

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOUGHNUTS – Everyone loves a doughnut on Sunday morning! Seeing that we are no longer collecting sponsors for our Bulletin/Newsletters, we thought it might be fun to buy doughnuts for each other! The cost of doughnuts is \$30 per Sunday. If you would like to **share the sugar** with your fellow members, a sign-up sheet has been left in the Sun Porch Area.

ALL-SAINTS SUNDAY – As we approach All-Saint's Day, we begin to gather the list of members and loved ones who are no longer with us. Please include anyone who has left us **SINCE NOVEMBER 2020**. These names will be included in the service for that Sunday.

THIRD QUARTER STATEMENTS – have been sent via E-mail this week. The email is titled 1st Quarter Statements, as the program automatically titled them. It did that because I included the full year, instead of only the 3rd quarter, as most of you like. If you do not receive your copy or would like to have one mailed to you, please email the office @ tlcadmin@lutherantrinity.com. If you do not have an email on file, a paper copy will be mailed to you automatically.

CHOIR & HANDBELLS – will begin practicing **each Sunday @ 10:30**. If you would like to join or have any questions, please call Pam Smith @ 716-908-3560. The Adult Choir will practice on Wednesdays @ 5:30.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Join Pastor Elise or Pastor Stan to discuss the upcoming scripture readings in an adult Bible Study! Sunday mornings after the 930 service (about 1015) in the Paul George Room.

SOCIAL MISSIONS: Please email Pastor Elise (pastoreliseanderson@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping with the food box ministry on Wednesdays as a box packer or deliverer (please note that delivering these boxes will require

being able to walk on uneven ground while carrying supplies). Continue to encourage each other to donate supplies and food so that we can best provide things for our homeless neighbors. You can also donate money directly to the social missions' fund if that is easier for you.

REMINDER - Our ONLINE CALENDAR and ONLINE MEMBER DIRECTORY can be found on our website @ chattanoogalutheran.org. No need to find your newsletter or carry around the bulky pages of member addresses. Simply go to our website. The CALENDAR is located on the CALENDAR page. The DIRECTORY can be found on the LINKS WE LIKE page. Please e-mail or call the office for the DIRECTORY CODE. It only needs to be entered once.

SUNDAY SERVICE SERVERS – Returning to normal means returning to the service of others! In the next few weeks, please consider serving those around you by stepping in to make each Sunday successful. Some of the ways of serving are: Helping the **Altar Guild** set up before the service, **Greeting** people as they arrive, **Assisting** the Pastors during the service, **Reading** aloud from the Bible, **Counting** offering after the service, **Cleaning up** the Welcome area & loading the dishwasher after the 11:15 service, **Ushering** and tidying up the sanctuary after services... We can't do it without you. Let us know if you can assist. Contact the office for more information.

VENMO– Our username is @trinitylutheran. Thank you to our members who use this service. We hope it is useful to your family.

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served,
but to serve, and to give his life
as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45



**Trinity Lutheran Church
21st Sunday after Pentecost
October 17, 2021
Traditional Services**

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

WELCOME/PRELUDE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

People: Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

GATHERING

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW 712



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

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/Hymn of Praise (Choir)

I
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

II
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have

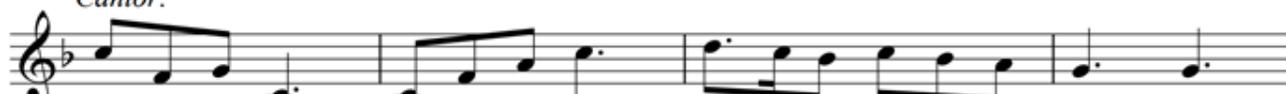
III
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

mer - cy up-on us. Lord, have mer - cy up-on us.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Cantor:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to God in the high - est!

Assembly:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia!



Fa - ther al - might - y, your love is e - ter - nal, you formed us and or - der the



span of our days. With hea - ven and earth, and all your cre - a - tion, we



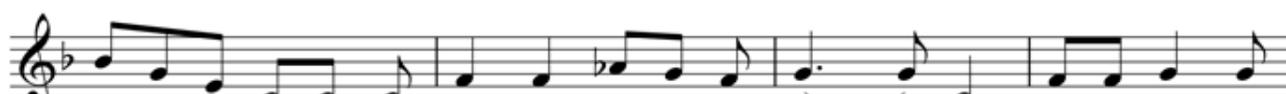
joy - ful - ly of - fer our thanks and our praise. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia! O Je - sus Christ, O



Lamb of God, your love has set us free. You came down from hea - ven to



bring us sal - va - tion. Have mer - cy, hear us, O Lord. All hon - or, glo - ry,



pow'r and might are yours, Son of God. With saints on earth and heav'n a - bove we

praise your ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia!

