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Sunday, September 19, 2010 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion - 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

VOLUNTARY

Choral in A Minor

INTROIT

We Wait for Thy Loving Kindness, O God We wait for Thy loving kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. Alleluia. O God, according to Thy Name, so is Thy praise unto the world's end. Thy right hand is full of righteousness: Alleluia. We wait for Thy loving kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. Lord send us now prosperity. Amen.

Christopher Wietig, tenor

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty "Lobe Den Herren"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Recognizing our need for God's mercy, let us confess our sin, and seek reconciliation with God and each other. César Franck

William McKie

ELW 858

God of justice and compassion, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, We have not been faithful stewards of your creation. We have failed to share the bounty of your harvest with the poor and needy. Forgive our sin, increase our faith, strengthen us in service, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Heaven rejoices when a sinner repents and a lost sheep is found. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace given to us in Christ Jesus, the power of God who calls us with a holy calling, and the help of the Holy Spirit living in us be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE O 0 In peace, let us pray to the Lord. 6 0 Lord, have mer cy. -0 O 0 O -For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. O O 0 0 For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, O Ø 0 0 0 . • 0 and for the unity of all, let pray the Lord. us to 0 $\overline{}$ Lord, have mer cy. -0 O O 0 • 0 • • . For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise, 0 let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer cy. 0 Ο 0 0 • 0 • . Ø Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A men.

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

COUNCIL INSTALLATION/ A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN (10:30)

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

THE MOTET

Psalm 37, Os Justi

Anton Bruckner

The just mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks justice. The law of his God is in his heart, and his steps do not slip. Alleluia. Alleluia.

SECOND READING: 1Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God;

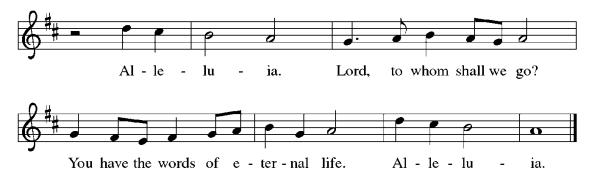
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all —

this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke

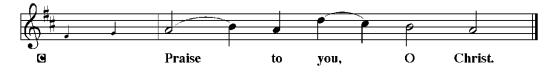


Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much

do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Charles D. Bang

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Justice Flow like Streams "St. Thomas"

ELW 717

CREED

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

God hears the cry of the poor and is near to all in need. Let us pray for our neighbors, our world, and ourselves, trusting in God's mercy and love.

A brief silence.

Gracious God, you have ransomed us from the power of death through the gift of your servant, Jesus. By your Spirit, empower your church to pray and struggle for the freedom of all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Sustaining God, you have given us a world rich with enough food and water for all. We pray for a reverence for the life we share and for a just distribution of the resources of your creation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, you reveal your power in humble service. We pray for all who are in positions of authority, that your people everywhere may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and dignity. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate God, you raise the poor from the dust and give them places of honor. We pray for those exploited by greed, whose work is dangerous or degrading, or who are in any kind of need (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Benevolent God, every good gift comes from you. We pray for the stewardship ministries of our congregation, that in being faithful with what you have given us, others might discover the true riches of your grace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Redeeming God, you desire everyone to be saved and have given us companions on earth to witness to your gospel. We honor the memory of (*name/s and*) all who now rest in you from their labors. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All this we ask, gracious God, together with all that is known to you alone, in the name of your risen and anointed Son, through the power of your life-giving Spirit. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING

SOLO AT THE OFFERING (8:30)

I Will Sing New Songs from the Biblical Songs

Anton Dvorak

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's praises upon a tenstringed psaltery. Every day will I extol Thee and will bless Thy Holy Name; I will bless Thy Holy Name. Great is God and great His mercy. Who shall tell of all His greatness? Who shall His power declare? My song shall be of praise and honor, and of Thy glorious acts. Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing. Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness, and of Thy wond'rous might, and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

Roger Van Dette, tenor

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (10:30)

Agnus Dei from the Harmony Mass Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.

> Mary Kay Atlas, soprano; Melissa Thorburn, alto Christopher Wietig, tenor; Brian Zunner, bass

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

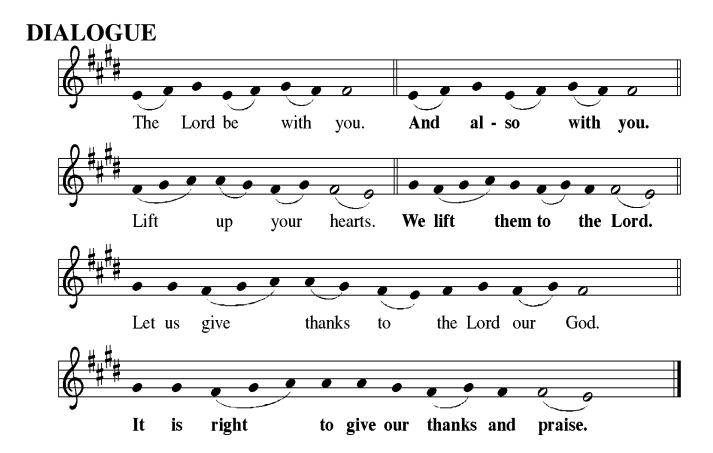
OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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"Old Hundredth"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

