

***Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
of South Newstead
September 6th, 2026
15th Sunday after Pentecost***



Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

**PRELUDE – WELCOME –
ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please stand as you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

ALL: Amen.

L: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

ALL: We confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts.

Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people,

following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

L: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

ALL: Amen.

**GATHERING SONG: Earth and All Stars!
Green Book: 558**

Earth and All Stars!



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
 2 Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
 3 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
 4 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!



Oh, vic - to - ry! Loud shout - ing ar - my!
 Flow - ers and trees! Loud rus - tling dry leaves!
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
 Lime-stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
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 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!



Refrain
 He has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too will praise him with a new song!

5 Classrooms and labs!
 Loud boiling test tubes!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Athlete and band!
 Loud cheering people!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

6 Knowledge and truth!
 Loud sounding wisdom!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Daughter and son!
 Loud praying members!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926

Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

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GREETING:

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

ALL: And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



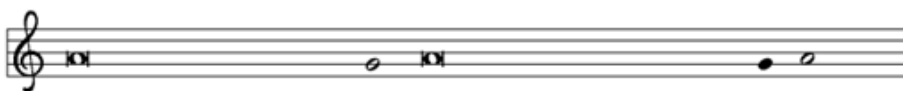
Lord, have mer - cy.



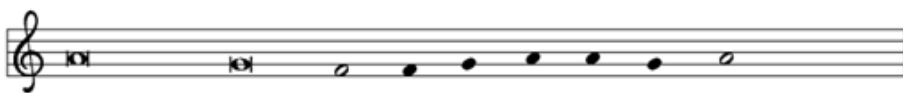
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



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 wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister

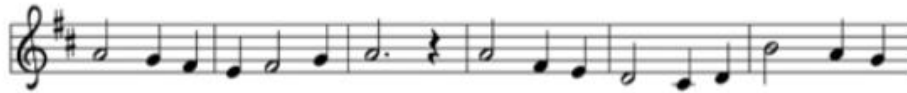


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



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

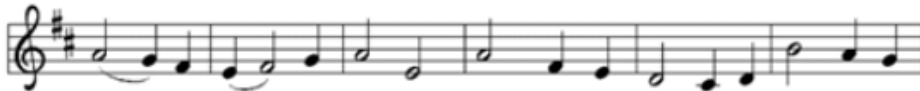
Refrain



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



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



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

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

L: Let us pray,

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **ALL: Amen.**

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

L: ⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel: Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹ Say to them: As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God**

PSALM: 119:33-40

L:³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

ALL:³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.

L:³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.

ALL:³⁶ Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.

L:³⁷ Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood; give me life in your way.

ALL:³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your servant, which is for those who fear you.

L:³⁹ Turn away the reproach that I dread, because your judgments are good.

ALL:⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your commandments; by your righteousness enliven me.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

L: ⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: [Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

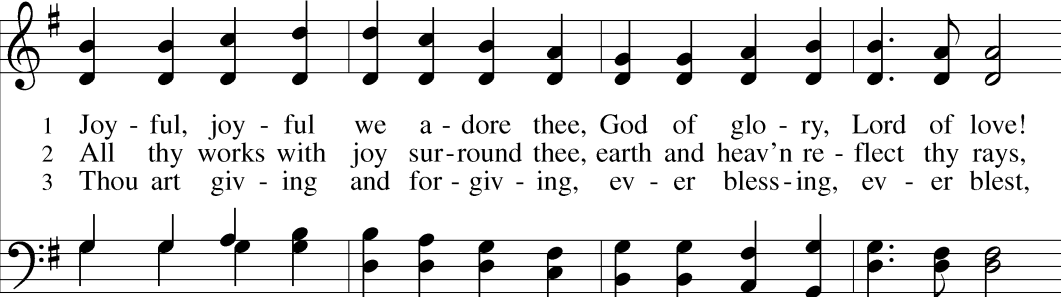
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON: Pastor Rick Mollenkopf-Grill

