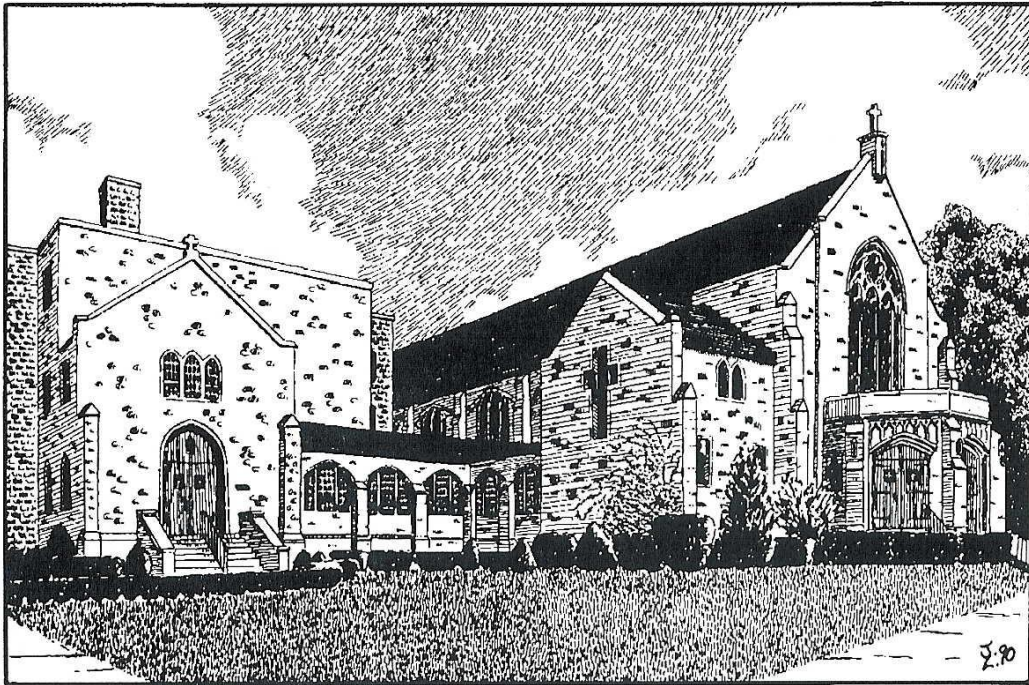




*The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of the Holy Trinity
Greenville, Pennsylvania*

*The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 26 and 27, 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: Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God. In the reading from Ezekiel the people claim the ways of the Lord are unfair, while God offers repentance and new life. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, putting the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy world.

Gathering

Prelude

Go down, Moses

Calvin Taylor

Greeting and Announcements

Please stand as able when the ministers enter.

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.

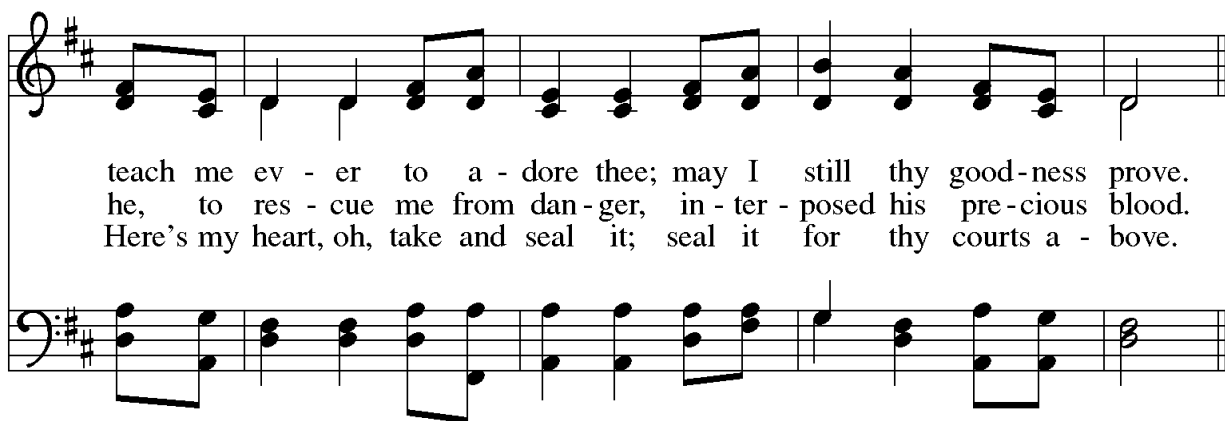
Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.