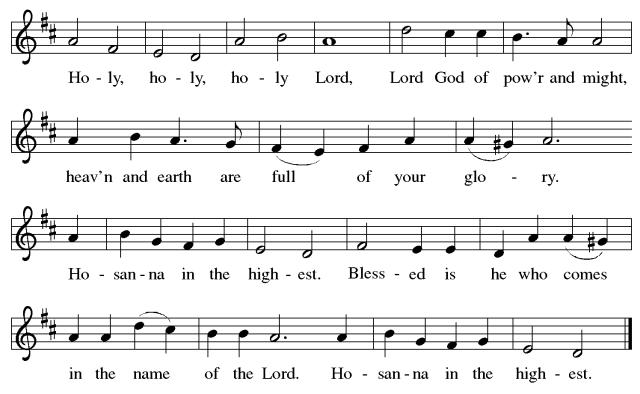


Franz Joseph Haydn

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:

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life. 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.

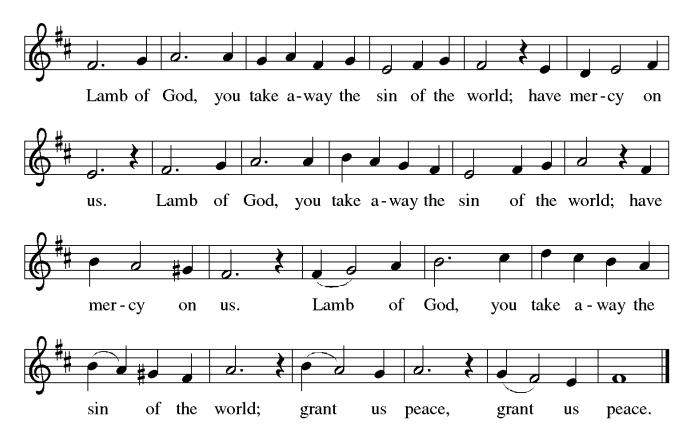
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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. **AGNUS DEI**



THE COMMUNION

SOLO AT COMMUNION (8:30)

Were You There

Traditional Spiritual Arranged by Moses Hogan

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they laid Him in t

he tomb? Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Roger Van Dette, tenor

COMMUNION MOTETS (10:30)

I Sat Down Under His Shadow

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

Edward Bairstow

The Eyes of All Hope In Thee, O Lord

The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord, and thou givest them meat in due season. Thou openest thy hand, and thou fillest ev'ry living creature with thy blessing. Alleluia. My heart is ready, I will sing and give praise to thee, my glory. The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth and forevermore. **Amen.**

RESPONSE

Randolph arranged by James Bigham

God be with you 'till we meet again. With His sheep securely fold you: by His counsels guide, uphold you; with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you 'till we meet again.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven "Praise, My Soul" ELW 864

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Sinfonia in D to Cantata 29

Johann Sebastian Bach arr. by Robert Hebble

Communion Statement

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Non-communing adults and children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. For those who are allergic to wheat, you may receive gluten-free wafers from the Pastor.

Richard Felciano

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, Sept 19, 2010 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Ed (FR)
- Service of Holy Communion w/choir/council 10:30 a.m. installation (MC)
- Sunday School (SS)/ Crib Room/Nursery (CI) 10:30 a.m.
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)
- 2:30 p.m. Worship-to-go at Garden Gate

MONDAY, September 20, 2010

9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)

TUESDAY, September 21, 2010

- 4:30 p.m. Buffalo Niagara Youth Chorus Rehearsal (MC)
- 7:30 p.m. Lectio Divina (CH)
- 7:30 p.m. Yoga and meditation (FR)

WEDNESDAY, September 22, 2010

- Buffalo Niagara Youth Chorus Rehearsal (MC) 6:00 p.m.
- **Council Meeting** 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, September 23, 2010

- Christian Action (FR) 10:00 a.m.
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MR)
- 7:00 p.m. AA (RH)

SUNDAY, September 26, 2010 – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Blood Drive (RH)
- Service of Holy Communion (CH) 8:30 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Ed (FR)
- Service of Holy Communion (MC) 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday School (SS)/Crib Room/Nursery (CI) 10:30 a.m.
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)
- 2:00 p.m. Worship-to-go at Wynwood

CH = Mansperger Chapel

- CI = Crib Room
- FR = Fellowship Room MR = Music Room
 - SS = Sunday School
- RH = Redeemer Hall

MC = Main Church

CR = Conference Room

- SC = Sacristy
- FI = Fireside Room/Library PS = Pastor's Study
- YR = Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Bang's Monday morning bible study will begin tomorrow, Monday, September 20 at 9:30 a.m.