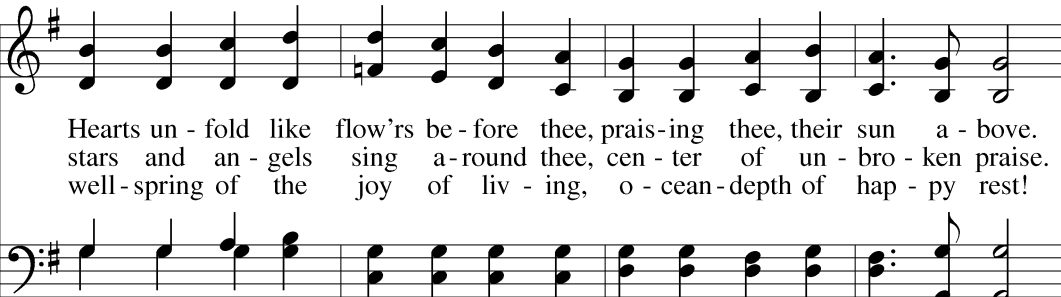
HYMN OF THE DAY: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - Green Book: 551

Please stand as you are able

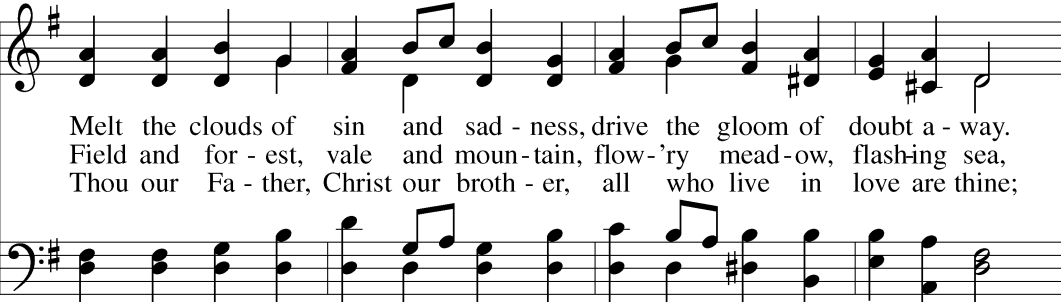
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



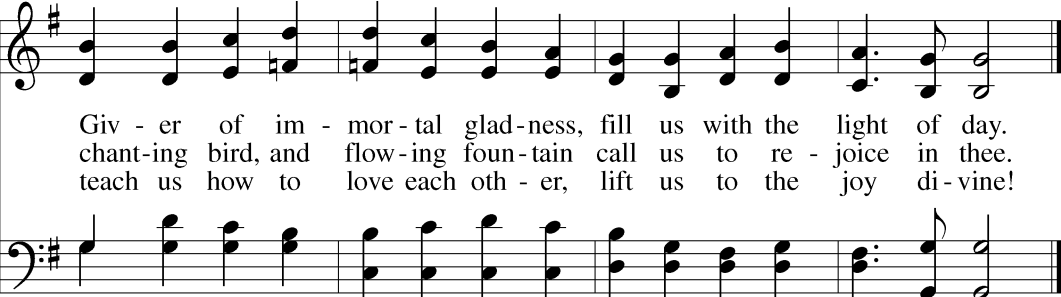
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1933

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

APOSTLES CREED

L: We are God's people.

Joining together, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed:

ALL: 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 power of 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

L: Reminded of God's gracious and abundant love, we offer our prayers, confident that God hears us.

A brief silence.

L: Proclaiming God, empower your church throughout the world to announce the words you give us. We pray for our NOEL cluster siblings of First English, Lockport; St. John's, Lyndonville; St. Peter, Medina; Trinity, Wolcottsville; and Zion, Gasport. Open us to receive your word in unexpected ways. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: Forming God, renew the cycles of your creation that provide for the needs of all. Protect grasslands, marshes, swamps, and all places of transition. Heal communities crying out after disaster (*especially...*). Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: Governing God, turn all who create, enforce, or interpret legislation away from selfish gain and toward your promise of good for all, especially the good of all who labor. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: Attending God, wake us up to any around us who are in need. Restore broken relationships, failing health, frayed emotions, and the hurts we carry with us. We pray especially for (*those who are sick, injured or otherwise suffering...*). Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: Gathering God, resolve conflicts in this community through your righteousness and grace. Reconcile us to each other, making your good news known even through our imperfections. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: Loving God, all who die in faith have life with you. We give you thanks for the nearness of your salvation for all who have gone before us. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: And grace-filled God, hear us now as we share our deepest needs that only you know in this time of silent prayer...

