Sunday, November 15, 2026
8:00 & 10:15 am
25th Sunday After Pentecost
The Sacrament of Holy Communion



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome

Welcome to our worship today. If you are visiting with us, or if you are seeking a faith community and desire to be a part of our ministries, we encourage you to contact the office using the information at the bottom of this page. Please provide your address, telephone number and/or e-mail address so that we may contact you.

Offering:

Offering may be placed in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary or in the basket near the elevator. The offering will be carried to the front at 10:15 worship and presented during the offertory.

Online Giving:

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Prayer List:

The clipboard to add people to the prayer list is on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Please be sure to include your name, their name, your relationship, and the prayer request.

INTRODUCTION

Our readings during November speak of the end times. Zephaniah proclaims that the coming day of the Lord will be filled with wrath and distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake and sober. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread, and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ's coming among us.

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+ GATHERING +

WELCOME

PRELUDE *(10:15 only)*

The church bell is rung three times to proclaim that we gather to worship in the name of the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

P: Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *(10:15 only)*

"Christ, Be Our Light" ELW 715

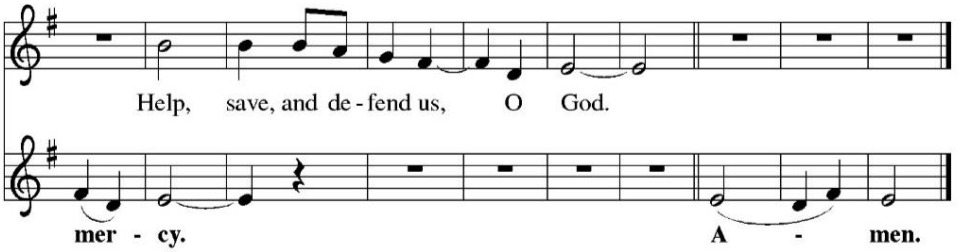
GREETING

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.

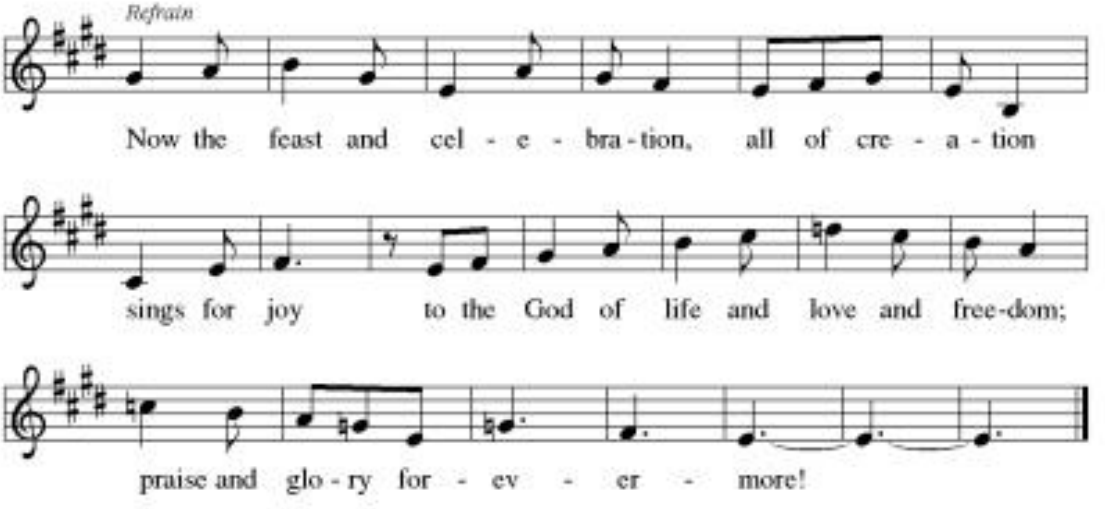
Kyrie *(10:15 only)*





HYMN OF PRAISE *(10:15 only)*

All sing Refrain. Choir will sing the verse (not printed).



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

+WORD+

FIRST READING: ZEPHANIAH 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD, for the day of the LORD is at hand!
The LORD has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated his guests.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the
people who settle like dregs in wine, those who say in their hearts,
"The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." 13 Their wealth shall
be plundered and their houses laid waste. Though they build
houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them. 14 The great day of the LORD is
near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is
bitter; the warrior cries aloud there. 15 That day will be a day of
wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements. 17 I will bring such distress upon
people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned
against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust and their
flesh like dung. 18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to
save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed, for a full, a terrible end he will
make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:1-8, 12

1 Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.
2 **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the**
earth were born, from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past**
and like a watch in the night;

