# Tríníty Staten Island



# 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost October 6, 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

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#### Please silence your cell phones while we gather.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

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

#### 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10:30 AM October 6, 2024

# GATHERING

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER

#### PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Rhosymedre'

Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

#### WELCOME

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

	Cantate Domino	Giuseppe Pitoni (1657-1743)
Cantate Domino canticum novum; laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israël in eo qui fecit eum, et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo.	Praise ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. (Psalm 149: 1-2)	

#### **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 641

#### All Are Welcome

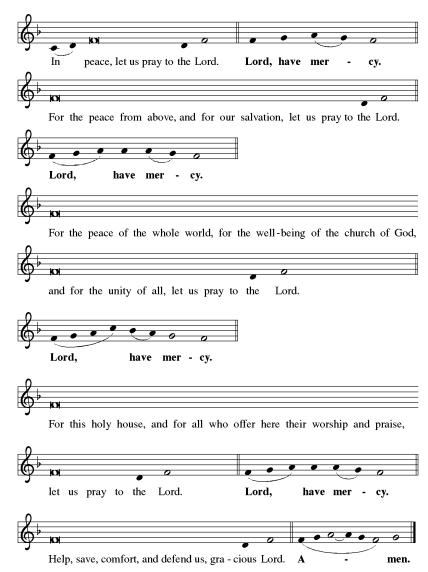
Text:: Marty Haugen, b. 1950 Music : Marty Haugen



#### 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.

#### **Kyrie**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

#### P Let us pray.

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

#### C Amen.

Please be seated.

# WORD

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

#### FIRST READING: Genesis 2: 18-24

L A reading from Genesis, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

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

#### PSALMODY

PSALM: 8

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

Refrain



Tone



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

<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth! -

<sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them, human beings that you should | care for them?

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less | than divine;

with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;

you have put all things un- | der their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all | flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field,

<sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth! Refrain

#### Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

L A reading from Hebrews, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> chapters.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

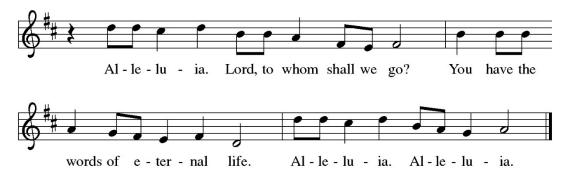
A Word of God, Word of Life.

#### C Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (WHEN CHILDREN PRESENT)

Please stand.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, ELW P.205



#### GOSPEL READING: MARK 10: 2-16

P The holy gospel according to Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### C Glory to you, O Lord.

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

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

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

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

Please be seated. SERMON

#### HYMN OF THE DAY, TFF 217

**Bind Us Together Lord** Text: Bob Gillman b. 1946 Music: Bind Us Together, Bob Gilliam, b. 1946



#### **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)

#### MUSICAL ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Our Father, By Whose Name

Leo Nestor (1948-2019)

Our Father, by whose name all parenthood is known, in love divine you claim each fam'ly as your own. Bless mothers, fathers, guarding well, with constant love as sentinel, the homes in which your people dwell.

O Christ, yourself a child within an earthly home, with heart still undefiled to full adulthood come: our children bless in ev'ry place that they may all behold your face and, knowing you, may grow in grace.

O Holy Spirit, bind our hearts in unity and teach us how to find the love from self set free; in all our hearts such love increase that ev'ry home, by this release, may be the dwelling place of peace.

#### PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING, ELW 531

Music: Graham Kendrick 68 sound, the an - gels sing, The trum - pets the feast is 1 la - den with good things; Ta - bles are oh, taste the 2 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of fers the 3 read - y The gates of be - gin. heav'n are o pen wide, to peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you with love di - vine; up poor his par - a - dise. hear all heav'n and earth ap-plaud Now Je in - side. and sus wel comes you he'll wine. ter turn your wa in to a - maz ing good of the Lord. the ness Refrain pure Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of de - light. rev - el in heav en's love and light. Come and the ble of King. Take your place the at ta feast The is read у to be - gin; æ the feast is be - gin. read -У to

#### THE TRUMPETS SOUND THE ANGELS SING (vs. 1) Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

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#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

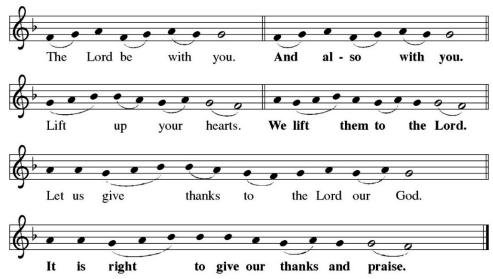
A Blessed are you, O God.
Source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve on another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

