

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

October 16, 2022 9:30 AM - 19th 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.

October Celebrations!

Happy Birthday!

Faith Bygd, Isabella Clemmons, Evan Duderwicz, Frank Getchell, Nancy Gilmore, Betty King, Jean Klein, Jon Koelker, Hazel Larson, Lois Laurence, Nina Opderbecke, Holly Scammon, Lara Scammon, Anggrin Sihombing, & Franklyn Vosburg

Happy Anniversary!

Frank Getchell & Janet Maleski, George Koch & Elyse Demers, Bruce & Lynne Clement, Dave and Carol Arrington, Tom & Michelle Bernth

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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All Worship Services are livestreamed and available to watch on YouTube after the service ends.

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, 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), 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

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

LECTIONARY

This Week: Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 121;

2 Timothy 3:14--4:5; Luke 18:1-8;

Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104

Next Week: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22;

Sirach 35:12-17; Psalm 84:1-7;

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14;

Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock Choir Director: Ken Galle

Sound System: Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue

Counters: Phyllis and Barry Philbrick

Altar Guild: Julie Moore **Lector:** Shirley Jackson

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, October 19

9:30 AM: Bible Study
THURSDAY October 20

8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, October 30

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

1:00 PM: God's Work Our Hands (at Operation

Blessing)

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, October 2: 84 (*In-Person*) + 23 (*Online*) = 107 **Offering:** \$6,017.45 **Sunday, October 9:** 94 (*In-Person*) + 19 (*Online*) = 113 **Offering:** \$7,332.40

Announcements

Adult Forum Today: After worship, Pastor Luther will lead an Adult Forum on the subject "What is the Church?". We will hold another Adult Forum on Sunday, October 30 titled, "Faith and Politics".

Time and Talent Sunday: On Sunday, October 23, we will celebrate "Time and Talent Sunday". In your bulletins, you will find a Time and Talent form, where you can view and sign-up to serve for all the different types of ministries we have at Holy Trinity. One can help aid our Pastor in worship, serve on a team, or volunteer your time at an outside ministry our church supports. This form has been redesigned and updated with all active ministries to help YOU serve our congregation with your time and your talents.

Reformation Sunday is on October 30. Please remember to wear red on Sunday, October 30 as we celebrate the Reformation and the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives.

Call Committee Notice: The Call Committee met with our Synod Representative, Steve Wilco on 9/26/22. Steve reviewed the process and responsibilities of the Call Committee with us. Since then the committee has started to formulate interview questions for our candidate. We invite the congregation to submit questions as well in writing to our chairperson, Dick Topping, at rtopping@rftopping.com or (508) 523-1027. We also ask you to include us in your prayers as we begin this process of discerning God's next steps in our Christian walk as a church. Thank you.

College Care Packages: We are collecting names of college students for the annual College Care Christmas Packages. Please send the name and school address of your student to Bobbie Febbo via text or phone call (401-430-5575) or via email (bobbiefebbo123@gmail.com). Also, indicate if your student is on a semester or trimester term and the date this term ends. Please respond by November 1 so that we can prepare for mailing on the Monday after Thanksgiving. Include your contact info in case we need to clarify any information with you. A donation box will be in the Gathering Area from November 6 to November 20. Please help us to fill these packages with goodies for our college students.

All Saints Sunday: We hold in remembrance those who have lived and died in the faith this past year. Please contact the church office if you have a name you would like remembered in the Prayer of the Church on Sunday, November 6.

God's Work Our Hands: On October 23, we have an off-site event scheduled at 1:00. Operation Blessing needs to get their warming building prepped for the winter season. This structure is used for homeless people to sleep when the temperature falls below 20F. A signup sheet can be found at the welcoming table in the Narthex. Please help in any way that you can!

Stewardship envelopes: Our pledge campaign has begun, and your packet was sent in the mail last week, including a pledge card. Please place your completed pledge card in with your offering. Extra pledge cards are found on the table near the bulletins. Spare Stewardship packets are available, if you never received yours.

Honoring our Veterans: On November 13, Holy Trinity will honor our veterans who are on Active Duty or retired from service. If you or a loved one has served in the military, please contact the Church Office so we can recognize you in the bulletin. Thank you for your service.

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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.

God Is Here!



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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.

Kyrie



Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through 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 Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is

preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

- L: A reading from Psalm 121
- L: ¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?
- C: ²My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.
- L: ³The Lord will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.
- C: ⁴Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;
- L: 5the Lord watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
- C: 6the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
- L: ⁷The Lord will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.
- C: 8The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.
- 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 Acclamation

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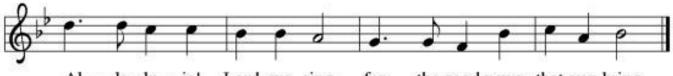
— Please stand as able—



