



Holy Trinity
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Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Celebrating our 138th Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet, found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.

Using a smartphone? While we ask you to please silence your ringer, feel free to check-in, post, tweet or instagram your experience today using the hashtag #PowerofTrinity. Friend us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/holytrinitybuffalo

INTRODUCTION

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding that we read of in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

VOLUNTARY

Miniature

Jean Lainlais
(1907 - 1991)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT (10:30)

Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree

Elizabeth Poston

(1905 – 1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit, and always green. The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but never can tell the glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought: missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil - here I will sit and rest awhile: under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive; it keeps my dying faith alive, which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies “*Laudes Domini*”

ELW 853

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place:
for water from our tap, for rain and snow,
for the waters of Erie and Ontario, Chautauqua and the Niagara.
We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water:
for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters,
for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom,
for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought,
for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land,
for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.
We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who
gather here;
for godparents and baptismal sponsors,
for children and grandchildren,
for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to
whom we are bound.
We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit:
for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters,
for our new birth into a life of freedom and service,
for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.
**We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
Amen.**

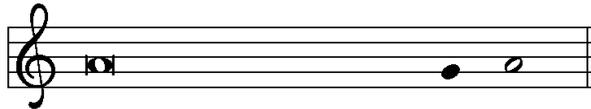
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GREETING

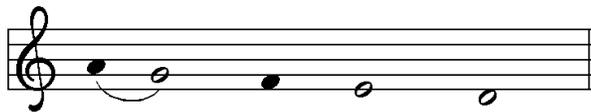
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

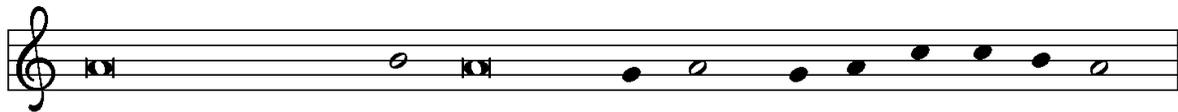
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



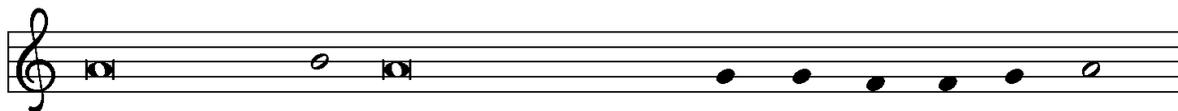
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

The first reading for the Fifth Sunday of Easter is recorded in Acts, the 8th Chapter.

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (8:30)

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep

Text: Jane E. Leeson (1807-1882)

Philip Ledger

(1937-2012)

Holy Trinity Chapel Choir

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lamb, in safety keep; Nothing can thy power withstand, none can pluck me from thy hand. I would praise thee ev'ry day, gladly all thy will obey, like thy blessed ones above happy in thy precious love. Loving Shepherd, ever near, teach thy lamb thy voice to hear; suffer not my steps to stray from the straight and narrow way. Where thou leadest I would go, walking in thy steps below, till before my Father's throne I shall know as I am known.

ANTHEM (10:30)

Abide With Me

Text: Henry F. Lyte (1793-1847)

William H. Monk

arr. Moses Hogan

(1957-2003)

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me.
I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
O Thou who changest not, abide with me. In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me. Amen.

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

The second reading for today is recorded in 1st John, the 4th Chapter.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way:

God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

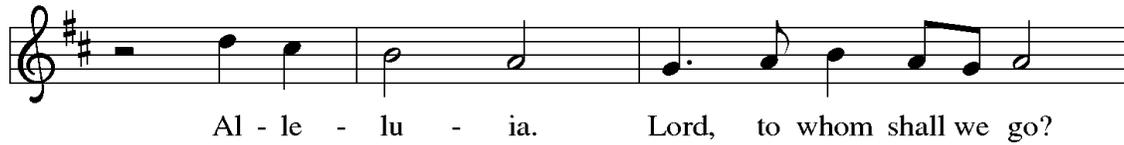
God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

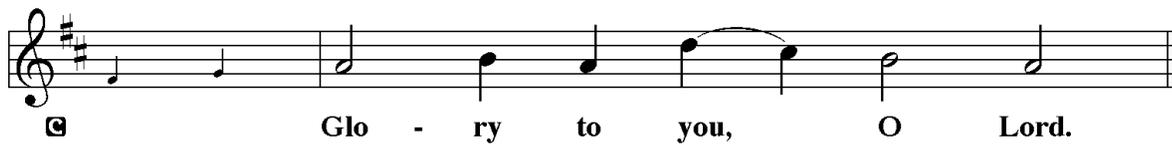
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



