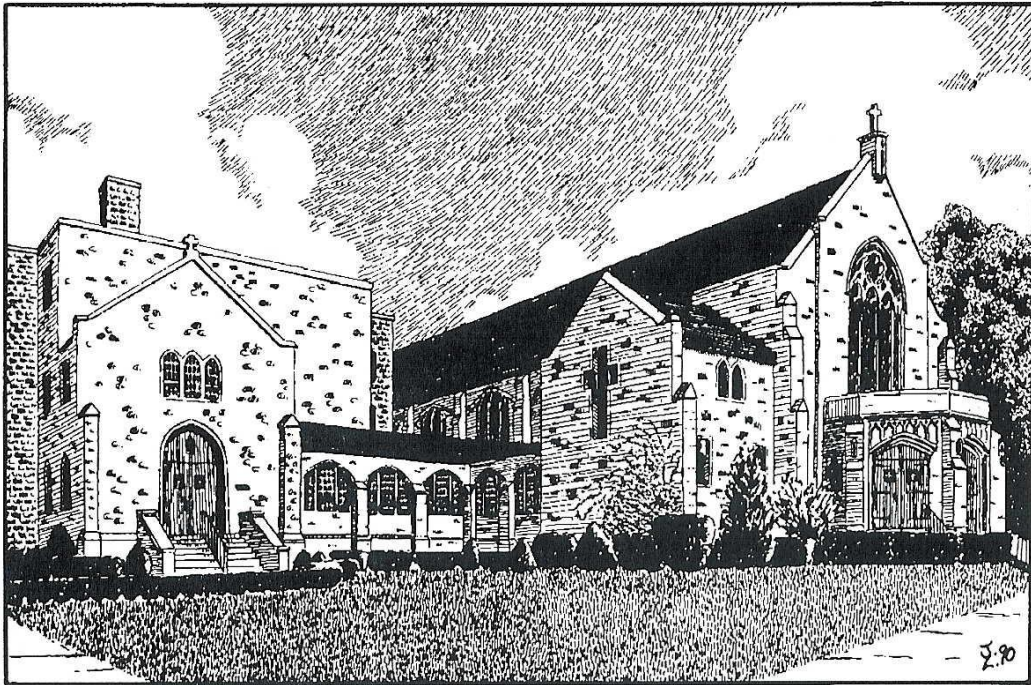




*The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of the Holy Trinity
Greenville, Pennsylvania*

*The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 5 and 6, 2026*

Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ! If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to be in worship. Sitting with children in a front pew and giving them the seat on the center aisle helps them to see and participate in our worship. For children who are present in worship, there are a variety of games, toys, puzzles, coloring supplies and snacks in the Kids' Playground cabinet in the narthex near the coat rack. If children need a break, there is a TV set up downstairs in the nursery so parents can watch the worship live-stream. If you are visiting, an usher can help direct you to the nursery.

Invitation to Communion: Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

Procedure for Communing: We will be using a form of processional communion. An usher will release each pew to come forward at a time to avoid a long line in the aisle. Pick up a communion cup on either side at the first pew. The pastor will place a host in your open palm. Turn to either the left or right side to the deacon or communion assistant to receive wine. After consuming the host and wine, pour any remaining wine into the container, then discard your cup. Children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion should come forward for a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know when you come forward to receive.

Liturgy of Holy Communion, Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

*The assembly's responses are in **bold type**.*

We prepare in prayer and holy silence.

Significance of the Day: Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

Gathering

Prelude

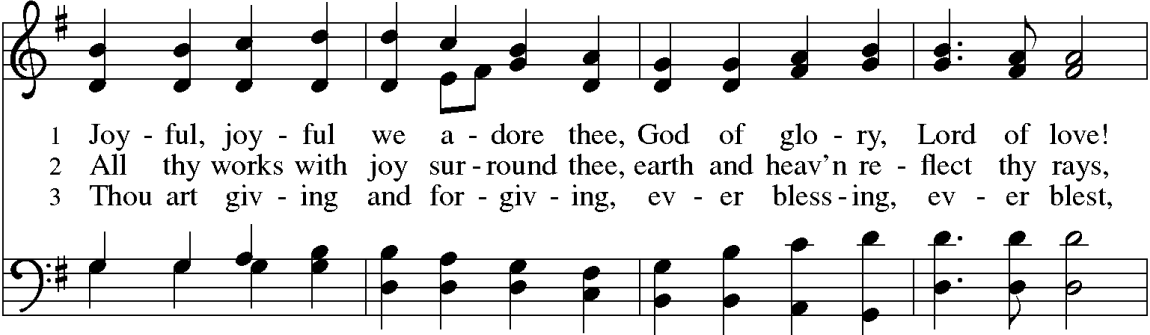
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Michael Joseph

