

Welcome to Trinity!

We rejoice in this opportunity to gather for worship in our sanctuary after having been prevented from doing so by COVID for so long! We know that some of you will feel more comfortable waiting for a bit longer to return in person. That's fine too! We will continue to rejoice in your presence with us virtually as you connect online!

Here at Trinity, we strive to follow our Lord Jesus in fully welcoming everyone into community. We seek to provide a place of true sanctuary in a world that too often offers judgment instead of grace and exclusion rather than embrace. As a Reconciling In Christ congregation, we rejoice to fully welcome LGBTQIA folks. We celebrate racial and ethnic diversity as a gift to the community. We seek to include those who are dealing with physical challenges and developmental disabilities. Beyond all this, we happily include people wherever they are on their faith journey, including seekers with deep doubts and questions, those who are new to the faith, and seasoned long-time believers.

In short, we believe that when Jesus commanded his followers to share the Gospel with ALL people – he meant it! Welcome!

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2023

9:30 am

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Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary....The Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary allows for direct broadcast of the worship service to your hearing aid. We have two direct reception headsets available for those who have non-T-coil equipped hearing aids or no hearing aid at all. Our ushers are happy to assist you. We hope this enhancement is a blessing to you.

JOIN US FOR ONLINE WORSHIP

We continue to live-stream all of our services.

If you can't tune in for the live broadcast, or you want to go back and hear a part of the service again, you can access all of our previously recorded services archived on our website. www.trinityevanston.org with a link to our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEvanston/>

Gathering

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day
of the week, the day of Christ's resurrection.*

Prelude: *"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"*arr. Mark Albrecht
Joyce Oakes, flute

Confession and Forgiveness: *(Stand as you are able)*

P Blessed be God, the one who forms us, + Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C **Amen.**

P Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Steadfast and faithful God,

C **you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you.**

We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering.

We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others.

For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us.

For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us.

For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us.

Lead us back to you and set us on the right path;

in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

P Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare.

In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: ACS 985..... "Let Us Enter In"



1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.
2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.
3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en-ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.
Let us en-ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.
Let us en-ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: LET US ENTER IN, Ray Makeever

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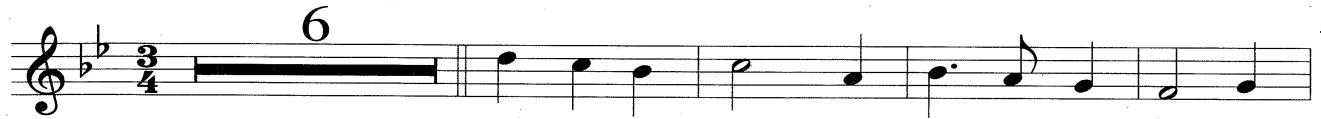
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Greeting:

P The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Canticle of Praise: "This Is the Feast"



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our



God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



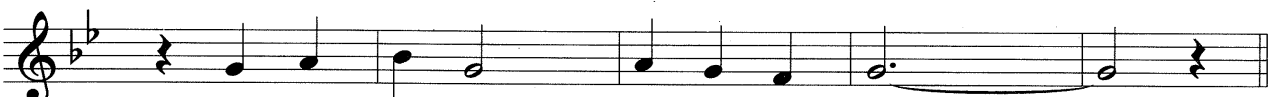
☐ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

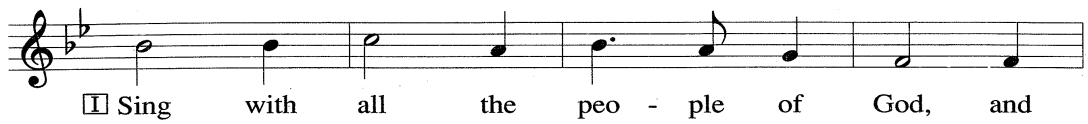


☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

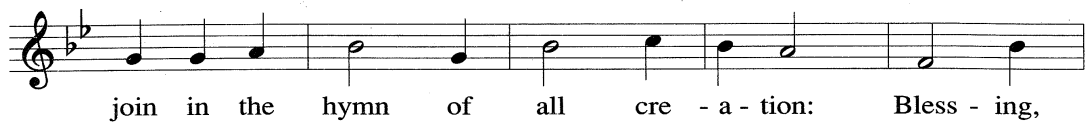


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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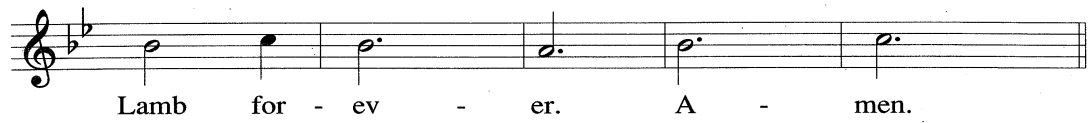
I Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing,



hon - or, glo - ry and might be to God and the



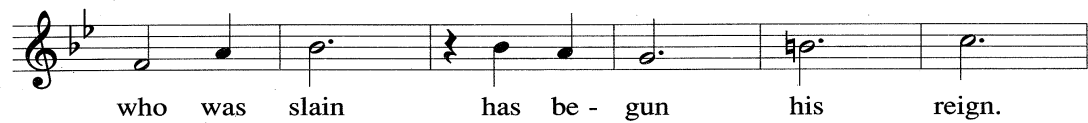
Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