A moment for silent prayer.

L: Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

L: Grant the prayers we have offered, what we have forgotten to ask, and whatever else you see that we need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

ALL: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

ALL: And also with you.

*You are invited to greet your neighbors
with a sign of Christ's peace.*

Please be seated



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OFFERING

Any financial gifts you wish to give towards the ministry of Trinity may be placed in the offering plate as it is passed around or at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also give your offering online using the QR code provided or go to trinitysouthnewstead.org/give. We give thanks for your sharing of your offerings this and every day.

Please stand as you are able

OFFERTORY



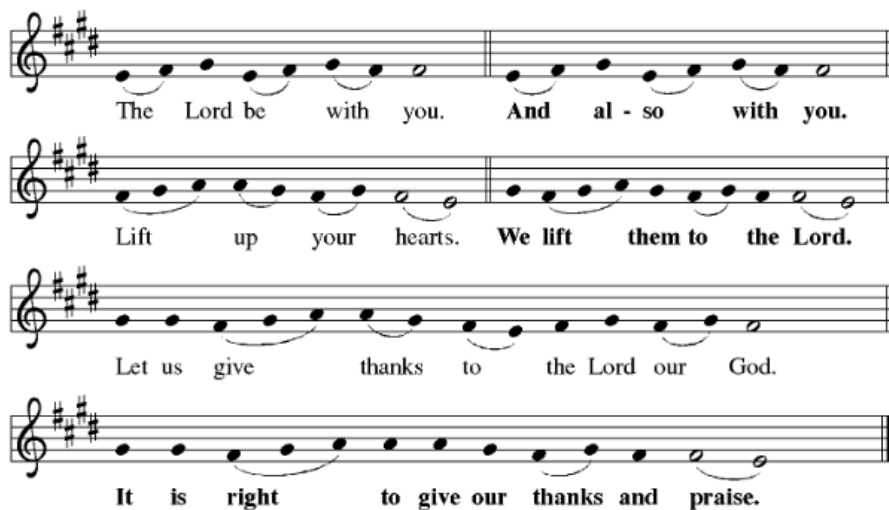
Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray together, God of creation,

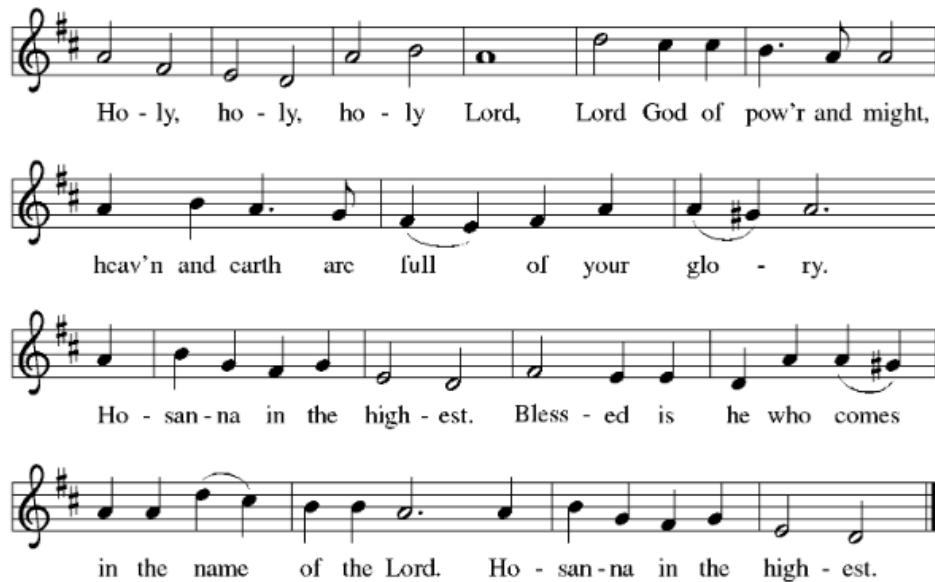
ALL: you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

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.

L: 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:



L: 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

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: **ALL: 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

L Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Please be seated

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The minister will give instruction on the distribution of communion.

