

# **Trinity Lutheran Church**

Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost November 10th, 2024

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304 E. Ferris Street Galesburg, IL 61401

"the welcome place"

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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.

#### +++GATHERING+++

**Prelude** 

**Blessed Assurance** 

Mark Hayes, arr. Wagner

Welcome & Announcements - Please Sign Friendship Registry
The red ELW hymnal and the purple ACS hymnal are in the pew racks

(Stand)

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.** 

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free.

Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus.

Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true:
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever.
For his sake, you are 

forgiven and God remembers your sin no more.
Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

Amen.

**Gathering Hymn** 

ELW (red) # 695

As Saints of Old

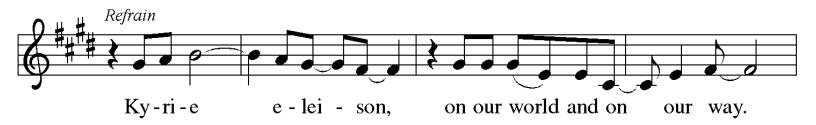
### Greeting

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**

ELW(red), Setting 8, pg. 184-185 (All sing refrain, cantor will sing verses)





- For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord
- 2. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord
- 3. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord
- 4. For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

# **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

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#### +++WORD+++

#### First Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16

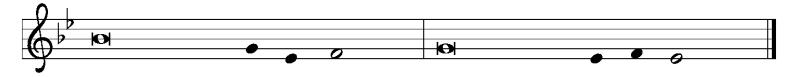
<sup>8</sup>The word of the Lord came to [Elijah,] saying, <sup>9</sup>"Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." 10So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." 11 As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." 12But 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." 13Elijah 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. 14For 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.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 146

(Responsively by whole verse)



<sup>1</sup>Hal- | lelujah!

Praise the Lord, <sup>I</sup> O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise the Lord as long | as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

<sup>3</sup>Put not your <sup>|</sup> trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there <sup>|</sup> is no help.

<sup>4</sup>When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth, and in that day | their thoughts perish.

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob <sup>I</sup> for their help,

whose hope is in the | Lord their God;

# <sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that <sup>|</sup> is in them; who keeps promis- <sup>|</sup> es forever;

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to <sup>1</sup> those who hunger.

The Lord sets the | captive free.

<sup>8</sup>The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who | are bowed down;

the Lord | loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup>The Lord cares <sup>|</sup> for the stranger;

the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way <sup>I</sup> of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The Lord shall <sup>|</sup> reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. <sup>|</sup> Hallelujah!

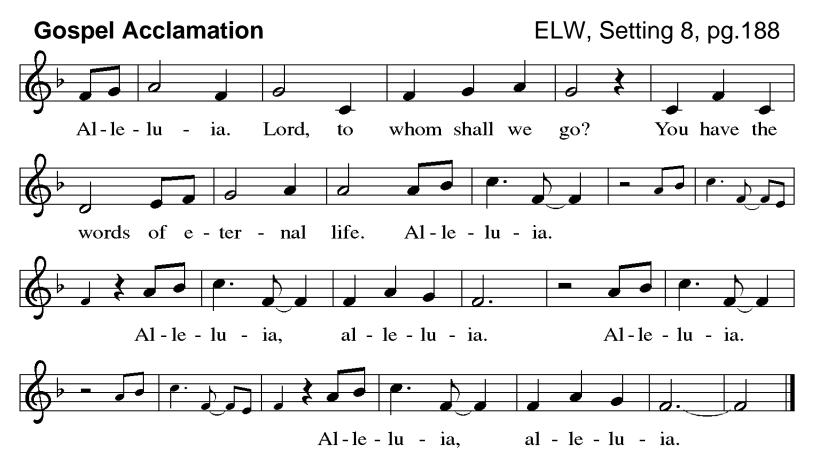
## Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

<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.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)



**Gospel: Mark 12:38-44** 

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<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.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

## Children's Message

#### Sermon

(Stand)

Hymn of the Day ELW (red) # 678 God, Who's Giving No Ending

## **Apostles Creed**

Let us join together in the confession of our faith.

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.

(Sit)

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Renew your church, O God. Make us servants to one another for the sake of the gospel. Instill a heart for service and a passion for justice in our bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Renew your creation, O God. Sustain the earth and seas and all that is in them. Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Renew the nations, O God. Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war. Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts, especially leaders of Isreal/Palestine and Ukraine and pursue peace. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Renew your people, O God. Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill, especially Bruce, Lester, Sally, Kate, and Fred. Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone. Watch over and uphold them. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Renew this congregation, O God. Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness. Bless our ministries that attend to basic needs of any who lack sufficient resources, that all may live with dignity. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Happy are those whose help was in you. We give thanks for all your faithful ones who praised you as their God all their life long. As we eagerly wait for you, inspire us by their lives of service. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our hearts

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

#### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

+++MEAL+++

(Stand)

## **Offering Prayer**

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name.

Amen.

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

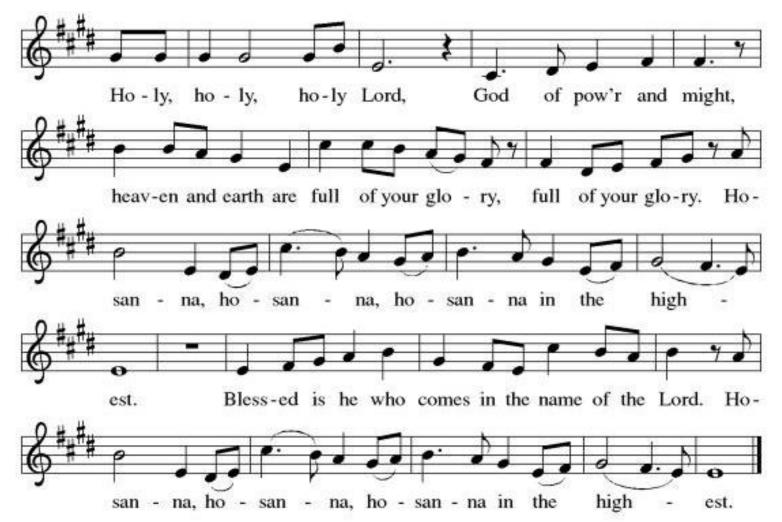
We lift them up to the Lord.

