



Holy Trinity  
Lutheran  
Church  
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, November 11, 2018  
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
Celebrating our 138<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.facebook.com/holytrinitybuffalo)*

## **INTRODUCTION**

*Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She, like the widow of Zarephath who shares her last bit of food with Elijah, does something of great importance.*

## **VOLUNTARY**

Toccata in d minor, FbWV 102

Johann Jacob Froberger  
(1616 - 1667)

## **RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **INTROIT (10:30)**

*The Eyes Of All Wait Upon Thee*

Jean Berger  
(1909 – 2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of ev'ry living thing.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **OPENING HYMN**

*Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us* “Hyfrydol”

ELW 707

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

**Amen.**

One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

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

O God, our merciful redeemer,  
**we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for † his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

**Amen.**

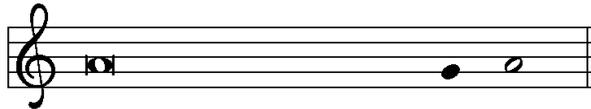
*Please stand as you are able.*

## **GREETING**

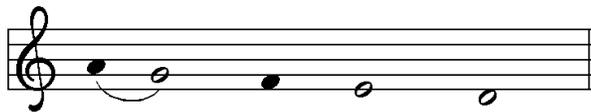
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

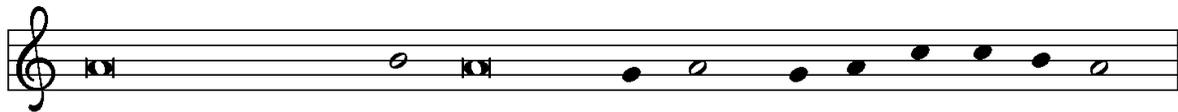
# KYRIE



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.



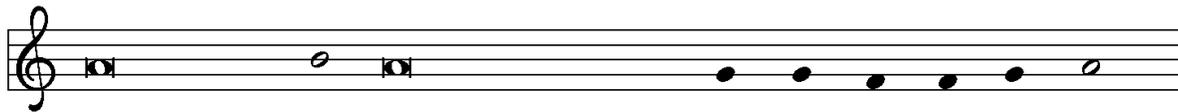
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



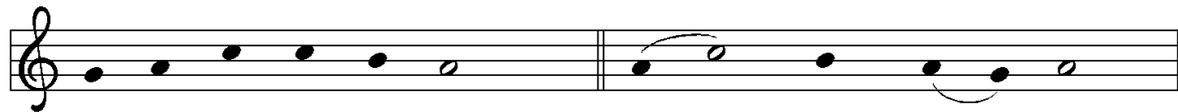
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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.

**O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**(10:30)**

**A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN**

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

### **FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16**

The first reading for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in 1<sup>st</sup> Kings, the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>8</sup>The word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, <sup>9</sup>“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” <sup>12</sup>But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” <sup>15</sup>She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days.

<sup>16</sup>The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## MOTET (10:30)

*Qui Tollis* from *Gloria* RV589

Antonio Vivaldi  
(1678 – 1741)

He who takes away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

## SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

The second reading for today is recorded in Hebrews, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>24</sup>Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



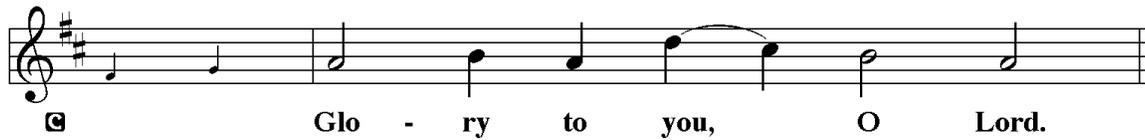
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