COMMUNION HYMN: 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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: Go, my Children, With My Blessing - Blue Book: 721

To be sung during the distribution of communion

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh; arr. R. Vaughan Williams

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COMMUNION HYMN: *by request as needed*

Please stand as you are able

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Let us pray together, Sustaining God,

ALL: with this bread and cup,

you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

BLESSING

L: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus.

ALL: Amen.

L: The God of hope

grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

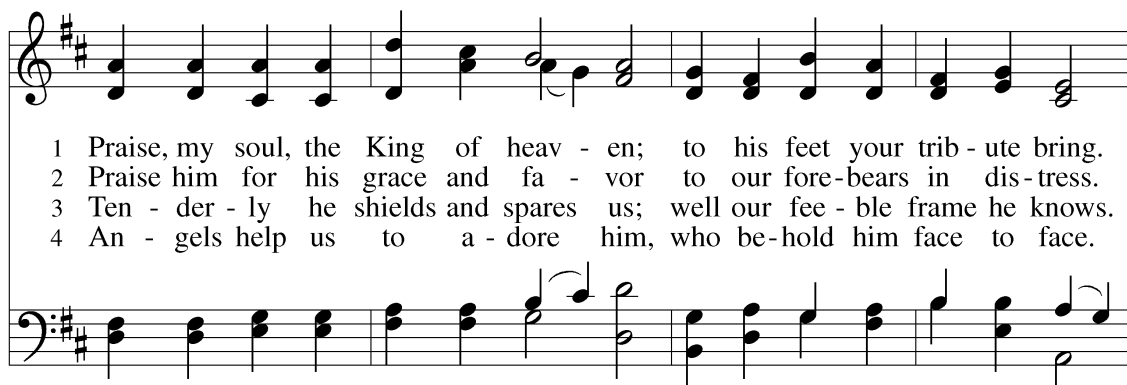
L: The God of grace

✠ bless you now and forever.

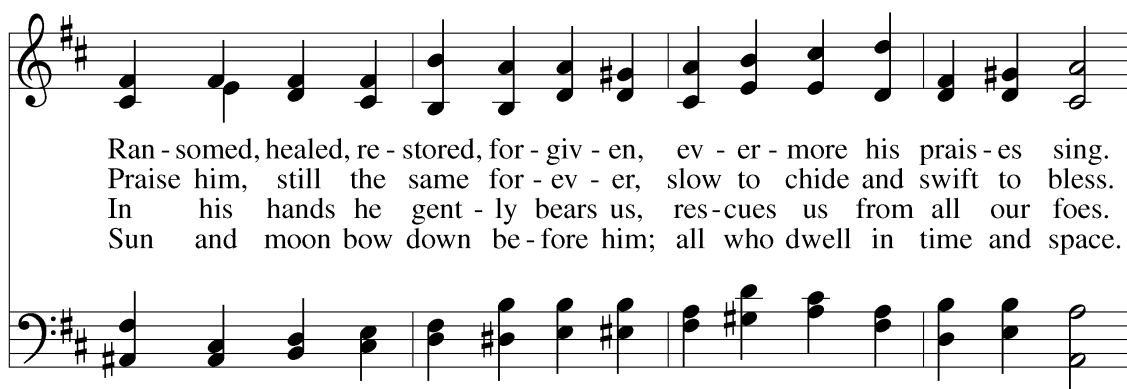
ALL: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven - Green Book: 549