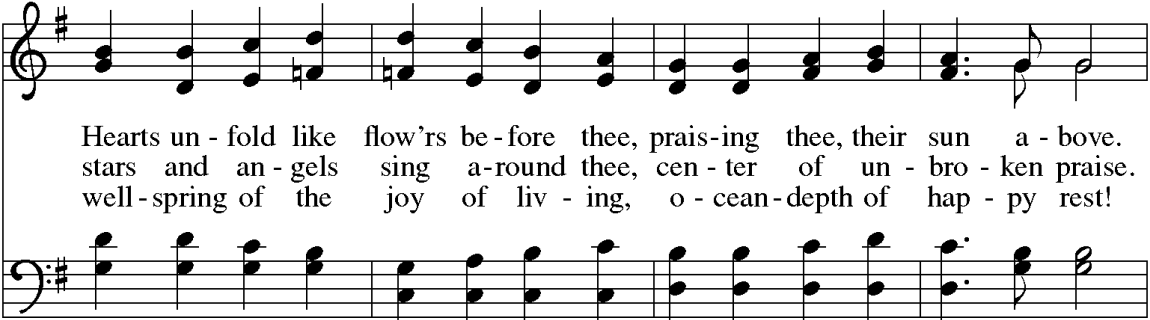
Greeting and Announcements

Hymn

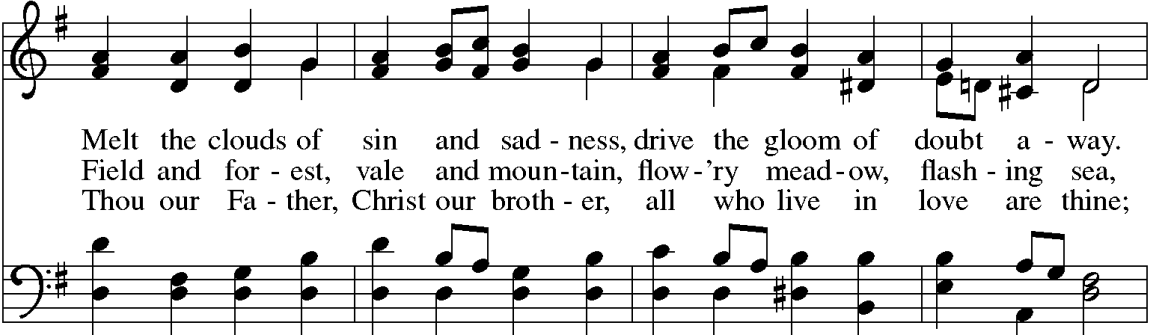
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



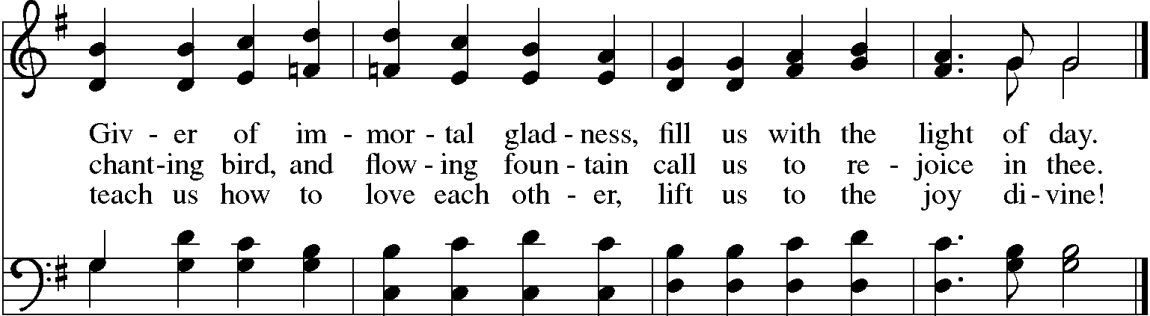
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

Apostolic 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.