O Ho - ly Spi - rit, heav'n-ly fire, come to us now, our

souls in-spire to fol - low where you lead us. Lov - ing Spi - rit guide to hea - ven,

to you for - ev - er our prais-es are giv - en: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Glo - ry to God in the high - est. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Glo - ry to God! Glo - ry to God! Glo - ry to God in the high - est!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin,

he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 91:9-16

⁹Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**no evil will befall you,
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them
in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;

⁶as God says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Making Their Way v1 & 3

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1 Mak-ing their way down through the a - ges, sin - ners and saints have
 2 Mak-ing their way all the world o - ver, Chris - tians as - sem - ble
 3 Mak-ing our way sea - son by sea-son, pil - grims, we jour - ney



heard God's call: wealth - y and poor, pow - er - ful, low - ly,
 on this day, hear - ing the Word, shar - ing the Ban - quet,
 till life's end, trav - el - ing light, shar - ing the rich - es,



Je - sus' dis - ci - ples, one and all. Gath - ered for wor - ship, of - fer - ing thanks,
 learn - ing to walk in Je - sus' way. Mem - bers of Christ, u - nit - ed in love,
 car - ing for strang - er as for friend, till in the joy of long - ing ful - filled,



the great - est with the least have come to share this feast.
 they seek our God to know, and so to - geth - er grow.
 to - geth - er we will come to our e - ter - nal home.

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Elise Anderson

SERMON

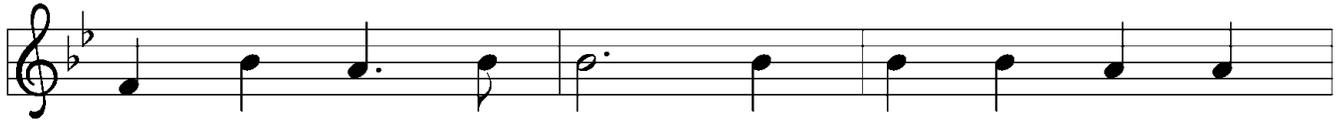
Pastor Elise Anderson



1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -



king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
 all, you said the first must be the last and
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with



praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
 we might rise and live. To break the law of
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the



glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
 death you came, the law of love to bring: a
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for



walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

AM: Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning ways in which to serve you and your creation and equip them with your gifts. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any. Especially do we lift up to you... Friends and family of Dennis Oeting (Mary Jenkins), Friends and family of Harold Sanders (David Combs), Jim Faller, Alexis Sanders (David Combs), Milton, Janica, Lauren, & Janis (John Szeglin), Betsy Christensen, Kaye and Wesley Mitchell (Ginny Minninger), Karen Callini (Ginny Minninger), Tawnie Fedewa (Muncy family), Rick Brown (Kathy Behling), Shawn & Mark (Marlene Hiltunen), Katy Allison, Bruce & Amy Annear (Fran Balsis), Lynn Ayers (Cree Giesel), Scott Baily (Fran Balsis), Alice Barnett, Colin Bakse (Sondra Hart), Bill Balsis, Bonnie Bean (James Craig), Theresa Bowman, Robert Burns (Carol Hayde)... as well as those whom we name in our hearts or out loud before you now... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

AM: Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Lord in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **Amen.**

PEACE (*stand*)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER (*stand*)

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 also 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo-ry, ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is the One who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.

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.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught:
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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Thanks be to God.

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, O grant us peace.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Let us pray together: **Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING (stand)

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

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

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1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this meal of
 2 Rise, trans-formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter Christ, though
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has called us
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age be our

love and grace; may we through such love en - vi - sion
 wound-ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
 to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
 dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion

whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le - lu - ia,
 to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le - lu - ia,
 Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le - lu - ia,
 from this day and un - to death. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.
 al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
 al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
 al - le - lu - ia: Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

DISMISSAL: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Go in peace, Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**