



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 13, 2024

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus of Nazareth what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our Lord counters this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

Prelude

Chaconne in G Major

Georg Böhm
(1661-1733)

Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be God – Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit – who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God, the whole company of heaven, and our sisters and brothers in this community.

silence for reflection

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have lived only for the present, without regard for generations to come. We have sought the realms of this world, rather than your promised reign of justice and peace. Have mercy on us, forgive our sins, and bring us to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: How blessed are those whose sins are forgiven. In the mercy of almighty God, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of your sins. In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Hymn

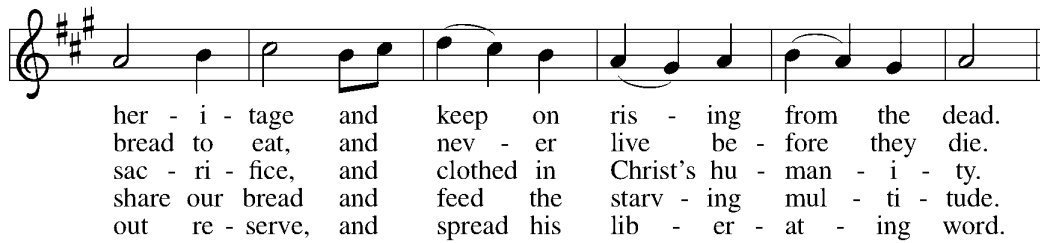
The Church of Christ, in Every Age



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



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Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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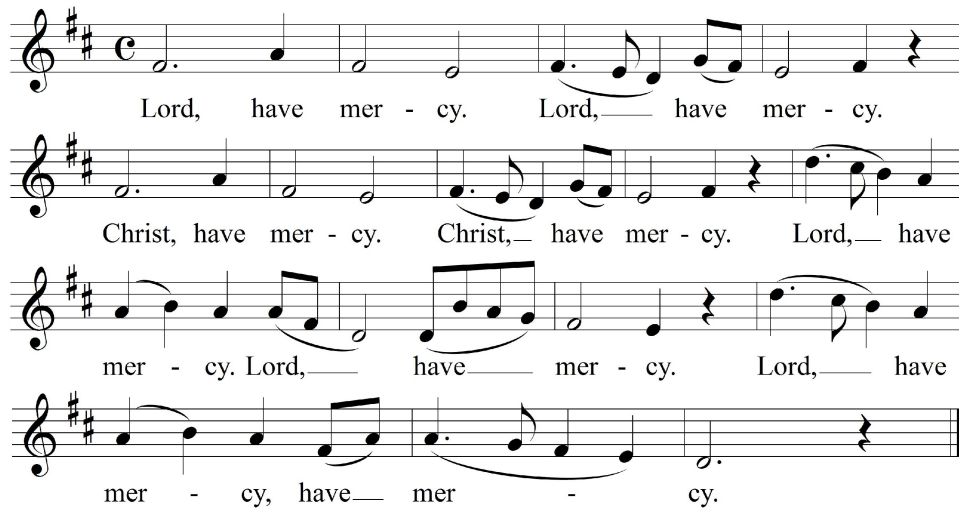
Apostolic Greeting