5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
6 **in the morning it is green and flourishes;**
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
8 **Our iniquities you have set before you,**
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
12 So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters,
you do not need to have anything written to you. 2 For you
yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a
thief in the night. 3 When they say, "There is peace and security,"
then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come
upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you,
brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you
like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and children of the day;
we are not of the night or of darkness. 6 So, then, let us not fall
asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, 7 for those
who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at
night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on
the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of
salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining
salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that
whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore
encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you
are doing.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(10:15 only)*



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did

not sow and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to
have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I
would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the
talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to
all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an
abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they
have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into
the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of
teeth.' "

P: The gospel of our Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Silent Reflection

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY *(10:15 only)*

"Lord of Light" ELW 688

APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church let us confess our faith:

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

A: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

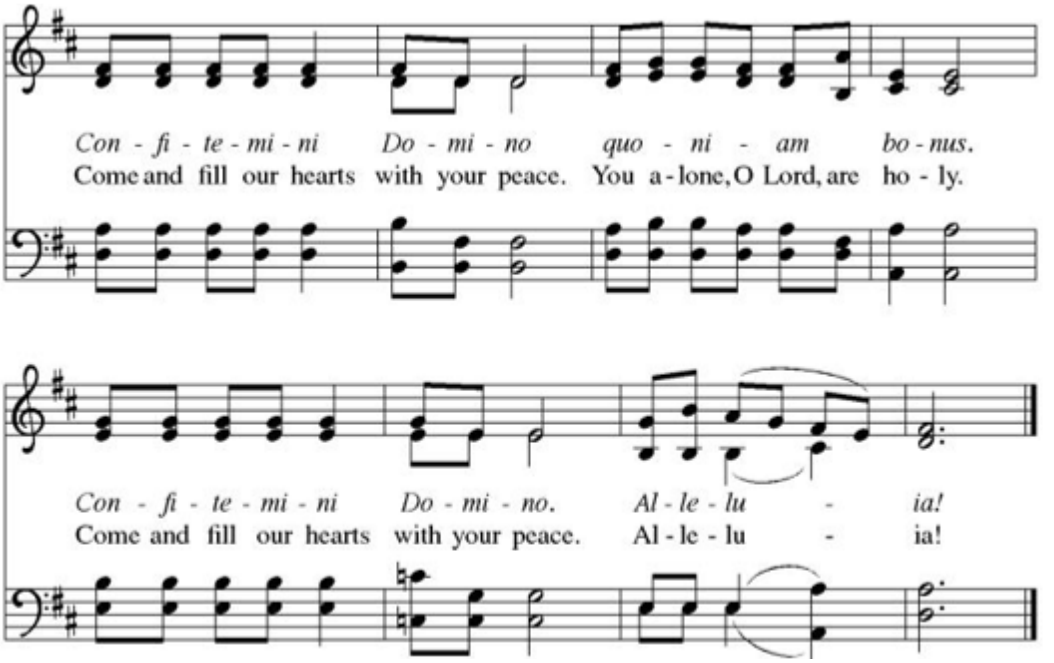
A: God in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C: Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE *(10:15 only)*



THE PEACE

A: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

8:00 Please remain standing. 10:15 Please be seated.

+Meal+

MUSICAL OFFERING *(10:15 only)*

OFFERTORY *(10:15 only)*

Please stand and sing as offering is brought to the front.

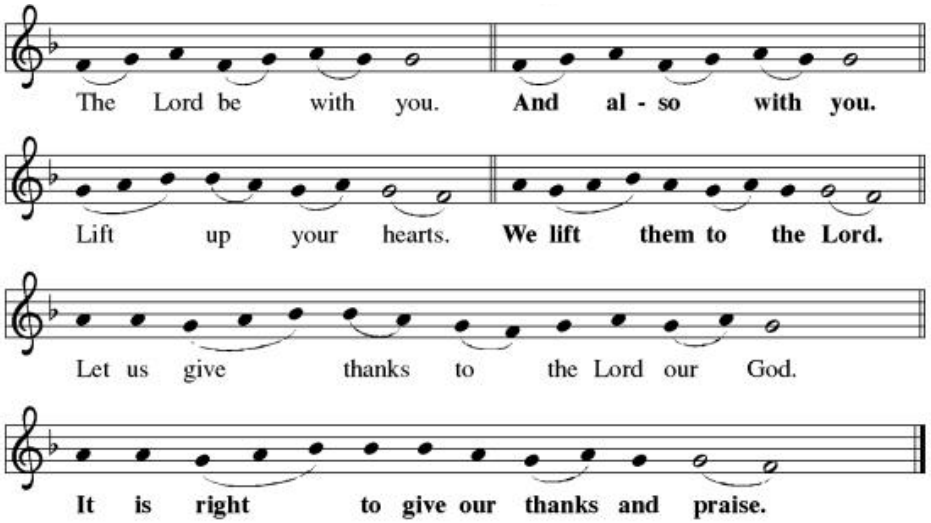


THE OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Communion liturgy spoken at 8 am)*



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise…we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(Spoken at 8 am)



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: 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, Jesus 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."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Our Savior taught us:

C: 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

P: In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.

