



Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Buffalo, New York

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Third Sunday after Epiphany

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.

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INTRODUCTION

The glory of the Lord is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of the glory of God. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

VOLUNTARY

Voluntary on "Thaxted"

Robert Buckley Farlee
(b. 1950)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT (10:30)

The People Are Gathered Together

John Ness Beck
(1930 - 1987)

The people are gather'd together, even the people of the God of Abraham;
He is greatly exalted!

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

God, Whose Almighty Word "Italian Hymn"

ELW 673

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us. **Amen.**

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

Mighty and loving God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.

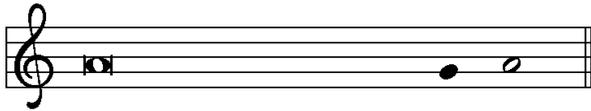
Hear the voice of Jesus: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives." In the name of † Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

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.**

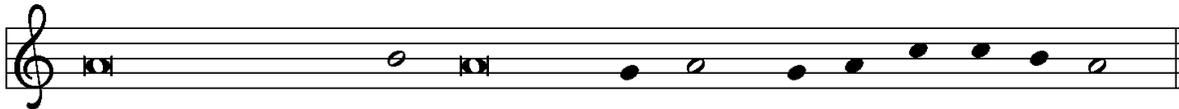
KYRIE



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.



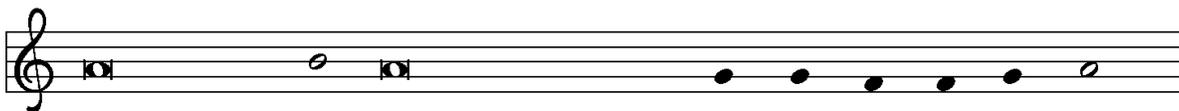
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



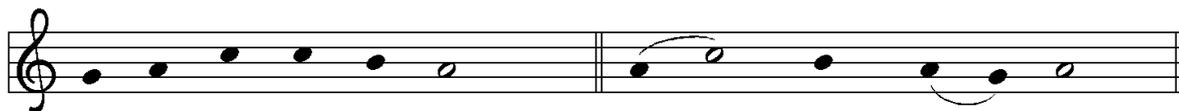
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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.

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

The first reading for the Third Sunday after Epiphany is recorded in Nehemiah, the 8th Chapter.

¹All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 19

The congregation will sing responsively the bold-faced type.



¹The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,
and the sky proclaims its | maker’s handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale | to another,**
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.

³Although they have no | words or language,
and their voices | are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the**
ends | of the world,
where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs**
about to the end of | it again;
nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the
simple.

**⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | jice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the
eyes.**

**⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.**

**¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine
gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**

**¹¹By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is | great reward.**

**¹²Who can detect one's | own offenses?
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**

**¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not
get dominion | over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.**

**¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable | in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

The second reading for today is recorded in 1st Corinthians, the 12th Chapter.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body.

¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

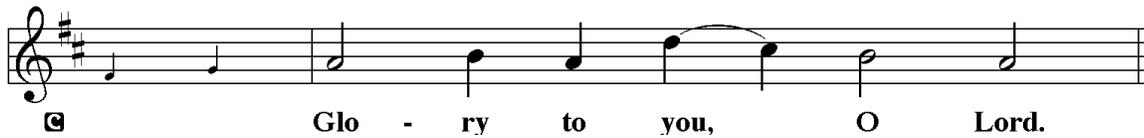
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke



¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

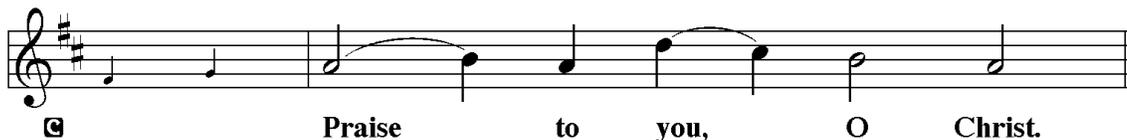
¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

Please stand, if able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World “Temple of Peace”

ELW 726

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

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

We pray for the church. Empower bishops, pastors, deacons, teachers, evangelists, and all members of Christ's body with your Spirit. Open our hearts to hear your word of life and respond in lives of service. Strengthen all communities of faith, including the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the earth. For all creatures of the land, air, and water. Heal environments damaged by disaster or pollution. Make us wise stewards of all you have entrusted into our care. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations. Liberate us from our captivity to fear and ways of violence. Free those who are unjustly imprisoned and those who are imprisoned for working for freedom. Give us vision to seek the pathways of peace. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need. Rescue those who suffer abuse or neglect. Bring an end to hunger and greed. Accompany those who are alone or vulnerable. Comfort those who grieve and all who are ill. Today we pray for Federal employees impacted by the government shutdown and for their families. We pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts... . Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this assembly. Bless those who proclaim your word and those who teach. Bless those whose talents are not recognized, and teach us to honor the gifts of all your people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all your people. The young and young at heart; for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Eliana and Constantino. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have gone before us in the faith. Wipe away all tears and bring us with them into the joy of the resurrection. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through 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)

Arise, O God, And Shine

Gordon Young
(1919 – 1998)

Holy Trinity Chapel Choir

Arise, O God, and shine, in all thy saving might, and prosper each design to spread
Thy glorious light;

Let healing streams of mercy flow, that all the earth Thy truth may know.

