



As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recall that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

Help us create SACRED SPACE by powering down

Please do not use cell phones and other electronic devices.

The ringing of the *meditation bowl* calls us to silence, centering and reflection as we prepare for worship.

If *the rituals and practices of our liturgy* are new to you, please participate as you feel comfortable and are able.

As you pass *the baptismal font* upon entering or leaving the church you may *dip your hand in the water and make the sign of the cross*. This is an ancient body prayer to remember you are a baptized child of God. Simply touch your forehead to chest, then your left to right shoulder.



GATHERING

prelude

Adagio (From *Symphony #5*)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Turn to face the cross as it enters; you may bow as the cross passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation.

Our liturgy is multi-sensory and shows the significance of our bodies and all of God's creation. Used in many religions, the sweet smell of incense represents the rising of our prayers and the aroma of Christ spreading in procession throughout the world. We honor (cense) the primary symbols of the liturgy: the people, font, ambo (lectern), book of scriptures, cross, and table (altar).

gathering hymn

#853 *When morning gilds the skies*

During the greeting the presiding minister and assembly **bow toward one another**. We learn from Eastern cultures the deep significance of a bow as a sign of mutuality and the presence of Christ among us.

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.

prayer of the day

Let us pray...**Amen.**

Please be seated.



WORD

first reading

Jeremiah 8:18—9:1

Continuing through the prophet Jeremiah, the reading on this Sunday is a remarkable poem set in the mouth of Jeremiah himself, who mourns for the people. His voice is interrupted by the voice of God and the voice of the poor. Gilead was land east of the Jordan River that was famous for growing trees from which healing balm was extracted. Christians have used the imagery of “the balm of Gilead” as an image of salvation through Christ. Jeremiah’s weeping can inspire our Sunday intercessions to profound grief for the suffering of others.

Response: Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79:1-9

The cantor sings the refrain and the assembly repeats. The cantor and assembly chant alternating verses.

Setting: Aaron David Miller

Refrain:

De - liv - er us and for - give our sins,
for your name's sake.

Tone:

¹O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your | holy temple;

they have made Jerusalem a | heap of rubble.

²**They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds | of the air,**

and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts | of the field.

³They have shed their blood like water on every side | of Jerusalem, and there was no one to | bury them.

⁴**We have become a reproach | to our neighbors,**

an object of scorn and derision to | those around us.

Stand to welcome the gospel as Christ—the Word of God—as it is proclaimed among us in this place and time. **Turn** to face the book as the gospel is read in the midst of the assembly, a sign of Christ among us.

gospel acclamation

Setting: John Helgen

The cantor sings the acclamation and the assembly repeats.

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

The cantor then sings the verse and the acclamation is repeated.

Live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; strive side by side for the faith of the gospel. (Phil 1:27)

As the gospel is announced, you may trace a small cross on your forehead, lips and breast, a prayer that the Word may dwell in our minds, on our lips and in our hearts.

gospel

Luke 16:1-13

The children of light are called to be faithful to what has genuine value—the riches of the kingdom. God is our master, from whom come sometimes unlikely judgments about human life.

Before the gospel

The holy gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

After the gospel

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.
Alleluia... (sung as above)

sermon

Following the sermon there is a time of silence for reflection and quiet meditation. Our liturgy is not only made up of words, gestures, and music, but also moments of silence.



E - gypt took him in- gave safe - ty from King
 lived a - mong the poor. I see him then- I
 if I take him in, I see the suf - f'ring



Her - od— and shel - ter from the wind.
 see him now. He's knock - ing on my door.
 through his eyes and learn to be like him.

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great thanksgiving

The thanksgiving
 includes the following:
 | dialogue



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.

| *preface*

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

This ancient song is the musical climax of the liturgy and uses texts from Isaiah and Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. At the words "blessed is he who comes," some make the **sign of the cross** as a connection to our baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection.

Hol - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed 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

Some responses during the thanksgiving at the table echo the presiding minister.
Others are as follows:

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

... To you be honor and praise, blessed and Holy Trinity,
now and forever.

Amen.



the lord's prayer

As a sign of openness to the divine presence, you may join the presider in praying the Our Father with the ancient gesture of extended hands.

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Please remain standing.

breaking of the bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Be seated.

communion

All are welcome at Christ's table, including children. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received either by drinking from the (silver) common cup, or by saving the bread and dipping it in the second (glass) cup. Gluten-free wafers are available from the presiding minister. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing, keeping your hands folded over your chest. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone.

