



22ND SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Trinity Lutheran Church



*Indeed, they
cannot die
anymore,
because they
are like angels
and are
children of God...*

November
9
2025

22nd Sunday of
Pentecost

Together
in Community
Living
with Christ
Caring
for Neighbors

Now he is God
not of the
dead but of
the living, for
to him all of
them are
alive.

Luke 20:38

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We are glad you are here!
It is always good to be together, hearing the Word proclaimed and sharing in the Lord's Supper.
Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.
We offer our thanks and welcome to Bishop Donna Simon as she joins us to preach & preside at communion today. We pray that all are inspired by our worship.

PRELUDE

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 3

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

ELW 628

1 Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee? When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?

2 O happy harbor of the saints, O sweet and pleasant soil! In thee no sorrow may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.

- 3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks continually are green; there grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs as nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit and evermore do spring; there evermore the angels sit and evermore do sing.
- 5 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, God grant that I may see thine endless joy, and of the same partaker ever be!

Text: F.B.P., 16th cent.

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

3

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

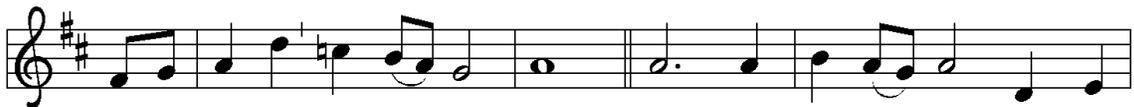


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

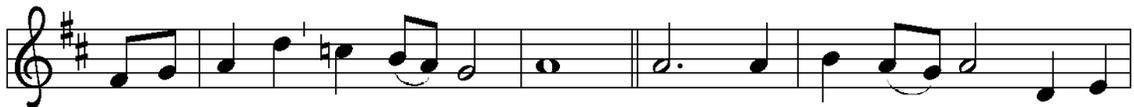


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

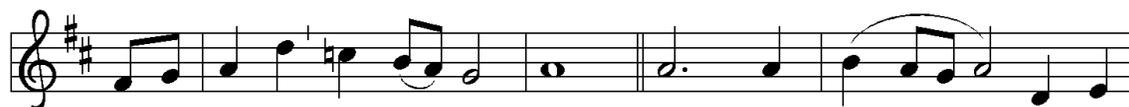


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

SECOND READING: 2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-5, 13-17

¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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.

P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 20:27-38

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus ²⁸and asked him a question: “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

³⁴Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

BISHOP DONNA SIMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

ELW 619

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he lives, my ever-living head!
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; he lives eternally to save;
| he lives exalted, throned above; he lives to rule his church in love.
- 3 He lives to grant me rich supply; he lives to guide me with his eye;
he lives to comfort me when faint; he lives to hear my soul’s complaint.
- 4 He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears;
he lives to calm my troubled heart; he lives all blessings to impart.
- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end;
| he lives, and while he lives, I’ll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.

APOSTLES CREED

P Together 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.**

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

P We give thanks to God and seek God's blessing as we dedicate these quilts that
Doorstep will give to families in need.

Everyone lays a hand on the quilts and shawls.

P Loving God, it is your will to bring comfort and help to the distressed. Today, we
dedicate these quilts to your glory and praise. Bless these gifts wherever they
may be used, that they may provide warmth and security to those who live with
hardships or who have no shelter. May all who receive these quilts experience
the covering of your love and forgiveness, grace and peace. We thank you, Lord,
for our members and friends who devoted their time to make these quilts. Bless
their lives and give them always your joy and peace. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

THE PRAYERS

A Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all
who are in need.

A brief silence.

A God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders. Set all hearts
on you in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and
streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural
resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those
needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the
governance and protection of vulnerable populations. Bring an end to war
throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are near. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body, especially Parker Jackson, Shelley Andrews, Junior & Liz Utech, Martha Nemeth, and David McGinnis. Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors and deacons, teachers and musicians, administrators, and building caretakers. May they find joy in leadership as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God who gives us life, we pray for Pr. Andrew Patty, Rosie Nichols, Troy Abbott, Darin Wade, and Liz Utech as they celebrate their birthdays, and for Marlene Hassan as she remembers her baptism. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith. Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG

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 Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

P 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, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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, 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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 There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share in Holy Communion. Grape juice is available as an alternative to wine as well as gluten-free wafers. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing.

Everyone who goes forward for communion will be viewed on camera. Should you prefer not to have your image recorded, please stay in your seat and tell an usher you would like to have communion served to you in your pew.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Blessed Assurance

ELW 638

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

COMMUNION BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

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

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread
of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of
your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your
hearts; and the life of the Spirit † bless you and give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

Soon and Very Soon

ELW 439

- 1 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin'
to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hal-
lelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 2 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more cryin' there, we are
goin' to see the King, no more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King. Hallelu-
jah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 3 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more dyin' there, we are
goin' to see the King, no more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King. Hallelu-
jah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 4 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin'
to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hal-
lelujah, we're goin' to see the King! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelu-
jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945. Music: Andraé Crouch

DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Nov. 9.....Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM
 Bishop Donna Simon presiding
 Quilt Blessing
 Coffee Hourafter worship
PFLAG meeting 2:00 PM

Mon. Nov. 9.....Church Council meeting 5:30 PM

Tues., Nov. 11Quilters9:00 AM

Wed., Nov. 12..... HOT NIA meeting 6:30 PM

Sun., Nov. 16..... Community Relations meeting9:30 AM
 Worship 10:30 AM
 Coffee Hourafter worship

Worship Assistants

Date	Acolyte	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Worship Leader	Coffee Hosts
Nov. 9	Curt Lewis, Ella Bosch	Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Donna Allen & Team 3	Marcy Carlson	Bishop Donna Simon	Marcy Carlson, Janelle Meredith
Nov. 16	Cindy McGinnis	Ted Murphy, Howard Reece	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Donna Allen & Team 3	Bob Horton	Duane Pomeroy	Howard & Loni Reece
Nov. 23	LaVell Winsor	Diane Bottorff, Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Donna Allen & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Rev. Bruce Emmert	
Nov. 26	Janeen Horton	Marcy Carlson, Duane Pomeroy			Donna Allen & Team 3	Bob Horton	Pr. Deb Cantrell	
Nov. 30	Braxdon Penry	Bob Horton,	Laurie Jackson	Marcy Carlson	Donna Allen & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Parker Jackson	



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Caring for Neighbors

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We are a faith community brought together to worship God and to be of service to the needs of the world as the Great Commandment is our guide in our lives (*Matthew 22:36-39, Mark 12:29-31, and Luke 10:26-27*). We are a congregation that seeks to reach all those in our county with members spread throughout Topeka area, while being rooted in Historic Old Town. In our faith, we hope to be a symbol of Christ's love in the world (*John 15:12*), to be a community of support and care (*Galatians 6:2*), and to proclaim the good news that Jesus Christ came to be a Savior for all people (*Colossians 1:13-14*).

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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