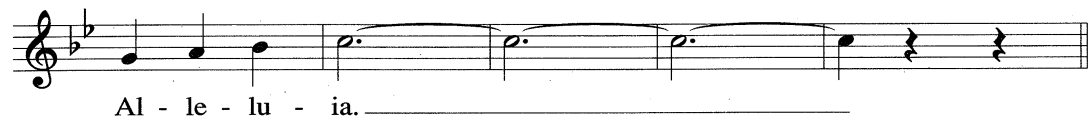
☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. III For the Lamb



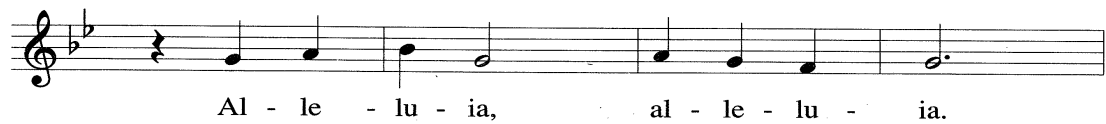
who was slain has be - gun his reign.



Al - le - lu - ia.



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! *rit.*

Prayer of the Day:

P O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Word

God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

Word for the Children

First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm: Psalm 26:1-8 *(Read responsively)*

L Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

C **²Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind.**

L ³For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.

C **⁴I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites;**

L ⁵I hate the company of evildoers, and will not sit with the wicked.

C **⁶I wash my hands in innocence, and go around your altar, O LORD,**

L ⁷singing aloud a song of thanksgiving, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

C **⁸O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell, and the place where your glory abides.**

Gospel Acclamation: *(Stand)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? _____
You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia. _____

P The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW, No. 712 (Stand)..... "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"



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-crating 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.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984
Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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Apostles' Creed:

C 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 Intercession:

P Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the needs of our neighbors.

A brief silence.

After each petition:

**A Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

**P Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.
C Amen.**

Peace

Please be seated.



Announcements

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Raised to new life, filled with the Holy Spirit, and gifted richly by God, we respond with joy and thanksgiving for all that God has first given us.

If you are joining us virtually, you may share your offerings by mailing your checks to the church office or by using your bank's bill-pay system. If you would rather, you can use our Vanco online giving option. Here's the link to the secure site: bit.ly/TLCgives22 Or scan this QR code: However it is that you share your offerings, we thank you for your faithful financial support of the ministry we share!



Offertory

Stand as you are able.

Setting the Table:

3

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, —

— and fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing. —

Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that

we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the

hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your

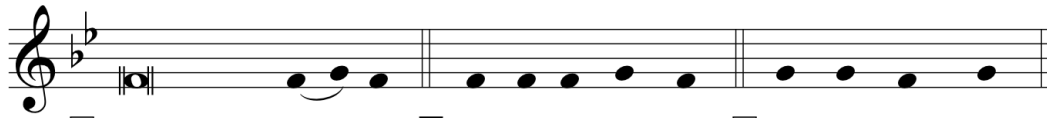
pres - ence, — and give us a fore - taste

of the feast to come. —

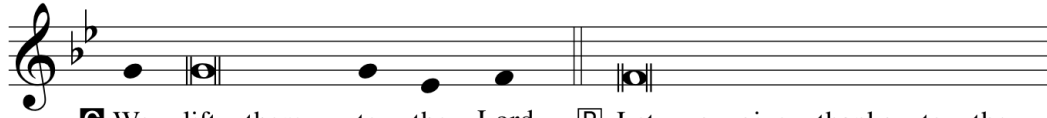
Offering Prayer:

- A God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

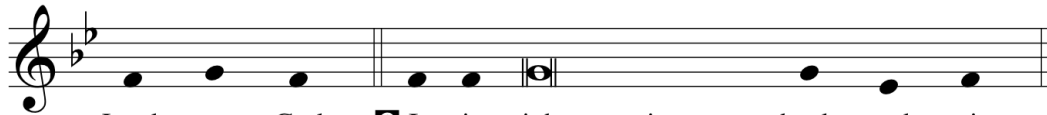
Great Thanksgiving:



Ⓟ 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.

