

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

September 11, 2022 9:30 AM – 14th Sunday after Pentecost



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WELCOME

to Holy Trinity

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.

September Celebrations!

Happy Birthday!

Tracy Barry, Steve Bauer, Erik Bygd, Bill Clapp, Serena Gerome, Judy Gessner, Don Gindlesperger, Emily Goupil, Russ Hilliard, Edie Hudak, Peter Johnson, Mary Kuck, Leo Larson, Heidi Morrison, Joan Parseghian, Yosua Siagian, Rick Swiatocha II, Sonia Talabessey.

Happy Anniversary!

Martha and Rich Belanger, Mark and Erlinde Beliveau, Dan and Lara Scammon, Paul and Lauren Gianino, Carl and Eileen Kackenmeister, Angie and Paul Eide.

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!

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

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.

Emergency Pastoral Contact: If you need a Pastoral Visit, or you're experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact Mark in the Church office and he will provide you with the Contact Pastor information during daytime and after work (emergencies) hours. Email office@htelc.com or call (603)436-1704 and leave a voicemail message.

Donate to Holy Trinity: You can

place your offering in the offering plate during the service. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you.



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PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, George Parseghian, Sarah Meier, Judy Hollister, Marilee Clark, Don Gindlesperger, Steve Bush, Joyce Rivoire, Richard Anderson, Yvonne Topping, Dave Smith, Larry Sanders. Homebound: Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin, Ron Evers, Dave & Joyce Rivoire, Bernie Olsen, Anita Lindstrom. Military: Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends: Martha LaPerle (Betty King's friend), Cinda DeWerff (Rich Wilcox's sister), Evertt Thorne (Rich Wilcox's friend), Sage Pirnie (Jessica Feeley's friend's grandchild), Christine Karmen (Joan Bauer & Stephanie Goupil's friend), Anita Creager (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Jay Bartel (Bobbi Febbo's son), Susan Fischer (Lois Kfoury's cousin), Jill Duncan (Bobbie Febbo's friend), Katy and Sherry (Shirley Jackson's daughter and sister).

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.

NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock, Jon Koelker, Dick Topping

Choir Director: Jon Koelker Sound System: Mark Donahue Counters: Julie and Bill Kath Altar Guild: Pam Shaw Lector: Shirley Jackson

Liturgical Deacon: Glenn Oswald

LECTIONARY

This Week: Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51:1-10; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10; Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14

Next Week: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13; Jeremiah 8:18--9:1; Psalm 79:1-9

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, September 14

9:30 AM: Bible Study

THURSDAY, September 15 8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, September 18 9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

10:45 AM: Sending of Pastor George Koch

10:45 AM: Confirmation Class

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, August 28: 61 (*In-Person*) + 23 (*Online*) = 84 **Offering:** \$6,172.40 **Sunday, September 4:** 44 (*In-Person*) + 21 (*Online*) = 65 **Offering:** \$3,676.45

Announcements

Celebration and Blessing of the MSP: After Worship today, we are going to hold a gathering to thank everyone on the Transition Team and the MSP writing team. We will pray for our Call Committee, as they prepare to interview prospective pastoral candidates in the coming months. Next Sunday, September 18, we will have a special celebration for Pastor George Koch, who has gone above and beyond serving our congregation over the past summer.

Walk the Walk Final Results: Thanks to our Congregation, Holy Trinity walked 6,463 miles between 35 members in order to help raise funds for Camp Calumet in July and August. Good job, Team Holy Trinity!

Confirmation Classes Begin Today. The time has finally come for all grade 7 & up students* (and parents) who want to be confirmed next May is today from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in the middle upstairs classroom of our church. This first class and meeting is essential for all first, second and third year confirmation students and their parents. Students will get their personal copy of the Here We Stand Student Book and an NRSV
Bible. They and their parents will also receive Class & Event Plan Outlines for the coming school year. Students also sign-up for involvement in the life of our church and their respective communities. Parents are asked to periodically help as chaperones, drivers and class monitors. The 2022-23 confirmation classes and events are taught/led by the team of Pastor Luther, Lara Scammon and Glenn Oswald. Second and third year confirmation students who've had one or more years with Pastor Krick and who wish to be confirmed this year can be assured that their sessions with Pastor Krick are taken into account in determining their individual requirements.

