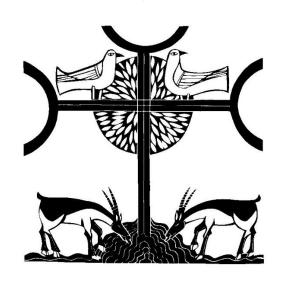
# Trinity Staten Island



18th Sunday
after Pentecost
September 22, 2024

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Lutheran Church is a diverse Christian community committed to sharing and teaching the Word of God. We welcome all people and serve to provide Christian education, witness and outreach. In response to God's grace, we are called to address the needs of our changing community, care for others, worship God, develop leaders in our faith, and manage our gifts.

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#### INFORMATION FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING

To accommodate all our membership, and to provide outreach into the community, this service is being live streamed and made available on YouTube. By attending, you consent to any recording, and its release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction to be used for live streaming and/or any other publication, printed or electronic, of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Please silence your cell phones while we gather.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

# 18th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM September 22, 2024

# **GATHERING**

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER

#### **PRELUDE**

#### Pianosong

Paul Halley (b. 1952)

Charles Geysel, Trinity School alumnus, organ Trent Whisenant, Director of Music, piano

#### WELCOME

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### All That Hath Life and Breath

Rene Clausen (b. 1953)

All that hath life and breath, praise ye the Lord! Shout to the Lord, hallelujah! Sing praise, give thanks, hallelujah!

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

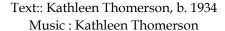
#### C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. *Silence is kept for reflection.* 

- P Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our Lips. But have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, The source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.
- C Amen.

# **GATHERING HYMN, ELW 815**

#### I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT





## **GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

#### **GLORY TO GOD**



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C Amen.

Please be seated.

# **WORD**

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, READING, PREACH AND SONG

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

A A reading from Jeremiah.

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;

then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me

that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,

let us cut him off from the land of the living,

so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,

who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,

for to you I have committed my cause.

A Word of God, Word of Life.

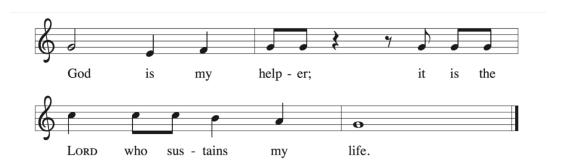
#### C Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALMODY**

#### PSALM 54

The choir sings through the refrain once and then all repeat it.

Refrain





The choir chants the non-bold verses, the congregation joins on the bolded verses.

<sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, <sup>1</sup> by your name;

in your might, de- I fend my cause.

<sup>2</sup>Hear my | prayer, O God;

give ear to the words | of my mouth.

<sup>3</sup>For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my life, those who have no re- | gard for God.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, God | is my helper;

it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who | spy on me; in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.

<sup>6</sup>I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for | it is good.

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from | every trouble, and my eye looks down | on my enemies.

# SECOND READING: James 3:1-13-4: 3, 7-8a

A A reading from James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God.

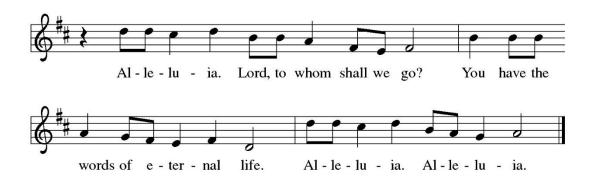
Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

- A Word of God, Word of Life.
- C Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (WHEN CHILDREN PRESENT)

Please stand.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, ELW P.205



#### GOSPEL READING: MARK- 9: 30-37

- P The holy gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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

Please be seated.