*Holy Trinity's radical welcome is also an **invitation to baptism** and a deeper connection to community. If you are not baptized, please speak to one of the pastors to learn more about the process of adult baptism.*

communion anthem

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933)

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all.
From ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
For you our restless spirits yearn, where'er our changing lot is cast;
Glad, when your smile on us you turn; blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
O Jesus, ever with us stay! Make all our moments calm and bright.
Oh, chase the cloud of sin away. Shed o'er the world your holy light.

(Text: Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; trans. R. Palmer, 1808-1887)

communion hymn

#685 **Take my life, that I may be**

silence

prayer

~stand~

Let us pray. *brief silence*

...Amen.



SENDING

blessing

Having heard the word and shared the eucharist, we are sent to live our baptism through words and deeds, making known the love of Christ, and working for justice and peace in our families, communities, and world.

*Turn to face the cross as it recedes, you may **bow** as it passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation.*

sending hymn

#669 **Rise up, O saints of God**

sending

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

postlude

Postlude on *Festal Song*

Seth Bingham (1882-1972)

*Following the liturgy, several things happen simultaneously: some **folks greet one another** and converse; others listen to **the organ postlude**; and others move to the front of the church for **refreshments and social time and continue to a forum, choir rehearsal, or Sunday School.***



Today's flowers are sponsored by

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SERVING TODAY

presiding minister Pr. Craig Mueller

crucifer Seminarian Melissa Hrdlicka

preaching minister Pr. Michelle Sevig

acolyte torchbearers Katie Peyton, Oliver Sevig

minister of music David Brackley

readers Maggie Peyton, Seminarian
Troy Spencer

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intercessor Daniel Schleis

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sacristan Ryan LaHurd

meditation bell Tim Peyton

altar preparation Denise Mineck

welcome hospitality Eric Breese, Mark Stolt

incense Jonas Ellison

bread Ann Sanders

coffee hospitality

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

10:30am Sunday School

Age 4 through First Grade- Passavant Hall (upstairs)
Grades 3 through 6- Spiritual Life Center (first floor)

10:40am in the Choir Room

Choir Rehearsal

The 2019-2020 Holy Trinity Choir season is under way! If you have been thinking about becoming a part of the music ministry at Holy Trinity in this way, this is the year to do it! Extensive experience is not required, although note reading ability is important. During the rest of the season, rehearsals convene on Sunday mornings at 8:30am or 9:00am, depending on which service we sing.

The schedule is available for the entire 2019-2020 season. For further information, speak to David Brackley or Ayriole Frost, or email David at dbrackley@htchicago.org.

**10:45am in the St. Mark Room (upstairs)
Byzantine Iconography with Pr. Craig Mueller**

Join Pr. Craig Mueller as he shares photos and learnings from recent trips.

NEXT SUNDAY

10:45am in the Sanctuary- Antiracism Initiative Kickoff

The weekend of September 28-29 will mark the beginning of Holy Trinity's 2-year partnership with the Antiracism Team of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the ELCA. Through this partnership, Holy Trinity will work with a leader from the Synod Team to discern and enact a plan for the future. What does it mean to do the work of dismantling institutional racism in our church? The Synod Team describes the process as follows: *"Challenging racism requires us to look beyond individual acts of prejudice towards the systemic barriers that marginalize members of our family; barriers embedded in our policies and procedures, in our faith tradition, practices and beliefs."*

*Kids Night Out
September 28*

Our next KIDS Night Out will be on **Saturday, September 28 in Passavant Hall at HTLakeview**. The kids deserve a night out, away from their parents, to play and enjoy the company of others from HTLC. There will be free-play time and structured time for learning a Bible story and doing a craft, and a simple dinner is provided. Families pay \$5-\$20, whatever seems right for your family. **Pre-registration and RSVP are required by September 25.** Contact Pastor Sevig at msevig@htchicago.org for more information or to register.

*Centering Prayer
First Session Tomorrow
Night*

Centering Prayer, a kind of Christian meditation, will meet monthly on Monday evenings, 6:10 – 6:50pm in the sanctuary.