# MEAL

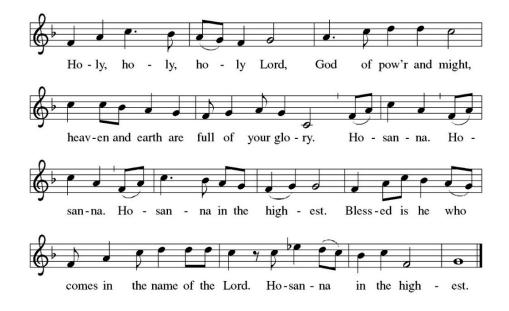
#### GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

#### 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 You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will

and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



#### LORD'S PRAYER

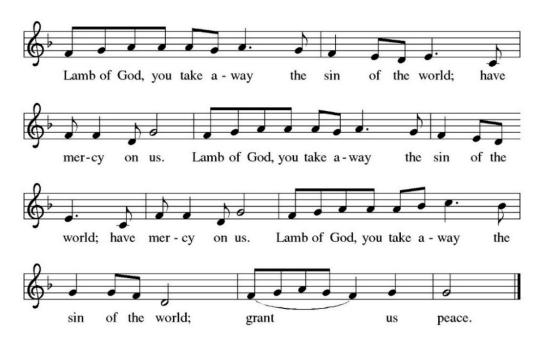
P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 496



#### COMMUNION HYMN, ELW 325

#### I want Jesus to Walk with Me

Text: Spiritual Music: Spiritual: arr. hymnal version



#### 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.
- C Amen.

#### BLESSING

- P God all mighty
   God most merciful.
   + bless, keep you.
   and give you peace.
- C Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN, ELW 840

Now Thank We All Our God

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878 Music: Johann Cruger, 1598-1662



#### DISMISSAL

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

#### POSTLUDE

Nun danket alle Gott, Op. 65. No. 59

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Altar Guild	Regina Pearsall
Assisting Minister and Lector	Martha Echols
Crucifer	Regina Pearsall
Ushers	Kim Ryan, Henry Granda
Counters	Luann Martin
Preacher/Presider	Rev. Stephanie Jaeger

#### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR OUR PRAYERS ~ *Please contact us with names to be added or removed.* Marjorie Lawrence, Nico Velez, Nicholas Volpe, Family and Friends of Sawyer Sherk, 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

# CHURCH COUNCIL BLURB FROM MEETING ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

- A reminder that candy donations are needed for the October 19<sup>th</sup> Trunk or Treat event;
- Work has commenced on the St. Pauls Avenue lower roof, scaffolding is up;
- We are expanding our relationship with Wagner College, more to come.
- The Council wants to remind you that the congregational meeting is coming up on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, please make every effort to attend so that we have a quorum.

#### **TODAY- SUNDAY OCTOBER 6- BIBLE STUDY**

Topic: God's mercy in the Old Testament. w/ Pastor Stephanie, 12pm to 2:30pm in Pastor's office.

#### 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 urgently need your donations of candy by Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> (see box in the Narthex). Contact Cara Kay at the church office or by emailing her at <u>ckay@tlcsi.org</u>.

**TRINITY MINIS CONCERT- Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> at 4pm,** listen to the Ignatius Sancho Chamber Players, featuring Dr. Jessica Valiente, a faculty member at the Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University. A flutist and recorderist, Dr. Valiente will also be giving a **lecture** here at Trinity on **Sunday October 13** immediately after our 10:30 service.

SAVE THE DATE- ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING- Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, immediately following service in the Sanctuary.

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13: CONFIRMATION CLASS

w/ Pastor Stephanie 12pm to 2:30pm in Pastor's office.

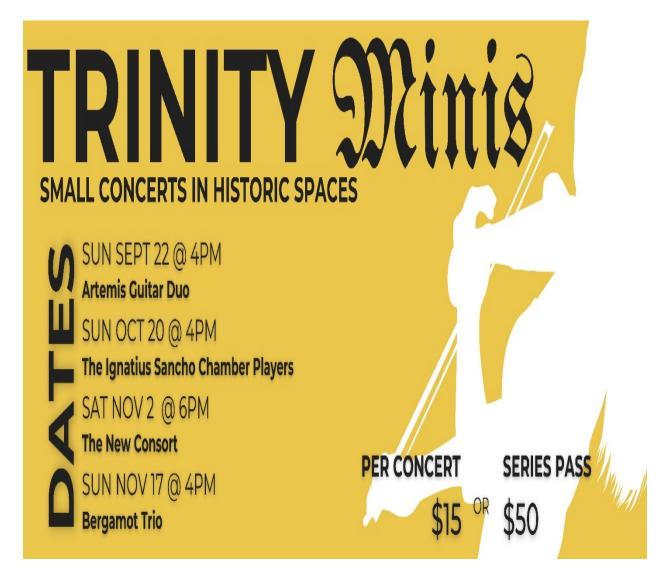
#### FEEDING WITH TLC ON SATURDAYS

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, 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.





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