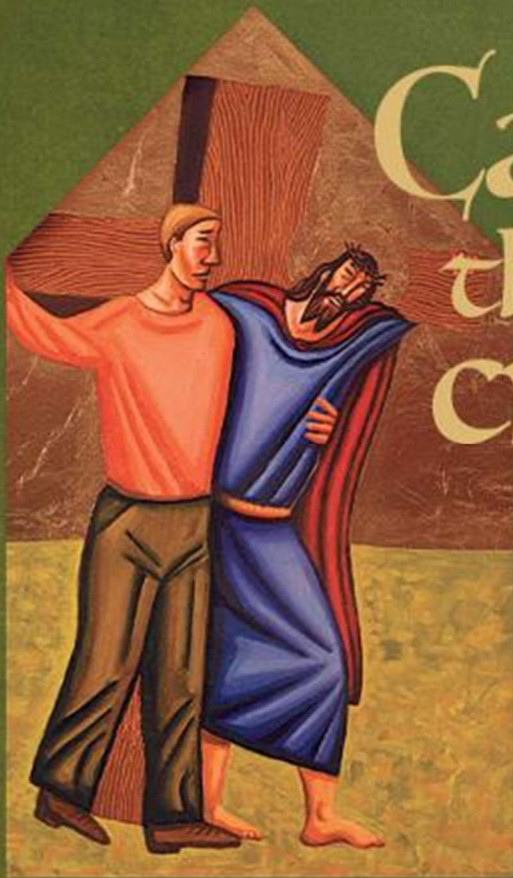


13th Sunday after Pentecost



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*Please stand***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

We gather together this morning
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

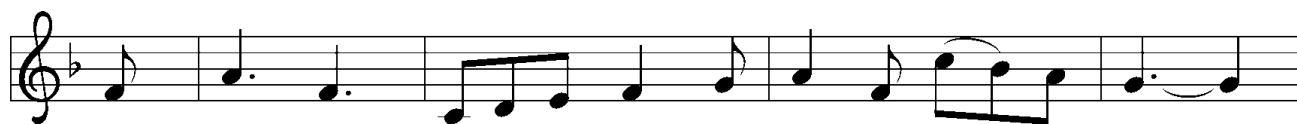
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG*Come, We That Love the Lord*

(ELW 625)



- 1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
- 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
- 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou-sand sa - cred sweets
- 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;



join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with
but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the
be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the
we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -



sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne.
heav'n-ly King may tell their joys a-broad, may tell their joys a - broad.
heav'n-ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.
man-uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

Refrain

We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on:



we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, stanzas; Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, refrain

Music: MARCHING TO ZION, Robert Lowry

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(ELW p. 121)



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.



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

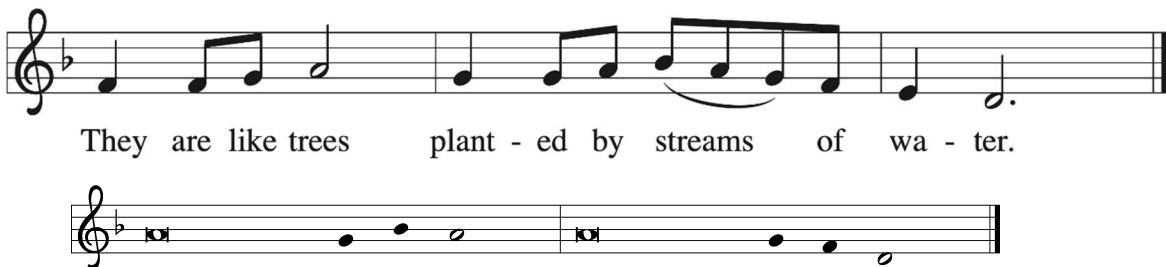
A reading from Deuteronomy.

¹⁵ “See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you do not hear but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today that you shall certainly perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him, for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1



¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel ¹ of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats ¹ of the scornful!

² **Their delight is in the law ¹ of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching ¹ day and night. R**

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that ¹ do not wither;

everything they ¹ do shall prosper.
⁴ **It is not so ¹ with the wicked;**
they are like chaff which the wind ¹ blows away.
⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when ¹ judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council ¹ of the righteous.
⁶ **For the LORD knows the way ¹ of the righteous,**
but the way of the wicked shall ¹ be destroyed. R

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

A reading from Philemon.