While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.
 Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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

God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Word

First Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

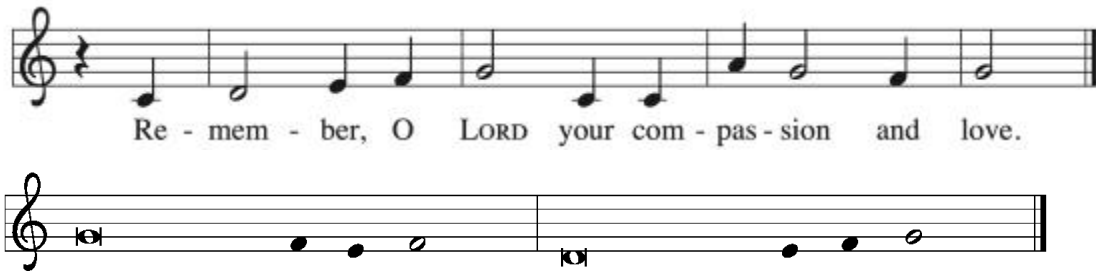
A reading from Exodus:

¹ From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³ But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why

did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴ So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵ The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶ I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9 *The Psalm will be spoken responsively on Saturday and sung responsively on Sunday.*



- ¹To | you, O LORD,
I lift | up my soul.
- ²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,**
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.
- ³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.
- ⁴**Show me your | ways, O LORD,**
and teach | me your paths.
- ⁵Lead me in your | truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.
- ⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,**
for they are from | everlasting.
- ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your

good-^lness, O LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and up-^lright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners^l in your way.**

⁹You lead the low-^lly in justice
and teach the low-^lly your way. **(R)**

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-13

A reading from Philippians:

1 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. 5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

6 who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

7 but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
8 he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death -
even death on a cross.

9 Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

10 so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

12 Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your

own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

**My sheep hear my voice, | says the Lord;
I know them and they | follow me.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

23 When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” 24 Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, “From heaven, he will say to us, “Why then did you not believe him?” 26 But if we say, “Of human origin,” we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” 27 So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.”

28 “What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, “Son, go and work in the vineyard today.” 29 He answered, “I will not”; but later he changed his mind and went. 30 The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, “I go, sir”; but he did not go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

The Sermon

Pastor Brenda Martin

As the organ sounds the assembly stands as able.

Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
 hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
 the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
 go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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 The God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
 Go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
 on this terrestrial ball
 to him all majesty ascribe
 and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 and crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, sts. 5–6
 Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

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.

Center your church in humility as we strive to follow in your way. Help us listen to the cries of those who have been unfairly hurt by the church and dare to name difficult truths. Show all your love. We pray for our bishops, Yehiel and Kristen; our pastors, musicians, staff members, worship leaders and volunteers. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You call us to care for your creation. Lead us into your promise of a better world through sustainable practices and respect for your handiwork. We pray at this change of seasons, for the harvest still to come and the work of farmers preparing for the next growing season. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Inspire all in positions of authority to act honorably. Remind them of their call to use their authority for the sake of the common good. Give them the gift of humility. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Comfort those who come before you in fear and trembling. Calm troubled hearts with your forgiveness. Help all those in need. Grant us your salvation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Change this congregation's heart when we say no to your call. Open us to courageous learning and service in our community, especially in new or challenging places. We pray for our partners in ministry: St. John's Lutheran Church in Warren. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your steadfast love holds all the saints who have finished their work and are at rest. As we grieve, remind us of your mercy so we may also give thanks. 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

Choir anthem:

Go down, Moses

arr. by Michael Burkhardt

When Israel was in Egypt's land,
Let my people go;
Oppressed so hard they could not stand
Let my people go.

*Chorus: Go down, Moses,
Way down in Egypt's land;
Tell old Pharaoh
To let my people go.*

The Lord told Moses what to do,
Let my people go;
To lead the children of Israel though,
Let my people go. *Chorus*

They journeyed on at God's command,
Let my people go;
And came at last to Canaan's land,
Let my people go. *Chorus*

Offertory Response: Here I am Lord

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.

