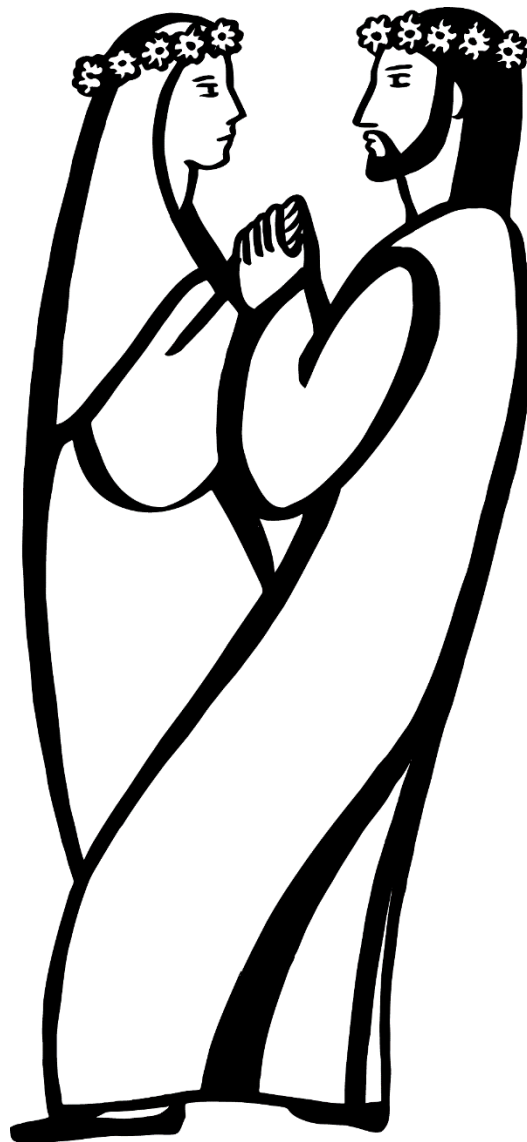




Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

October 3, 2021 9:30 AM – 19th Sunday after Pentecost



A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

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Worship Information

A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today! Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God. Your presence at worship is a gift! Take a moment to introduce yourself to someone near you. To our visitors, we offer a special welcome and invite you to sign the visitor's sheet near the entrance. Please allow us to get to know you by staying for refreshments and fellowship.

Children: We love having children worship with us! During worship over the summer, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

Communion: It is our privilege to welcome you to the Lord's Table! We welcome all who are baptized and wish to receive the promise offered in the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, to come and share in receiving Holy Communion. As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. *Communion elements are found in a basket on the Greeters table, as we are continuing to social distancing.*

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

Worship Photos & Videos may be taken for the purpose of posting in the media of our congregation. The photographer's credit will be provided and any image will be removed upon request. Parents are asked to fill out a release form concerning images of minors and no minor's pictures will be used without consent.

Missed Last Week's Service? Our Sunday worship service is now live-streamed on htelc.com. Watch anytime! Visit us on YouTube at youtube.com/HolyTrinityEvangelicalLutheranChurch.

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Reconciling in Christ

At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.

You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.

You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.

Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.

You are wanted here.



Today at Holy Trinity

9:30 AM: Traditional Worship

10:30 AM: Church Picnic – under the tent!

Worship Assistants	
	9:30 Traditional Service
Musician(s)	Jonathan Bock
Greeters	Scott and Leslie Carson
Church Picnic Leaders	Tom & Michelle Bernth
Counters	Phyllis & Barry Philbrick
Sound System/Live Stream	Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue

This Week At Holy Trinity			
Day	Date	Start	Event
Wednesday	10/06	09:30 AM	Bible Study
Thursday	10/07	08:30 AM	Property Team
Sunday	10/10	09:30 AM	9:30 Sunday Worship

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Tuesday, September 22	9	
Sunday, September 26	73 (In-Person) + 26 (online) = 99	\$7,438.90

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Emergency Contact Information: Please call the church office at **(603) 436-1704** and wait for the voicemail options. When instructed, press **6**, and you will be immediately transferred to Pastor Krick's cellphone.

Prayer Concerns

Please include the following in your daily prayers:

Members & Attenders

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson.

Homebound: Marie Edin, Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin.

Military: Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends

Lynn Geraci & Judi Thomson (Jill & Jerry Schock's friends), Martha Laperle (Betty King's friend), Pastor John H. Krahn (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friend), Kathy Germain (Franklyn Vosburg's sister), Megan Zadig (David & Carol Arrington's daughter), Joseph & Julia Spataro (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friends), Tammy Hickey (Tina Maiorino & Linda Sunderland's friend), Cinda DeWerff & Linda Aten (Rich Wilcox's sisters), Garnet D. Wilcox (Rich Wilcox's brother), Fred Keen (Rich Wilcox's brother-in-law), Bonnie Beatty (Rich Wilcox's niece), Floyd Richards (Claire Radke's neighbor), Susan Rogers (Linda Edwards' cousin), Mary Roberts (Heidi Morrison's sister-in-law), Dave Bly (Sue Althof's brother), Sharon Connors (Bonnie & Larry Sanders' daughter), Karla Roth (Bonnie & Larry Sanders' sister-in-law), Bill Hazard (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Stephanie & Chuck Pelesky (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend).

Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at office@htelc.com.

Lectionary (Readings)

This week: Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 8; Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16; Job 1:1-1; 2:1-10; Psalm 26

Next week: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31; Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15

Notes on today's services

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

Pop-Up Pantry

Every month, the Pop-Up Pantry at Holy Trinity is requesting a different item for us to put outside on Wednesdays with the normal bags of food that we give out. This month's item is...

SOFT BAGS OF COFFEE

Please drop off your donations with the Church Office, in the cardboard bin in the Narthex, or outside the building in the plastic bins. Thank you so much for your generous donations!



Announcements

Church Picnic after Worship TODAY. Please join us under the tent (weather permitted) for our annual Church Picnic, with Bratwurst and a pot-luck!



Next Sunday, our Faith Formation activity is an Intergenerational Activity. Bingo! Bingo! Bingo! Prizes to be awarded!

Tuesday Evening Worship at 6:30 PM: These nights we will worship outdoors, under the tent, and hear the grand narrative of the Bible throughout to learn how all of the Bible stories we know relate and connect to one another. Jon Koelker and Jonathan Bock will lead us in music and the sermon will be more of an explanation than a proclamation. We will also pray and have communion each week. After our 30-minute worship, we will stay for dessert!

God's Work Our Hands: This year HTELC will be assisting Ending 68 Hours of Hunger (E68HH) as our large project. For many children who receive free meals at school, the weekends are a time when meals become scarce. E68HH sends home packs of food on Fridays so that approximately 180 local children are sustained until they return to school on Mondays. Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic continues to affect us all, and many of these families are also lacking the means to obtain supplies to keep themselves clean and healthy. We will be collecting hand sanitizer, hand soap, disinfecting wipes, and masks at HTELC until Sunday, October 17.



As part of God's Work, Our Hands, HTELC is scheduled to volunteer to help clean an area beach on Sunday, October 10 at 12:00 noon. We will be partnering with blueocean.org. They will notify us as to the location and will provide the necessary supplies for the effort. This is the ultimate example of "many hands making light work," in addition to being a fun time for everyone.

The Faith Formation team has been busy making plans for the next National Youth Gathering which will take place in Minneapolis, MN, July 24th-28th 2022. If you or someone you know are in 8th through 12th grade this year, we would love for you to join us. Please reach out to Pastor Tim or Faith Bygd, the Faith Formation coordinator, for more details!

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Gathering Song

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God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991
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Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

—A brief silence—

P: God our comforter:

C: **like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

Amen.

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting

P: May the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: **Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

Ministry Minute

Tammy Joslyn

Please welcome Tammy Joslyn, executive director of Operation Blessing in Portsmouth, NH, to speak at the lectern about the great things Operation Blessing does for individuals and families in need, and how you can support their ministry. To learn more, visit operationblessingnh.org

Children's Message

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

First Reading

L: A reading from Psalm 8

L: ¹O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

**L: ²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths
of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence
the foe and avenger.**

L: ³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

**L: ⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them? R**

L: ⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.

**L: ⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

L: ⁷all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,

**L: ⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

L: ⁹O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark, Chapter 10:2-16

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Prayers of the People

P: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

—A brief silence—

P: Holy One, you have established a diverse and beautiful creation. Revive declining species and preserve endangered lands. Cultivate in us a sense of wonder for the world you created. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You desire for us not to be alone and to live in community with one another. Strengthen relationships between nations and peoples, that we celebrate and support one human family. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You share in our experiences and struggles. Bless all who live with any mental or physical disability. Inspire creative communities, spaces, and environments that are accessible and hospitable. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You have established and nurtured relationships that extend beyond those gathered here today. Bless members who can no longer travel to worship with us and remind us of their continued role in this community of faith. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence— Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and

the Holy Land and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. After the service, please make your offering at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

Offertory Hymn

Church Choir

Offertory Prayer

P: Together, let us pray.

C: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. While we gather during the Pandemic, we will receive communion with a pre-filled communion cup and wafer. Communion cups can be found in the Narthex.

Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

P: Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold 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.**

Invitation to Communion

The assembly may be seated. Communion elements can be found on the Greeters' table.

Sending of Communion

P: Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation:
Bless those who go forth to carry your Word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers who are homebound. In your love and compassion, nourish and strengthen them with hope through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

Rites of Passage and Announcements

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

Sending Hymn

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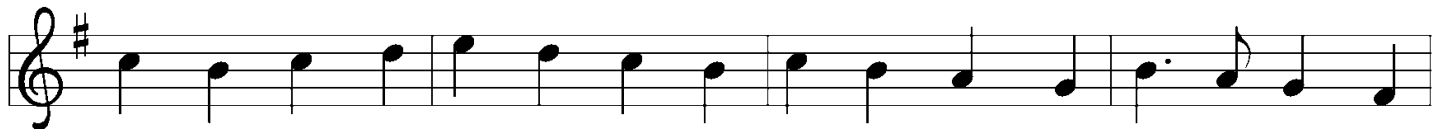
Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

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Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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Benediction

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you † peace.

C: **Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**