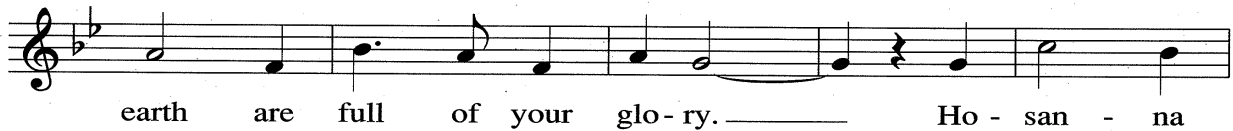
Ⓟ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,



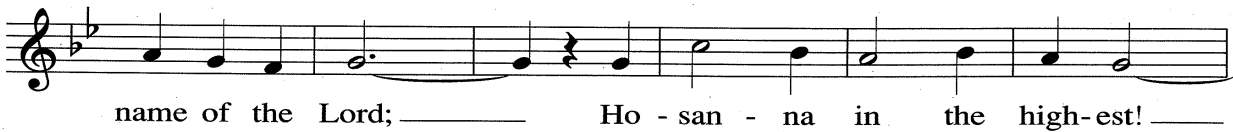
God of pow - er, God of might, Hea - ven and



earth are full of your glo - ry. — Ho - san - na



in the high - est! — Bles - sed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord; — Ho - san - na in the high - est! —



— Ho - san - na in the high - est!

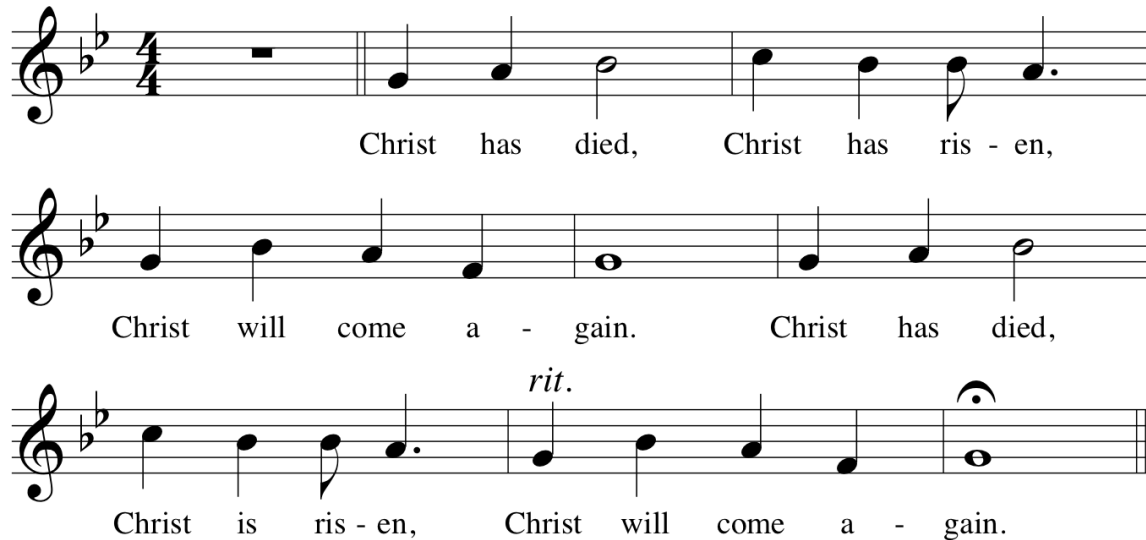
Thanksgiving at the Table:

P 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.

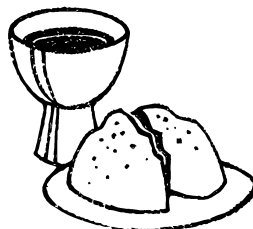
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
this cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.



Christ has died, Christ has risen,
Christ will come a - gain. Christ has died,
rit.
Christ is risen, Christ will come a - gain.

P 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;



Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Ho-ly Spirit, all
 glory and honor are yours, al - might - y Father, now —
 and — for - ev - er. A - men,
 A - men, A - men! A - men,
 A - men, A - men!

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 Music: *Holy Communion: Creation Setting*; Marty Haugen; © 1992, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Lord's Prayer

Please pray the language of your heart.

**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.**

**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:

P Jesus invited you to this table. Come, eat and live.

*We rejoice to share this holy meal with all baptized believers.
Children not yet receiving communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

Please be seated.

Communion Instruction

You are invited to come forward via the center aisle at the direction of the ushers.
Pastor will distribute the bread, and a deacon will distribute the wine in individual, recyclable plastic cups.
Communicants will take a cup from the tray and will dispose of it in the basket provided before returning to their seat via the side aisle.