Prayer of the Day

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, in Christ you created the worlds, and your Spirit breathes life into the universe. We praise you for your wondrous creation. Bless us and all your handiwork with your infinite light, and direct our lives to the care of this good earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Word

First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-11

A reading from Ezekiel:

7 So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. 8 If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. 9 But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

10 Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” 11 Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40 *The Psalm will be spoken in unison.*

**33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.**

**34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching;
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

**35 Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.**

**36 Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.**

**37 Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood;
give me life in your way.**

**38 Fulfill your promise to your servant,
which is for those who fear you.**

**39 Turn away the reproach that I dread,
because your judgments are good.**

**40 Behold, I long for your commandments;
by your righteousness enliven me.**

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

A reading from Romans:

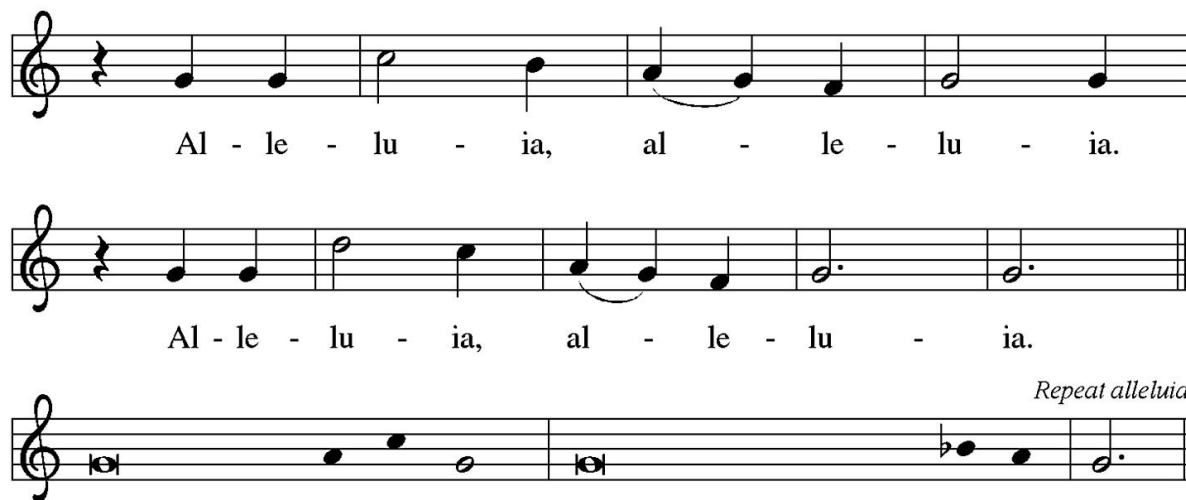
8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12 the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; 13 let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands as able.

Gospel Acclamation



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

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

Repeat alleluia

**How manifold are | works, O LORD!
In Wisdom you have | made them all.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

15 “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✠ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

As the organ sounds the assembly stands as able.

Hymn

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive



- 1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
- 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
- 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
 that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
 how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
 then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

Text: Rosamond E. Herklots, 1905–1987, alt.
 Music: DETROIT, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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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

Reminded of God's gracious and abundant love, we offer our prayers, confident that God hears us.

A brief silence.

Proclaiming God, empower your church throughout the world to announce the words you give us. Open us to receive your word in unexpected ways. We pray for our bishops, Yehiel and Kristen; our pastors, musicians, staff members, council members and volunteers. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Forming God, renew the cycles of your creation that provide for the needs of all. Protect grasslands, marshes, swamps, and all places of transition. Heal communities crying out after disaster. We pray for farmers and the harvests yet to come and the change of seasons that is dawning. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Governing God, turn all who create, enforce, or interpret legislation away from selfish gain and toward your promise of good for all, especially the good of all who labor. We pray for our president, Donald; our governor, Josh; and all those who are committed to public service. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Attending God, wake us up to any around us who are in need. Restore broken relationships, failing health, frayed emotions, and the hurts we carry with us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gathering God, resolve conflicts in this community through your righteousness and grace. Reconcile us to each other, making your good news known even through our imperfections. On this Labor Day weekend, we pray your blessing on all whose work touches lives in so many ways. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, all who die in faith have life with you. We give you thanks for the nearness of your salvation for all who have gone before us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: Grant the prayers we have offered, what we have forgotten to ask, and whatever else you see that we need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Peace

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

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying,
"Peace be with you. And also with you."*

The assembly is seated.