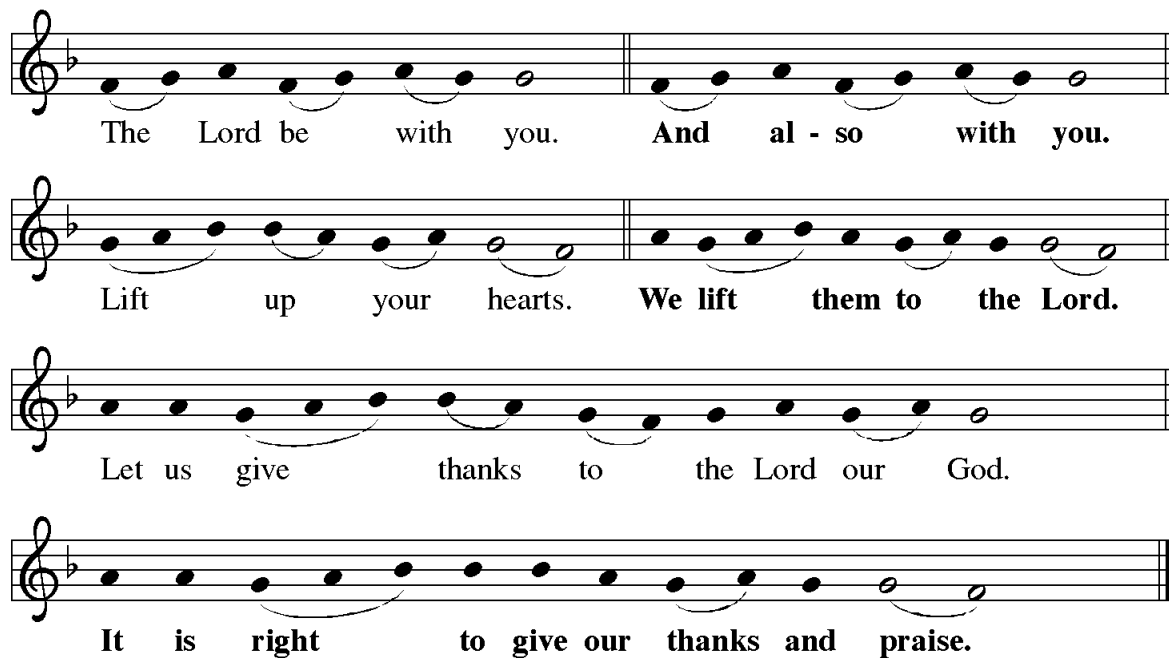
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

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.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and'. The second staff continues: 'might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff continues: 'san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The fourth staff continues: 'Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -'. The fifth staff concludes: '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

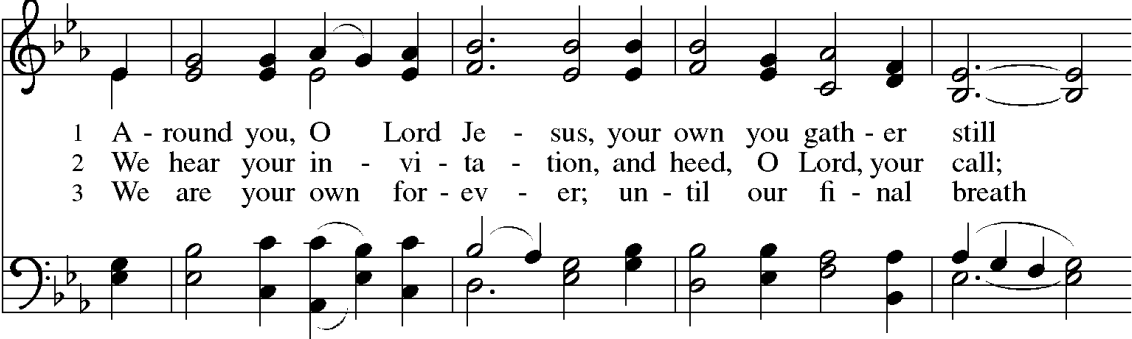
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion of the Faithful

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Hymn

Around You, O Lord Jesus



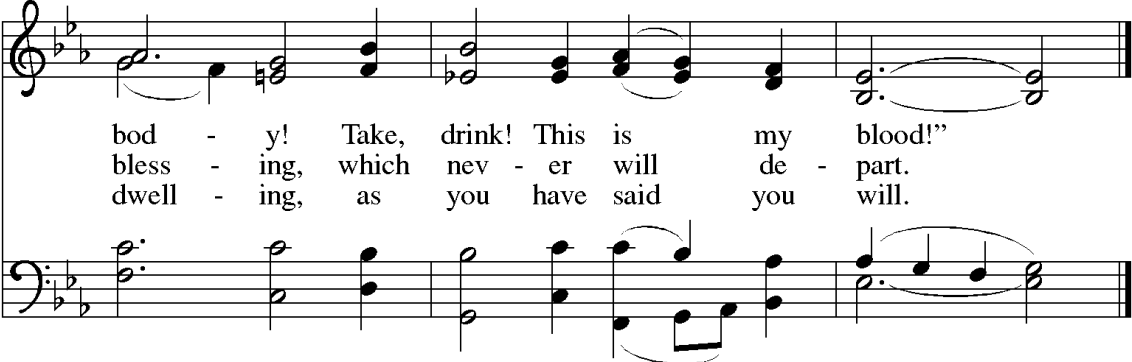
1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
 2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
 3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath



to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
 your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
 we will be true and nev - er— in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
 It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
 de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
 bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.
 dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. composite
 Music: O JESU, ÅN DE DINA, H. Thomissón, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569
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Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre-a-tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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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

What Wondrous Love Is This

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Paul J. Christiansen, 1914–1997, alt.

