

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH | Saline, Michigan

October 13, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

THANK YOU for joining us in God's house today! We cordially ask that our Guests with us this morning sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways.

THANK OFFERING: Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

RESTROOMS are located at the back of the upper level (the annex), and in the basement (down the back stairs of the sanctuary or annex). Handicap access is available, please ask an usher for assistance.

YOUNG FAMILIES / TODDLER BAGS – We are GLAD YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHILDREN to our worship service. Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." We know that having little children in church can be a challenge, but DO NOT WORRY about it. Many of your fellow worshippers have been in your shoes and are just happy you brought your children with you. For your convenience, we have reserved the back rows of seating for parents with small children. These areas provide more flexibility for your family, as well as, easy access to move downstairs if necessary. A closed-circuit TV system allows families to continue participating in the service while downstairs. Pre-school toddler bags and children's bulletins are available for their enjoyment. Ask an usher for one to use during the service and please return the toddler bag afterwards.



PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

INVOCATION

- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

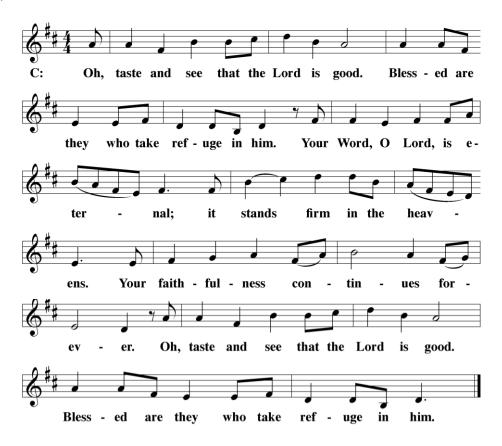
- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Loving God and Father, the blessings of marriage and family come from your gracious pleasure and careful design. Lead all who value these gifts to follow your path of wisdom so that they may enjoy the fullness of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

The Word

First Reading

Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is a suitable partner for him." ¹⁹Out of the soil the LORD God had formed every wild animal and every bird of the sky, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature, that became its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every wild animal, but for Adam no helper was found who was a suitable partner for him. ²¹The LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, the LORD God took a rib and closed up the flesh where it had been. ²²The LORD God built a woman from the rib that he had taken from the man and brought her to the man.

²³The man said,

Now this one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She will be called "woman," because she was taken out of man. ²⁴For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother and will remain united with his wife, and they will become one flesh.

²⁵They were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ashamed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choir

"God Is"

God is Love and God is a Spirit,
God, the Way, the Truth, the Light.
God is Strength and God is Wisdom,
God is Faith and God is Might.
Unto Him be glory given:
lift your voice, forever sing.
Let all people join together;
God Almighty, King of kings.

God is Grace and God is Glory, God is Three and God is One. Gid is giving, God is forgiving, so on earth His will be done. Unto Him be glory given; lift your voice, forever sing. Let all people join together; God Almighty, King of kings.

God is Shepherd o'er His people,
ever faithful, ever sure.
God will lead and God will guide you
and shall be forevermore.
Unto Him be glory given;
lift your voice, forever sing.
Let all people join together;
God Almighty, King of kings.
God Almighty, King of kings.

⁹But we look to Jesus (the one who was made lower than the angels for a little while, so that by God's grace he might taste death for everyone), now crowned with glory and honor, because he suffered death.

¹⁰Certainly it was fitting for God (the one for whom and through whom everything exists), in leading many sons to glory, to bring the author of their salvation to his goal through sufferings. ¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified all have one Father. For that reason, he is not ashamed to call them brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

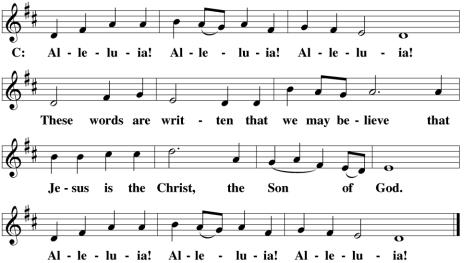
Thanks be to God.

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VERSE OF THE DAY

Ephesians 5:2

Alleluia! Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Alleluia!



Gospel Mark 10:2–16

²Some Pharisees came to test him and asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He replied, "What did Moses command you?"

⁴They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away."

⁵But Jesus told them, "He wrote this command for you because of your hard hearts. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. ⁷For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate."

¹⁰In the house his disciples asked him about this again. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. ¹²If she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³Some people began bringing little children to Jesus so that he would touch them. But the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said, "Let the little children come to me! Do not hinder them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Amen I tell you: Whoever will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took the little children in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

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SERMON Hebrews 2:9-11

"Jesus is Not Ashamed to Call Them Brothers"

PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

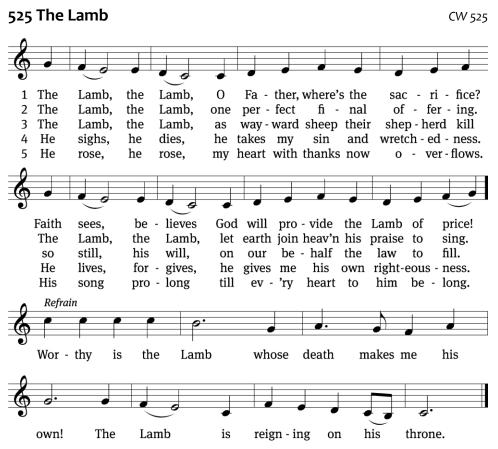
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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CLOSING PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when

3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to

4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won-drous love is this, 0 my soul! What won-drous love was sink - ing down, Ι sink - ing down, when was sink - ing the Lamb to Ι will sing; to God and to the when from death I'm free. I'll sing when from death I'm on. And



that caused the Lord of bliss bear the dread-ful curse this to down be - neath God's right-eous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown Lamb, who is the great AM, while mil-lions join the theme, free. I'll sing his love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty



for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul! for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul. I will sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing. I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

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Officiant	Pastor Ross Ulrich
Organist	Marcia Marion Ackling
Choir Director	Sarah Hanke
Accompanist	Laura Sala
Deacons	(8:30) Dave Stevenson and Ron Roehm
	(11:00) Gary Knowlton and Dave Frey
Ushers	(8:30) Bob Newman and Henry Schneider
	(11:00) Ed Sala and Al Whitley
Altar Guild	Karen Tice and Barb Neuburger
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