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To our beloved coworker Philemon, ² to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier
Archippus, and to the church in your house:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear of your
love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that the
partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that
we share in Christ. ⁷ I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your
love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸ For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to
do the right thing, ⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul,
do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to
you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment.
¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. ¹² I
am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³ I wanted to keep him with me
so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel,
¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed
might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was
separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term,
¹⁶ no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but
how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If
he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am
writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even
your own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh
my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that
you will do even more than I ask.

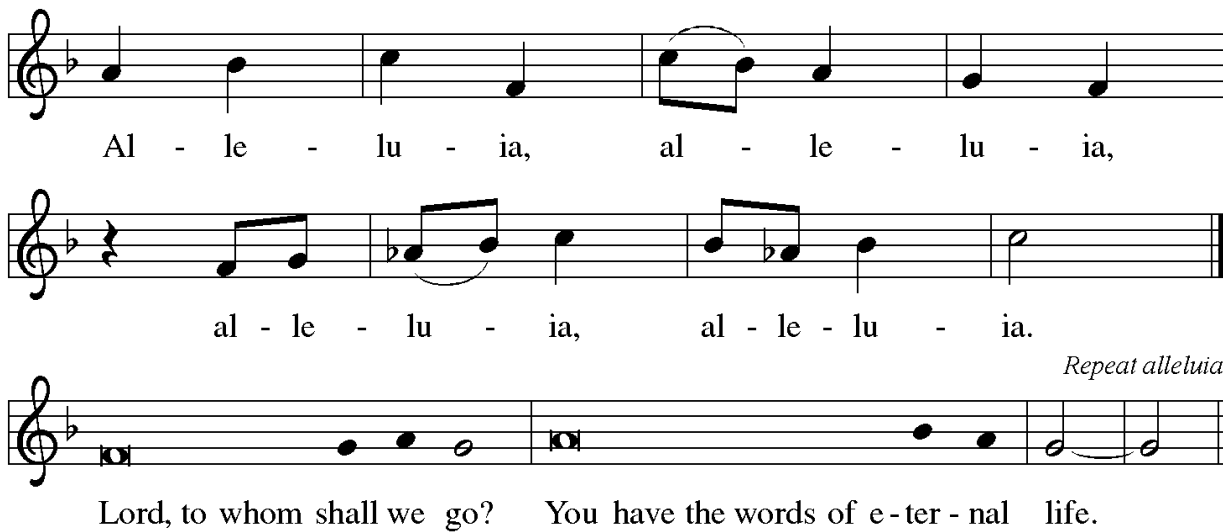
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW p. 124)



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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus], and he turned and said to them,
²⁶ “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

REV. LARRY CLOSTER

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

(ELW 335)

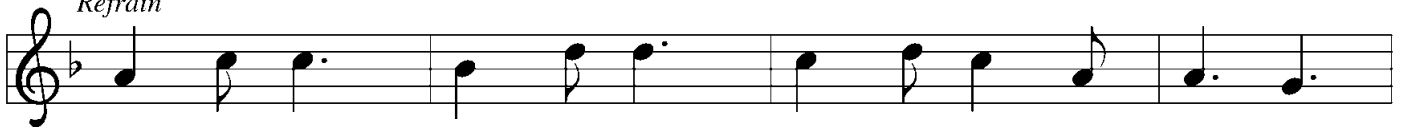


- 1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
- 2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
- 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
- 4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1832–1915

CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

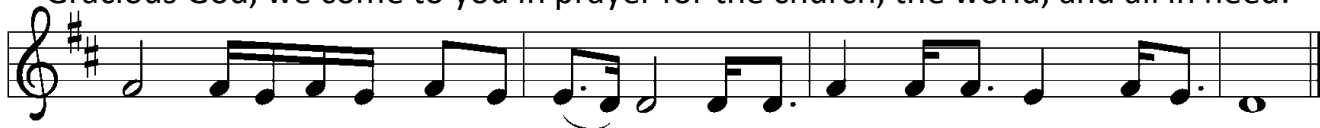
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.***

**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

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

We pray for the church to follow in your ways, that it may be a witness to your love for all people. Help us choose all that is life-giving and confront the forces of death.

God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for creation, that it may be cherished and nurtured. Sustain farmlands, animals, and waters; restore places affected by calamities; and shield coastlands from rising seas. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for those in authority. Grant them wisdom to govern justly and compassion to care for the marginalized. Equip them for actions that further the common good.

