



Blessed are you...

**16<sup>th</sup> Weekend after Pentecost**

**September 24 & 25, 2022**

***"Keep Calm and Carry On"***

**Sunday at 9:30 a.m.**

Also on Sunday: Radio Broadcast on WRMN 1410 AM &

Live Stream: [Holy Trinity Lutheran Church \(holytrinityelgin.com\)](http://holytrinityelgin.com)

***Our Purpose Statement:***

***A Christ-centered church sharing faith, hope, and love with each other, our neighbors, and the world.***

# **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**Gathering Hymn:** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

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## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge  
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us.**  
**We have harmed your good creation.**  
**We have failed to do justice,**  
**love kindness,**  
**and walk humbly with you.**  
**Turn us in a new direction.**  
**Show us the path that leads to life.**  
**Be our refuge and strength on the journey,**  
**through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**  
**Amen.**

Beloved of God:  
your sins are forgiven ✝ and you are made whole.  
God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

### ***Greeting***

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

**And also with you.**

### ***Prayer of the Day***

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### ***Children's Sermon***

*(Sunday Only)*

### ***First Reading: Genesis 39:1-23***

<sup>1</sup>Now Joseph was taken down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. <sup>2</sup>The LORD was with Joseph, and he became a successful man; he was in the house of his Egyptian master. <sup>3</sup>His master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD caused all that he did to prosper in his hands. <sup>4</sup>So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him; he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had. <sup>5</sup>From the time that he made him overseer in his house and over all that he had, the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; the blessing of the LORD was on all that he had, in house and field. <sup>6</sup>So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge; and, with him there, he had no concern for anything but the food that he ate.

Now Joseph was handsome and good-looking. <sup>7</sup>And after a time his master's wife cast her eyes on Joseph and said, "Lie with me." <sup>8</sup>But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, with me here, my master has no concern about anything in the house, and he has put everything that he has in my hand. <sup>9</sup>He is not greater in this house than I am, nor has he kept back anything from me except yourself, because you are his wife. How then could I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" <sup>10</sup>And although she spoke to Joseph day after day, he would not consent to lie beside her or to be with her. <sup>11</sup>One day, however, when he went into the house to do his work, and while no one else was in the house, <sup>12</sup>she caught hold of his garment, saying, "Lie with me!" But he left his garment in her hand, and fled and ran outside. <sup>13</sup>When she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and had fled outside, <sup>14</sup>she called out to the members of her household and said to them, "See, my husband has brought among us a Hebrew to insult us! He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice; <sup>15</sup>and when he heard me raise my voice and cry out, he left his garment beside me, and fled outside." <sup>16</sup>Then she kept his garment by her until his master came home, <sup>17</sup>and she told him the same story, saying, "The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought among us, came in to me to insult me; <sup>18</sup>but as soon as I raised my voice and cried out, he left his garment beside me, and fled outside."

<sup>19</sup>When his master heard the words that his wife spoke to him, saying, "This is the way your servant treated me," he became enraged. <sup>20</sup>And Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined; he remained there in prison. <sup>21</sup>But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love; he gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer. <sup>22</sup>The chief jailer committed to Joseph's care all the prisoners who were in the prison, and whatever was done there, he was the one who did it. <sup>23</sup>The chief jailer paid no heed to anything that was in Joseph's care, because the LORD was with him; and whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm*** *Shepherd Me O God (Sunday Only)*

Robert Balsamo soloist

## **Psalm 105:1, 16-22**

<sup>1</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.  
<sup>16</sup>When he summoned famine against the land,  
and broke every staff of bread,  
<sup>17</sup>he had sent a man ahead of them,  
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.  
<sup>18</sup>His feet were hurt with fetters,  
his neck was put in a collar of iron;  
<sup>19</sup>until what he had said came to pass,  
the word of the LORD kept testing him.  
<sup>20</sup>The king sent and released him;  
the ruler of the peoples set him free.  
<sup>21</sup>He made him lord of his house,  
and ruler of all his possessions,  
<sup>22</sup>to instruct his officials at his pleasure,  
and to teach his elders wisdom.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **Gospel: Matthew 5:11-12**

The holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## ***Sermon***

***Hymn of the Day: Goodness Is Stronger than Evil***

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## ***Apostles' Creed***

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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***

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill (*especially*). Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Enliven our praise. Inspire musicians, artists, poets, and all who create beauty in this place. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## ***Peace***

*The ministers and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**  
I invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.