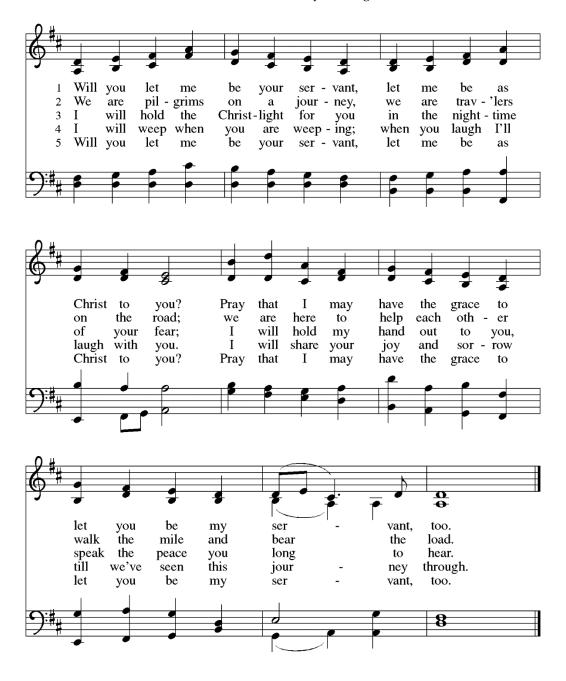
## **SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY, ELW 659

## WILL YOU LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT

#### TEXT: RICHARD GILLARD, B. 1953

Music: Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928



## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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 INTERCESSION

The lector ends each prayer petition by saying, "God, in your mercy," after which the congregation responds with "receive our prayer."

The pastor closes the intercessions with a prayer after which the congregation replies: "Amen."

#### **PEACE**

We greet one another with the peace and love of Jesus Christ.

P: The peace and love of Jesus Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of Christ's peace and love with one another, and then be seated.

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (SEE BACK OF BULLETIN)

#### RECOGNIZING TRINITY SCHOOL ALUMNI FROM THE PAST

## HONORING OUR EDUCATION PARTNERS OF TODAY

MUSICAL OFFERING

Here I Am, Lord

Jack Schrader (b. 1942)

Marguerite Coles, Trinity School alumna

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain

"I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

# PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING, ELW 531

## THE TRUMPETS SOUND THE ANGELS SING (vs. 1)

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950 Music: Graham Kendrick



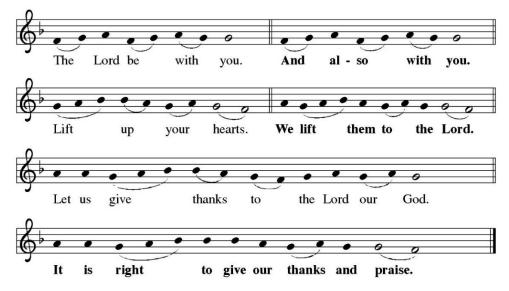
#### OFFERING PRAYER

- A Blessed are you, O God.
  Source of every gift of your creation.
  By these gifts and with our lives,
  help us to serve on another and all in need,
  through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

## **MEAL**

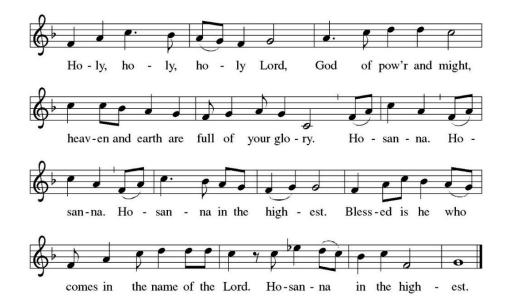
## GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



. 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, ELW P.207



P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. 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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

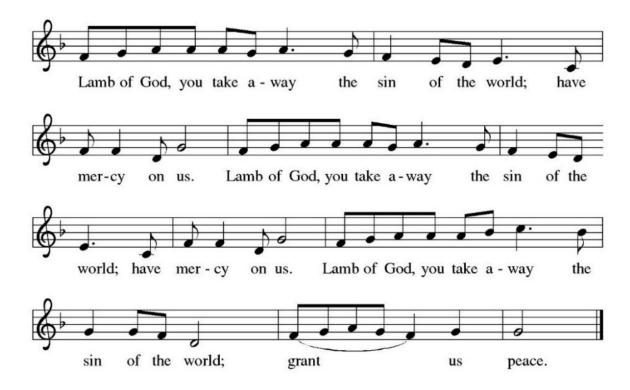
- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
  Give us this day our daily bread;

