

MATTHEW 22:21, NRSV

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Mission Statement

Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve, and share Jesus.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome

Our God rules the lives of His faith-filled people by grace for Jesus' sake. It's what we pray for in the Lord's Prayer, "Thy kingdom come." The Lutheran Confessions call this His kingdom of the right hand. But, on the other hand, the left, He also rules through civic authorities. Through Isaiah, He tells King Cyrus that he will be His servant. And the king did let the Jewish exiles return from Babylon! When Jesus' opponents thought to trick Him in saying something against Caesar, He taught about giving the powers that be their due. When the Church in Thessalonica spread the Gospel, they certainly benefitted from the orderliness of the Roman Empire. On the one hand, God is to be thanked for His grace and mercy; on the other hand, we praise Him for using the government that we may enjoy the physical life He gives us.

Holy Communion

We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. (Gluten free wafers are available.) If you have any questions, please speak to our pastor at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the "Fellowship Pad" in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Please stand where indicated with a . Thank you!



GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ SHARING OF THE PEACE We encourage you to leave your pew and greet new people!
 - + Please stand and face the cross during the procession to the altar +

❖ HYMN

"O Sing to the Lord"

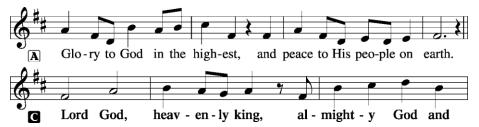
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CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the

 → Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. [Matthew 28:19b]
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [I John 1:8-9]
 - + Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination +
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the

 ∃ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. [John 20:19-23]
- C Amen.
- * HYMN OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest





❖ PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in You,

- have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal;
- through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (9:00)

Deacon Lynn Waldeck

FIRST READING Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: "I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name. I name you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the Lord, who does all these things.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

* ALLELUIA



GOSPEL LESSON

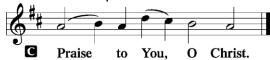
Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*** HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

- Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. Saints on earth your rule acclaim; all in heaven above adore you. Infinite your vast domain; everlasting is your reign.
- 2 Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

3 Lo, the apostolic train joins your sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

4 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one;
undivided God, we claim you,
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery. Amen.

SERMON

Pastor John Hopkins

+ Please turn and face your fellow members across the center aisle +

❖ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

❖ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

OFFERING

+ Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

SOUNDS OF PRAISE (9:00)

"Two Psalms"

- Fvock

I look to the mountains and call to the Lord; my way seems so rocky and steep. But still I am sure that the Lord hears my prayer; our God does not slumber nor sleep. The Lord will protect me; He'll stay by my side in sunlight, in night's silver glow. No danger can harm me; He'll keep me secure in His love as I come and go. Do not be sad because you lack some things that money buys. The people knowing only gold know only that which dies. And they will fade like winter grass or smoke across a lake. But those who put their trust in God know peace the world can't shake.

❖ OFFERTORY We Give Thee But Thine Own

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We give Thee but Thine own Whate'er the gift may be;All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. 2 May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

❖ PREFACE

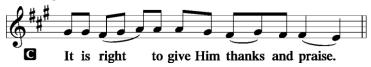
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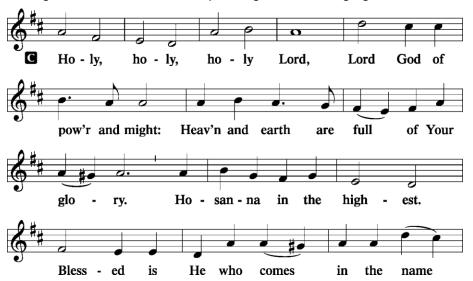
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:





THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

❖ LORD'S PRAYER

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



* NUNC DIMITTIS Song of Simeon



❖ CLOSING PRAYER

- We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

❖ BENEDICTION



+ Please stand and face the cross during the recession from the altar. +

♦ HYMN

"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

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❖ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! \mathbf{C}

POSTLUDE

'Fugue on "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" - Blersch

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

<u>Sunday</u>	500 th Ann	iversary of the Refore	mation	October 29
9:30 AM Reformation Celebration Worship Service with Holy Communion				
<u>Satur</u>	day/Sunday	All Saints' Sunday	Novem	<u>ber 4/5</u>
6:30 F	PM Trad	ditional Worship Servic	e with Holy	Communion
9:00 /	AM Trad	ditional Worship Servic	e with Holy	Communion
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