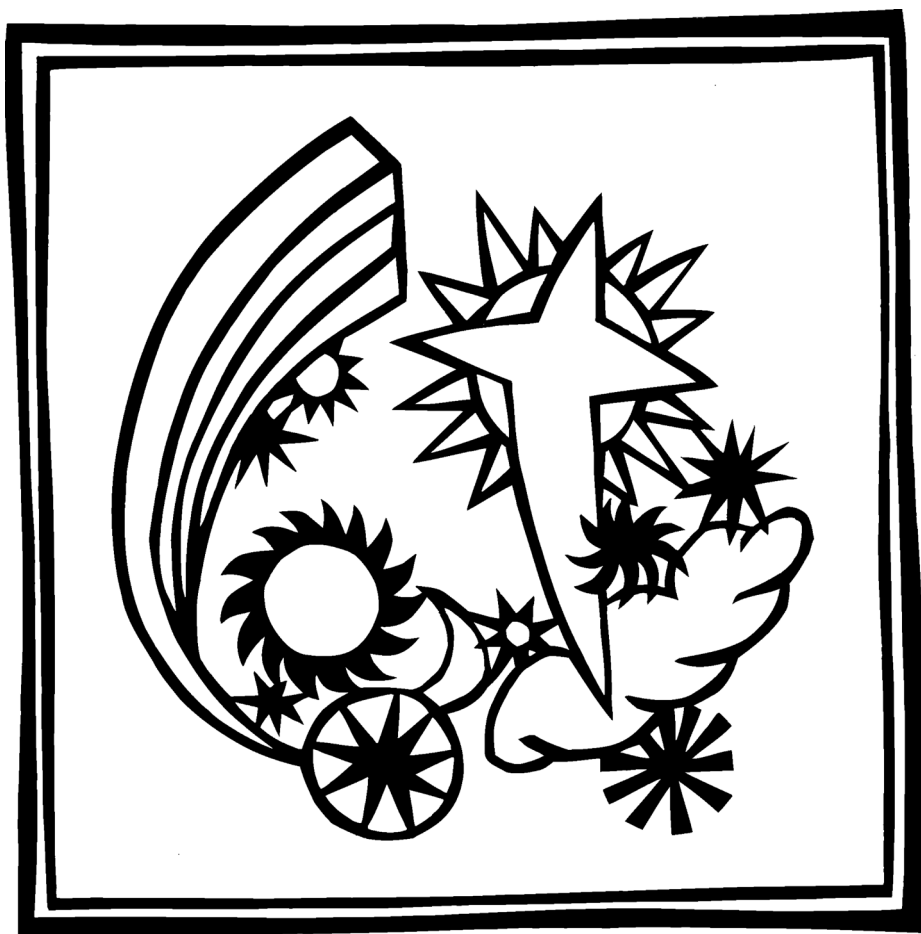




THE HOLY EUCHARIST

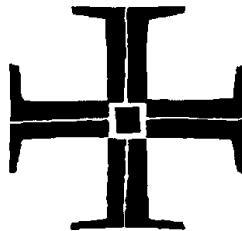
THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 16, 2025 + 11:00 a.m.

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

Welcome to worship!

*We are so pleased to have you with us this morning for worship,
and we believe that your presence among us more fully completes our community.
Whoever you are, whatever your identities, whoever you love, and wherever you are on your
journey of life and faith, you are welcome here!*



Out of respect for this time of worship, please silence all mobile devices.

As Christ welcomed all to his table without distinction, so you are welcome at our table at the celebration of Holy Communion. Regardless of your religious tradition or stage in your journey of faith, there's a place for you here!

Two all-gender restrooms are located in the Community Room on the first floor. A changing table for infants is available.

If you're visiting us this morning and would like to keep in touch,

- *Add your name and contact information to the guest book on the Welcome Table at the sanctuary entrance.*
- *Follow us on social media:*
 - *Facebook: @TrinityLES (including livestreams of worship)*
 - *Instagram: @TrinityLES.NYC*
 - *Follow our feeding ministry @TrinitySAFH on all platforms*

Periodically throughout the year, we offer orientation sessions for newcomers and welcome new members into our congregation. If you've been worshipping with us and would like to learn more about becoming a member of Trinity, be sure to speak with our pastor and you could be a member in no time at all!

Trinity Lower East Side Lutheran Parish is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Mohican and Munsee Lenape peoples, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

+ Gathering +

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Please stand at the ringing of the bell

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God

Refrain, sung by Assembly



Verses sung by soloist

1. Oh God, heavenly ruler, source of life for all
We worship you, we give you thanks,
We praise you for your glory... *Refrain*

2. The one Jesus Christ, the only child of God,
Takes away our sins, the sovereign lamb of God,
Have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of our Father,
Receive our prayer... *Refrain*

3. For you're the holy one.
You alone the heir.
You alone are the most high Jesus,
With the Holy Spirit.
In the glory of God, our Mother, our Father. Amen. Amen.... *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy.

Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide,
we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ Word +

FIRST READING

Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD

of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who reverence my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

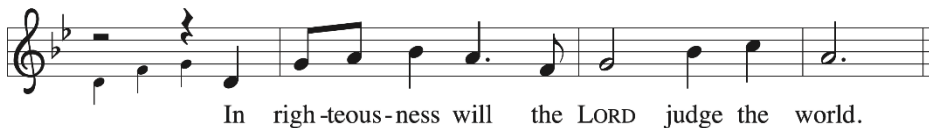
Thanks be to God.



PSALM

Psalm 98

*The refrain is sung first by the cantor, then by all.
The verses are sung responsively.*



Psalm 98:9

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Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done | marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.

**O LORD, you have made | known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.**

You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.

**Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing. Refrain**

Sing to the LORD | with the harp,
with the harp and the | voice of song.

**With trumpets and the sound | of the horn
shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.**

Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it,
the world and those who | dwell therein.

**Let the rivers | clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to | judge the earth.**

The LORD will judge the | world with righteousness
and the peo- | ples with equity. **Refrain**

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have

that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

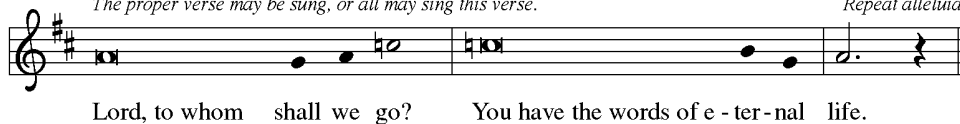
The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

The acclamation is sung before and after the reading of the Gospel.



The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.

Repeat alleluia



GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹ “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

A period of silence for reflection follows introduced and concluded by the ringing of a bell.

¹² “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”





1 When our world is rent by vio-lence and our lives are
 2 When our cit - ies stand for - sak - en and the poor must
 3 When our lives are burnt to ash - es and our hopes fade;
 4 Raise up beau - ty from the ash - es; end our vio - lence;

marred by grief, when our songs of calm as - sur - ance
 beg for bread, when the pris - 'ner sits for - got - ten
 like a dream, when our sto - ries lose their mean - ing
 tend our peace. Give us vi - sions of a fu - ture

turn to cries of un - be - lief: God, we raise our
 and the home - less find no bed, God, we raise our
 and de - spair be - comes their theme, God, we raise our
 where all cap - tives find re - lease, where op - pres - sion

lam - en - ta - tion seek - ing ref - uge and re - lief.
 lam - en - ta - tion: wak - en jus - tice from the dead!
 lam - en - ta - tion: Come, Lord Je - sus, to re - deem!
 is e - vic - ted, and all works of ha - tred cease.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.



God of roots and branches, defend the leaders of your church as they proclaim the gospel using discernment, wisdom, and brave testimony.

Keep all the baptized on righteous paths in response to Christ's call.

God of roaring seas, in a world of earthquake, famine, and plague,
use your mighty power to nurture the land and all that lives upon it.
Restore peoples and places experiencing natural disasters.
Strengthen organizations who provide aid to any in crisis.

God of victory, among quests for power, guide those in government,
courts, law enforcement agencies, and the military.
Turn them from war and violence to actions of care that build up the common good.

Response

God of healing, where injustice and exploitation result in populations that are
marginalized or underserved, accompany those abandoned by friends,
hurt by family, and harmed by violence or oppression.
Care for all who are ill, anxious, or in pain of any kind especially those we name before you
now, aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

God of new songs, in a congregation of faithful believers,
energize us for compassionate service and delight us through worship and inspired
prayer. Encourage your people in building equitable community where all are valued.

God of every generation, we remember the saints with steadfast love and faithfulness.
Confident in Christ's victory over death, may we be inspired by the example of the faithful.

Response

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God,
trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

+ Meal +

OFFERING

An offering is collected to support the work of the church in our community and the world. Gifts may also be made online at www.trinitylowereastside.org/give as one-time or recurring contributions or on Venmo using the QR code.



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AT THE PRESENTATION

As the people's gifts of bread, wine, and money are brought forward we stand to sing:



1 We lift this prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this
2 We turn our lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our
3 Give thanks to God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to



prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this prayer for the
lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our lives to the
God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to God for the



whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it spin - ning in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.

Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,

but on you, who richly provides for us.

Multiply what we have gathered

to bless all who are suffering and in need,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are quarter notes, and the lyrics are written below the staves. The first staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The second staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The third staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The fourth staff has a double bar line at the end.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the Presiding Minister prays the Proper Preface,*
concluding: ... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



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

... we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

... sharing your bounty with all the world.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

... now and forever.