Meal

Offertory response: I, the Lord of sea and sky, v. 1

All

v. 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Chorus

S A T B Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

S A T B call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

S A T B lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

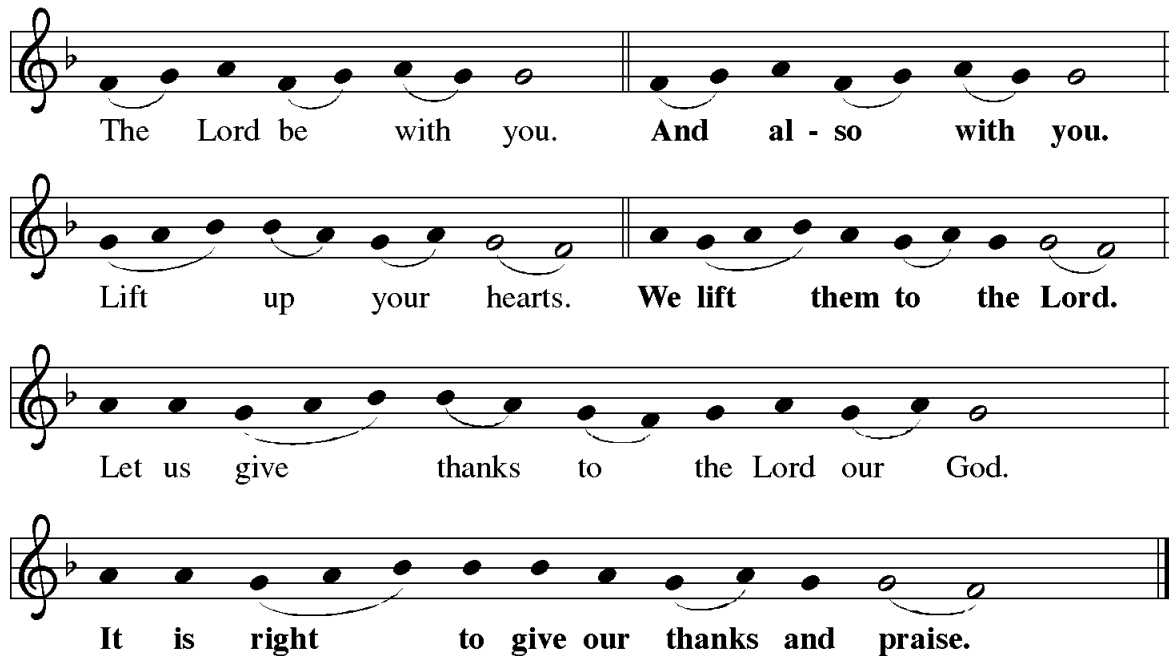
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



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.

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:

Holy, holy, holy

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, 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Breaking of Bread

Heaven has come near.
Come, share in this feast now,
a foretaste of the feast to come.

Assembly is seated

Lamb of God

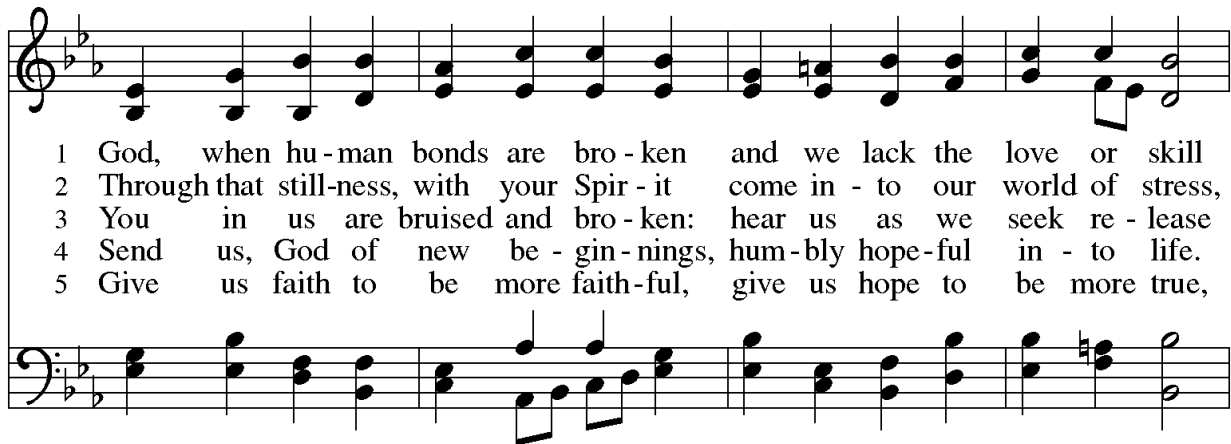
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion of the Faithful