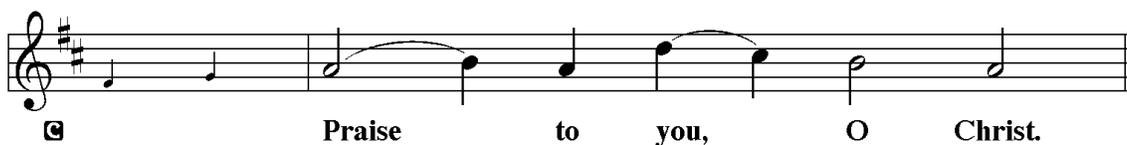
The holy gospel according to Saint Mark



<sup>38</sup>As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup>They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

<sup>41</sup>He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

The gospel of the Lord:



*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

*Please stand, if able.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Take My Life, That I May Be* “Patmos”

ELW 685

## **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**

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

O God, preserve your church from empty piety. Stir up our will to act with mercy and compassion. Keep our bishops, pastors, teachers, and all who proclaim your good news strong in faith. 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.**

Provide all living things with sufficient food and clean water. Make us ever mindful of the farmers and laborers who supply us with food, and open our hands to share what we have received. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Awaken our nation to care for veterans and others who have experienced the stress and trauma of war or other military conflicts. Inspire us to promote the well-being of those who have put themselves in the service of others. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Bow down to meet those who are trampled. Greet them with mercy, and give new life to those who feel overwhelmed or broken by discrimination, grief, or illness and especially Marilyn Jones. We lift up all who have been affected by the tragedy in Thousand Oaks this past week. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Bless the ministries in our community that reach out to people who are unnoticed or neglected. Give us a common vision of justice that eliminates hunger, greed, and self-righteousness. We pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts... . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Watch over all of us, the young and young at heart. For your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Devin and Casen. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Bind us together with the saints of every time and place until we join them around your throne. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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**

### **MINISTRY MOMENT - STEWARDSHIP**

Guy Huber

Stewardship Thought for your reflection

*A Christian is: a mind through which Christ thinks,  
a heart through which Christ loves,  
a voice through which Christ speaks,  
and a hand through which Christ helps.*

*St. Augustine*

### **SOLO AT THE OFFERING (8:30)**

*With Thee There is Forgiveness*

Frederick Cowen  
(1852-1935)

Thane Schulz, *tenor*

With Thee there is forgiveness that Thou may be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait and in His word do I hope.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait more than they that watch for the morning.

### **ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (10:30)**

*Et in terra pax* from *Gloria* RV589

Antonio Vivaldi  
(1678 – 1741)

And on earth peace to all men of good will.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

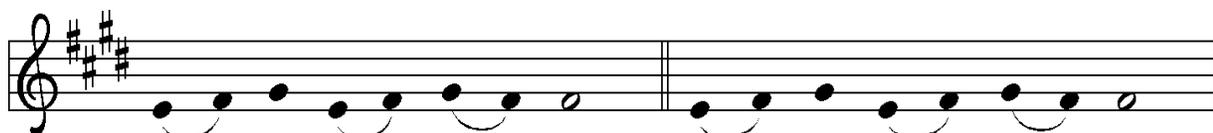
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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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.