God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for those who are sick, hungry, unhoused, or lonely especially Barb, Shirley, Louise, Paul, Hadley, Nikki, Michael, Jeff, Lauren, Kim, The Wolf Family (**worshippers may add names silently or aloud**). May they find healing through your love and the care of those around them. Lead us to be your hands and feet in the world. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation, that we may be united in love and faith. Refresh our hearts in Christ, and deepen our support of one another. We pray that our sharing of faith may transform lives. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We thank you for those who have died and now dwell with the saints. Surround them with your divine mercy, that they find peace and rest in your loving embrace. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

We Rember You

Rick Founds

Trinity Choir



Offering is an act of worship that shows our gratitude to God for all that we are and have in our lives. The offering today will provide support for the ministries of Trinity both locally and in the world around us. You may provide your offering in person, scan the QR code adjacent or send it by mail. We thank you for sharing not only your monetary gifts but also your gifts of time and talent to further our mission to share Jesus' love in worship, fellowship, hospitality, and community, doing God's work with our hands.

Please stand

OFFERING PRESENTATION

For the Beauty of the Earth

(ELW 879)



5 For each per-fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

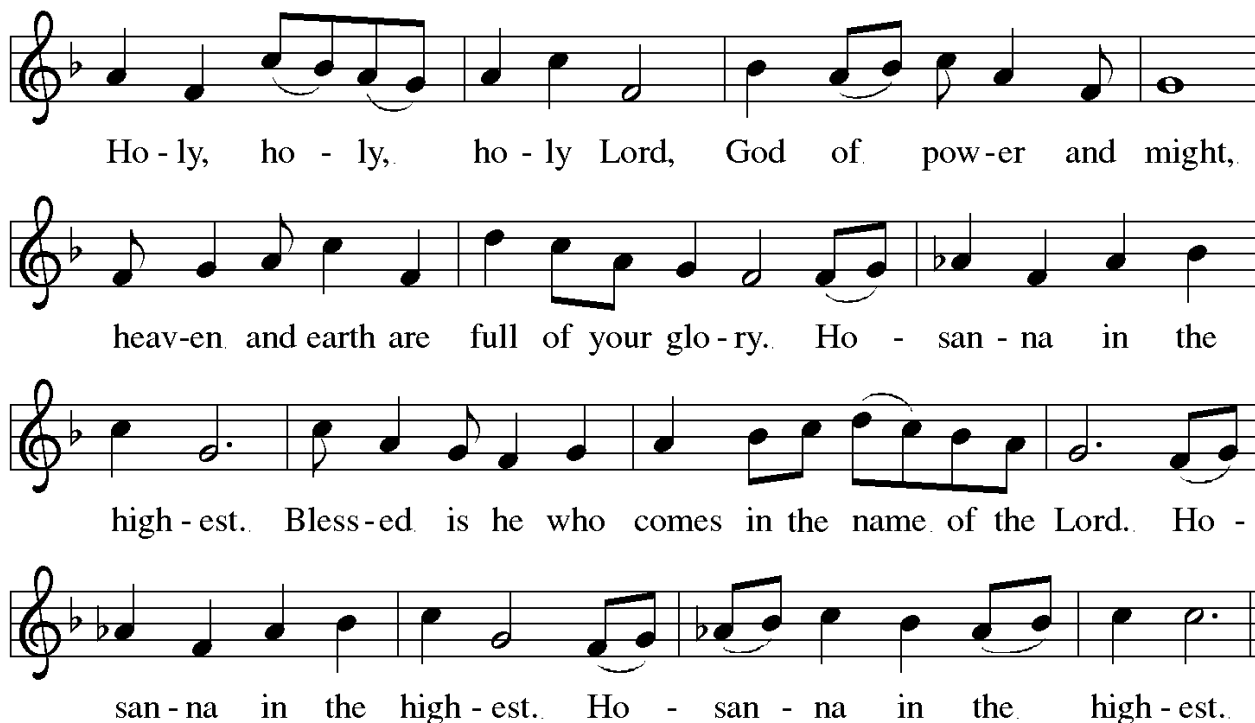
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:



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.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

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 for 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.

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.

Please be seated

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

For those communing at home, have your package ready to open. The pastor will acknowledge your presence and request that you consume the elements at this time.