Bring distant nations near, to sing Thy glorious praise;

Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways!

Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause, and govern Thy righteous laws!

To God the only wise, the one immortal King, let hallelujahs rise from every living
thing;

Let all that breathe, on every coast, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (10:30)

Haec Dies, Psalm 117

William Byrd
(1543 – 1623)

This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice exceedingly and be glad in it.

Alleluia.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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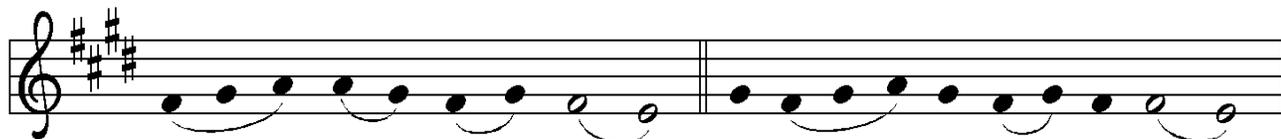
“Old Hundredth”

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



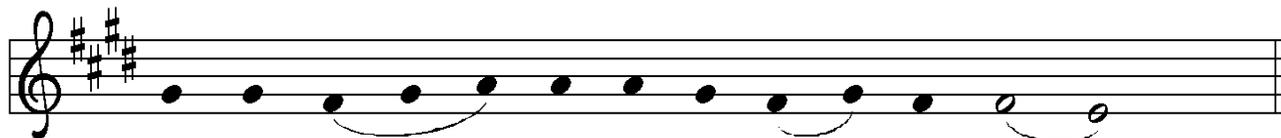
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

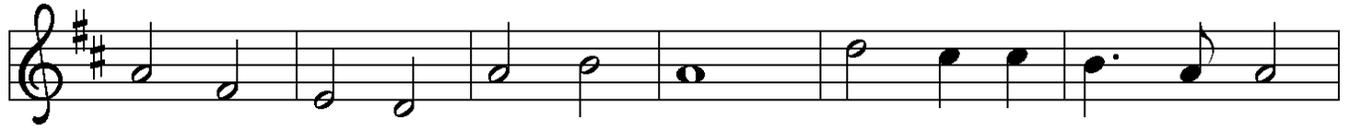


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, 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.

COMMUNION MOTET (8:30)

The Call

Z. Randall Stroope
(b. 1953)

Holy Trinity Chapel Choir

Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as conquers death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

COMMUNION MOTETS (10:30)

The Eyes of All Hope in Thee, O Lord

Richard Felciano
(b. 1930)

The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord, and thou givest them meat in due season. Thou openest thy hand, and thou fillest ev'ry living creature with thy blessing. Alleluia. My heart is ready, I will sing and give praise to thee, my glory. The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord.

Praise Ye the Lord

Alan Hovhaness
(1911-2000)

Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord.
For He is good; for His mercy endureth forever.

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.

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons and in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Let Streams of Living Justice “Thaxted”

ELW 710

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in G Major

Vincent Lubeck

(1654 – 1740)



*We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall
for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.
All are welcome.*

***Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings
January 2019***

*January 28 Happy 16th birthday Ethan MacDonald! Love,
Mama and Ian*

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.



ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS



Altar flower dedications are available for \$40 per vase.
Checks are payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.
Please contact Mary Linda Schmidt
835-3325 or msmarylschmidt@gmail.com to secure a date.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, January 27, 2019 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion w/chapel choir (CH)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Forum (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)
4:00 p.m.	BNYC Concert (MC)

MONDAY, January 28, 2019

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study (FR)
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TUESDAY, January 29, 2019

3:30 p.m.	Joyful Noise after School Program (FR)
7:00 p.m.	Community Music Chorus (CH)

WEDNESDAY, January 30, 2019

5:30 p.m.	Sue's Supper/Community Meal (RH)
6:00 p.m.	BNYC Rehearsal (MC)
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Service (RH)

THURSDAY, January 31, 2019

7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir (MR)
7:00 p.m.	AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SUNDAY, February 3, 2019 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Forum (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 (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

PASTOR BRENDA is away this week for continuing education. She will be back with us next Sunday.

SUNDAY FORUM – Today we welcome Emily Porter from Porter Farms who will be speaking on Community supported agriculture. Next week Pastor Brenda will speak on “How we welcome our LGBTQ youth.” Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

PORTER FARMS: You may notice some members wearing a tag which says: *Ask Me About Porter Farms*. These are participants of our CSA program with Porter Farms. If you're interested, they will be able to provide you with information about the process to participate.