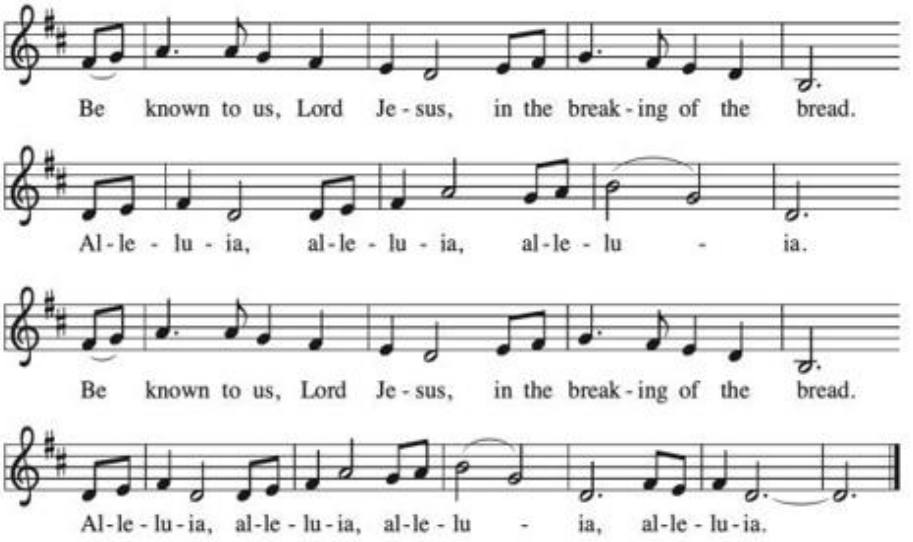
C: Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

COMMUNION

All baptized believers are welcome at the Lord's table. We trust in faith that the real presence of Christ is present in the bread and the wine. You will be invited to come to the front to receive the bread from the liturgist, and then move to the side to dip the bread in the cup or receive an individual cup of white grape juice or red wine. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please ask at the time of communion. Those who are not communing today, may come forward and request a blessing.

Please stand (8 am). Please be seated (10:15 am)

(10:15 only)



COMMUNION HYMN *(10:15 only)*

"In This Feast of Love" ACS 962

Please stand as you are able

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

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

C: Amen.

A: Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SENDING+

BLESSING

P: The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN *(10:15 only)*

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ELW 632

SENT FOR MISSION

A: Go in peace. Encourage one another.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH: NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Sun, 11/15	8 & 10:15 am, Worship with Holy Communion
	8:45 am, Snax 'n Study
	9 am, Confirmation Class
Tues, 11/17	6 pm, Women at the Well Needle Night
Wed, 11/18	7:30 pm, Bible Study
Thurs, 11/19	8 am, Men's breakfast
Sat, 11/21	10 am, Women at the Well Cookie Exchange/Walk

Prayers:

For all of our homebound.
For the work of the Call Committee.
For the staff and students of Shepherdstown Elementary School.
Members: Jim Smith; Cathy Lamason; Phil Warner; Denise Burkhard; Alan and Bonnie Williamson; John Wallace; Carol Pensyl; Linda Humes; Miriam Wise
Friends: Sam Krauter; Sherry Wagner Brennaman; Erica Orner; Steve Orner; Kathy Fosselman; Joe Friary; To'mas and Elena; Vickie Widmann; Eliette Costella; Olan Turner; Cally Cole; Gunnar Etchison; Robin Gladen; Stephen; Charles Crum; Jean Kuhn
Family and Friends: Melanie Hay

Names will remain on the prayer list for three weeks; if they should remain on the prayer list for longer, please contact the office via phone or email.

Contributions for Trinity ministry may be placed in the collection plate, mailed, or use the donation button on the website.

WORSHIP HELPERS	NOVEMBER 15	NOVEMBER 22
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GREETERS	Kevin & Jill Kramer	Daryl & Ja'net Gochenauer
ASSISTING MINISTER	Verlyn Hays	8:00 Ja'net Gochenauer 10:15 Koen Thomas
LECTORS	8:00 Tom Hocker 10:15 Rachel Wise	8:00 Kolton Kramer 10:15 Daniel Burkhard
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