Please be seated

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

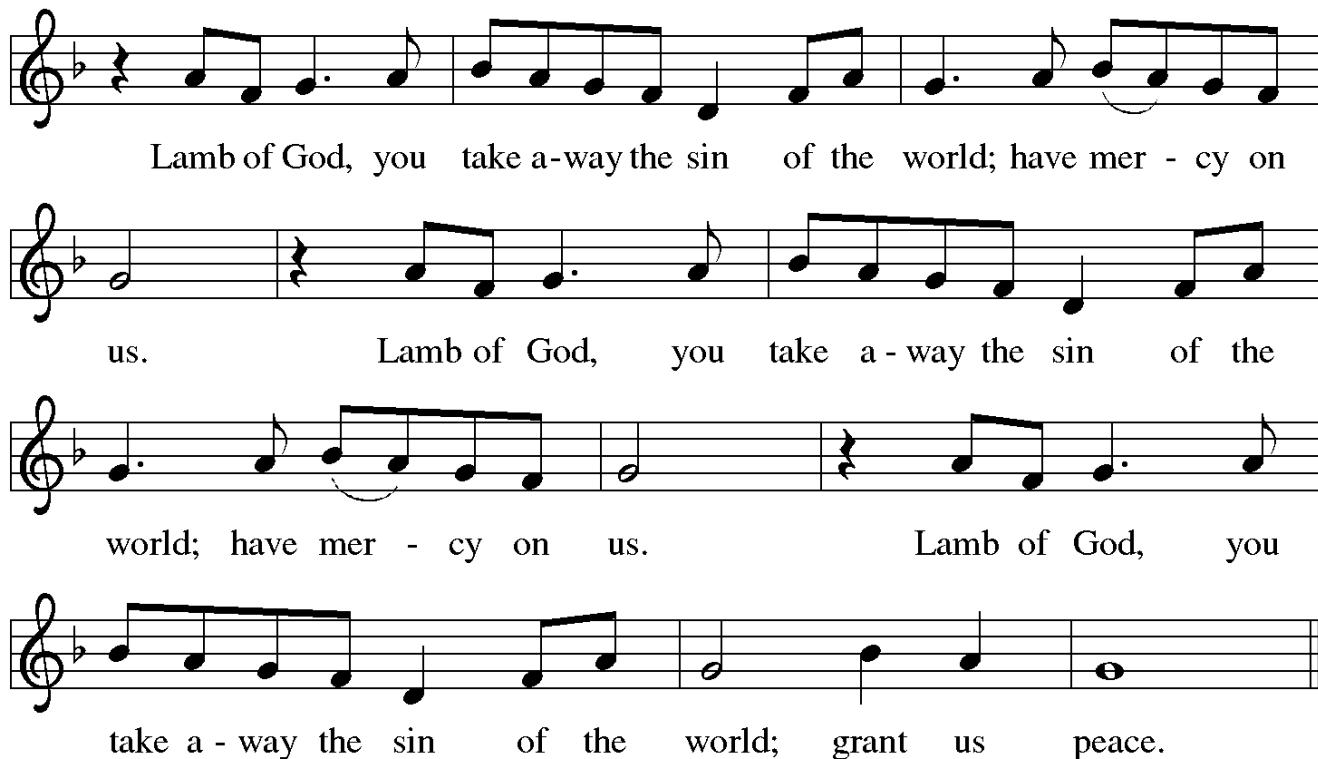
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

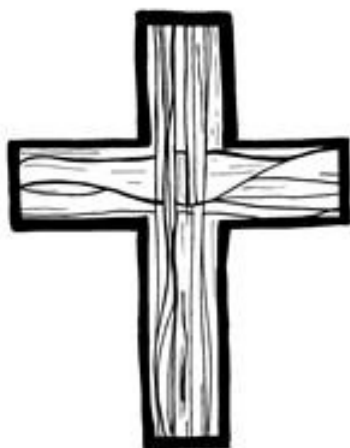
For those who prefer not to partake of the wine there are cups filled with grape juice in the center of the communion tray.

COMMUNION SONG

(ELW p. 135)



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.



SONGS DURING COMMUNION

O Jesus, I Have Promised

(ELW 810)



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt-ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard-ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.

Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

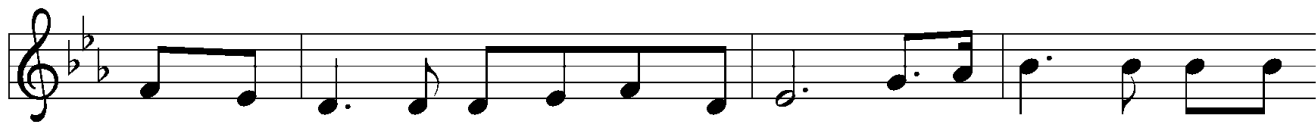


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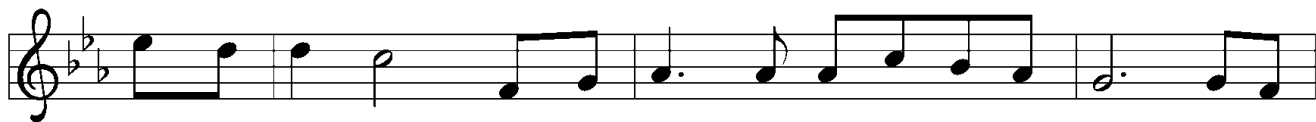
1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be-yond all
o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior,
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav-ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav-ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.
with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005

Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882

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Please stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Lift High the Cross

(ELW 660)



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

John James (d.1745)

~The Trinity Times~ Church & Community news

IN THE KNOW Upcoming Events & Reminders

Sunday Servants – 🙌 Jump in and serve this September — be a greeter, reader, or holy usher! Sign-up sheets are calling your name! contact Christine Cornwell or Sign up via newsletter link.

Prayer & Friendship Ministry – A Small Way to Make a Big Impact!
We're looking for someone to update the prayer list twice a month. This simple act supports our prayer team as they faithfully lift up the needs of our church and community. If you can help, please let Pastor Closter know!

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY *Here's what's happening at a glance:*

- 📅 **Sunday, September 7** Sunday Service -@ 9:30 AM
 - Coffee Hour | Parish Hall – All are welcome!
 - Chime Choir Practice | Contact: Ricky Gearhart, Music Director
 - **Notice of Special Congregational Meeting:** Immediately after worship on Sept. 7, members will vote on the nomination of Diann Dailey as Trustee (replacing Ralph Gregory) and on recipients of a partial disbursement from Fund 10 (Mission Fund). These decisions help equip Trinity for ministry as we also join together in “God’s Work. Our Hands.” service projects that day.
 - No Bible study (*this Sunday only*)
- 📅 **Monday, September 8** – CMSP Music private lesson @ 2:30 pm | Room 203
 - Donations for the **Annual LCW Yard Sale** may be brought to the Parish Hall (*Monday, September 8 – Friday, September 12, from 9 AM to noon.*)
- 📅 **Tuesday, September 9** – Sewing for the Savior @ 9:30 AM | Room 204
 - LCW (Lutheran Church Women) @ 11:30AM | Room 205
 - Congregational Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM | Parish Hall
- 📅 **Wednesday, September**
- 📅 **Thursday, September 11** – Choir Rehearsal @ 5:45 PM | Contact: Ricky Gearhart, Music Director
 - Patriot Day
- 📅 **Friday, September 12**
 - Bible study and discussion of the book of Acts @ 10 AM | Parish Hall
 - CMSP Music private lesson @ 5-6 pm | room 203
- 📅 **Saturday, September 13** – CMSP Music Together @ 9am | Room 203
 - **Annual LCW Yard Sale** @ 8:00 AM- 1PM | Parish Hall



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Happy Birthday to: 🎉

Sept 7 – Phyllis Wilson

Sept 10 – Linda Rudy

Sept 13 – Chuck Stern

(Did we miss your birthday? Contact the church office to update your info!)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

📌 **Special Congregational Meeting & “God’s Work. Our Hands”**

TODAY, September 7, 2025

Dear Trinity Family,

Today will be a very special day in the life of our church. Following worship, we will gather for two important events:

1. A Special Congregational Meeting

Immediately after worship, there will be a brief congregational meeting where we will be voting to:

- Nominate **Diann Dailey** to serve as a church Trustee
- Approve recipients of a partial disbursement of our **Fund 10 (Mission Fund)**

2. “God’s Work. Our Hands.” Service Projects

Today the ELCA encourages every congregation to live our calling to love and serve our neighbors in Christ. This year, Trinity will be making a difference in two ways:

- 🧼 **Supporting Mount Carmel Baptist’s Shower Ministry:** Please bring donations of bar soap and shampoo to support their ministry of providing a shower for homeless individuals and families. A collection box for these products is in the narthex.
- 🏠 **Sharing God’s Love Locally:** After the congregational meeting we’ll meet in the fellowship hall to assemble **door hangers** with information about Trinity and upcoming community events that we will be hosting. These will later be distributed in our neighborhood as an outreach effort. We’ll also be assembling 20 backpacks to be given to foster care children moving into a new home or away from an abusive environment.

Every act of service, large or small, helps us share God’s love. Please join us in worship, stay for the congregational meeting, and take part in these meaningful projects. Together, we are the hands of Christ at work in our community!