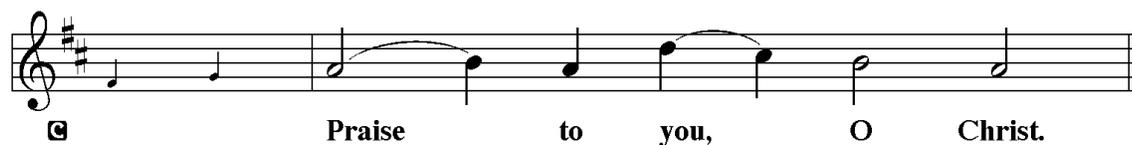
GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

The holy gospel according to Saint John



Jesus said: ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

Please stand, if able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service “Beach Spring”

ELW 712

CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

For ministries that nurture faith formation. For missionaries and Bible study leaders. For those who are seeking, questioning, or curious. For seminarians, campus ministers, and the newly baptized. For all communities of faith, including the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the beauty and health of the earth. For vineyards and orchards, groves and plains. For rain forests and arctic tundra. For volcanoes and mountains, hills and valleys. For oceans deep and rivers wide, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For spears to be beat into pruning hooks. For harsh words to be reformed into loving speech. For an end to bombs and I.E.D. attacks. For justice and peace in every land. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For homeless youth and rejected children. For isolated grandparents and lonely nursing home residents. For the shamed, the slighted, and the disregarded members of our communities. For all the sick, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For all who live with post-traumatic stress disorder and postpartum depression. For all who struggle with eating disorders and anorexia. For all who suffer in silence and all who suffer alone, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For our young and young at heart. For your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Natalie and Abigail, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for all the mystics and theologians who live eternally with you. For those we mourn and those we would rather forget. For the kingdom on earth to be as it is in heaven, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (8:30)

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Text: Isaac Watts (1674 - 1748)

Southern Hymn Tune

arr. Virgil Thomson
(1896 – 1989)

Holy Trinity Chapel Choir

My Shepherd will supply my need. Jehovah is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He leads me for his mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay. One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread. My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days. O may thy house be my abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come, nomore a stranger or a guest but like a child at home.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (10:30)

I am the true vine (1996)

Text: John 15, 1-14

Arvo Pärt

(b. 1935)

- I. I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
- II. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
- III. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
- IV. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
- V. I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
- VI. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered: and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.
- VII. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done to you.
- VIII. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.
- IX. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.
- X. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.
- XI. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and *that* your joy might be full.
- XII. This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you.
- XIII. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
- XIV. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

OFFERTORY

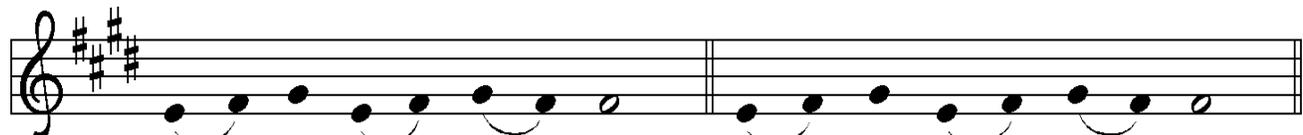
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

“Old Hundredth”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

DIALOGUE



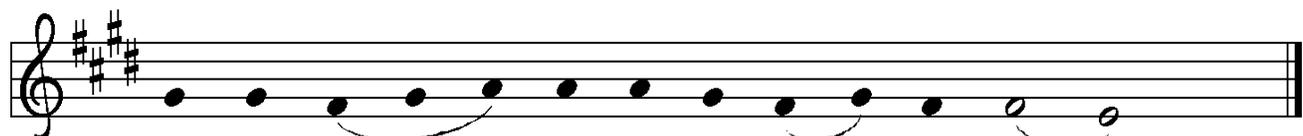
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

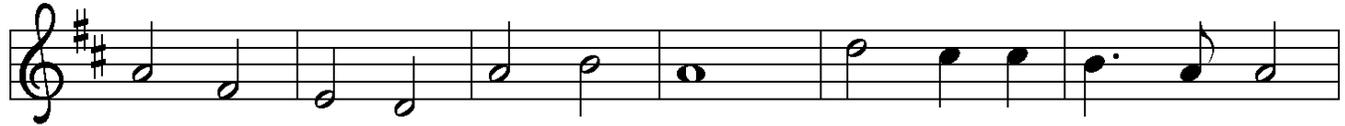


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 for 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

Come, Holy Spirit.

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.

Come, Holy Spirit.

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.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

THE COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward to the communion rail (or to the presiding minister if the communion rails are not in place) and kneel or stand at the next available place at the rail. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or “intinct” the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. All are welcome to the table of our Lord.