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

— Please stand as able—

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke 18:1-8

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

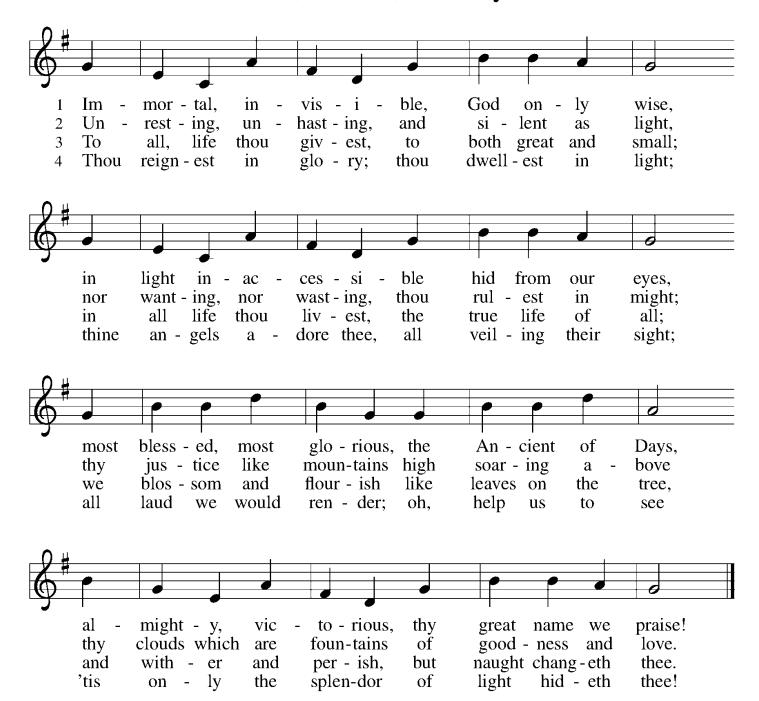
¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ¬And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ¹¹I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

-Please be seated-

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

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: In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

—A brief silence—

LD: For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted

atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: For those in our congregation and community engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

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. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are ill or grief-stricken.
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.

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. Hear us, O God.

- C: Your mercy is great.
- LD: With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- 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

—Please stand as able—

- 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.

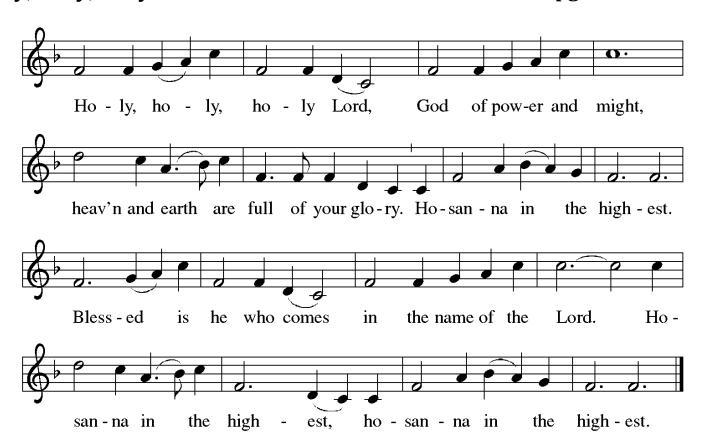
Dialogue

—Please remain standing—

- 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:



Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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.

Communion

Please be seated—

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

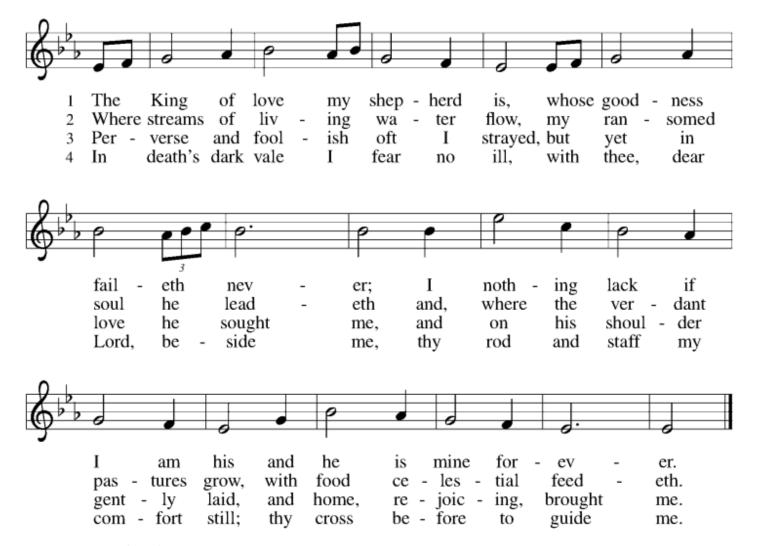


Text: John Foley, sJ, b. 1939

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

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The King of Love My Shepherd Is



Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: St. Columba, Irish tune

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.

Ministry Minute

Bret Hudson, Good News Garage

Today, we welcome Bret Hudson to our congregation to speak about Good News Garage. Bret is a Vehicle Sourcing Specialist for Good News Garage. According to their webpage:

Good News Garage (GNG) was founded in 1996 as one of the first nonprofit car donation programs in the U.S. Our goal is to repair donated cars, as needed, and award them to individuals and families striving for self-sufficiency. Over the last 25 years, we have provided over 5,500 New England families with donated vehicles, empowering them to move out of poverty and into financial independence and social stability.

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—

Pastor Zeigler will now lead a blessing for the end of our worship service.

Sending Hymn

ELW 628

Please remain standing

Jerusalem, My Happy Home



- 1 Je ru sa lem, my hap py home, when shall I come to thee? 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas-ant soil!
- 3 Thy gar-dens and thy gal-lant walks con tin ual-ly are green;
- 4 There trees for ev er more bear fruit and ev er more do spring;
- 5 Je ru sa lem, Je ru sa lem, God grant that I may see



When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see? In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil. grow such sweet and pleas-ant flow'rs as no-where else there seen. there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing. thine end - less joy, and of the same par-tak - er be!

Text: F. B. P., 16th cent.

Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional

Dismissal

LD: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C: Thanks be to God.

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