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

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no-so-tros, ten pie-dad de no-so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up-on us, have . . mer-cy up-on us.

Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
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O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at our table without distinction to receive Holy Communion. The communion wafers are gluten free; the chalice contains wine. Communion may be received in one or both kinds, by intinction or by drinking from the chalice.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,
and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ.
Now send us forth to be your people in the world,
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God of righteousness,
who gives justice to the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry,
who sets the prisoners free,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

When Peace Like a River

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Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL DATES

We'll have Sunday School during worship at 11am on the following dates:

- November 23, December 7

WELCOME, CHILDREN!

Here at Trinity, children are a valued part of our community and we are delighted to welcome them to worship! There's a special area just for kids under the skylight with books, activity pages, and crayons. Every other Sunday, children gather in the Community Room for Sunday School, beginning at 11:00. Sunday School concludes in time for kids to join adults for Holy Communion. Through the end of 2025, Sunday school will meet on Nov 9, Nov. 23, and Dec 7.

AN INTRODUCTION TO GENESIS – TODAY FOLLOWING WORSHIP

This summer's Introduction to the Bible continues in November with an introduction to the book of Genesis. We'll gather at the end of coffee hour for an introductory study of the first book of the Bible, including a study of its major themes and stories.

NEWCOMERS' ORIENTATIONS GATHERING SOON

Have you been worshipping with us and would like to learn more about our congregation? We'll be offering a series of newcomer's orientations where you'll have a chance to learn about our congregation's history, mission, and ministries, and some basics of the Lutheran tradition. If you'd like to be included, be sure to speak with Pastor Will or Vicar Nick!

SO YOU WANNA WRITE A NOVEL - A WORKSHOP BY SAL VITALE, DEC. 6

Trinity Council Member, Sal Vitale, has published two novels. On December 6th, Sal will give a talk entitled "So, You Wanna Write a Novel". Sal will describe his experiences and offer advice to folks who may be thinking about writing their own great American novel. He'll read excerpts from his second novel, *Project Franklin*, and offer signed copies for \$20...all proceeds to be donated to Trinity.

INSTALLATION OF BISHOP KATRINA FOSTER

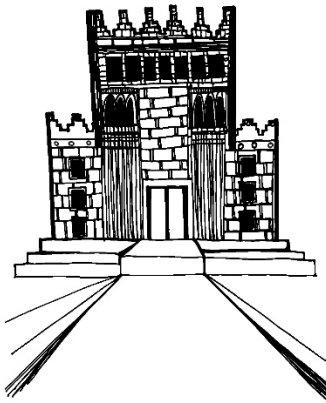
The recently-elected Bishop of the Metropolitan New York Synod, The Rev. Dr. Katrina Foster, will be installed on Saturday, November 22 at 1:00pm at the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine. To learn more and RSVP, visit www.mnys.org

UPCOMING YOUNG ADULTS EVENTS

NOVEMBER BOOK GROUP: Open to anyone who wants to join, this month we'll be reading [Abuelita Faith: What Women on the Margins Teach Us about Wisdom, Persistence, and Strength](#) by [Kat Armas](#)! The book isn't available through the NY public library, unfortunately, so if buying the book is a barrier for anyone, *please let me know so we can get you a copy somehow!* The audiobook is included with Spotify Premium. **We'll meet to talk about the book at Trinity on December 2 at 6:30pm!**

NOVEMBER 26, 6-8PM: CRAFT NIGHT --- Let's hang out and craft! If you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, sew, block print, collage, animate, make zines, compose music, have a passion for doodling, or make *anything in any way*, bring it to the church, and we'll be makers together! The aim here is simply to have fun making things and connecting with each other!

DECEMBER 9, 6:30PM: TEA-LOGY --- In the spirit of something like pub theology or theology on tap, if either of those names ring a bell for you, tea-ology will be a time to be together and chat about theology (God-talk)! (You don't have to be a tea-drinker---any safe beverage that suits your fancy is totally welcome!) There will be no wrong answers, very few right answers at all (if any), no judgment, and lots of questions!!! This is a space to wonder, to practice curiosity, to engage honestly with our faith, and to open ourselves up to God and each other. Bring your questions, your doubts, your wonderings, your humor---in other words, your whole and real self! **We'll meet at the church for this first tea-ology**, and then we'll brainstorm other spaces in the neighborhood that could be well-suited for this kind of gathering.



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 genders 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 for more information.

Our Schedule:

Mon – Fri:	11:00am, Soup Kitchen; 12:30pm, Food Pantry
Mon:	7:00pm, "Valley of the Dolls" NA Group
Tues:	7:00pm and 8:00pm, "East Village" AA Group
Wed:	7:30pm, STP Creative Foundation
Thurs:	7:30pm, "Clean and Dry" AA Group
Sun:	11:00am, Worship Service

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