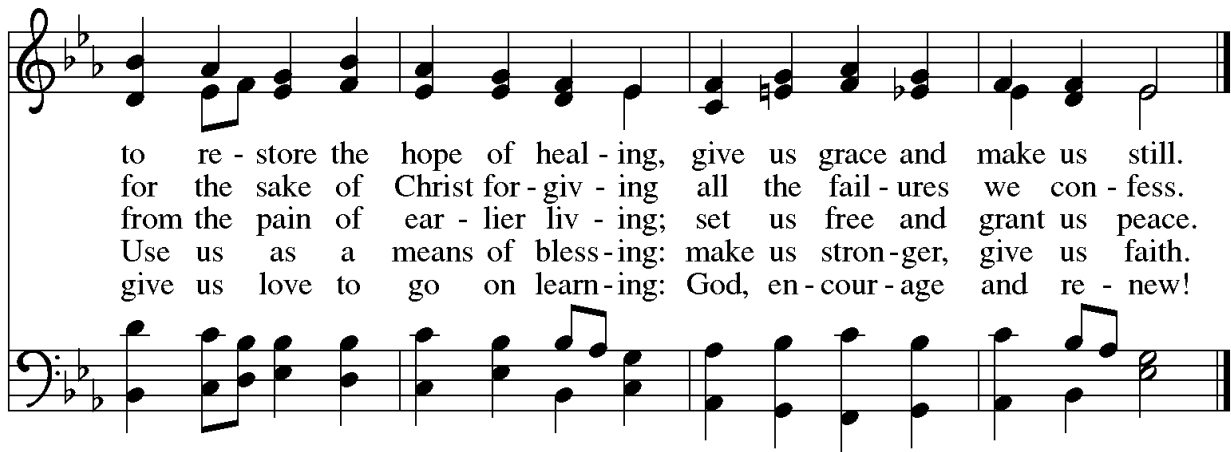
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Hymn

God, When Human Bonds Are Broken



1 God, when hu-man bonds are bro-ken and we lack the love or skill
2 Through that still-ness, with your Spir-it come in-to our world of stress,
3 You in us are bruised and bro-ken: hear us as we seek re-lease
4 Send us, God of new be-gin-nings, hum-bly hope-ful in-to life.
5 Give us faith to be more faith-ful, give us hope to be more true,



to re-store the hope of heal-ing, give us grace and make us still.
for the sake of Christ for-giv-ing all the fail-ures we con-fess.
from the pain of ear-lier liv-ing; set us free and grant us peace.
Use us as a means of bless-ing; make us stron-ger, give us faith.
give us love to go on learn-ing; God, en-cour-age and re-new!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: MERTON, William H. Monk, 1823–1889

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Hymn

In All Our Grief



1 In all our grief and fear we turn to you.
 2 Help us to put a - side the an - gry word,
 3 You did not e - ven spare your on - ly Son.
 4 God, when we suf - fer all that we can bear,



O God, you know all that we think or do,
 the clench - ing fist, the wish and will to hurt.
 He lived our griefs and bore all e - vil done,
 then let us know that you in truth are near



you know the pain we put each oth - er through.
 Teach us the way in which love best is served.
 but through his cross, re - demp - tion has been won.
 and will not leave us lost in all our fear.

Refrain



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, grant us peace.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: FREDERICKTOWN, Charles R. Anders, b. 1929

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The assembly stands as able.