STEWARDSHIP MEETING: Uli MacDonald invites everybody to share their stewardship ideas/concerns today, after the 10:30 service, at a short meeting in the Fireside Room.

HELP FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND FAMILIES: Holy Trinity is joining with other ELCA Lutheran congregations in Western New York to provide meals and a "night out" for Federal employees and their families. We have partnered with Ted's Hotdogs to provide families with a gift card that enables a family to have a meal on us. Your church council has approved a gift from our Mission Fund, used specifically for mission work outside the walls of our congregation. If you would like to contribute beyond our shared gift, you may write a check to Holy Trinity with "Federal Employee Family Assistance" on the memo line or by using our GivePlus app and selecting the "special need" fund option. Instructions for using the app can be found in the literature on the tables at the church entrance ways. Thank you for the ways you share your gifts through Holy Trinity!

SUE'S SUPPER: Our community meal ministry/"Sue's Supper," will be serving a community dinner this Wednesday at 5:30pm. We will hold a brief evening devotion following dinner. We need volunteers to help prep and serve these meals. Prep work will take place on January 30 at 3pm. Please contact Rebecca Torres with questions.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP: Worn out by the middle of the week? Join us to top off your cup of blessing. We invite you to our new weekly Wednesday evening service at **6:30pm in Redeemer Hall** for an interactive, informal worship experience.

JOIN THE HT NEEDLERS gathering in the Fellowship Room on Tuesday, February 5 for a potluck dinner beginning at 5:30pm. Feel free to come whenever you are able, but not before 5:30pm since the room is being used for Joyful Noise. We will also have a presentation on Christian meditation from Elizabeth Vihnanek.

CLOTHESLINE UPDATE. Now that the cold weather is here for a few more months, the Clothesline Project needs your support more than ever. During October through December, we put out 319 pieces, including scarves, hats, gloves, socks and even some t-shirts. Zachery Flynn donated 20 handmade fleece scarves he worked on for a scouting project. Thanks Zach! And THANKS to everyone for helping make our neighborhood warmer and welcoming.

WOMEN AT THE WELL will reconvene on Tuesday, February 12 at noon in the Fellowship Room. There will be a streaming of 2 interviews with Elaine Pagels about her most recent book "Why Religion?" Known primarily for her scholarship on the Gnostic Gospels, her recent book is a personal account of her grief following the death of her young son and her husband within a year. The meeting starts with brown bag lunch. We are grateful for new members.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Each Sunday, the beautiful vases of flowers gracing the chancel are often dedicated by members of our congregation in memory of or honor of loved ones. The following dates are available through the end of March: February 3 and 10 and March 31. Please contact Linda Schmidt with your request for these or any other specific date during the year. She can be reached at mmarylschmidt@gmail.com or 716-835-3325. Vases are currently \$40.00 each.

HAITI UPDATE – the Haiti travel team had to reschedule the October trip to this coming February. We will be traveling from 2/23 through 2/28/19. Our partner in mission in Haiti, Nora, has let us know that there are at least 5 couples wishing to be married and they will be doing a wedding ceremony in March. Nora is asking if we have donations of small size wedding dresses, white gloves, small size men’s suits, wedding veils and wedding bands that the team bring them along. In addition, we have been asked to bring cake mix and frosting to make wedding cakes. For any of you thrift shoppers in the congregation who may come across any of these items the team will be happy to pack them up and take them. Anyone wishing to make a donation to this please contact Kathy Crissey at 807-9494 or kc1008@aol.com and arrangements will be made to pick up the items. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this ministry!

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 table in the entrance way. Look for the Give + Church flyer.

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Nathaniel Wareham. 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 Uli MacDonald. Lay reader is Clyde Terry. Altar guilds are Doreen Griebel and Martha Kryszczuk. Ushers are Ron Leiser (captain), Kristen Best, Mike Day, Alan Heiss, Kaci Kaltrider, Angela Keppel, Elizabeth Vihnanek and Helen and Marty Wright. Greeters are Jeanette Kuck and Mike Day. Communion Assistants are Paul Bauchle, Barb Wozniak, Randi Jones and Sam Guzzino. Worship Assistants are Matthew Kinkade, Jennifer Carden, Randi Jones, Sam Guzzino, Alexander Cialone, Adam Hakansson, Eliana Perez and Oscar Guzzino. Collection counters are Paul Bauchle and Darlene Carden.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Jayne's sister Jody Siddall by Doug and Jayne Lloyd; and In Honor of Michael and Joseph Pagano by Margaret Pagano.

Congratulations to Amanda and Donald Greenough on the birth of their daughter, Joy Vera-Ann Greenough, loving granddaughter of Christopher and Darlene Carden.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Eliana and Constantino Perez.

Council Treasurer Emily Notari will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

The gospel reading for Sunday, February 3 is Luke 4:21-30.



Stewardship Thought of the Day

Since you cannot do good to all, you are to pay special attention to those who, by the accidents of time, or place, or circumstances, are brought into closer connection with you.

St. Augustine

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