



**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
*and Blessing of the Animals*

**THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**OCTOBER 10, 2021 + 11:00am**

**TRINITY LOWER EAST SIDE LUTHERAN PARISH**  
*in the City of New York*

**Welcome to worship!** *We are so glad that you have been led to join us for worship this morning, and we believe that your presence among us more fully completes our community. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, please know that you are most welcome here, and we invite you to fully participate in our life together in whatever way you feel called to do. Our prayer is that you find Trinity to be a place where you are welcomed and affirmed in all your fabulous quirks and eccentricities, and that you feel truly seen and valued as a fellow child of God, beautifully and perfectly created in God's image! If you'd like to learn more about how to join us as we seek to embody God's love as a community of Christ, just speak with Pastor Will!*

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As followers of Jesus, we are called to love our neighbors as we have been loved by God. We believe that loving our neighbors, especially the most vulnerable among us, compels us to show great care as we gather for worship in the midst of a global pandemic. In order to ensure that our gathering is as safe as possible and minimizes the spread of disease, we ask you to please join us in following these important health and safety protocols:

- Face coverings must be worn at all times while inside Trinity's building, and they are recommended when gathered with others outdoors. Both mouth and nose must be fully covered.
- Please avoid close physical contact with anyone outside of your household, including refraining from handshakes or hugs. Six feet of distance should be observed at all times, including at the sharing of the Peace.
- At the distribution of Holy Communion, only the bread will be offered in order to reduce contact with the chalice. Rest assured that receiving Holy Communion "in one kind" is a fully effective and valid means of receiving the promise of Christ's presence and forgiveness in the sacrament. Please remain at your place, and the presiding minister will invite you forward. Keeping your face covering in place, wait until you return to your seat to lower your mask and consume the bread.
- To avoid passing the offering plate from hand to hand, a basket is available for your offerings at the entrance to the sanctuary or garden. We are grateful for your generosity!

# + Gathering +

## PRELUDE

*At the conclusion of the prelude, please stand at the ringing of the bell.*

## GATHERING HYMN

All Creatures Worship God Most High



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth - ful, strong; drive far the shad - ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



- sky: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen - dor  
grain: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,  
throng: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in  
grieve: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur - dens and your



- bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:  
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:  
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 And you, most gentle sister death,  
waiting to hush our final breath:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,  
fair is the night that leads us home.  
Alleluia.
- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,  
and worship God with humble heart:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:  
Alleluia.

## **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.**

## **THE BLESSING OF ANIMALS**

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in your love you created us in your image and made us stewards of the animals that live in the skies, the earth, and the sea. Bless us in our care for our pets and animals. Help us recognize your power and wisdom in the variety of creatures that live in our world, and hear our prayer for all that suffer overwork, hunger, and ill-treatment. Protect your creatures, and guard them from all evil, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*All those with animals present are welcome to come forward for an individual blessing, using these words:  
Name, may you be blessed in the name of God who created you, and may you and those who love you enjoy life together with our God.*

*After all have returned to their places, the presiding minister concludes the blessing:*

As God has blessed you with these pets, so may they be blessed by your love and care. And the blessing of Almighty God the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again, be with you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*All animals are welcome to stay for the entire service, but those who cannot are welcome to leave at this time.*

**READING**

Genesis 1:1, 20-28

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky."

<sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so.

<sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind,

and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created humankind in God's image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# PSALM

## Psalm 8

The psalm is sung responsively

O God, our sov- reign, how great is your name in all the earth.

Led. \* Led. \* Led. \* Led. \* Led. \*

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O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens**

**out of the mouths of infants and children;**

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

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

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

**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,**

**human beings that you should care for them? Refrain**

Yet you have made them little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

**You have made them rule over the works of your hands;**

**you have put all things under their feet:**

all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts of the field,

**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,**

**and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

O LORD our Lord,

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



# HYMN OF THE DAY

## Let All Things Now Living



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to  
 2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,  
 sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who  
 the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.  
 deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -  
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,  
 joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as  
 till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

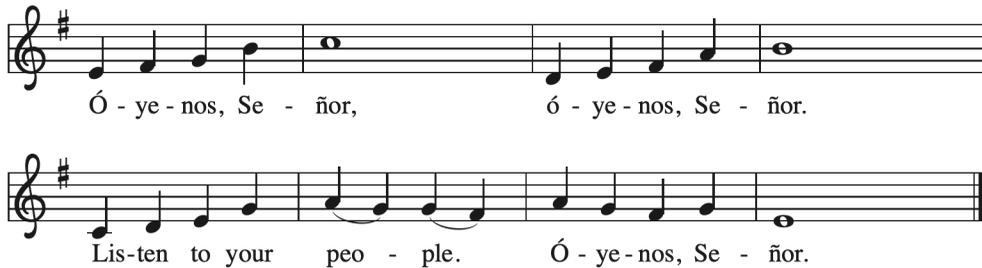


for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.  
 God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

The following response *Óyenos, Señor* (Hear us, Lord) is sung throughout the prayers as indicated:



The image shows two lines of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first line contains two phrases: 'Ó - ye - nos, Se - ñor,' and 'ó - ye - nos, Se - ñor.' The second line contains two phrases: 'Lis - ten to your peo - ple.' and 'Ó - ye - nos, Se - ñor.' The notes are as follows: Line 1: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (half). Line 2: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (half). Line 3: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (half). Line 4: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (half).