*Spirituality Group
Resumes Tomorrow
Night*

HTLakeview offers a spirituality group that meets once a month from September through May on Monday evenings, 7pm-8:30pm. Each session includes discussion, some centering time, and

concludes with Prayer at the Close of the Day. **If you are interested in participating, please email cmueller@htchicago.org.**

Daytimers Program and Luncheon October 2 at 10am

Holy Trinity member, gifted musician, and ELCA Deacon Barbara Kudirka will offer a piano recital. After the recital we will gather for a potluck lunch. **Sign-up at daytimers.htchicago.org to let others know what you will bring** so there is a balanced menu. You are also welcome to attend the **9:30am eucharist** that day.

Book Group Thursday, October 3 + 7:30pm

The group will be discussing the non-fiction book, *The Phantom of Fifth Avenue: The Mysterious Life and Scandalous Death of Heiress Huguette Clark* by Meryl Gordon. Please contact Becky Sims (rsims@1702.org) for more information and where to meet.

Toward 100 Campaign

Stained glass work has begun! Share the momentum! If you haven't yet made a pledge, there are forms in the entry way or you can do so online at **toward100.htchicago.org**.

Spiritual Reset? Life Together at Holy Trinity

Do you need a spiritual re-set? Life Together is a safe place to explore your spiritual questions with other seekers and will meet once a month, likely on Sunday mornings between October and April. **For more information or to sign-up, email cmueller@htchicago.org.**



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 6

9am & 11am

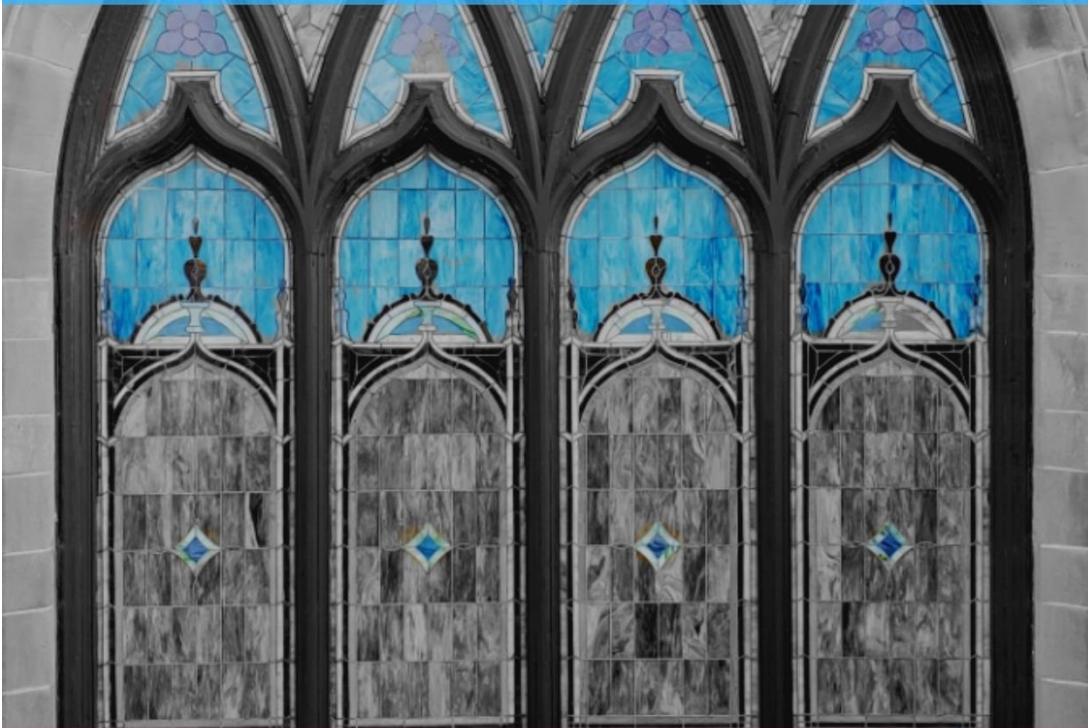
Pets, Children, & Adults Welcome



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH INVITES YOU TO

Shine!

*A celebration of light and music to benefit
the vibrant ministries of Holy Trinity*



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 + 4PM-6PM

Inspired by the restoration and return of our central stained glass window, a special fun-raising musical showcase featuring HTLC choir members and friends, with a puzzle activity and treats at a festive reception to follow

TICKETS \$20 IN ADVANCE AT SHINE.HTCHICAGO.ORG
\$25 AT DOOR | CHILDREN FREE | CHILDCARE PROVIDED

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Join us as we end hunger around the block and around the world! Since 1969, CROP Hunger Walks have been raising money to end hunger. The first Walk was started 50 years ago by Lutheran youth in Bismarck ND. Today, over 700 Walks across the country raise over \$8 million to end hunger.

