

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday Worship 5:30 pm September 21, 2019





**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are also available for you to wear---we would be delighted to greet you by name. When the service concludes, first-time guests are invited to go to the front desk in our Gathering Space---we have a welcome gift for you!

## about today's service

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.

P: Pastor L: Lector C: Congregation

# + Gathering +

We gather together to praise God and receive Gods love.

Welcome

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.
- C: Amen.
- P: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

### Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God our helper,
- C: we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.
- C: Amen.

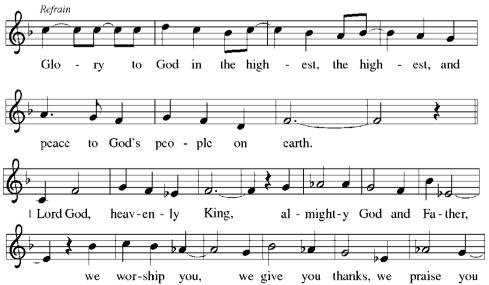
Hymn No. 676: Lord, Speak to Us

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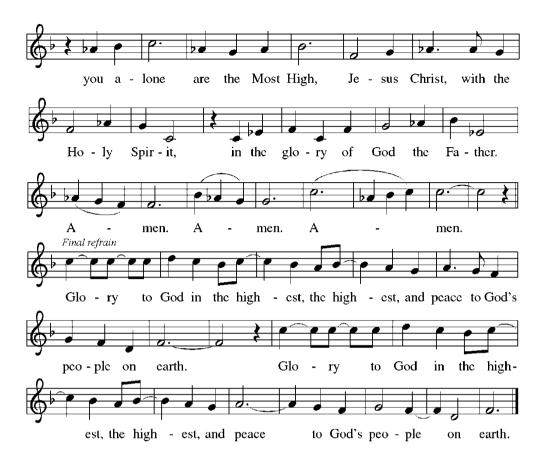
## Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

## Glory to God







Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

# (Sit) + Word +

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of Gods people.

Children's Message

Pastor Liz Frey

Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

The Pastoral Epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest man who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' 3Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 'He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' 7Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' 8And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of

light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. <sup>10</sup>"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Living with Gratitude: You Are Never Alone" Pastor Liz Frey

(Stand)

Hymn No. 685: Take My Life, That I May Be

**PATMOS** 

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  $\pm$  resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

A brief silence.

Each petition ends:

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

## + Meal +

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

## Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

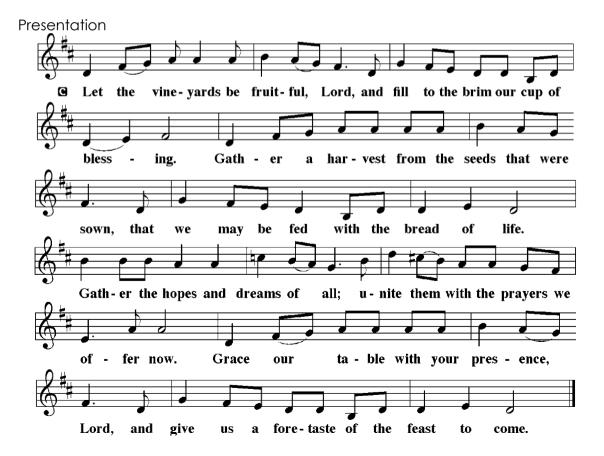
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**Announcements** 

## Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts.

(Stand)



## Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray. God our provider,

C: we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

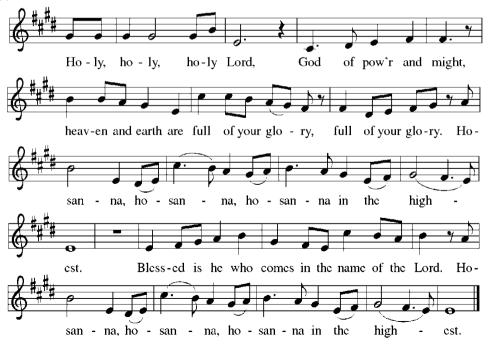
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface

P: God of wonder and love, we thank and praise you...

...And so with angels and archangels and the company of heaven, we join the everlasting song of praise:

#### Sanctus



### **Eucharistic Prayer**

- P: God our savior, you desire everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth...
- P: Great is the mystery of faith.
- C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
- P: God of compassion, bring hope to any whose joy is gone...

...Bring your whole creation to the day when your saints enjoy the glory of your kingdom, and you are all in all, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

C: Amen.

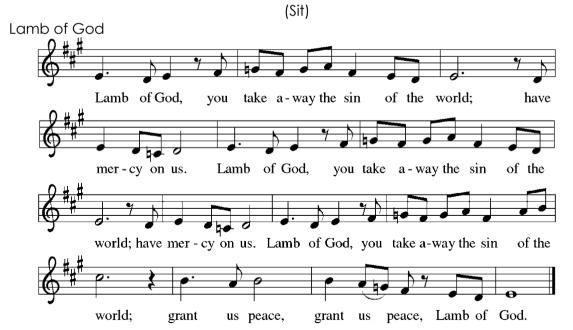
## Lord's Prayer

C: 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 welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.

## C: Thanks be to God.



## Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer glutenfree wafers available upon request--please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

"Pavane" Gabriel Faure

Kati Gulde, flute

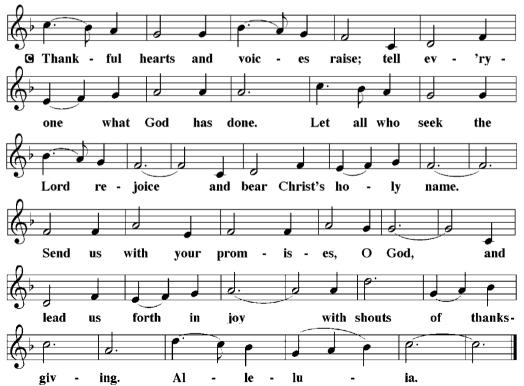
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Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

### Post-Communion Canticle



Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

# + Sending +

We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

### Blessing

P: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God 4 bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

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# **Worship Leaders**

Presiding MinisterThe Rev. Elizabeth E. FreyPreacher:The Rev. Elizabeth E. FreyMusician:H. Timothy Koch, pianoLector/Communion Assistant:Dane Bowerman

# worship notes

Attendance at our worship services last week was 698. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website <a href="www.trinitycamphill.org">www.trinitycamphill.org</a>.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Richard C. Peters by the Peters Family; The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Winters by his wife Elizabeth and family; Joan Conrad by the family; Larry Dromgold by his wife Joyce and son Clark; in honor of Beth Catlin's 61st birthday on September 22 by her family.