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Holy, 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.** 

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

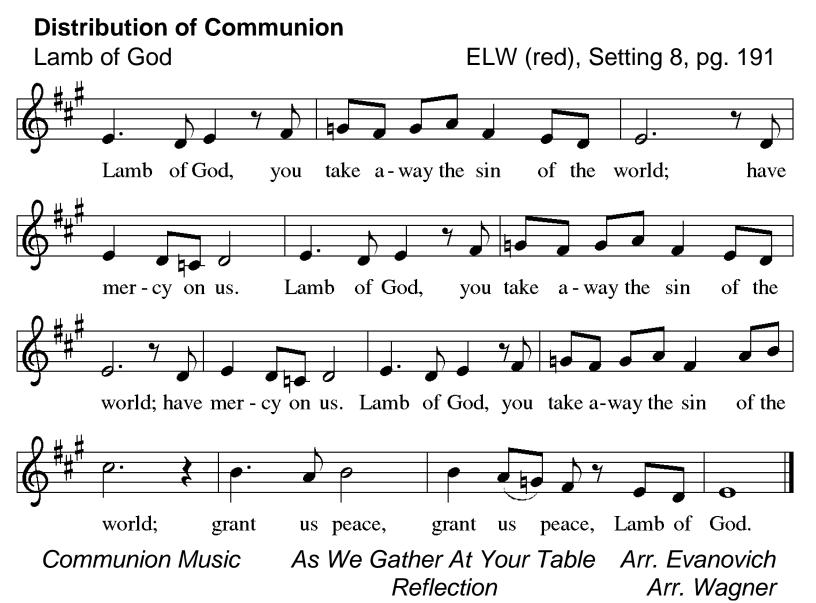
#### **Invitation to Communion**

Behold, God is making all things new.

Take your place in the new creation.

All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.

(Sit)



# Post Communion Hymn ELW (red) # 543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

(Stand)

### **Prayer After Communion**

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son.

Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### +++SENDING+++

#### **Blessing**

Sending Hymn

ELW (red) #638

**Blessed Assurance** 

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

Fanfare on "Blessed Assurance"

Arr. Nix and Paige

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As you leave, please take a moment to greet one another.

**Today's Altar Flowers** were provided by Heather Hellenga in celebration of our granddaughter, Lydia Rose's, first birthday.

**Today's Radio Broadcast** was provided by Carol Brown in honor of everyone who goes to radio church.

## **Worship Participants**

Audio: Matt Warner Video: Bill Sime

Ushers: Layton & Nancy Sandall, Harold Watters

Communion Setup: Jennifer Robinson

Assisting Minister: Sandra Gray

Reader: Erin Crawford

Wine Servers: Lisa Shafer, Marilyn Gehring Coffee Fellowship: Layton & Nancy Sandall

Acolyte: Henry Gray

Closing Duties: Bill Sandall Guest Pastor: Keith Killinger

Organ: Bette Mohr

#### **Announcements**

Coffee Fellowship is immediately after service.

Pastor Carrie Carnes' Installation Service will be held on Sunday, November 24th at 2 pm.

How Does a Weary World Rejoice is the title of this year's Advent worship series. Stepping away from the traditional lectionary, we will focus on the Gospel readings of Luke 1, exploring joy in the midst of grief, weariness and longing. We invite everyone to celebrate this sacred season with us!

Make Your Own Nativity with Art Defined: Join us at 6pm on Wednesday, December 4th, for a special "Make Your Own Nativity"

event with Art Defined! You can create a starter set (Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus) or, if you participated last year, add the 3 Wise Men to your collection. We'll glaze the figurines together, and Art Defined will fire them for you. Each set is \$45, and it's the perfect opportunity to invite a friend! Sign up by Sunday, November 10th.

Use the QR code in this bulletin to sign up!



<u>Prayer List:</u> If you or loved ones need prayers, please fill out the salmon-colored form located on the bulletin table in the Narthex, and return it to the Office mailbox or drop it in the offering plate.

<u>Name</u> <u>Prayer</u>

Bruce Hebb Prayers for Healing
Lester C. Johnson Sr. Prayers for Health
Sally Prayers for Healing

Kate Prayers for Recovery & Health

Fred Rakers Prayers for Peace

# **This Week at Trinity**

Sun, Nov. 10th	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	5:30 pm	PRISMS
Mon, Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	Knox County Gen. Society
Tues, Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	The Tie That Binds
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Sat, Nov. 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pm	Saturday Worship TLC

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday
Cell phone: 618-803-8778
Church Office: Phone 309-343-4191
Hours 8:30 am – 12:30 pm, Monday-Friday
1st & 3rd Saturdays; Worship 5:00 pm; Holy Communion
Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion
Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook

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Vision Statement
Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ

#### **Mission Statement**

Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.

#### **Welcome Statement**

At Trinity Lutheran Church, we believe God's grace is extended to everyone. Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness. We welcome people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for racial equity, justice, peace, and love in all the earth.

#### **Our Guiding Principles**

- 1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
- 2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
  - 3. We invite and welcome everyone.
- 4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
  - 5. We serve local and global communities.