The Ministry Site Profile (MSP) has been completed and will be sent to the Synod office shortly. The document is a summary of all the comments and discussions that we had between January and June. Please take time to pick up a paper copy in our Gathering Area today.

Pastor Luther returns September 25: We're pleased to announce that on Sunday, September 25, Pastor Luther Zeigler will be returning to Holy Trinity as our interim pastor. He will remain in this position on Sundays and Wednesdays through the end of the year when we will re-evaluate our relationship depending on the status of the search for a permanent pastor.

Stewardship: The Time and Talent volunteer form will be coming out in mid-September. The Stewardship Committee and Ministry chairpersons hope that everyone who attends Holy Trinity will find an area where they can be of help to the congregation, the area, and the world. Each of us has a unique interest or expertise in something which will make a better place for all.

Tables of Eight: This popular Adult Fellowship event at Holy Trinity is a great way to get to know others from your Holy Trinity family. Those who sign up will enjoy 4 meals together over the next year. Each group decides the meals...potluck, theme menus, picnic, eat out, etc. If you would like to participate in the coming year, we invite you to sign up ASAP by contacting Jo Whiting (text 603-828-7494 or email tidewatch9@comcast.net) or Mark in the church office (office@HTELC.com). If you participated last year, you will automatically be assigned to a Tables group this year unless you let Jo or Mark know otherwise.

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Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand as able

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

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
- C: Amen.
- P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

—A brief silence—

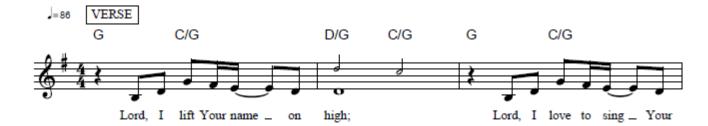
- P: God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

- P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

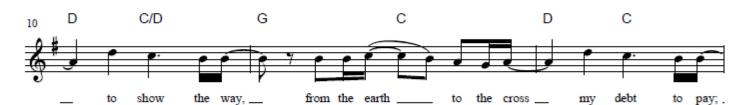
Lord I Lift Your Name On High

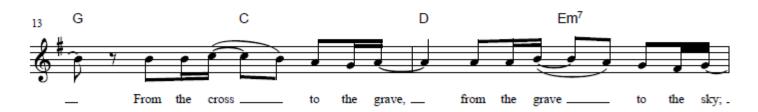
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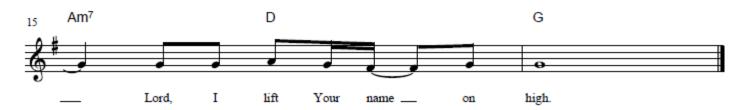












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Greeting

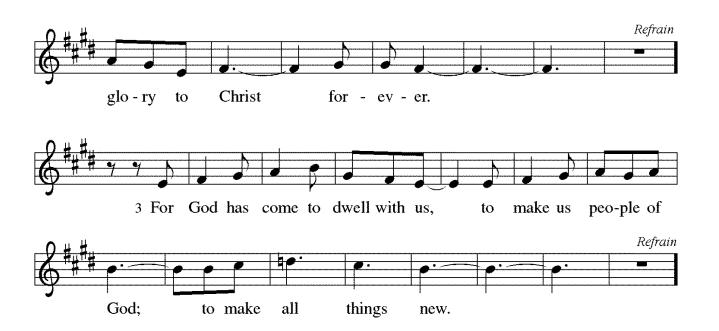
- P: May the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
- C: Amen.

Canticle of Praise

ELW 167

Now the Feast and Celebration





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Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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

—Please be seated—

- L: A reading from 1 Timothy 1:12-17
- ¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.
- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