Increase the faith of your church. Give us courage when we are reticent in sharing your love. Renew in us your holy calling, according to your own purpose and grace

Tend the garden of your creation that teems with all kinds of life. Restore us as caretakers of animals and plants, mindful of the generations to come.

Destruction and violence are ever before us, and strife and contention rise up in many nations. Draw to yourself all the people of the world, emboldening them to strive for peaceful and just solutions to conflict. **Sung Response**

You promise life and wholeness to those who wait patiently for you, and you hear those who cry out to you for help. Heal the sick, bind up the brokenhearted, and attend to all in need of your care, especially those we name before you now, aloud or in the silence of our hearts...

We remember with gratitude the faithful who have guided the next generations. Gather us and all your holy ones into the eternal, risen life in Christ. **Sung Response**

Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

+ Meal +

## OFFERING

*To avoid multiple people physically contacting the offering plates, your gifts of money may be left in the offering plate at the usher's station near the entrance. Offerings may also be made online as one-time or recurring contributions at [www.trinitylowereastside.org/give](http://www.trinitylowereastside.org/give) or by using the QR code below.*



OFFERTORY

Take My Life, That I May Be  
Toma, oh Dios, my voluntad

*Refrain/Estribillo*



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

*To stanzas* | *Last time*



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
1 Take my hands and let them move  
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
3 Take my voice and let me sing  
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I with - hold;  
al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
take my feet and let them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
take my lips and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

*Refrain/Estribillo*

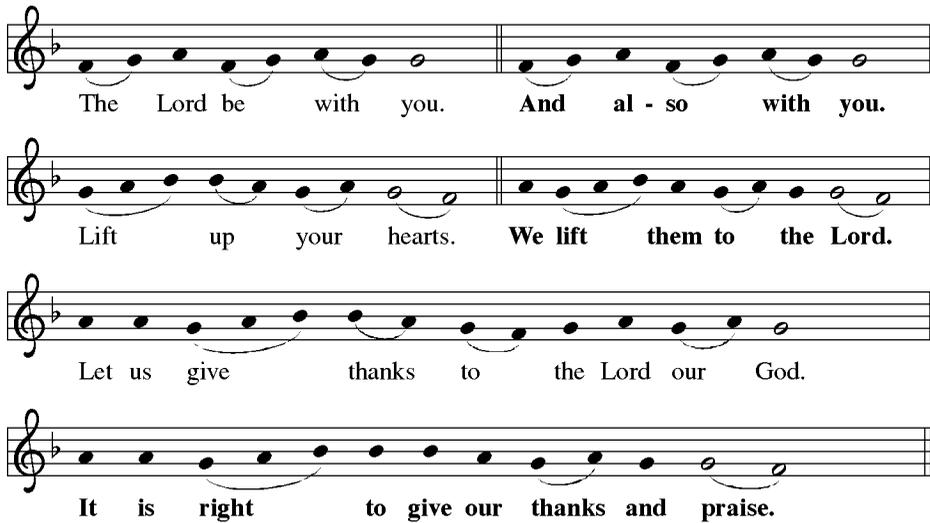


pul - so de tu a - mor.  
beau - ti - ful for thee.  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.  
God of abundance,  
you cause streams to break forth in the desert  
and manna to rain from the heavens.  
Accept the gifts you have first given us.  
Unite them with the offering of our lives  
to nourish the world you love so dearly;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has one long measure: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has one long measure: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and eighth notes with slurs.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the presiding minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding: ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

1\*

Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

\* May be sung in canon.

*The presiding minister continues with the Eucharistic Prayer,  
which includes the following responses:*

... with every breath.

**We praise you, O God.**

... into the future.

**We bless you, O God.**

... with us now.

**We thank you, O God.**

... we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

... by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

**Amen.**

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,**

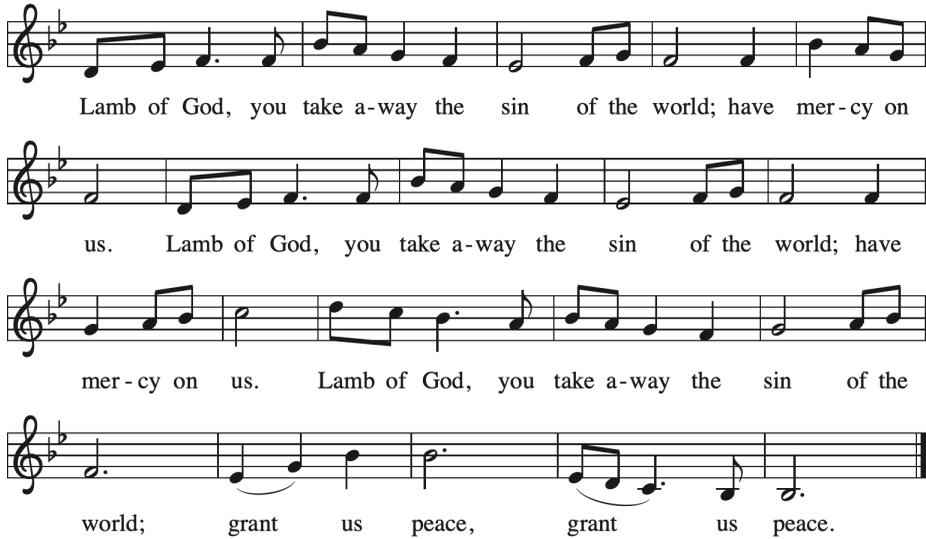
**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD