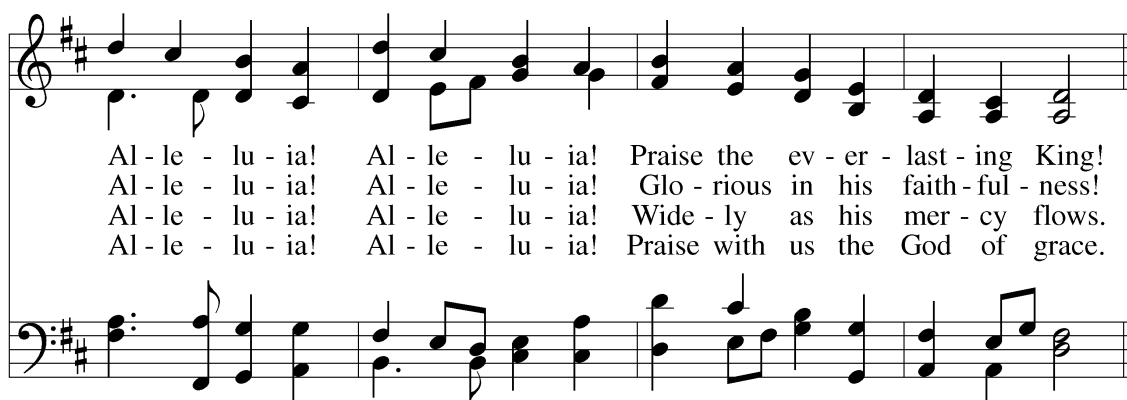
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet your trib - ute bring.
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
3 Ten - der - ly he shields and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows.
4 An - gels help us to a - dore him, who be-hold him face to face.



Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing.
Praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
In his hands he gent - ly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes.
Sun and moon bow down be - fore him; all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly as his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847, alt.

Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

DISMISSAL

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

About Today's Readings:

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-11

God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God's warnings to the people. Remarkably, God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary.

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we “put on the Lord Jesus Christ” and live today in light of the future God has in store for us.

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should go about restoring relationships when one member has sinned against another.

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WELCOME BACK!
Pastor Rick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Hold in Prayer:

To add someone to the prayer list in the bulletin/beacon, add them to the list at the back of the Sanctuary or contact the church office. You can call or email in a prayer at any time. 716-542-9828. Or text Tracy directly at 716-579-3612.

Now you can also go on the website and email in a prayer through there, too, whenever you'd like!

trinitysouthnewstead@gmail.com

If you would like your prayer concern to be shared through our One Call phone system, please call Sue Kidder at 716-542-2095. Prayers are printed on Tuesdays and will be verbally announced in church if submitted after that.

We pray for healing, strength and patience for those we love going through difficult times:

Bruce Albands (Chris Anderson) & family

Jordan Ertel & family

Pastor Robert Dean and his wife, Nancy

Barry Pingitore

Jane Firestone

Baby Lang

Angelo Rizzo

Helmut Bauder

We pray for patience, strength and support for the families and friends of:

Betsy Goulette

Elaine Koch

Dave Kendziora

Safe travel for Brian Nehrboss who's headed to Germany!

Weekly:

Choir – please see David

Sunday School resumes September 13th (startup info in below and in Beacon)

Sunday Worship at 9:30am

Bible Study: See list below

Confirmation Parent Meeting today after worship! (In the adult study room.)

Food Pantry:

Setup October 5th @ 8am
Distribution Tues October 6th @ 8:30am

Council:

September 8th @ 7pm

Office Info:

Pastor Rick: Tuesdays 10:00-1:00 p.m. and by appointment

Tracy: Tuesdays: 9:30-2:30, Thursdays: remote. Call, text or email any time.

Bible Study

Trinity is part of the NOEL (Niagara Orleans Ev. Lutherans) cluster of churches' Bible Study. Consider this your invitation to join, make new friends, and gain new insights into the Word and faith.

Pastor Rick, Pastor Craig, and Pastor Sohail lead this Bible Study, which is at 10 am Thursdays. The location rotates among the NOEL churches:

9/10- Here at Trinity!

9/17 – St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina 14103

9/24 - Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001

10/1- Zion - 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067

10/8 - St. John's - 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

10/15 – Here at Trinity!

10/22- St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina 14103

10/29- Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001

Sunday School

We are excited for Sunday School to start on **September 13th!** Sunday School this year will run from 10:45-11:45 am for a full hour. New this year: registration forms are online, and we'll be requiring parents to sign in and sign out their children. Registration forms are needed for all children, and can be found on the Sunday School page of our website

at trinitysouthnewstead.org.

Note: there will be no Sunday School on September 20th.

Confirmation at Trinity

We're excited to offer a Confirmation program for our youth starting in September! **The first evening class is September 20th from 6-8pm.**

Confirmation is a process in which junior-high youth in grades 7 and up learn what it means to be a Lutheran Christian in our world. They will then take responsibility for their faith when they are confirmed after completing a two-year program of classes, interactions, service, relationship-building, and more.