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 Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

# LAMB OF GOD, ELW P. 208



## COMMUNION HYMN, ELW 781

#### Children of the Heavenly Father

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832- 1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870-1958 Music: Swedish folk tune



# **COMMUNION HYMN, ELW 595**

## **JESUS LOVE ME!**

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt. Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868



#### TABLE BLESSING

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.
- C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Holy God,
  you have welcomed us to this meal
  and fed us with dignity at your table.
  Send us now to welcome others
  and to be at peace with one another,
  though Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

## **SENDING**

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

#### CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

P Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **BLESSING**

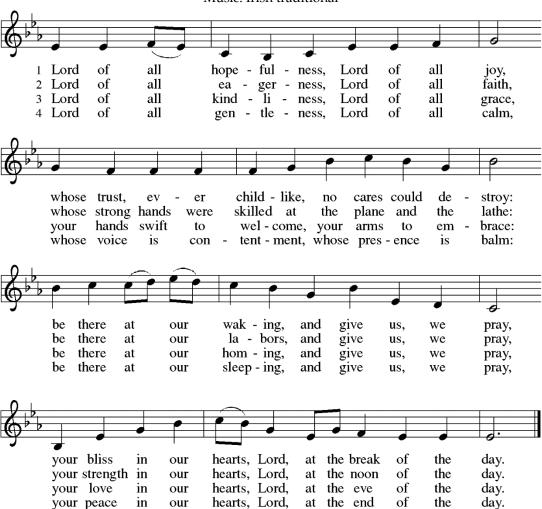
- P God all mighty
  God most merciful.
  - ♣ bless, keep you.

    and give you peace.
- C Amen.

## SENDING HYMN, ELW 765

#### LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

Text: Jan Struther, 1901- 1953 Music: Irish traditional



#### **DISMISSAL**

- A Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Celebration Cecilia McDowall (b. 1951)

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

Altar Guild	Nancy Misener-Granda
Assisting Minister and Lector	Deacon Margaret Ann O'Donnell
Crucifer and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant	Richard Schrader
Ushers	Ruth Saliski, Helene Blatt
Counters	Judy Bombardi, Jeanette Richardson
Preacher/Presider	Rev. Stephanie Jaeger

## PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR OUR PRAYERS ~ Please contact us with names to be added or removed. Marjorie Lawrence, Reath Edwards, Steven Chase and the Chase Family, Ronald Campbell, Carmen Acosta, Elizabeth N. Beyan, Roe Regan, Kim Russell, Helen O'Reilly, Diane Deutsch, Sylvia Ann Scott, Judy Killian, Carmen Cognetta. Mary & Israel Montalvo, Bob Rautenstrauch, Joan Nellis, Deacon Margaret-Ann O'Donnell, Barbara Stack, George Skilbred, Jessica Desens, Migdalia Jimenez, Laura Lupo, Ruth Dowling, David Dowling, Lura Hellem, Bobbie Wood & her daughter, Elizabeth Martin, Virginia Gill & Family, Roald & Marlies Meyer, Victor Mistretta, Carol Vikse, Steven Tercovich, Linda Donlan, Laura Konczynski, May Moore, Marlin Campbell, Ka-Ka, Kashief Campbell, Dianne Bombardi, Ian Grande, Edie Piazza, Christopher Jarrett, Laura Bunnell, Tony Leonardi, John Niemiec, Steve, Sonia Nunez, Ellen Nelson, Darlene Nellis, Cynthia Marsh Crowell, Pastor Wolfgang Laudert, Jackie LaMorte, the Pennington Family, Kristine Klumbach, Maryann, Frank and Dawn Fazio, Barbara Sanders and those who are suffering from the effects of the 9/11 attacks.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES** Joshua Lentini, Sgt George E Turner, US Army, Cpl Brendan Jocsak, US Marines.