Yard Sale Donations Wanted!

Donations for the **Annual LCW Yard Sale** may be brought to the Parish Hall **Monday, September 8 – Friday, September 12, from 9 AM to noon.**

✓ Clothing must be clean and in good condition

✗ No electronics (TVs, stereos, computers)

✗ No large furniture

Starting tomorrow **September 8**. LCW members will be on hand to receive and sort donations. Extra hangers are always welcome!

Questions? Contact Martha Cooley, Hilda Painter, or any LCW member.

Ongoing Announcements

- 🙏 **Prayer Team Table**

Located just inside the sanctuary entrance. Submit a card with your prayer request or contact **Pastor Closter** to add a name to the Prayers of Intercession.

- 🏠 **Hospital Visitation**

Pastor Closter is registered with Valley Health for hospital visits. Due to HIPAA laws, the hospital cannot notify us when someone is admitted.

To request a visit, contact the church office at **540-869-4019**, or after hours, call Pastor Closter at **540-848-5325**. You may also reach out to **Pastor Closter** or **Martha Cooley**.

- 🎵 **Choir Rehearsals** - Normal Thursday Rehearsals will resume **September 4th** @ 5:45 PM 🎵

- 🎵 Chime Choir – Sundays after service | Contact: Ricky Gearhart, Music Director – music@trinitychurchvirginia.org



Food Pantry Item of the Month: Canned Fruit | Contact: Kim Begnaud-Hampton – kbegnaud0101@yahoo.com

Save the Date

Sunday, September 14 – Sunday Service @ 9:30 AM

– Coffee Hour | Parish Hall – All are welcome!

– Chime Choir Practice | Contact: Ricky Gearhart, Music Director

– Bible study and discussion of the book of Acts @ 11 AM | Parish Hall

Monday, September 15 – CMSP Music private lesson @ 2:30 pm | Room 203

Thursday, September 18 – No Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 19 – Bible study and discussion of the book of Acts @ 10 AM | Parish Hall

– CMSP Music private lesson @ 5-6 pm | Room 203

Saturday, September 20 – CMSP Music Together @ 9am | Room 203

– Dementia Matters: Care Givers Meeting | Parish Hall TBD

Sunday, September 21 – Sunday Service @ 9:30 AM

– Coffee Hour | Parish Hall – All are welcome!

– **Welcome back Melinda Russell**

- No Chime Choir Practice
- Bible study and discussion of the book of Acts @ 11 AM | Parish Hall
- Monday, September 22** – CMSP Music private lesson @ 2:30 pm | Room 203
- Tuesday, September 23** – Sewing for the Savior @ 9:30 AM | Room 204
- Wednesday, September 24** – Community Meal @ 5:30 PM | Parish Hall
*(Menu: **Manwich** on buns, **Applesauce**, **Corn**, **Coleslaw**, 🍰 **Sweet Treats for Dessert**) Come hungry, bring a friend, and enjoy a meal with your neighbors!*
- Together in Prayer @ 7:00 PM | Sanctuary
- Thursday, September 25** – Choir Rehearsal @ 5:45 PM | Contact: Ricky Gearhart, Music Director
- Sherando High School Homecoming Parade & Bonfire @ 6:00PM | followed by a Bonfire Rally at the Newtown Commons
- Friday, September 26** – Bible study and discussion of the book of Acts @ 10 AM | Parish Hall
- CMSP Music private lesson @ 5-6 pm | Room 203
- Saturday, September 27** – CMSP Music Together @ 9am | Room 203
- Sunday, September 28** Outdoor Service & Lunch-in TBD– Sunday Service @ 9:30
- Monday, September 29** – CMSP Music private lesson @ 2:30 pm | Room 203

September Birthdays

06-Susan Deaver
 07-Phyllis Wilson
 10-Linda Rudy
 13-Chuck Stern
 15- Joe Hollis
 16-Holly Landes
 22-Chris Landes, Bonnie Wann
 24- David Reichert
 28- Rachel Hollis Silsbee (Nathan)
 30- Will Wolf, Jeff Shifflett, Kathy Carroll

Stay in the Loop!

Want to receive our **weekly Trinity Times Newsletter** by email?

📧 Fill out a welcome card (basket in the Narthex) with your name and email, and we'll add you to the list.

Prefer print? Pick up a copy **next to the name tag table in the Narthex**, or call the office to request a mailed version:

☎ **540-869-4019** | 🕒 Tuesday–Friday, 8 AM–1 PM