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

All hail the power of Jesus' name

Charles Callahan

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 Chuck Lanning

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday Sept 27, 2026 *The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation Classes
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Tuesday Sept 29, 2026

- 9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts

Wednesday Sept 30, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

Thursday Oct 1, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday Oct 3, 2026 *Harvest Weekend*

- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
With prayers for healing

Upcoming Events

Sunday Oct 4, 2026 *The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Harvest Weekend*

- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation Classes
- 2:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday Oct 5, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Property Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Parish Ed

Wednesday Oct 7, 2026

- 1:00 p.m. Grief Support Group
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

Thursday Oct 8, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday Oct 10, 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 honor of Dalton's baptism by his parents Tammy and Todd Daniello.

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:

Gaye Gargasz	Jayme Hart (friend of Rich and Denice Hall)
Emily (friend of Rich and Denice Hall)	Carolyn Fritz (friend of Fran Black)
Beth Hall (sister in law of Rich and Denice Hall)	Joyce Harris (sister of Judi Moinet)
Sherry (friend of Rich and Denice Hall)	Peggy Wise (sister in law of Judi Moinet)
Steve Repasky	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Marjory Luckock (sister in law of Darla Swift)	Mary Rose Jones (friend of Jill Murrin)
Cheryl Davern	Sheila Kretser (friend of Jill Murrin)
Marie Eaves	Lori Scotta (friend of Jill Murrin)
Tris Hall	Stephen Call (brother of Tyler Martin-Call)
	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

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

Lyn Higgins (nephew of Bonnie Long)

Charlene (friend of Rich and Denice Hall)

Music Notes

Made in America

This morning for this 18th Sunday after Pentecost we sing and hear many pieces with American roots. The thoughtful organ prelude by Calvin Taylor is based on the Spiritual, *Go down, Moses*. Composer and concert organist, Dr. Calvin Taylor was born in Los Angeles and has degrees in music from Oberlin College and the University of Michigan. Based on the first reading from Exodus, our choir sings this Afro-American Spiritual in an arrangement by Michael Burkhardt. Dr. Burkhardt is currently teaching at Eastern Michigan University.

Our first hymn, *Come thou font of every blessing*, is sung to the hymn tune, *Nettelton*. This well-known early American folk hymn tune first appeared in the 1813 publication of Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*. Both the hymn texts to *Come thou font of every blessing* and our hymn of the day, *All hail the power of Jesus' name*, were written by Englishmen and both are sung to American hymn tunes. The hymn tune for *All hail the power of Jesus' name* is sung to the hymn tune, *Coronation*. This hymn tune was written by Oliver Holden and published in Boston in his *Union Harmony* of 1793. The organ postlude by the American composer and organist Charles Callahan is based on this hymn tune.

Our second hymn sung during Communion, *As the grains of wheat*, was composed by Marty Hugen who wrote both the hymn text and tune. Haugen is a prolific liturgical composer with many songs included in hymnals across the liturgical spectrum of North American hymnals and beyond. He was raised in the American Lutheran Church, received a BA in psychology from Luther College.

Our closing hymn, *What wondrous love is this*, is a North American folk hymn that was published using shape notes. As you can see from the illustration, the music is a solfege reading system that uses different geometrical shapes for the note heads to help people sight-read vocal music easily. The hymn's lyrics were first published in Lynchburg, Virginia around 1811 in a camp meeting songbook, *A General Selection of the Newest and Most Admired Hymns and Spiritual Songs Now in Use*.

In Military Service

Specialist (SPC) Andrew McCall, Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colorado (son of Mark and Jane McCall. Grandson of Karen McKay and the late Jim McKay)

Sgt. First Class Nicholas Carman, US Army, Fredericksburg, Virginia (grandson of Nancy Ullstrom)

Admiral Richard Childs, Assistant Surgeon General of the USA (nephew of Harvey Childs)

Tim Ross, Navy Special Forces, (grandson of Rae Johnson, nephew of Lori McEwen)

Holy Trinity member, SGT Garrett Daniello, PA Army National Guard (son of Todd and Tammy Daniello, grandson of Georgia Perkins, grandnephew of Bonnie Long)

Holy Trinity member, SrA Stephanie Kovack, Air Force Reserve, 910th Youngstown Air Reserve Station

Lt., Junior Aviator, Nathaniel J. Hammond, San Diego, California (son of Brian and Rebecca Bittel Hammond, grandson of Nancy and James Bittel)

Cadet Riley Armstrong, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Duquesne University, ROTC (granddaughter of Linda Armstrong)

Holy Trinity Member, Private Jackson Weaver, Army National Guard, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas