



Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

October 31, 2021 9:30 AM – Reformation Day



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: Fellowship

Worship Assistants	
	9:30 Traditional Service
Musician(s)	Jonathan Bock
Greeters	TBD
Lector	Julie Kath
Fellowship Host	Ruby Clemmons
Counters	Bill & Julie Kath
Sound System/Live Stream	Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue

This Week At Holy Trinity			
Day	Date	Start	Event
Tuesday	11/2	06:30 PM	Tuesday Worship
Wednesday	11/3	09:30 AM	Bible Study
Thursday	11/4	08:30 AM	Property Team
Sunday	11/7	09:30 AM	9:30 Sunday Worship & All Saints Day

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Tuesday, October 20	No Worship on 10/20	
Sunday, October 24	80 (In-Person) + 27 (online) = 107	\$4,213.90

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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

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), Bill Hazard (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Stephanie & Chuck Pelesky (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Casey Lavoie (Stephanie Goupil'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: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Next week: Isaiah 25:6-9; Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

Notes on today's services

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

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

Confirmation Sunday is today at 9:30 AM. Today, Avani Pakasi will make public confession of their faith.

Altar Flowers have been given by Lara Scammon in honor of Reformation Day..

Christian Sympathy to Bonnie Sanders. Bonnie's Sister-in-Law passed away on October 23. Please keep Bonnie, Larry, and the rest of the Sanders' family in your prayers at this time.

All Saints Sunday is November 7. We hold in remembrance those who have lived and died in the faith this past year. Please talk to Mark Donahue, or email the church office if you have a name you would like remembered in the Prayer of the Church on Sunday, November 7.

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. We will also pray and have communion each week. After our 30-minute worship, we will stay for dessert! *This Tuesday will be the LAST Midweek Worship until we find an interim Pastor.*

About Good News Garage: *(Holy Trinity is a proud supporter of Good News Garage. During the Month of October, we will hear from various non-profits that Holy Trinity supports.)* Good News Garage is one of the nation's first non-profit car donation programs. It was founded in Burlington, Vermont in 1996 and has since expanded across New England and opened a second office in Manchester, New Hampshire. Good News Garage has provided over 5,500 New England families with safe, reliable, refurbished donated vehicles. The organization's goal is to increase opportunities for its clients to move out of poverty and into financial and social stability through reliable transportation. Good News Garage is one of the few car-donation programs in the country that awards donors' old or unused cars to neighbors in need. Car donors receive free towing, qualify for generous tax deductions, and enjoy making a difference in their community by empowering individuals and families to move forward in their lives. For more information about Good News Garage or to donate a car, truck, or van visit GoodNewsGarage.org or call 877.GIVE.AUTO (877.448.3288). Good News Garage is a member of Ascentria Care Alliance, formerly Lutheran Social Services of New England.

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Reformation Day - Sunday, October 31, 2021 — 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Song

ELW 413

— Please stand as able—

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.
Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Children's Message

—Please be seated—

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 46

L: ¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

**C: ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

L: ³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**C: ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

L: ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

**C: ⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

L: ⁷The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**C: ⁸Come now, regard the works of the Lord,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

L: ⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with
fire.

**C: ¹⁰“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

L: ¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

— Please stand as able—

P: The holy gospel according to St. John, Chapter 8:31-36

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

—Please be seated—

Affirmation of Baptism/Rite of Confirmation

P: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Avani, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for this sister, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C: Amen.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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 into hell. 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: To live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each Confirmand responds: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support these *sisters and brothers* and pray for *them* in *their* life in Christ?

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: In preparation for this day, you have studied the Bible and the Christian faith for over two years, attending weekly classes, fulfilling homework assignments, writing sermon notes, serving in the life of the church and much more. In these last stages of preparation, you have chosen Bible verses

that are meaningful for your life. I now ask that you recite your Bible verse to the congregation.

Prayer and Laying on of Hands

P: I now invite your parents forward to stand behind you and to place their hands upon your shoulder.

P: Let us pray.

P: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

*P: Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake,
stir up in (confirmand's first and last name)
the gift of your Holy Spirit;
confirm his/her faith,
guide his/her life,
empower him/her in his/her serving,
give him/her patience in suffering, and bring him/her
to everlasting life.
Amen.*

P: When you were baptized, the Pastor announced the promise that you are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. I now invite your parents to repeat that promise to you as they make the sign of the cross on your forehead and announce the words.

Parents: You are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
 you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
 I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
 If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
 I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
 I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

Prayers of the People

P: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

—A brief silence—

P: We pray for all who long for a word of truth and for the radical grace that flows from the cross. Inspire congregations to freely and boldly proclaim your love for all people with persistence and hope. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We pray for your creation, for mountains, rivers, streams, cities, homesteads, and neighborhoods. Write in our hearts a new love and care for creation. Give us the will to curb wasteful habits and to hold accountable those who neglect the vulnerable. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We lift before you all those whose work puts them in harm's way for the sake of others, especially first responders and servicewomen and men who are stationed around the world. Allow all people to return home safely and keep them close to you. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We pray for all who long for healing in mind, body, or spirit. Strengthen hospitals, clinics, counseling centers, nursing homes, and recovery centers to be holy spaces of renewal that all might live the abundant life you intend. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence— Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

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. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

C: Amen.

Offering

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

Offertory Hymn **“Open My Eyes That I May See”** ***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

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

We will now take 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.

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.

Announcements, Birthdays and Anniversaries

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.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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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.**