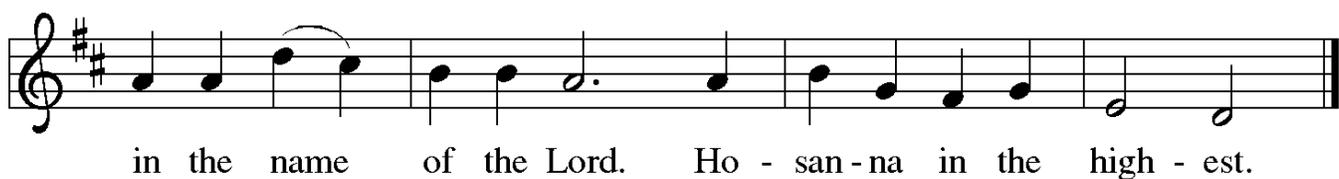
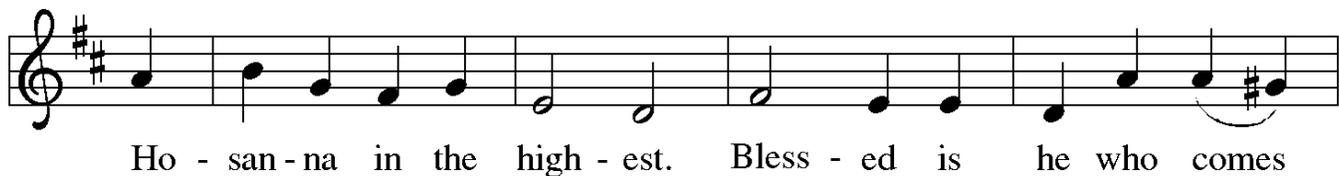
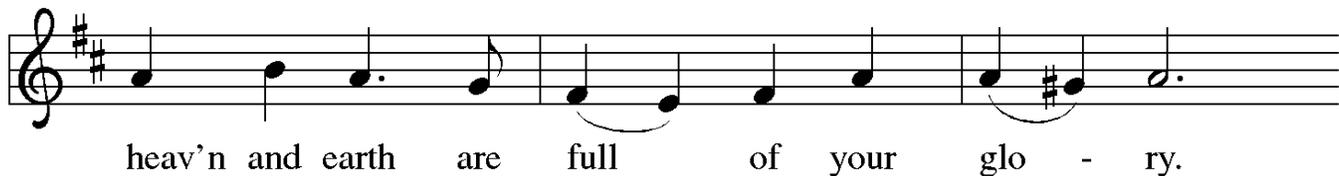
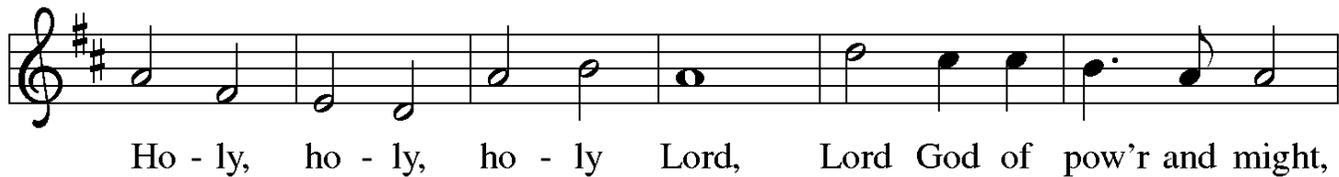


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

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

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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. **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.

## **SOLO AT COMMUNION (8:30)**

Recit: *Ye People, Rend Your Hearts*

Felix Mendelssohn

Aria: *If With All Your Hearts*

(1809-1847)

Thane Schulz, *tenor*

Recit: Ye people rend your hearts, rend your hearts and not your garments.  
For your transgressions the prophet Elijah has sealed the heavens,  
Through the word of God. I therefore say to ye, forsake your idols;  
Return to God, for He is slow to anger and merciful and kind and gracious,  
and repenteth Him of the evil.

Aria: If with all your heart ye truly seek Me,  
Ye shall ever surely find Me,  
Thus saith our God.

If with all your heart ye truly seek Me,  
Ye shall ever surely find Me,  
Thus saith our God. Thus saith our God.

Oh, that I knew where I might find Him,  
That I might even come before His presence.  
Oh, that I knew where I might find Him,  
That I might even come before His presence, come before His presence.  
Oh, that I knew where I might find Him.

If with all your heart ye truly seek Me,  
Ye shall ever surely find Me,  
Thus saith our God.  
Ye shall ever surely find Me,  
Thus saith our God.

## COMMUNION ANTHEMS (10:30)

Two movements from Elijah Op. 70

Felix Mendelssohn

(1809 – 1847)

*Now Cherith's Brook* No. 7A

Carolyn Lansom, *alto*

(The Angel) Now Cherith's Brook is dried up, Elijah. Arise and depart, and get thee to Zerepath, thither abide. For the Lord hath commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee, and the barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the Lord sendeth rain upon the earth.

*He Watching Over Israel* No. 29

He, watching over Israel slumbers not, nor sleeps.  
Shouldst thou walking in grief, He will quicken thee.

*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.

**Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our 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**

God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory* “Battle Hymn”

ELW 890

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

Hyfrydol,  
from Three Preludes Founded on Welsh Hymn Tunes

Ralph Vaughan Williams  
(1872 - 1958)



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



**THANKSGIVING (EVE) SERVICE  
NEW DAY AND TIME**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**6:30 p.m. Worship Service**

**Pie Fellowship following service**

**Bring your favorite pie to share**

**There will be no Service on Thanksgiving Day**

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***Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings***

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](mailto:msmarylschmidt@gmail.com) to secure a date.

# ***THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY***

## **SUNDAY, November 11, 2018 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m.	Veteran's Day Prayer at the Flagpole
8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:00 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.	Confirmation (YR)
2:30 p.m.	Worship to Go at Wedgewood

## **MONDAY, November 12, 2018**

*Church Office Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day*

## **TUESDAY, November 13, 2018**

2:00 p.m.	Ars Nova Rehearsal (MC)
3:30 p.m.	Joyful Noise Music Program (FR)
7:00 p.m.	Community Music Chorus Rehearsal (CH)

## **WEDNESDAY, November 14, 2018**

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (CR)
5:00 p.m.	BNYC Rehearsal (CH)
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Worship (RH)
7:00 p.m.	A Christmas Carol Rehearsal/Act 1

## **THURSDAY, November 15, 2018**

12:00 p.m.	Leadership Buffalo Event (RH)
1:00 p.m.	Racial Justice Meeting (FR)
6:00 p.m.	Chapel Choir (CH)
6:30 p.m.	Ars Nova/Chancel Choir (MR)
7:00 p.m.	AA/AL-ANON (RH)

## **FRIDAY, November 16, 2018**

1:45 p.m.	Ars Nova Rehearsal (MC)
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## **SATURDAY, November 17, 2018**

10:00 a.m.	Christmas Carol Rehearsal/Act 2 (MC)
12:00 p.m.	LYO Apple Pie and Overnight

## **SUNDAY, November 18, 2018 – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*Commitment Sunday*

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)
12:00 p.m.	Potluck Luncheon (RH)
2:30 p.m.	Worship to Go at Wedgewood
6:30 p.m.	Ars Nova Concert (MC)

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 MILLER is preaching on behalf of Bishop Macholz this morning at St. Martin Lutheran Church in North Tonawanda as they celebrate their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ministry. Thanks be to God for the faith and witness of God's people at St. Martin.

SUNDAY FORUM: Today, in honor of Veteran's Day, Gail Marcin will discuss the importance of our traditions and respect for the American flag and will include an explanation of how to properly fold the flag and the meaning of each fold. Next week our own Angela Keppel will describe the function of Buffalo Place in the growth of the city. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

ORGAN RECITAL FOR JAMES BIGHAM: The Buffalo Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, Westminster Presbyterian and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church are sponsoring an organ recital in honor of Mr. James Bigham today at 4:00pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 724 Delaware Avenue. A catered reception will follow the concert. Please join us to celebrate Jimmy's legacy. Both Jimmy and Brian will be in attendance. Garrett Martin will be the featured soloist on Westminster's wonderful Aeolian-Skinner Pipe Organ.

CHURCH OFFICE: The church office will be closed tomorrow in observance of Veteran's Day.

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. **This Wednesday, November 14, our worship will be a healing service.**

STEWARDSHIP POT-LUCK LUNCHEON - all are invited to celebrate the generosity of our HT community next Sunday after the 10:30 service. Please bring a dish to share.

APPLE PIES: The Annual LYO Apple Pie Fundraiser is here! Orders are now being accepted! Apple Pies will be sold for \$10 each and can be frozen on request. Apple Pie pick-up day is Sunday, November 18. Please see Pastor Brenda or any LYO member for questions. Order forms can be found in the entrance ways or by any LYO member.

HELP NEEDED: The LYO is seeking some assistance in helping to prep for the Apple Pie sale. We will meet at 6pm on Friday, November 16 and on Saturday, November 17 beginning with lunch at noon. We invite any member to join us either or both days to participate in the preparations. Please see Pastor Brenda if you are able to help.