37th Annual Chicago CROP Hunger Walk and Family Fun Fest + October 20, 2019
First Immanuel Lutheran Church + 1124 S. Ashland Ave
Registration and Fun Fest begins at noon, with the Walk starting at 2:30
Join the HTLC Walk Team at cropwalk.htchicago.org!

For more information contact Jon Skogen (jon_skogen@yahoo.com). Pr. Ben (badams@htchicago.org) or Pr. Sevig (msevig@htchicago.org).

images from welcome back sunday and this week's stained-glass work



WHAT WE VALUE

Our worship is ancient and new

We celebrate a liturgy based on ancient patterns and rituals that go back to the early centuries of Christianity. We gather for worship to hear the scriptures and wrestle with their meaning for our lives today. We share the sacred meal of bread and wine and depart to serve a world in need. Though ancient, worship is always fresh and new as the gospel of Christ comes alive for our contemporary context. Time unplugged from electronic devices allows reflection and centering. Open to the Mystery we connect, strengthen and serve with joy.

Things we're for

Radical inclusivity regardless of race, ethnicity, gender identity, documentation or socio-economic status, sexual orientation or religious/spiritual background. Welcoming refugees and immigrants as the biblical injunction to provide hospitality to strangers. Democracy as the means to support those who are marginalized or most vulnerable in society. Embodied gathering in real time and sacred space. Multisensory liturgy that helps us delight in God's beauty. Intentional engagement with contemporary social, theological and spiritual issues. God's creation, including human beings, that are wonderfully diverse. User-friendly liturgies. Preaching that is honest about the struggles of life and the grace of God. Robust congregational singing. Reverence and joy in worship that spills over into everyday life. Cultivating empowering relationships, not only at church but everywhere. Openness to questions and faith struggles. Treasuring mystery above certainty.

Things we're against

Power and privilege that lead to prejudice and oppression. Systems that perpetuate white preference and advantage. Binary ways of looking at gender, sexuality, and other ways of being in the world. Political ideologies that pit love of country against service to the earth and all its people. Patriarchy and sexism that discriminate against women and gender non-conforming people. Senseless violence. Negative and hateful partisanship. Superficial responses to life's painful and difficult realities. Boring sermons. Church services that don't connect with everyday life. Equating Christianity with a particular political party. Indifference to injustice and suffering. Misuse of the earth and its resources.



NEWCOMER OR FIRST TIME? WELCOME!

- + **Whoever you are**, wherever you're from, whatever the color of your skin, whomever you love or marry, or whatever your feelings about religion or spirituality, you are welcome here.
- + **If the rituals and practices** of our liturgy are new to you, please participate as you feel comfortable and are able.
- + Please fill out a **yellow slip in the pew rack** and place it in the offering basket.
- + **More information** on Holy Trinity, Lutheranism, worship practices, marriage and baptisms at the welcome table.

Upcoming Baptism Dates: Sundays, November 10, 2019; January 12, 2020

- + **To families with small children:** We are glad you are here! If your child needs a break from the service, feel free to walk to the narthex/back of the church. **Nursery:** open 9:15am – 11:30am. Use the garden entrance on Addison; nursery is inside the door. **Special children's materials** are on a rack at the back of the church.
- + **Offerings:** We rely on the generosity of members and friends to support the programs, staff, building, and ministries of Holy Trinity and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. A large number of the congregation gives their offerings online. You can also **donate online** at giving.htchicago.org. We still have an offering basket available during worship as well! We appreciate your contributions of time, talent, and financial support!
- + **Photos and Social Media:** As worship services and most Holy Trinity gatherings are public events, please know that your presence here means that you may be included in photos or videos that may be posted on HTLC social media. If you do not wish to be in photographs or videos, or if you do not want photos of your children used, please complete the form at media.htchicago.org. HTLC social media administrators will make every effort to not include them in HTLC social media.

NEWCOMER ORIENTATION OCTOBER 13 12:15pm

For those new to Holy Trinity (or Chicago), those who have been attending while but would like to deepen their connection to the church, and those interested in affiliating as a member or associate member. **RSVP to office@htchicago.org.**



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Purpose Statement
Open to the Mystery...
Connect, Strengthen, and Serve with Joy!

Guiding Principles
Act with courage
Be radically inclusive
Cultivate empowering relationships
Delight in God's beauty
Engage With Intention



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