# **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## **Offering**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

## **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray...

**Generous God, all that we have is yours. Help us to give back to you all that we have received. Help us not to give into fear but to know that you have and will provide for us and that you invite us to give as generously as you have. Take all that we offer this day and use it to continue to build your kingdom here on earth. Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

*The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.*

### **Dialogue**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.


**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **Preface**

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,  
almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,



and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### ***Thanksgiving at the Table: Autumn***

Holy God,  
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,  
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.  
You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,  
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.  
You sent your Son to eat with sinners  
and to become food for the world.  
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, 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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life given for us  
and his rising from the grave,  
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:  
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,  
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

**Amen.**

### ***Lord's Prayer***

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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***

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.  
Come to the banquet.

### ***Sharing the meal***

***Communion*** *Close Every Door (Sunday Only)*

Robert Balsamo soloist

### ***Blessing after communion***

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

### ***Prayer after Communion***

God of the abundant table,  
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal  
with bread for the journey.  
Give us your grace on the road  
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ***Sending***

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

### ***Blessing***

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair,  
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.  
**Amen.**

***Sending Hymn:*** *Canticle of the Turning*

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***Dismissal***

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

***Postlude***

***Worship Leaders***

<b>Interim Pastor</b>	Rev. Dave Daubert
<b>Vicar</b>	Andrea Delaney
<b>Organist</b>	Matt Wahl
<b>Guest Soloist</b> (Sunday only)	Robert Balsamo
<b>Radio Host</b> (Sunday only)	Steve Dieckhoff



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***Updated Mask Requirements***

When attending worship in the building, masking is strongly encouraged, but not required. However, it is mandatory to wear a mask while singing the hymns. Thank you for your continued support in keeping every one healthy!

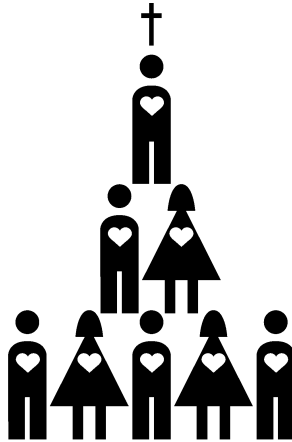
## ***Our Tithes & Offerings***

When we practice gratitude, we begin to understand that everything is a gift from God and we can praise God for the gifts we have received which, in turn, leads us to be generous stewards of those gifts. As we seek to gather an offering for the mission of Holy Trinity in these times, we thank you for your sustained giving and support!

### **Ways to Give to Holy Trinity**

1. Drop your donation into the offering plate before or after worship
2. Mail a check to the church
3. Give online through our website: [holytrinityelgin.com](http://holytrinityelgin.com)
4. Give+ through Vanco – sign up on your phone (it's an APP)
5. Simply Giving – call the church to get signed up for a regular offering

**Regular Offering last week was \$2,313.00**



**WE ARE HIS HOUSE.**

HEBREWS 3 : 6

***Please join us next weekend in Worship \* All are Welcome!***

**Saturday at 5:00 pm or Sunday at 9:30 a.m.**

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## Gathering Hymn

### All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!



- 1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
- 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
- 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
- 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.  
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.  
the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.  
go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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The God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.  
Go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe  
on this terrestrial ball  
to him all majesty ascribe  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
and crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5–6  
Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

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## Hymn of the Day

### Goodness Is Stronger than Evil



Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

Text: From *An African Prayer Book*, Desmond Tutu, b. 1931

Music: GOODNESS IS STRONGER, John L. Bell, b. 1949

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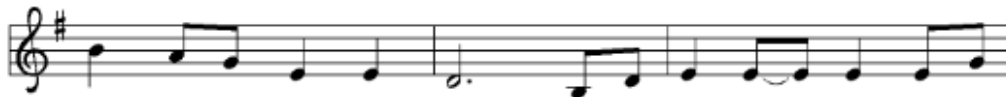
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## Sending Hymn

### Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .  
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a  
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



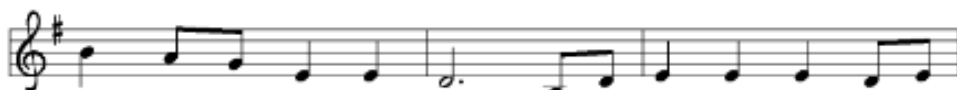
God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait,  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.  
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



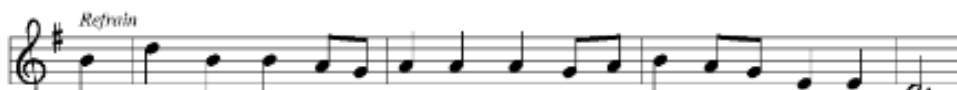
You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
The hun - gry poor shall . . . weep no more, for the  
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry  
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



*Refrain*  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat  
Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional  
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