



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Loving, Witnessing and Growing through God's Grace

Christ the King **Holy Communion Service** **November 22, 2020**



***Holy Trinity's Mission:
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Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church!

We celebrate and share God's gifts by worshipping together, caring for each other, and doing God's work in the community and beyond. We believe that Christ has made us one body with many members, sharing in God's grace and unconditional love.

We joyfully welcome ALL people, without exception — of every age, sex, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, or of anything else that divides us — to join with us in worship, learning, fellowship, prayer and service.

"For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ...there is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:26, 28

If you are a guest, please fill out one of the welcome cards and place it in the offering plate or hand to the ushers, so we know how we can be of service to you. Following worship, please stay for coffee and conversation!

**Blessings,
The People of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**

- + *Restrooms are located in Beilstein Hall.*
- + *Childcare is available downstairs most Sundays.*
- + *Changing tables are in the nursery downstairs and in Beilstein Hall. If you need directions, please speak to an usher.*
- + *Large print editions of the bulletin are available from the ushers.*

Worship Notes:

Throughout this bulletin, the designation Page refers to the liturgical material at the beginning of the hymnal, and Hymn refers to the hymns printed in the rest of the hymnal. Liturgical directions, known as rubrics, are printed in italics; the ministers' part is printed in normal font; and the congregation's part is printed in bold text. An asterisk (*) indicates to stand as able. God's grace and love are gifts to all. We commune by placing bread (regular or gluten-free) in your hands. You can dip it into the chalice of wine or you may eat the bread and take a sip of non-alcoholic wine from the chalice. If you or your child(ren) have not been baptized, we invite you to schedule a time to speak with the pastor about the meaning of the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion. If you do not partake of Holy Communion, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms to receive a blessing.

Gathering + Word + Table + Sending

Welcome

Prelude

Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we deny your presence in our lives.
and we rely on our own efforts.**

We fail to believe that you have provided enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

**We fear difference and do not welcome others
as you have welcomed us.**

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us;

through your love, renew us;

and in your Spirit, lead us;

so that we may live and serve you in the newness of life.

Amen.

Beloved of God,

by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus,
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven.

Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Children's Sermon

Gathering + **Word** + Table + Sending

First Reading: : **Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

¹¹Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken. Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the least of those who belong to his family is truly done for him.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.’ ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you

hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you didn't do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Sermon

Hymn of the Day All Creatures, Worship God Most High v1-v4 ELW 835

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
 grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
 throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
 grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
 clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
 care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
 fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 And you, most gentle sister death,
 waiting to hush our final breath:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
 fair is the night that leads us home.
 Alleluia.

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
 and worship God with humble heart:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
 and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
 Alleluia.

Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; tr. composite
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Apostle's 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.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

Prayers of Intercession

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Offering

Offering Prayer

Let us pray,
**God of goodness and growth,
all creation is yours,
and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
Water and word, wine and bread:
These are signs of your abundant grace.
Nourish us through these gifts,
that we might proclaim your steadfast love
in our communities and in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.
Amen.**

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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.

Words of Institution

The 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.

Distribution

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Benediction

Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God + bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

Amen.

Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 3 No more dy - in' there,
 4 Soon and ver - y soon



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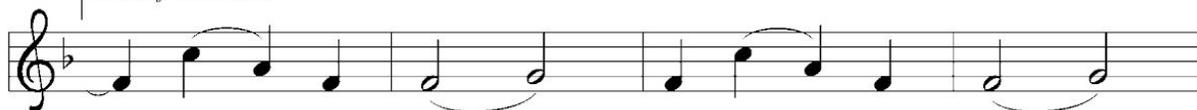


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Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Dismissal

Go in peace, God is with you

Thanks be to God and we will.

We Remember in Prayer

If you would like to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please call the office or email office@sancarloshtlc.org.

Bob Young

Bradn Buerkle, our missionary in Russia

Carol Collier, (Pamela's Sister)

Coke Stimmler

Debbie Knorpp(Debbie Knorpp, friend of the Southards)

Denyl Morgan

Gigi Schmuckal

Gordon Svendsen

Helen Barg

John Bell and Family

Julianne Fredericks

Kim Veerbeek

Lillian Pogreba

Linda Svendsen

Lindsay (Lynn's granddaughter, Cathy's niece).

Logan & family (great grandson of Lynn)

Naomi Yokoi (Friend of Family Schmuckal)

Pam Davis

Patricia Austin, (Amanda Schrof's Mom)

Paul Michaelson

Parish Announcements

Peninsula Multifaith Coalition

MLK Day of Service!

The PMC annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service will be Monday, January 18th. If you have volunteered in the past, you have or will receive an email from the PMC about this year's event. If you have not previously volunteered, you are encouraged to do so. Please go to the PMC website, www.peninsulamultifaith.org for details.

One of the MLK Day of Service projects will be delivering magazines to senior living facilities, including the San Carlos Elms. If you can donate any used magazines, or if you have any questions, please contact PMC liaison Dick Rescho at (510)326-5962

In-person worship

Outdoor/Weather Permitting

Sunday, Dec 6 @10:30am

Sunday, Dec 13 @10:30am

Thursday Dec 24th Christmas Eve Worship @ 4pm

Location: Patio-between parking lot and front of the church. We would like to get an estimate of who is coming. Email pastor Josh revserrano@sancarloshtlc.org