ANTHEM AT COMMUNION (8:30)

Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree

Elizabeth Poston

(1905 – 1987)

Holy Trinity Chapel Choir

COMMUNION MOTETS (10:30)

Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One

Healey Willan

Text: Song of Solomon

(1880 – 1968)

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear upon the earth; the time of singing of birds is come. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

Christ the Appletree

Stanford Scriven

(b. 1988)

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God who brings us from death to life fills us with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing "Truro"

ELW 389

DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Alleluia No. 1

Fanfare and Allegro

Jeffrey Honore

(b. 1956)



Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings

April 2018 Congratulations and many blessings to Uncle Ron Pellnat for a Happy Retirement, from Justin, Kristen and Lillian Pomietlarz

Now you can honor special events and special people in your life!
Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to
Holy Trinity for \$25 for each event you wish to honor.
Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the
Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.

Music Notes

Arvo Pärt is an Estonian composer of classical and religious music. Since the late 1970s, Pärt has worked in a minimalist style that employs his self-invented compositional technique, tintinnabuli. Pärt's music is in part inspired by Gregorian chant. His most performed works include *Fratres* (1977), *Spiegel im Spiegel* (1978), and *Für Alina* (1976). Since 2010 Pärt has been the most performed living composer in the world. Of Pärt's popularity, 20th century American Composer Steve Reich has written: "Even in Estonia, Arvo was getting the same feeling that we were all getting ... I love his music, and I love the fact that he is such a brave, talented man ... He's completely out of step with the zeitgeist and yet he's enormously popular, which is so inspiring. His music fulfills a deep human need that has nothing to do with fashion."

Pärt's early works employed neo-classical styles influenced by Shostakovich, Prokofiev, and Bartók. He then began to compose using Schoenberg's atonal twelve-tone technique and serialism, but ran into political issues with the Soviet establishment having many of his works banned. He abandoned composition for a time, and turned rather towards studying masterworks of 14-16 century late-Renaissance polyphony.

The music that began to emerge after this period was radically different. This period of new compositions included the 1977 works *Fratres*, *Cantus in Memoriam Benjamin Britten* and *Tabula Rasa*. Pärt describes the music of this period as "tintinnabuli"—like the ringing of bells. *Spiegel im Spiegel* (1978) is a well-known example which has been used in many films. The music is characterised by simple harmonies, often single unadorned notes, or triads, which form the basis of Western harmony. These are reminiscent of ringing bells. "Tintinnabuli" works are rhythmically simple and do not change tempo. Another characteristic of Pärt's later works is that they are frequently settings for sacred texts, although he mostly chooses Latin or the Church Slavonic language used in Russian Orthodox liturgy.

I am the true vine was written in 1996 in celebration of the 900th Anniversary of Norwich Cathedral, an English cathedral located in Norwich, Norfolk, dedicated to the Holy and Undivided Trinity. It is the cathedral church for the Church of England Diocese of Norwich, and was founded in 1096. The piece follows Pärt's style, where voices constantly share tones or set up harmonies from one voice to the next. Even the textual syllabification is disjunct, where one voice may sing half a word and another voice completes it. Even the opening statement begins as such with the basses singing "I am," tenors "am the," and altos and sopranos "the true vine," continuing metrically opposite, sopranos "and my," altos "my Father," tenors and basses "is the hus-," altos and sopranos "-band," all together "man." Singers must be able to hear and anticipate subsequent harmonies without error, or chords and text will overlap, losing their "tintinabular" effect.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, April 29, 2018 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/chapel choir (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Forum/Adult Ed (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
- 12:00 p.m. Historic Linwood Tour of Homes (MC)
- 1:00 p.m. Haiti Fundraiser at Resurgence Brewing Co.

MONDAY, April 30, 2018

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)
- 11:15 a.m. Worship Meeting (FR)
- 6:30 p.m. Greater Buffalo Youth String Orchestra Rehearsal (MC)

TUESDAY, May 1, 2018

- 3:30 p.m. Joyful Noise (FR)
- 5:30 p.m. WELCA/Card Makers (FR)
- 7:00 p.m. Pub Theology (CR)

WEDNESDAY, May 2, 2018

- 7:30 a.m. Brewed Faith at Spot Coffee
- 6:00 p.m. BNYC Rehearsal (MC)

THURSDAY, May 3, 2018

- 6:00 p.m. Network Dinner at Samuel's Grand Manor
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MR)
- 7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

FRIDAY, May 4, 2018

- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Retreat at LCLC

SATURDAY, May 5, 2018

- Confirmation Retreat at LCLC

SUNDAY, May 6, 2018 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Forum/Adult Ed (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)
- 12:00 p.m. Faith in Action Meeting (FR)