**FOR THE FAMILY OF ROMAINE GARDNER**, beloved former Assistant Minister here at Trinity, who was called to Life Eternal on September 7,2024 in Longmont, Colorado.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## WELCOME TRINITY SCHOOL ALUMNI! TODAY: TRINITY SCHOOL ALUMNI SUNDAY:

We welcome all Trinity School Alumni, especially the group of alums, organized by Nick Gardener, who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> school re-union this weekend. Join us for our special programming:

- 10am Tour of School Building
- 10:30am Worship with Special Recognition of Trinity School Alumni and Leaders of Eden II
- 11:45am Celebration Luncheon with special display of school memorabilia

**TRINITY MINIS CONCERT- TODAY! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND AT 4PM!** Featuring the Artemis Guitar Duo, with classical guitarists Katty Mayorga and Isabella Abbonizio, who combine Latin American rhythmic vibe with Italian lyricism, playing a varied repertoire from the past to present era, with new music from female composers. Don't miss it!

#### COMING THIS FALL-TRUNK OR TREAT! SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY

**OCTOBER 19**<sup>TH</sup>, from 3 to 5pm in our parking lot. We will once again be partnering with Tiny Treasures Academy, who had their summer camp program at Trinity. We are looking for your ideas, your spooky decorations, and donations of candy. Contact Cara Kay at the church office or by emailing her at ckay@tlcsi.org.

**THE GIRLS SCOUTS ARE COMING!** Vanessa Carter and Pastor Stephanie are looking for girls who are interested in being part of Daisy, Junior or Cadet Troop program. This program will be happening every two weeks at 11am on Saturdays. Please call the office at (718) 447-0526 if you know a girl who would be interested.

#### FEEDING WITH TLC ON SATURDAYS

Show God's love to our neighbors by helping with Feeding with TLC, our Saturday food and meal service. Please contact Luann Martin to volunteer! 917-865-8442 (cell).

## FALL CONCERT SERIES: TRINITY MINIS-

Intimate, one of a kind music series, Small Concerts in Historic Spaces! Event dates are:

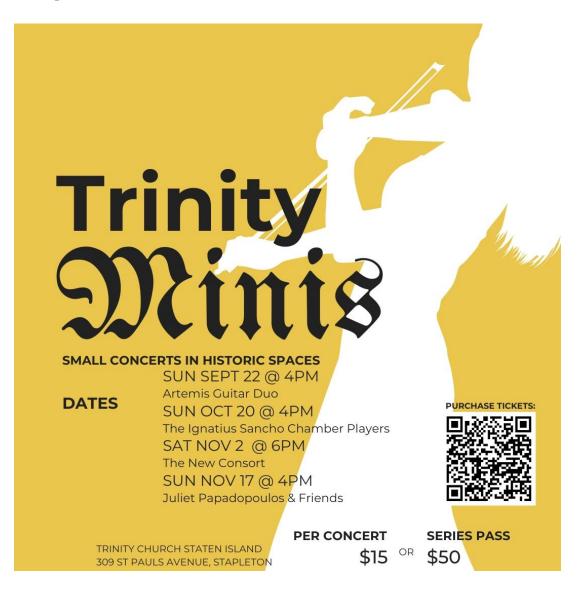
Sunday, September 22 at 4pm

Sunday, October 20 at 4pm

Saturday, November 2 at 6pm

Sunday, November 17 at 4pm

Tickets are \$15 per concert or a series pass can be purchased for \$50 from the church office. See performance schedule below.





Everybody watched in nervous anticipation as Leroy, proudly showed off his "Moses" inspired haircut.

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