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve
 you unto eternal life.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

Let us pray together, Our Prayer for These Times

**O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot
see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen. Sung

Hymn

Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
 2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
 sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
 the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.
 deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
 joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
 till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
 God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892–1980, alt.
 Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Ash Grove

Dale Wood

Serving Saturday

Presiding Minister Pastor Brenda Martin

Organist Andy Joos

Liturgical Deacon Catherine Richardson

Serving Today

Presiding Minister Pastor Brenda Martin

Director of Music Steve Repasky

Liturgical Deacon Sean Oros

Lector Mike Balas

Head Usher Barry Oman

Live Stream Technician Tyler Martin-Call

Altar Guild Larry and Audrey John

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday Sept 6, 2026 *The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday Sept 7, 2026 *Office closed in observance of Labor Day*

Tuesday Sept 8, 2026

9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts

6:30 p.m. Worship and Music

Wednesday Sept 9, 2026

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

Thursday Sept 10, 2026

5:30 p.m. Officers Planning Meeting

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting

8:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday Sept 12, 2026

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

Upcoming Events

Sunday Sept 13, 2026 *The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. God's Work Our Hands

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday Sept 14, 2026

6:00 p.m. Property

7:00 p.m. GSO Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday Sept 15, 2026

7:00 p.m. Congregational Council

Wednesday Sept 16, 2026

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

7:00 p.m. GSO Meeting

Thursday Sept 17, 2026

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday Sept 19, 2026

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

Altar and Columbarium Flowers

The flowers on the altar have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ken by Fran Black.

The flowers in the columbarium have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Wayne on his birthday, by Darla Swift.

Good Shepherd September Request

The Good Shepherd Center's request for Holy Trinity for **September is pancake mix and syrup and one pound bags of rice.** Donations may be taken direct to the Food Pantry or placed in the marked box in the cloister or the table in the administrative hallway.

Second Mile Giving for September – Youth Gathering 2027

All Second Mile contributions received during the month of September will be given to the designated cause. Please use the envelopes marked for second mile that are in the narthex and the administrative hallway.

Please Pray For

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before you call the office. Thanks.

Health and Healing:

Steve Repasky	Carolyn Fritz (friend of Fran Black)
Marjory Luckock (sister in law of Darla Swift)	Joyce Harris (sister of Judi Moinet)
Cheryl Davern	Peggy Wise (sister in law of Judi Moinet)
Marie Eaves	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Phillip Schell	Mary Rose Jones (friend of Jill Murrin)
Tris Hall	Sheila Kretser (friend of Jill Murrin)
Jayme Hart (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)	Lori Scotta (friend of Jill Murrin)
Georgie Fetterolf (niece of Katie Snyder and Liz Lewis)	Stephen Call (brother of Tyler Martin-Call)
Rita Clemente (friend of Marie Riley)	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:

Michael McLaughlin (brother of Nancy McLaughlin)

Greg Nanz (son of Ed and Cathy Nanz)

Music Notes

This morning the organ selections are based on three hymn tunes that we sing for this first Sunday in September. The organ prelude is based on our first hymn, *Joyful, joyful we adore thee*. It is Michael Joseph's *Gigue on a theme of Beethoven*. The hymn tune, *Hymn to Joy*, is utilized in the final movement of Beethoven's 9th Symphony for orchestra, soloists, and choir. Inspired by the Berkshire Mountains, the text to the famous melody was written by Henry van Dyke. Van Dyke was born in Germantown, Pennsylvania. His degrees are from Princeton University. He completed his studies at Princeton Theological Seminary.

During the offertory, we hear John Ferguson's *Meditation on Fredericktown*. This hymn tune is used in our second Communion hymn, *In all our grief*. Fredericktown was written by Charles R. Anders and named after the composer's birthplace of Frederick, Maryland. Dr. John Ferguson is a celebrated Lutheran composer, organist and Professor Emeritus at St. Olaf College. He is best known for his numerous festive hymn arrangements, especially his arrangement of our Holy Communion Service, Setting Two.

The organ postlude is based on the Welsh hymn tune *The Ash Grove* which we sing to our recessional hymn, *Let all things now living*. The postlude is by the San Francisco organist, arranger, and composer, Dale Wood.

Speaking of hymn tunes, last Sunday we sang the hymn, *Let streams of living justice*, which is sung to the tune by Gustav Holst from his *The Planets*, titled *Thaxted*. In England this tune is used with the famous patriotic text by Cecil Spring Rice, *I vow to thee my country*. Likewise, you may recognize the tune used for our first Communion hymn, *God, when human bonds are broken* as the hymn tune, *Merton*, is also sung to the Advent text, *Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding*.



The Berkshire Mountains which were the inspiration for the hymn, *Joyful, joyful we adore thee*.