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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### Come to the Table



Part I  
Come to the ta - ble, come to the ta - ble.

Part II  
Come one, come all. Come one, come all.  
All is now read - y, come one and all. Come, oh, come.  
Come one, come all. Come one, come all.

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

May the body and blood of Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

Let us pray.

**Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.**

**Where there is hatred, let me sow love;**

**where there is injury, pardon;**

**where there is doubt, faith;**

**where there is despair, hope;**

**where there is darkness, light;**

**where there is sadness, joy.**

**O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;**

**to be understood as to understand;**

**to be loved as to love;**

**For it is in giving that we receive;**

**it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;**

**it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.**

**Amen.**

+ Sending +

## **BLESSING**

People of God,

you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, + one God,

bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

# SENDING HYMN

## All Thing Bright and Beautiful



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



- 1 Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
- 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tains, the riv - er run - ning by,
- 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
- 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



God made their glow - ing col - ors, God made their ti - ny wings.  
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky.  
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - 'ry one.  
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

Text: Cecil F. Alexander, 1818–1895, alt.

Music: ROYAL OAK, English tune, 17th cent., adapt. Martin Shaw, 1875–1958

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WELCOME, CHILDREN!

Here at Trinity we take seriously Jesus' words "Let the little children come to me" – in fact, it's even inscribed around our baptismal font (in German!). We delight to welcome worshipers of all ages, even those who are a bit noisy and fidgety! Families may worship in any part of our sanctuary, but a special area with kid's tables has been prepared just for the youngest among us, complete with activity pages, crayons and pencils.

- On the first and third Sundays of each month, kids are welcome to join Sunday School. Before the reading of the gospel and sermon, students will join their leaders downstairs or in the garden for a time of learning, exploration and crafts and will join us again in worship in time for Holy Communion.
- On the other Sundays of the month, children will be invited forward to join Pastor Will for a special children's sermon, bringing to life the day's themes in ways kids will understand.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS, Sunday October 10

This year we are offering two opportunities for your furry friends to receive a blessing:

At 11:00 all pets and their families are welcome to join us for our full Sunday morning service which will include a blessing.

At 1:00 a more brief service of blessing will be held outdoors in our garden.

## Save the Date: OKTOBERFEST, Sunday October 24

Right after worship we will gather for some tasty German food and beer in celebration of Trinity's German heritage. Bring your appetites and your good cheer!

## SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY FRIDGE!

If you'd like to sign up to volunteer, visit [bit.ly/loisaidafridgesignup](http://bit.ly/loisaidafridgesignup)

To support the fridge with financial contributions, venmo @loisaidafridge

To follow what's happening at the fridge follow @loisaidafridge on Instagram

## COIN JAR

Proceeds from the coin jar in the narthex are used to support the work of Seafarers International House (SIH) to accompany and advocate for immigrants and asylum seekers being held in ICE detention centers. SIH provides spiritual care to those being detained, case management, and assistance with housing and connecting with relatives when they are released. We are grateful for your generous support of this incredibly important work!

### **About Trinity:**

Trinity Lower East Side Lutheran Parish is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). We are 3.8 million Christians in 10,000 churches who believe that the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection is the core of our faith and life. We welcome women, men, and people of all gender identities into ordained ministry and are enthusiastically ecumenical.

### **Our Mission:**

We welcome everyone into membership regardless of race, economic means, married/single status, sexual orientation, or gender expression and/or identity. We are a richly diverse congregation in a richly diverse neighborhood. We live our Christianity in word and deed. We are here to share the love of Jesus Christ.

### **Reconciling Works Congregation:**

Trinity LES is listed as a Reconciling Works congregation that welcomes LGBTQIA+ people into our fellowship and works to erase all discrimination against them.

### **Our Outreach:**

To carry out our ministry of deed, Trinity LES has a separately incorporated non-profit program, Trinity's Services And Food for the Homeless (also known as SAFH, pronounced "safe") which operates a soup kitchen, food pantry, and offers connections to other services. Between 150-250 meals are served each day, and around 30-40 families are given groceries from our pantry Monday through Friday. Volunteers are always needed. Visit [safhnyc.org](http://safhnyc.org) for more information.

### **Those Who Serve:**

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