Gluten free wafers are available. **Grape juice** is located in the inner circle of the tray.

If you are unable to come to the altar and would like to receive communion, please tell an usher and communion will be brought to you.

For those who prefer to remain in the pew, individual communion sets containing grape juice are available in the narthex as people enter.

Lamb of God:

2 2

Je - sus, Lamb of God; _____ you take a - way the

sin of the world, _____ have mer - cy on _____ us.

Je - sus, Lamb of God; _____ you

take a - way the sin of the world:

grant us your _____ peace.

Music during Communion:

ACS 1043 "Spirit, Open My Heart"

Refrain



Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of



liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing



and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.



1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

Refrain



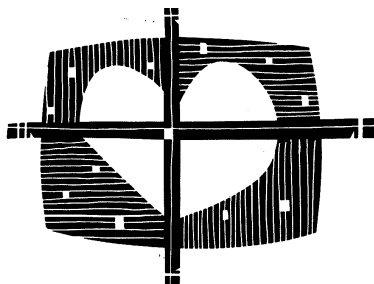
fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953

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The image shows a musical score for the antiphon "Ubi caritas et amor". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system has the lyrics: "U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor, / Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,". The second system has the lyrics: "u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est. / God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there." The piano accompaniment features chords and melodic lines in both hands, with a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand of the second system.

Text: Latin antiphon, 9th cent.; Taizé Community; tr. *With One Voice*
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Prayer after Communion:

- A Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.
- C **Amen.**

Sending

The triune God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing: (Stand)

- P The God of glory, + Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.
- C **Amen.**



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



from this meal of love and grace;
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;
 God has called us to re - ceive;
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



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



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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

Dismissal:

A Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service"arr. Brian Henkelmann

Joyce Oakes, flute

COFFEE HOUR IS SERVED FOLLOWING THE SERVICE in the GATHERING SPACE.
Join us for refreshments and conversation. All are welcome!

MISSION POSSIBLE FOR SEPTEMBER: ELCA World Hunger

Note: TRINITY OFFICE AND STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

Trinity office is open Monday—Thursday only.
Send us an email to confirm the staff member you wish to meet is in the office.
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*** LABOR DAY HOLIDAY, MONDAY Sept. 4th —CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.**

TRINITY PRAYER LIST:

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<p>MEMBERS: Joan Borgeson Robert Gertenrich Geof Hiltwein (tests, healing) Signe Kilen Judi McKiernan Bill Olson (rehab at home) Hortense Plummer Bill Sachse Donna Schroeder Charlie Swartzfager Arlene Sigle Gail Slamar LaVerne Stamer Lorna Van Houten (healing in preparation of upcoming surgery) Chris Viau Dave Yandell (hospitalized)</p> <p>FAMILY & FRIENDS: Whitman Brisky (Valerie Braun's dad, multiple myeloma; will need a bone marrow transplant this summer) Peter Burke (brother of Peg Lee) Rick Corona (brother of Joe Corona, recovery from fall) Eleanor Ehresman (friend of Carol Wilson, battling leukemia)</p>	<p>Katie Grassmann (colleague of Charlie Slamar) injuries from riding accident. Sanah Khan (friend of Cathi White, recovery from reconstruction surgery) Dave Kallstead (cousin of Roy Skogsberg, recovery from hip surgery) Robert Lins (friend of Laurel Lovestrom, cancer surgery) Raoul Maniquis (neighbor of Cathi White, hospitalized —motorcycle crash) Keaton McCormick (Arlene Sigle's sister's grandson, complicated medical issues) Mindy (request of Peg Lee, brain tumor) Vickie Nowakowski (Carole Rivera's sister-in-law, recovering) Ryan (Lorna Van Houten's son, healing) Sherri (friend of Gina Musielski, healing from medical challenges) Dave Skvarla (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovering from open heart surgery) Debbie Stahr (sister-in-law of Julie McWilliams) Tim Stahr (brother of Julie McWilliams, bad motorcycle accident) Ruth Straseske (friend of Carol Wilson, continued recovery from ovarian cancer) Linda T (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovering from a fall) Steve and Dawn Taskay Tito Urian (friend of Phos Rivera, recovering ALS) Jennifer McWilliams (niece of Gary McWilliams, treatment for breast cancer) Tim McWilliams (nephew of Gary McWilliams, recovering from a stroke) Theresa Wilson (cousin of Carol Wilson, facing lupus and cancer diagnosis) Sharon Yandell (mother of Dave Yandell)</p> <p>SYMPATHY: Joyce Oakes and her family on the death of her father, Phillip Oakes.</p>
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