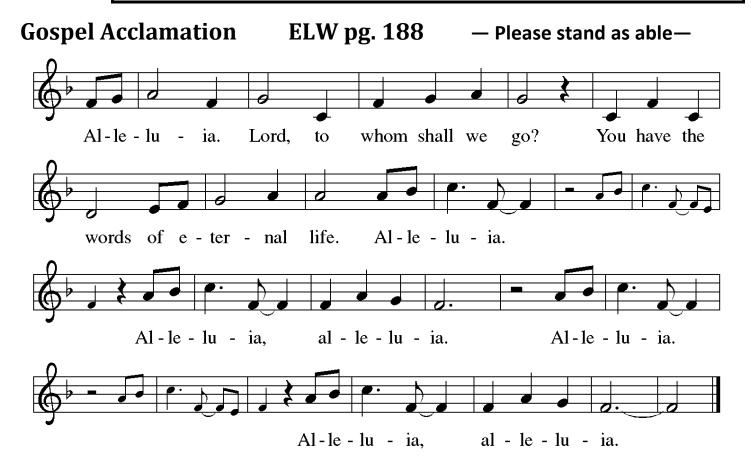
- L: A reading from Psalm 51:1-10
- L: ¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- C: ²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.
- L: ³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.
- C: ⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;

so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

- L: ⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.
- C: ⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.
- L: ⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.
- C: 8Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- L: ⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.
- C: ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

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



Gospel

Please stand as able

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke 15:1-10

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

—Please be seated—





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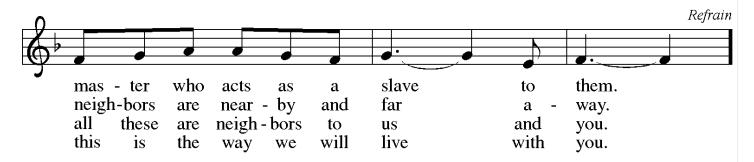
- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
- 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor,
- 3 These are the ones we will serve,
- 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends,

si - lent-ly wash-es their feet,

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these are the ones we will love;

si - lent-ly wash-ing their feet:



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Music: CHEREPONI, Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

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Apostles Creed

C: 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 the People

LD: As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

—A brief silence—

LD: Your people receive mercy and your grace overflows in our lives. Fill your church with faith and love, and give understanding hearts to those who work to strengthen our ecumenical and interreligious commitments.

God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Your creation groans as it suffers the impacts of pollution and lack of care. As the seasons change, renew in us the will to protect plants,

animals, and habitats. Bless us with bountiful harvests that all may share. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Your world is shattered and the nations rage. Remember us in your mercy. Teach wisdom to our elected leaders so that we know peace in our world, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Your work is done in this congregation with our hands, feet, voices, minds, and hearts. Build up the ministries of this community, that we serve our neighbors and welcome the stranger in your name. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: 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. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Your children wander homeless and the hungry cry for bread. Seek out those who are lost or lonely, anxious or depressed, or struggling with addiction or illness. Provide for those in any need. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence—God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: 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. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

The Sharing of God's Peace

P: May the peace of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – which passes all understanding, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them. Please remain seated and avoid physical touch in the interests of everyone's health and safety.

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

Offertory Hymn

Church Choir

Offertory Prayer

- P: Let us Pray.
- C: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

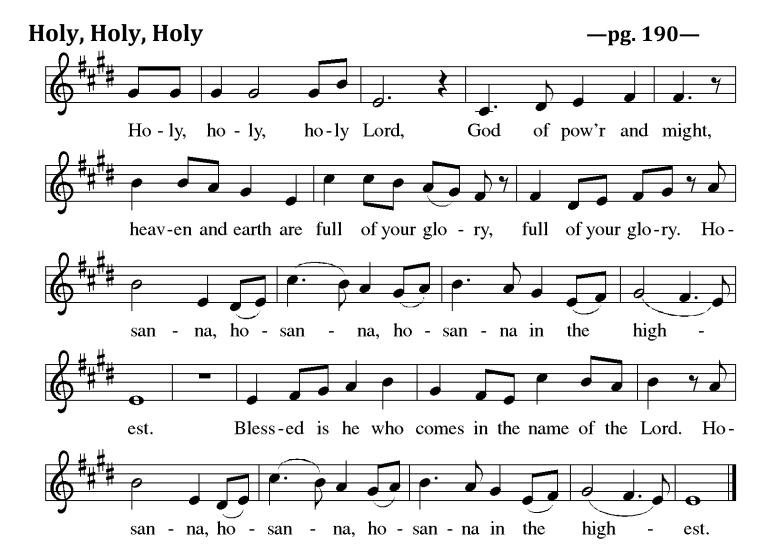
As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the glass in the basket by the baptismal font or the lectern. Pre-filled Communion Cups are still available for anyone uncomfortable coming forward to the altar. If you would like to receive communion from the Pastor, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

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.

