

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY

# MASS | THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2025

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the largest progressive Lutheran body in the United States. As Lutherans, we go about Christianity in a Lutheran way, emphasizing that we are reconciled with God (justified) not by anything we do, but through and because of God's love, freely given (grace). We love questions more than quick fixes (paradox), and we read the Bible in a way that honors it as the source and norm of faith, but not as a literal handbook. As Lutherans, we also lift up the gifts and capacity for ministry (vocation) that every person unquestionably holds.

As a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation (and the first in the Metropolitan New York Synod), Holy Trinity welcomes all persons, including all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions. Holy Trinity is also committed to practicing racial equity, learning anti-racism, and modeling radical hospitality and inclusion across age, class, national origin, physical and mental health and ability, family configuration, and language.

With a heart for the city, a passion for justice, and a commitment to the arts, we seek to be a place where all God's people will know they are loved. Welcome. We've been waiting for you. There is a place for you here.

### LIVE STREAMING AT HOLY TRINITY

Please be aware that worship this morning is being filmed, photographed, and live streamed on our YouTube channel. Your likeness and/or voice may be captured by our equipment. Please alert an usher at the entrance if you have any concerns. Selections from this live stream may be used on our website and in our public relations materials.

PLEASE NOTE

Weapons, including firearms, knives, scissors; aerosols such as pepper spray and mace; and any hazardous materials are strictly prohibited on church property. All bags are subject to inspection upon entry into the sanctuary.

## SPECIAL THANKS TO

ASSISTING MINISTERS	Marlin Kinzey & Robert Crumb
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GUEST ORGANIST	Alan Montgomery
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC	Austin Philemon
PASTOR	The Reverend Timothy Weisman

## GATHERING

At the sound of the bell, we gather quietly.

prelude Organ Sonata No.4, Op.98: II. Intermezzo

Josef Rheinberger

(1839-1901)

The assembly stands to sing.

"As we gather at your table"



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All may bow during the response, mirroring the presider.

greeting (2 corinthians 13:14) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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And al - so with you.

hymn of praise

("German Gloria")



prayer of the day Let us pray. *Silence is kept.* O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.



The assembly sits.

#### WORD

from the hebrew scriptures Deuteronomy 30:9-14

<sup>9</sup>The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, <sup>10</sup> when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

<sup>11</sup> "Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. <sup>12</sup> It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' <sup>13</sup> Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' <sup>14</sup> No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Silence is kept.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.** 

A cantor intones the first verse, then the assembly joins to sing.

#### psalm 25



## To | you, O Lord, I lift | up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.

Let none who look to you be | put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame who are trea- | cherous.

Show me your | ways, O Lord,

and teach | me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and | teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted | all the day long. Remember, O Lord, your compas- | sion and love,

for they are from | everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;

remember me according to your steadfast love

and for the sake of your good- | ness, O Lord.

You are gracious and up- | right, O Lord;

therefore you teach sinners | in your way.

You lead the lowly in | justice and teach the low- | ly your way.

All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and | faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies

Colossians 1:1-14

from the christian scriptures

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup>To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

<sup>3</sup> In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup> This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup> and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Silence is kept.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

gospel acclamation



*The cantor sings:* You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and your neighbor as yourself (Luke 10:27)

from the holy gospels

Luke 10:25-37

#### The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

The assembly is invited to make a small cross over your forehead, lips, and chest, inviting Jesus the Word into your heart, mind, and speech.

<sup>25</sup>An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" <sup>27</sup> He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

<sup>29</sup> But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

<sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man

who fell into the hands of the robbers?" <sup>37</sup> He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

sermon

The Reverend Timothy Weisman

Silence is kept after the sermon. The assembly stands to sing.

hymn of the day "There's a wideness in God's mercy" #588 LORD, REVIVE US



there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss. and we mag-ni - fy its strict-ness with a zeal God will not own. and our lives will be thanks-giv - ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

the apostles' creed (4th century)	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.
	and the me evenusting.
	The assembly kneels or sits to pray.
prayers of the people	With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
	<i>The assembly responds to each petition.</i> Hear us, O God.
	Your mercy is great.
prayer for racial justice (Martin Luther King, Jr.)	O Thou Eternal God, out of whose absolute power and infinite intelligence the whole universe has come into being, we humbly confess that we have not loved thee with our hearts, souls and minds, and we have not loved our neighbors as Christ loved us. We often give in order to receive. We go the first mile but dare not travel the second. We forgive but dare not forget. As we look within ourselves, we are confronted with the appalling fact that the history of our lives is the history of an eternal revolt against you. O God, have mercy upon us. Forgive us for what we could have been but failed to be. Give us the intelligence to know your will. Give us the courage to do your will. Give us the

devotion to love thy will. In the name and spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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	The assembly may bow, mirroring the presider.	
(john 20:19)	The peace of Christ be with you always. <b>And also with you.</b>	
	The assembly is invited to pass the peace in whatever way is m them. If you, for any reason, wish to avoid physical contact dur feel free to cross your arms over your chest to indicate your des greeting. Following the peace, the assembly sits.	ing the peace, please
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offertory

Vater unser im Himmelreich

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

offertory prayer Let us pray. *Silence is kept.* O God, who generously gives us your blessing and our daily bread: preserve us from greed and awaken our hearts that we might willingly share your blessed gifts with all our neighbors, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**.

The assembly may bow, mirroring the presider.



the proper preface

The presider continues: 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. . . 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. . .







#### eucharistic prayer

Blessed are you, O Holy One. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. When Hagar was driven into the wilderness, you followed her and gave strength to her and her son. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile, you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

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. The assembly may bow.

Again, after supper, he 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me. The assembly may bow.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers who have been cast aside by their neighbors, those whom you will always embrace with your love. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, now and forever. And let the church say, **Amen!** 





(psalm 34:8)

# These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Taste and see that the Lord is good. **Thanks be to God!**

The assembly sits until invited forward by an usher.

All are welcome at this table. This is not a Lutheran, Episcopal, or a Roman Catholic table; it is God's table and all are invited to receive. The small cups contain either white wine or red grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are also available, just ask. After receiving, you may leave your empty cup on the table near the side aisle. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing, and you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest. You may also remain in your seat during distribution, knowing that this table is open when you are ready.

communion hymn #800



prayer after communion

Let us pray. Loving God, you create every person in your image and unite us all in one human family. Strengthened by this sacrament, fill us with courage and compassion, that we might meet the hardships of all our neighbors, not with silence and indifference, but with generous acts of mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## SENDING

final blessing (1 Thessalonians 5) Go out into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold onto what is good. Return no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted. Support the weak. Help the suffering. Honor everyone. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And may the blessing of almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now, and remain with you always. **Amen.**  sending hymn #769



dismissal The Mass is ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** *The assembly sits for the postlude.* 

postlude

Prelude in b minor, BWV 544

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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## WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY

**If you are new to Holy Trinity,** we are glad you're here. Whether you've worshiped at Holy Trinity a thousand times or are here today for the first time, there will always be a place for you here.

**Restrooms** are located on the lower level.

**Please follow safe church practices** during worship and other activities at Holy Trinity. Parents and guardians, please do not allow children to go anywhere in the building unattended. Thank you for your help in keeping Holy Trinity a safe place for all people.

**During the passing of the peace**, you may greet those around you in whatever way is most comfortable to you. If you, for any reason, wish to avoid physical contact during the peace, you may cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire for a verbal greeting.

After Mass, **please join us for Coffee Hour** in the Community Room located on the lower level.

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