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

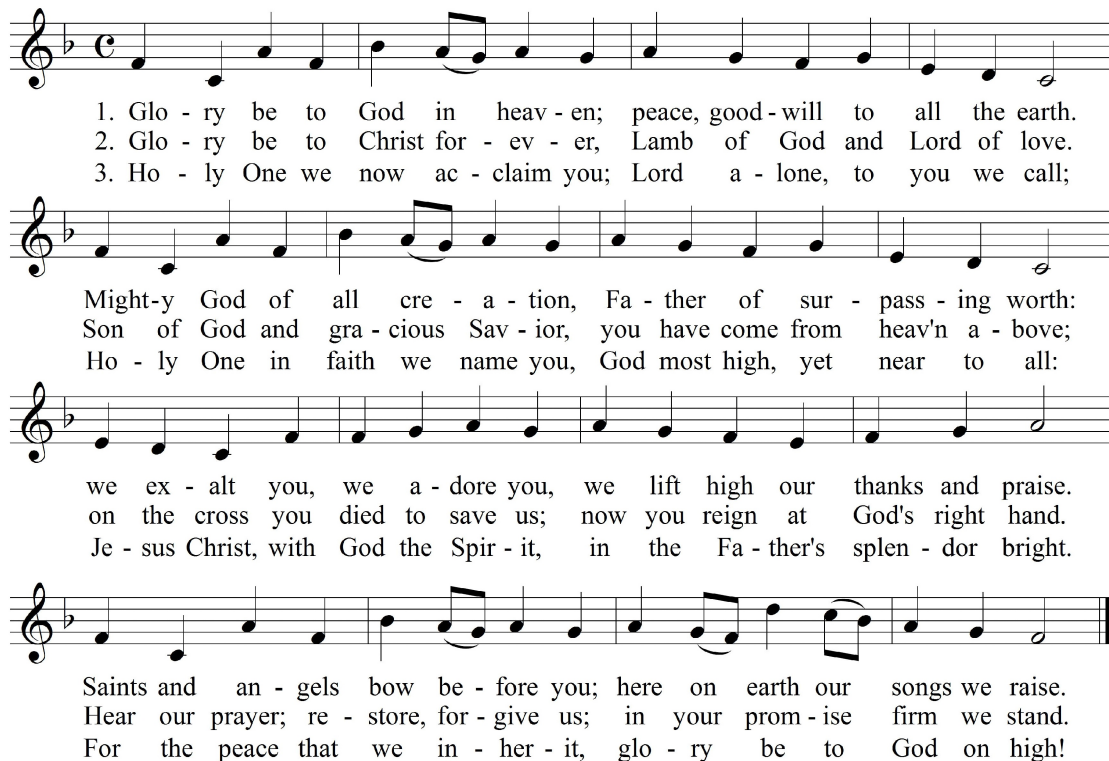
C: And also with you.

Kyrie

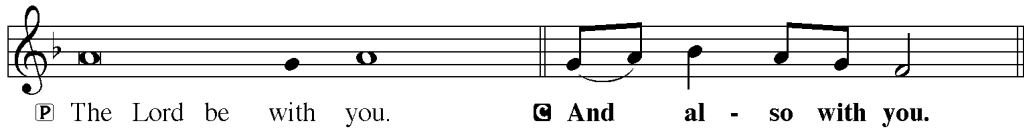
(sung in unison)



Hymn of Praise



Salutation and Prayer of the Day



P: Let us pray.

ALL: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson - Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

- ⁶Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
- ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!
- ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
- ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
- ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
- ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.
- ¹⁴Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
- ¹⁵Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

(sung in unison)

The psalmist reflects on the passing character of human life in the face of the Lord's wrath, and asks the everlasting God for wisdom to make use of the time.

¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days,
that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.
¹³Return, O LORD; how long | will you tarry?
Be gracious | to your servants.
¹⁴Satisfy us by your lovingkindness | in the morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days | of our life.
¹⁵Make us glad by the measure of the days that you af- | flicted us
and the years in which we suf- | fered adversity.
¹⁶Show your ser- | vants your works
and your splendor | to their children.
¹⁷May the graciousness of the LORD our God | be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands; pros- | per our handiwork.

Second Lesson - Hebrews 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, our Lord understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore, we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

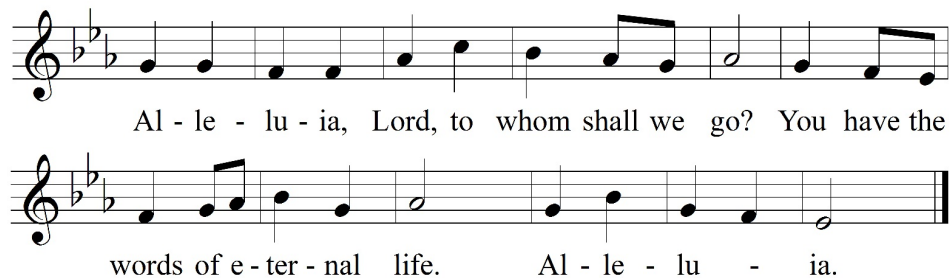
¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: The word of the Lord.