CH = Mansperger Chapel

FR = Fellowship Room

MR = Music Room

SC = Sacristy

CI = Crib Room

FI = Fireside Room/Library

PS = Pastor's Study

SS = Sunday School

CR = Conference Room

MC = Main Church

RH = Redeemer Hall

YR = Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE HOUR: There will be no coffee hour today following the 10:30 Service

GIVE + APP: Introducing the Give+ App, a new way to share your offering without cash or checks. Simply go to the App Store on your phone or tablet and search and install “GivePlus Church”. Click on “Find Churches Near Me” and select Holy Trinity. You can click on Give Now for a one time gift or create your own account. Follow instructions to complete your gift. Detailed instructions can be found on the tables in the entrance ways. Look for the Give + Church flyer.

SUNDAY FORUM (ADULT ED): Today at our Sunday Forum, we welcome Cheryl Moore, the Medical Care Administrator of the Erie County Department of Health, who will speak to us on the use of illegal drugs in Erie County. Next week Sheri Shaw of the Olmstead Center for Sight will join us. She will inform us of the mission of the Olmstead as well as the history and services they offer. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

FINE ART EXHIBIT: Holy Trinity will be holding a fine art exhibition from May 19 – June 9 with an opening reception on May 19 from 6-9pm. This is open to members, friends and family. More information can be found on the entry forms which are located on the tables in the entrance ways or by calling the church office.

VBS SUPPLIES NEEDED: We are collecting some items to help with this year’s Vacation Bible School program. *(1) Lego and lego-type blocks – loose or in sets, (2) shoe boxes, (3) clean jar lids (all sizes).* If you have any of these items to donate, please place them in the VBS box in the entrance ways. Thank you!

Don't miss the Haiti Mission Team Fundraiser TODAY! Tickets will be sold at the door. 1:00 – 4:00pm – Resurgence Brewing, Co. 1250 Niagara Street. Buffalo, 14213. Funds raised will help build pews for a church on the Island of Ile a Vache. The goal is to raise enough for 20 pews at \$200.00/pew. The team will build these during the October 2018 mission trip. Event tickets are \$25.00 (includes food and a drink.) A Basket raffle will also be held. Basket donations may be brought to the event between 12pm and 1pm. Monetary donations will be accredited to the Holy Trinity Mission Fund. Thanks to all! See You THERE!

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING DAY - Join us as you are able for HT Needlers and Cardmaking on the *first Tuesday* of the month beginning on May 1. We begin at 5:30pm (Joyful Noise is using the Fellowship Room until 5:30pm, so please plan accordingly) with a “bring your supper” and fellowship. A brief business meeting is held before we move on to projects. We end with blessing of shawls. If your schedule doesn't permit beginning at 5:30, please join us as you are able!

CORPORATE CHALLENGE! Join us as we take on the JP Morgan Buffalo Corporate Challenge Thursday, June 14 at 6:45pm. Join us at Justin and Kristen Pomietlarz's house located at 1418 Amherst St. before the race to get ready, and afterward to share our stories of victory. Walk or run, we are sure to have fun! Sign up today: https://www.jpmorganchasecc.com/companies.php?team_id=457973 or call the church office for registration assistance.

HOLY TRINITY IS NOW ON AMAZON SMILE! When you shop at Amazon via Amazon Smile, 0.5% of each qualifying purchase will be donated to Holy Trinity. Please use the link provided to shop Amazon Smile. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/16-0746856>

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Alexander Cialone. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Marcia Haas. Communion assistant is Susan Bundt. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Guy Huber. Lay reader is John Knipler. Altar guilds are Kathy Szakmary and Elizabeth Vihnanek. Ushers are Jim Dunnigan (captain), Ryon Fleming, Herb Hough, Charmaine Kaltrider, Kurt and Mary Kaufmann, Joe and Martha Kryszczuk and Juan Perez. Greeters are Noreen Casson and Roy and Jean Clare. Communion Assistants are Janet Archer, Barb Wozniak, Madison Pellnat and Christian Johnson. Worship Assistants are Madison Pellnat, Christian Johnson, Alexander Rojek, Adam Hakansson, Justin Rojek and Natalia Bavaro. Collection Counters are Noreen Casson, Ryon Fleming and Martha Kutas.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Layton and Viola Leiser by Ron and Donna Leiser; and In Honor of my children and grandchildren by Richard Lee.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Natalie and Abigail Gazzo.

Council Member Barb Wozniak will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

The regular offering from our members on April 22 was \$5,861; weekly attendance was 182. The gospel reading for Sunday, May 6 is John 15:9-17.



Stewardship Thought of the Day

*Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need,
the remainder is needed by others.*

– St. Augustine

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