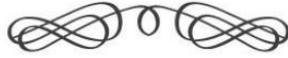




Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord



November 8, 2020 8:30 a.m.

23rd Sunday after Pentecost



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Please follow these COVID-19 guidelines during and after worship.

- Wear your mask at all times.
- Please only sit in designated rows and leave three chairs between your family and the next family.
- Offering basket is available in the narthex where nametags are typically found.
- There is no nursery during this service.
- Bathrooms are available. Please follow clean up instructions that are posted.
- At the end of the service, Pastor Tim will dismiss people by section. Please do not mingle with others in the Narthex or outdoors to minimize contact.
- Please take your bulletin and communion cup with you and recycle them at home.

Announcements

Stations of the Nativity: We are making videos of the Stations of the Nativity for Advent and for sharing with others. The recommended book is Stations of the Nativity by Patrick Kelley with text by Lawrence Boadt. The format includes a Reading, Meditation, Lesson, Prayer, and Psalm Verse for each of fourteen events/stations. Please see Mark if you're interested.

Reconciling in Christ Meeting and Vote: We recently sent a letter in the mail with information about becoming a Reconciling in Christ congregation. We will meet and vote over Zoom on November 22 at 11:00 AM. Look for the Zoom link in the Tidings, or call 1-646-558-8656. Meeting ID is 833 6495 9650. Password is 1517. *Only congregational members are able to vote.*

Toys for Tots: We will once again be collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program. The collection box will be in the narthex as it has been in the past and toys can be dropped off during services or sanctuary time. All donations must be received by December 6th for timely delivery.

Pop-Up Pantry: Drop food off at the church or make a donation through our website or app! Also, if you wish to get more involved and want to pack the bags of food, help set up or help take down, please email Paulette Sirois.

Worship Assistants	
Musicians	Jonathan Bock & Jon Koelker
Greeters	TBD
Usher(s)	TBD
Counters	Barry & Phyllis Philbrick
Cleaners	Cheryl Brigham & Pat Woollett
Sound System	Mark Donahue

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sunday, November	39 (8:30) + 136* (9:30) = 175 <small>*estimated attendance over Zoom</small>	\$7,097.45

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Gathering Song: *ELW 715 “Christ Be Our Light”*

Recognition of Veterans Day

Holy Trinity was formed partially by families located in the Seacoast area who were serving in the military via Pease Air Force Base, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and the Coast Guard. As our nation observes Veterans Day, we recognize those currently serving in the armed forces, veterans in our midst and their families who have given so much for our nation.

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God’s children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through ✝ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light;

¹⁹as if someone fled from a lion,

and was met by a bear;

or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,

and was bitten by a snake.

²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹I hate, I despise your festivals,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals

I will not look upon.

²³Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

²⁴But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Sermon

Prayers of the People

*Pastor will begin a time of prayer. You are invited to add petitions to this time of prayer. You may end your petition: “Lord in your mercy.” The congregation will respond: “**Hear our prayer.**”*

The Lord’s Prayer and Communion

***Sending Hymn:** ELW 439 “**Soon and Very Soon**”*

Benediction and Dismissal