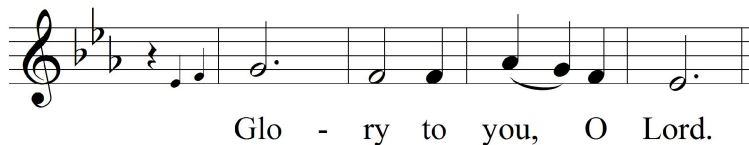
C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Verse



Holy Gospel - Mark 10:17-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



Jesus of Nazareth has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

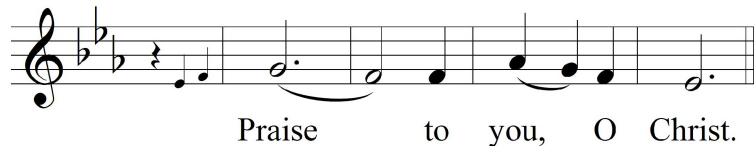
¹⁷As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”



²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

Pastor Roberts

silence for reflection

Hymn of the Day

Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

The Creed

P: Using the words of our ancestors in the faith as expressed in the Apostles' Creed, we proclaim the triune God whom we believe:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

The Prayers

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A: Compassionate God, embolden the Church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely – especially those suffering the effects of hurricanes and other natural disasters. Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land. We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen

LITURGY OF THE MEAL

The Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

The Eyes of All Wait upon Thee

Jean Berger
(1909-2002)

*The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.
Thou openest thine hand, and satisfieth the desire of every living thing.*
(Psalm 145:16-17)

Offertory

Unison

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God: and re -
new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence: and take not your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to
me the joy of your sal - va - tion:
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray. God our provider,

**C: you have not fed us with bread alone but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these
your gifts which we receive from your bounty; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

(P) The Lord be with you. (C) And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface and Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. —

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. —

Heav-en and earth are full, — full —

of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who

comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

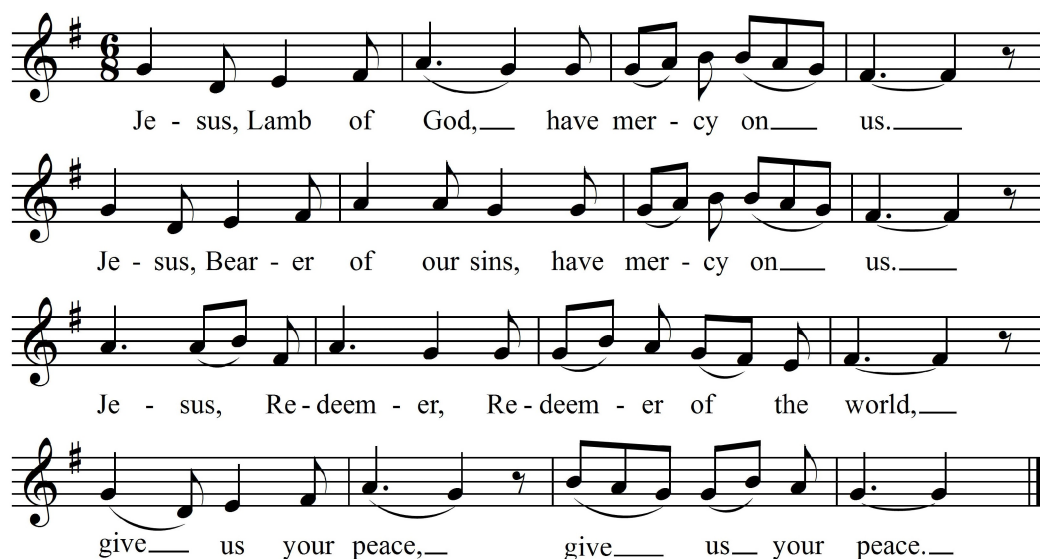
Eucharistic Prayer

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**

Communion with our Risen Lord

Agnus Dei



Je - sus, Lamb of God, — have mer - cy on — us. —

Je - sus, Bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on — us. —

Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world, —

give — us your peace, — give — us — your peace. —

Hymns

Come, Thou Almighty King



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou, who al - might - y art, now rule in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

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Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

Come, Let Us Eat

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. Chord symbols F, Gm7, F, Dm, and Bb are placed above the staff. The melody is in the treble, and the bass line consists of sustained chords.

1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
3 In . . . his pres - ence now we meet and rest,
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word,

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn, continuing the melody and bass line. Chord symbols F, Bbmaj7, C9, Bb, F, and Gm7 are placed above the staff.

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
In . . . his pres - ence now we meet and rest.
Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word.

Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the King - dom,

Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.
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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 Hymn

Come with us, O bless-ed Je-sus, with us ev - er - more to be.
 And, in leav - ing now thine al-tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee!
 Let thy bright ce - les - tial cho-rus nev - er cease the heav'n-ly strain;
 but in us, thy lov-ing chil-dren, come with peace, good will to reign.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit, strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Benediction



(P) Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and for-ever.



(C) A-men, A-men, A - men, A-men, A - men._____

Hymn

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending



- 1 God, whose giv-ing knows no end-ing, from your rich and end-less store:
- 2 Skills and time are ours for press-ing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
- 3 Trea-sure, too, you have en-trust-ed, gain through pow'rs your grace con-ferred;



na-ture's won-der, Je - sus' wis-dom, cost-ly cross, grave's shat-tered door,
all at peace in health and free-dom, rac-es joined, the church made one.
ours to use for home and kin-dred, and to spread the gos-pel word.



gift-ed by you, we turn to you, of-f'ring up our-selves in praise;
Now di-rect our dai-ly la-bor, lest we strive for self a-lone;
O-pen wide our hands in shar-ing, as we heed Christ's age-less call,



thank-ful song shall rise for-ev-er, gra-cious do-nor of our days.
born with tal-ents, make us ser-vants fit to an-swer at your throne.
heal-ing, teach-ing, and re-claim-ing, serv-ing you by lov-ing all.

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Dismissal

A: Our service now begins. Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Präludium in F Major

Georg Böhm

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Margie Lippard
in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Carroll H. Lippard.

The candles are given to the glory of God by Nancy Childress
in celebration of Nancy Trent's ninety-second birthday.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY		
Sunday, October 13	8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion and Home Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Church School
	10:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion and Home Communion with Livestream via YouTube
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class (grades six - eight)
Monday, October 14	9:00 a.m.	Strength and Balance Exercise Class
	9:30 a.m.	Chair Yoga Class
	7:00 p.m.	Connecting with God - <i>An Enneagram Study</i> (via Zoom)
Tuesday, October 15	5:40 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, October 16	12:10 p.m.	Service of Holy Communion
	5:30 p.m.	Children's Ministry
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 17	9:00 a.m.	Parish Nurse in office (until 10:00 a.m.)
	11:00 a.m.	Discussion Group - <i>Everywhere Is Jerusalem</i>
Friday, October 18	9:00 a.m.	Strength and Balance Exercise Class
	9:30 a.m.	Chair Yoga Class
	11:00 a.m.	Book Discussion Group - <i>American Nations</i>
Sunday, October 20	8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Church School
	10:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion with Livestream via YouTube
	11:30 a.m.	Scatter Garden Dedication
	4:00 p.m.	Junior & Senior Youth (grades six - twelve)
	5:00 p.m.	Thomas Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Third Sunday Program

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