Registration form is now online on our website. Please be sure to fill it out before the first day. Any questions, send Pastor Rick a message.

Congregational Listening Session: Sunday Sept. 20th following worship

What is Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of South Newstead? Who is Trinity? Why is Trinity?

These questions come up from time to time as we evaluate ourselves as a congregation. From within that framework and understanding, we can better identify the people, the mission and the direction of the congregation of Trinity.

We have done this in the past. Through our period of intentional internship, to the congregational merger with St John's, to our development of our ministry site profile for the purpose of calling and retaining pastoral leadership. We have asked ourselves these questions, as a council and as a congregation. The means to do this have varied. Focused collaborative stakeholder groups, to council committees, to surveys and now, a conversation.

Over the past few months, Trinity has been engaged in a shared ministry with Zion Lutheran Church of Gasport. Pastor Rick, through the direction of Synod and the understanding with council and Trinity, has been sharing pastoral leadership and care part time with Zion. The intent was to assist Zion in completing their ministry site profile and to organize to find new pastoral leadership. It was made into a formal agreement, along with a term, that has since expired. The question that Synod, Zion and Trinity now face is, what's next?

After discussion at council, it was decided to hold a listening session later this year. Deacon Rachel Sosebee will be joining us for this session to field any questions she can help with as well. The purpose of the session is to ask and engage our congregation to review the past, the current and the future needs of our congregation's pastoral leadership. What does it look like? What do we need? This is the basis for the conversation. It will be open to the entire congregation as the council seeks your input for consideration. This is not a congregational meeting, so no actions are planned to be made. But with the conversation, the council will have a better understanding of Trinity to make decisions on next steps and direction.

As always, if you have questions, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Rick or myself. Thank you for your understanding, cooperation and hopefully, your participation.

Yours in Christ,

Erik Polkowski

Conversation Facilitator, Council VP 2026

Save the date: Chowda' Time!

Our Chowder sale will be **Saturday, September 26th**, mark your calendars! Corn shucking will happen between now and then, and of course there's lots of need for volunteering throughout the process.

Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex!

SECRET PRAYER PALS

Plans are underway for the SECRET PRAYER PAL REVEAL GET TOGETHER on **Sunday, October 11th** (NOT a BILLS Sunday), at the home of Sue Kidder, at Noon. **ALL LADIES OF THE CONGREGATION ARE INVITED WHETHER YOU PARTICIPATED IN THE PRAYER PAL GROUP OR NOT!** We're hoping you will participate when the new season begins in October! Just let Sue know that you will be coming so that a place may be set for you! Please plan on bringing an Appetizer, Salad, or Dessert. I will provide hotdogs, rolls, paper products and drinks.

Even if you have no inclination of being a prayer pal, please come! There will be Fun, Food, and Fellowship.... AND, most importantly, you will find out who your Secret Prayer Pal for this last season has been! Hope to see you there!



Niagara Frontier Conference Assembly

Trinity will host the Niagara Frontier Conference Assembly from **6-8 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 21st**. This is a twice-annual gathering of clergy and lay leaders from across WNY for making connections, devotions and conducting the business of the conference. Bishop Lee Miller will have a presentation as well. We'll need some coordination to offer snacks and drinks for attendees (of which there may be upwards of 50-75 people).

Rummage Sale

Mark your calendars! All-day set-up Wednesday, Nov. 11; the Sale itself is Fri. Nov. 13th from 5-7 pm and Sat. Nov. 14th from 9-11 am.

Quilt Raffle

In the back of the sanctuary you'll notice the Crittenden Quilter's beautiful quilt on display. You can win it! Tickets are **\$3 ea or 2 for \$5.00**. You can drop your money in the box below the quilt with your ticket(s) (*but be sure to write down your name and number*) or, give it to Ronda Lauridsen and she will get you your ticket.

Tickets are on sale now 'til the Chowder sale, and the winning ticket will be drawn with the basket raffle names. If you're interested in selling tickets in the community to help, please see

Ronda and she'll set you up. **She is hoping to sell at an upcoming community event or Akron car show if anyone has ideas along those lines.**