ADULT EDUCATION: Today Dave Ulrich will be introducing the topics and speakers for the Fall 2010 series. Next Sunday, September 26, our speaker will be Vivian Waltz from the Sr. Karen Klimczak Center for Non-Violence. All are welcome to attend."

WORSHIP TO GO teams are looking for volunteers to join them once a month to local health care facilities on Sunday afternoons. They are in need of musicians and those who would like to help with the service. The first Sunday of the month they go to Tonawanda Manor at 2:00 p.m.; the second Sunday they are at Wedgewood at 2:30 p.m.; the third Sunday they are at Garden Gate at 2:30 p.m.; and the fourth Sunday they are at Wynwood on Delaware at 2:00 p.m. Please call Sister Donna at 812-7363 if you are able to help.

LOOKING FOR SMILING FACES to volunteer to be a greeter for the 10:30 am services. You will only be scheduled four times a year. If you are interested in becoming a greeter, please call the church office at 886-2400 or Janice Bauchle at 839-4183.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA Fall Assembly will take place on Saturday, September 25 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2311 George Urban Blvd, Depew. Reservations are needed. Please check bulletin boards for further information.

BLOOD DRIVE: Upstate New York Transplant Services will be holding a blood drive at Holy Trinity on Sunday, September 26 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. If you would like to be a donor, there will be a sign-up sheet available next Sunday, September 19 following the services.

NEW MEMBERS: A class of new members will be received on Sunday, November 21. We will be holding two informational classes. There will be a Pastor's Dinner on Monday, November 1st at 6:00 p.m. On Wednesday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m. there will be a dessert/coffee hour. Those interested in becoming a new member or in learning more about Holy Trinity and the Lutheran Church are welcome to attend.

FLU SHOTS: Flu Immunizations will be given on Sunday, October 24 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Please bring your insurance card. Accepted insurances: Medicare (Part B only), Univera, Independent Health, Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

THE LATE SERVICE (TLS) at Parkside Lutheran Church, 2 Wallace Avenue: Beginning tonight and continuing each Sunday at 8:00 pm we will be celebrating an Alternative Worship loosely based on the monastic Compline prayer service. TLS is a Sunday evening service that reflects on the darkness of the world and the Light of Christ that overcomes all of our pain, sorrow, and imperfections. It is a truly unique worship gathering where ancient and future, faith and doubt, head and heart, all meet.

BOOK CLUB: To all interested parties and current members of our book/film club at Parkside Lutheran Church - We will be meeting on Thursday evening, September 23, at 6:00. We will begin with a light supper. We will do a LONG short story by J. Conrad, <u>The Duel.</u> Before discussing the novel, we will view the film version, which is quite good. Next, are two short stories; the first is by John Henrik Clarke, "The Boy Who Painted Christ Black"; the second is by Leo Tolstoy, "God Knows the Truth, But Waits." We will also view a 24-minute film version of Clarke's story. After that, we will try either <u>The Grapes of Wrath</u> (Steinbeck) or <u>A Thousand Splendid</u> <u>Suns</u> (Hosseini). If you enjoyed <u>The Kite Runner</u>, you are in for a wonderful surprise with the author's second novel. All are welcome to attend. Roman Shchurowsky



At 8:30 a.m. the acolyte is Dana Nostro. Lay reader is Scott Erdley. Communion assistant is Sue Fayle. Ushers are David and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the lay reader is Daniel Black. Greeters are Noreen Casson, Ellie Monday and Helen Wright. Ushers are Ron Leiser (captain), Kristen Best, Penny Bruso, Michael Day, Alan Heiss, Patrick Mann, Edward Rockhill and Helen and Marty Wright. Communion Assistants are Charmaine Kaltrider, Ron Leiser, Derek Marks and Dana Nostro. Worship assistants are Derek Marks and Dana Nostro, crucifers; Lindsay Wright, Brian Roberts, Teddy Marks, Timothy Bradley and Amanda Roberts. The cantor is Christopher Wietig.

The flowers at the altar are given in loving memory of their parents John and Victoria Caffarelli by Donna Leiser and Mary Linda Schmidt and their families; and in loving memory of Richard Bauchle by Janice, Paul and Karen.

The roses on the altar are in thanks to God for the legal adoption of A.J. by Jeff and Kim Leiser; and in celebration of the birth of Isabella Grace to Derek and Heather Parks.

THE FIRST AID KIT AND THE AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) ARE LOCATED IN THE SACRISTY – OPPOSITE THE OFFICE DOORS

PLEASE, TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS DURING WORSHIP. THANK YOU.

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