

CONSECRATION SUNDAY 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 11/12, 2017

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Mission Statement

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

CONSECRATION SUNDAY TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome

The final three weeks of the Church Year are traditionally concerned with "the last things." The lessons of the Church bring a special opportunity to reflect on the end of time and on the end of our earthly lives. In the Apostles' Creed, we affirm our belief in the resurrection of the body, which is God's good but temporary gift to us while we are living on earth. With all who have died in the faith before us, we await the coming of the Lord. Paul writes, "We shall all be changed." Our faithful worship helps us prepare for that glorious event!

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 "How Great Thou Art" LSB 801
- CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS
- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father, and of the \pm 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.
- 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 This is the Feast







❖ PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His Bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, 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 Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SOUNDS OF PRAISE (9:00) "I Will Give My Heart to the Lord"

- Patterson

I will give my heart to the Lord. Every day I'll learn to love him. I will give my song to the Lord. Every day I'll learn to praise him. I will give my heart to the Lord. Every day I'll learn to serve him. I will give him my heart. I will give him my song. I will give my life to the Lord.

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

❖ ALLELUIA



❖ GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:1-13

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



"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the

other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



❖ HYMN OF THE DAY

"Voices Raised to You We Offer"

LSB 795

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,

C hear our prayer.

OFFERING

+ Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

SOUNDS OF PRAISE (9:00)

"Small Deeds"

Horman

Small deeds, done with great conviction; small deeds, each one wisely planned; small deeds, touched by truth and beauty; small deeds guided by the hand of God. I may never be like Noah, and build a mighty ark, but I can light one candle to drive away the dark. Small deeds... I may never be like Moses, from Pharaoh's yoke be freed, but I can lend a helping hand to those who are in need! Small deeds... I may never be like Hannah, and give to God my son, but I can give the gift of love to people, one by one. Small deeds...

❖ OFFERTORY What Shall I Render



❖ PRAYER FOR CONSECRATION SUNDAY

- In Paul's Second letter to the Corinthians, he says "Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8
- **P** Let us pray,
- LORD God, we lift up our voices to thank You today! We thank You for transforming our lives, declaring us holy through Jesus Christ, our LORD. We thank You for the gifts of faith and life, of hope and peace that Jesus brings to us. Now, we come before You today to consecrate for Your

service that which You have given to us for mission and ministry. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

COMPLETION OF ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS

(After you have completed your estimate of giving card and placed it at the foot of the altar, please return to your pew as we celebrate God's blessings with the Lord's Supper.)

❖ PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

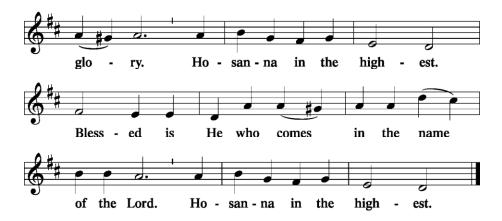


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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. And now we thank You that You have called us to prepare for and to await with joy the Last Day and return of our Savior Jesus Christ to earth in glory, when He shall judge the living and the dead and shall bring the fullness of Your eternal kingdom. With all the company of heaven we praise and magnify Your glory by joining in the eternal anthem and singing:





❖ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

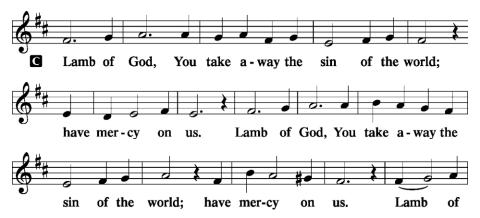
❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

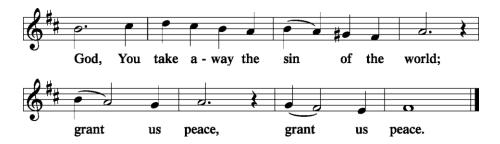
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

❖ 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





DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Blessed Assurance"

 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 O what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

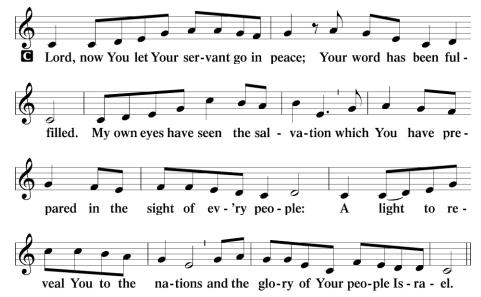
- Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*
- Perfect submission, all is at rest;
 I in my Savior am happy and blest,
 watching and waiting, looking above,
 filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

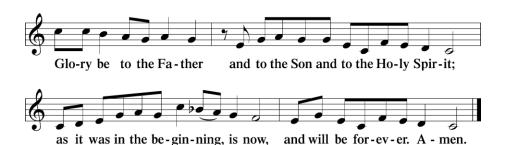
 Refrain

"Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"

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* NUNC DIMITTIS Song of Simeon





❖ CLOSING PRAYER

- Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. We ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we may continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, to whom, with You and the same Spirit, be all honor and glory, forever and ever.
- C Amen.

❖ BENEDICTION



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

❖ HYMN

"When Peace, like a River"

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❖ DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE 'Fanfare and Dance on "Voices Raise to You We Offer" - Blersch