UPCOMING CONCERT: The Holy Trinity Chancel Choir will perform Vivaldi's *Gloria* with the Ars Nova Chamber Orchestra next Sunday at 6:30PM here at Holy Trinity. This is the culminating concert of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Buffalo's beloved *Viva Vivaldi Festival*, led by BPO violinist, Mary Louise Nanna. Admission is \$12.

HOLIDAY BASKETS: The Fellowship and Hospitality Committee will once again be collecting food and cash donations for our holiday baskets through December 12. All non-perishable food items will be used for the baskets. Cash donations to help provide gift certificates and other holiday items can be sent to the church office and designated "holiday baskets". The Committee will be preparing the baskets on Wednesday, December 12 at 5:30pm in Redeemer Hall. All are welcome to help.

CHRISTKINDLMARKET will take place on Sunday, December 9 from 9:30am – 3:00pm. Registration forms can be found on the tables at the entrance ways. The deadline to register is November 27.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: Holy Trinity and the HT Players present Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. There will be two performances; Friday December 7 at 7:30pm and Saturday, December 8 at 2:00pm. The production is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will benefit HT's summer day camp and Lutheran Disaster Response.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Once again the congregation is being asked to contribute toward the purchase of poinsettias which will be placed in the chancel for Christmas. Flowers are \$10 each and may be given in memory or honor of someone. Order forms are available in the entrance ways.

AMAZONSMILE: Each time you shop and use the AmazonSmile website, 0.5% of your purchase price will be donated to Holy Trinity **if** you select Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Buffalo, as your charity of choice. Please keep this in mind as you are planning your Christmas shopping – you can support our church with just one extra click of a button!

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 February 2019: December 23 and 30; January 13; February 3 and 10. 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](mailto:mmarylschmidt@gmail.com) or 716-835-3325. Vases are currently \$40.00 each.



At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Sam Guzzino. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Richard Lee. Communion assistant is Peter Bergenstock. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. announcer is Guy Huber. Lay reader is Clyde Terry. Altar guild is Kathy Szakmary. Ushers are Jim Dunnigan (captain), Ryon Fleming, Herb Hough, Charmaine Kaltrider, Kurt and Mary Kaufmann, Joe and Martha Kryszczuk and Juan Perez. Greeters are Jeanette Kuck and Mike Day. Communion Assistants are Jim Dunnigan, Helen Wright, Natalia Bavaro and Sofia Atlas. Worship Assistants are Gabriel Behrens, Christian Johnson, Alex Rojek, Ethan MacDonald, Justin Rojek, Nathaniel Wareham, Natalia Bavaro and Sofia Atlas.

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

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Elaine Fuhlbruck from the Thomasula, Carmer, Addison, Fuhlbruck and Hoebel Families; and In Loving Memory of Ruth Bloos by Earl and Heidemarie Kunz; and In Loving Memory of Raymond Ph. and Laurie Weil from their Family; and In Loving Memory of Roy Kuck from Jeanette and Family.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Devin and Casen Thompson.

The gospel reading for Sunday, November 18 is Mark 13:1-8.



## Holy Trinity

### Christkindlmarkt

December 9, 2018 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

## Creative People Wanted!

Attention artists, crafters, and bakers! We are looking for mitten knitters, jelly makers, woodcrafters, painters, photographers, jewelry makers, cookie bakers, Christmas ornaments makers and more.

You are invited to participate in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Christkindlmarkt at Holy Trinity on December 9. The event will be held between and after the church services in Redeemer Hall. There is no charge for the table, and all proceeds are yours, but a donation to the Holy Trinity *Joyful Noise* fund would be appreciated.

We hope to highlight the many talents of the people in our congregation, and provide a social event for the start of the Advent and Christmas season. However, you need not be a member of the congregation to participate. Tell your talented friends about it and invite them to participate.

To register, fill out the form located on the tables at the entrance ways and return it to the church office by November 27.

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