Preface

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

(Sung response by congregation)

P: In the night that Jesus was betrayed, by one of his own, He took the bread and blessed it as He said, "here's my body broken for you."

He took the cup and raised it up on high, bowed His head and prayed. And then He said, "My blood for you is shed. A cleansing stream to wash your sins away."

C: Come and see the glory of the Lord, come behold the Lamb.
Come and taste the mercy of the King, bowing down before Him.
For He is Lord above the heavens. Lord in all the earth.
Lord of all the angels. Worthy to be served. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Lord.

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

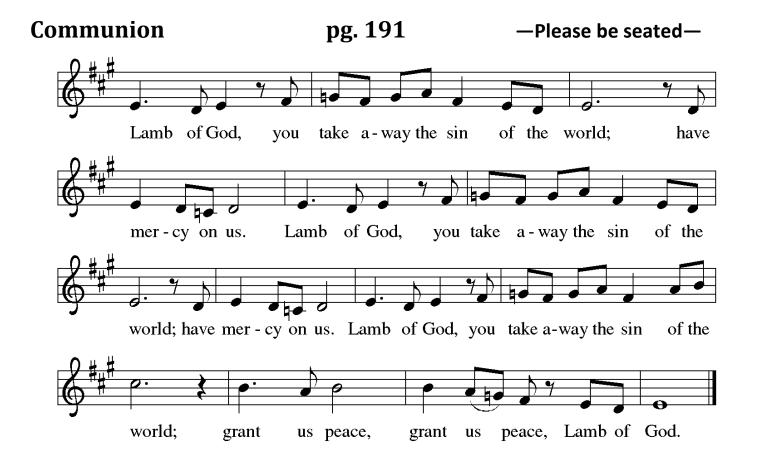
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.



Communion Hymns:

While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. **Communion Hymn #1: ELW 496**

One Bread, One Body

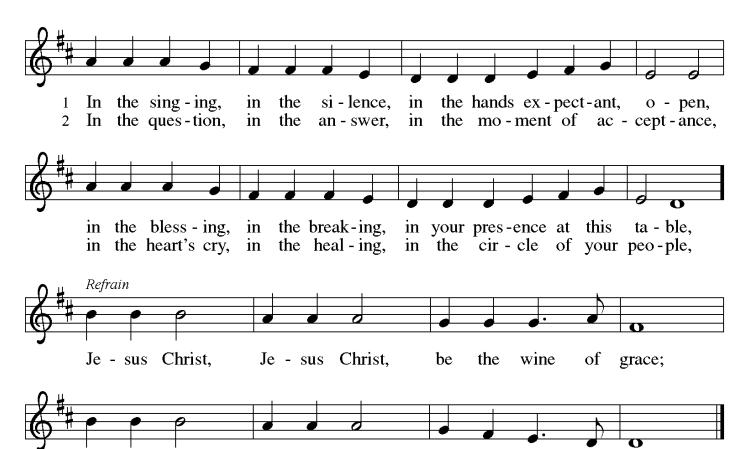


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Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sJ

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In the Singing



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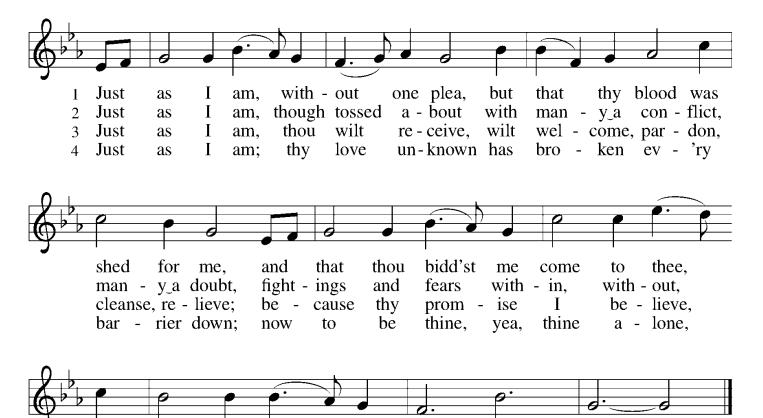
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Just As I Am, without One Plea



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Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871

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Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

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SENDING

The Prayer after Communion

- P: Let us pray.
- C: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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.

Blessing

—Please stand as able—

- P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity,

 → one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C: Amen.

Dismissal

- LD: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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