

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Created to Praise
November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday**

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

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

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."

-Thomas Campbell

"The communion of saints is a reality. We are connected to those who have gone before us in faith, and they continue to inspire and guide us."

-Rowan Williams

"Honor the saints as friends of Christ and emulate their virtues... let the words of saintly men be as combs filled with honey."

-St. Basil the Great

CALL TO WORSHIP *(stand)*

L: Jesus climbed the mountain to teach the crowd, charting a path for all who would follow.

C: We walk a road traveled by generations of the faithful who have gone before us.

L: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the grieving, and the meek on this road.

C: For God sustains the weary and promises comfort along the way.

L: Let us step forward together, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

C: We journey together in faith, hope, and love.

PRAISE SONG

"Travelers on a Journey"

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in 4/4 time, using a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The score consists of eight staves of music. The lyrics are as follows:

We are trav' - lers on the journ - ey yearn - ing to
be - lieve! Hearts are burn - ing, eyes are o - pened.
We are trav' - lers on the journ - ey of love.
What is life real - ly all a - bout
Do we walk in our fool - ish - ness
We are blessed in the gath - er - ing
in the strug - gle of faith?
with our hearts e - ver slow
at the ta - ble of grace.
Hear the word reach - ing out to you, -
to the touch of the Ho - ly one -
Free to see in a - noth - er's pain the
Je - sus is a - live to the day.____
who is with us on the road?____
face of Je - sus here to - day.____

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Gracious God,

C: we confess that we often forget whose children we are. You have poured out your love to call us your own, yet we hide from your light and wander from your path. Forgive our lack of faith, heal our divided hearts, and anchor our hope in the purity of your promise.

Assurance of Forgiveness:

L: See what love the Lord has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. God's grace is poured out completely, washing away every shadow of guilt. In Christ Jesus, through your struggles, doubt, and suffering, there is boundless love, forgiveness, and grace given for all. Amen.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION RESPONSE

“For All”

Your love, your love has no bor - ders, Your love, your
love has no walls. Your love, your love has no lim - its.
You love the world. Your love is here for all. *Fine*

1. For all who are wand - 'ring, for all who are weak,
2. For all who are strug - gling, for all who have dreams,
3. For all who have plen - ty, for all who have need,
4. For all who are suff - 'ring, for all who seek change,

for all who seek shel - ter, for all who seek peace.
for all who are cap - tive, for all who are free.
for all who are doubt - ing, for all who be - lieve.
for all who are sin - ners, for all who are saints.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Robb Kosky

WORD

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

First Reading

The first reading is Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there in front of me was a huge crowd of people. They stood in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb. There were so many that no one could count them. They came from every nation, tribe and people. That's true no matter what language they spoke. They were wearing white robes. In their hands they were holding palm branches. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne. Salvation also belongs to the Lamb."

¹¹ All the angels were standing around the throne. They were standing around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces in front of the throne and worshiped God. ¹² They said, "Amen! May praise and glory and wisdom be given to our God for ever and ever. Give him thanks and honor and power and strength. Amen!"

¹³ Then one of the elders spoke to me. “Who are these people dressed in white robes?” he asked. “Where did they come from?” ¹⁴ I answered, “Sir, you know.” He said, “They are the ones who have come out of the time of terrible suffering. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ So “they are in front of the throne of God. They serve him day and night in his temple. The one who sits on the throne will be with them to keep them safe. ¹⁶ ‘Never again will they be hungry. Never again will they be thirsty. The sun will not beat down on them.’ The heat of the desert will not harm them. ¹⁷ The Lamb, who is at the center of the area around the throne, will be their shepherd. ‘He will lead them to springs of living water.’ ‘And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

The second reading is 1 John 3:1-3

3 See what amazing love the Father has given us! Because of it, we are called children of God. And that’s what we really are! The world doesn’t know us because it didn’t know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God. He still hasn’t let us know what we will be. But we know that when Christ appears, we will be like him. That’s because we will see him as he really is. ³ Christ is pure. All who hope to be like him make themselves pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

P: Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

5 Jesus saw the crowds. So he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him. ² Then he began to teach them. He said, ³ “Blessed are those who are spiritually needy. The kingdom of heaven belongs to them. ⁴ Blessed are those who are sad. They will be comforted. ⁵ Blessed are those who are humble. They will be given the earth. ⁶ Blessed are those who are hungry and thirsty for what is right. They will be filled. ⁷ Blessed are those who show mercy. They will be shown mercy. ⁸ Blessed are those whose hearts are pure. They will see God. ⁹ Blessed are those who make peace. They will be called children of God. ¹⁰ Blessed are those who suffer for doing what is right. The kingdom of heaven belongs to them. ¹¹ “Blessed are you when people make fun of you and hurt you because of me. You are also blessed when they tell all kinds of evil lies about you because of me. ¹² Be joyful and glad. Your reward in heaven is great. In the same way, people hurt the prophets who lived long ago.

The Gospel Response:

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(You may be seated)

MESSAGE

Pastor Robb Kosky

MESSAGE RESPONSE

(Please Stand)

“For the Ones Who’ve Gone Before Us”

For the ones who've gone be - fore us, bless - ed pil - grims
Moth - ers, fath - ers, sis - ters, broth - ers, child - ren held deep
of our faith, we give thanks and we re - mem - ber,
in this place, we give thanks and we re - mem - ber,
pre - cious ones we hold as saints. God of love you
through your lives we know God's grace.
are for - ev - er. Through the days you lead us on. Though we wan - der
in the dark - ness, God of love you lead us home.

LIGHTING CANDLES AND REMEMBERING SAINTS

As names are read, we will light a candle in memory of those who have led the way and gone before us during the last year.

Gladys Boos
Dana Borusky
Jane Bracken
Randall Burkette
Cody Davis
Richard Doede
Dorothy Draeger
Diane Dyken
Audrey Flunker
Joelle Gerlach
Andy Hall
Gerald Kappler
Sharon Larson
Barbara Miller

Margaret Moser
Joyce Mossburg
Huldah Pierce
Arthur Pierce
Robert Poenitsch
Rose Scaffidi
Charles Schweiger
Ralph Seymer
Alice Walter
Bob Weir
Katharine Wilson
Christine Zarling
Roger Zipoy
Jean Zimmerman

THE PRAYERS

P: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(Each petition ends: "God in your mercy". The congregation responds: "Hear our prayer")

P: Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C: Amen.

MEAL

P: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

 **THE OFFERING** *(You may be seated)*

Please remember that your offerings of money, time and talents enable Trinity to "share the love and promise of God" through its ministries.

Special Music

"Song of the Saints"

CTP Singers

Offering Prayer *(Please stand as you are able)*

P: Eternal God,

C: our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

P: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.

C: God gathers us into one communion of saints.

P: Come, all who long for the bread of life.

C: We come to receive God's grace and mercy.

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.

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

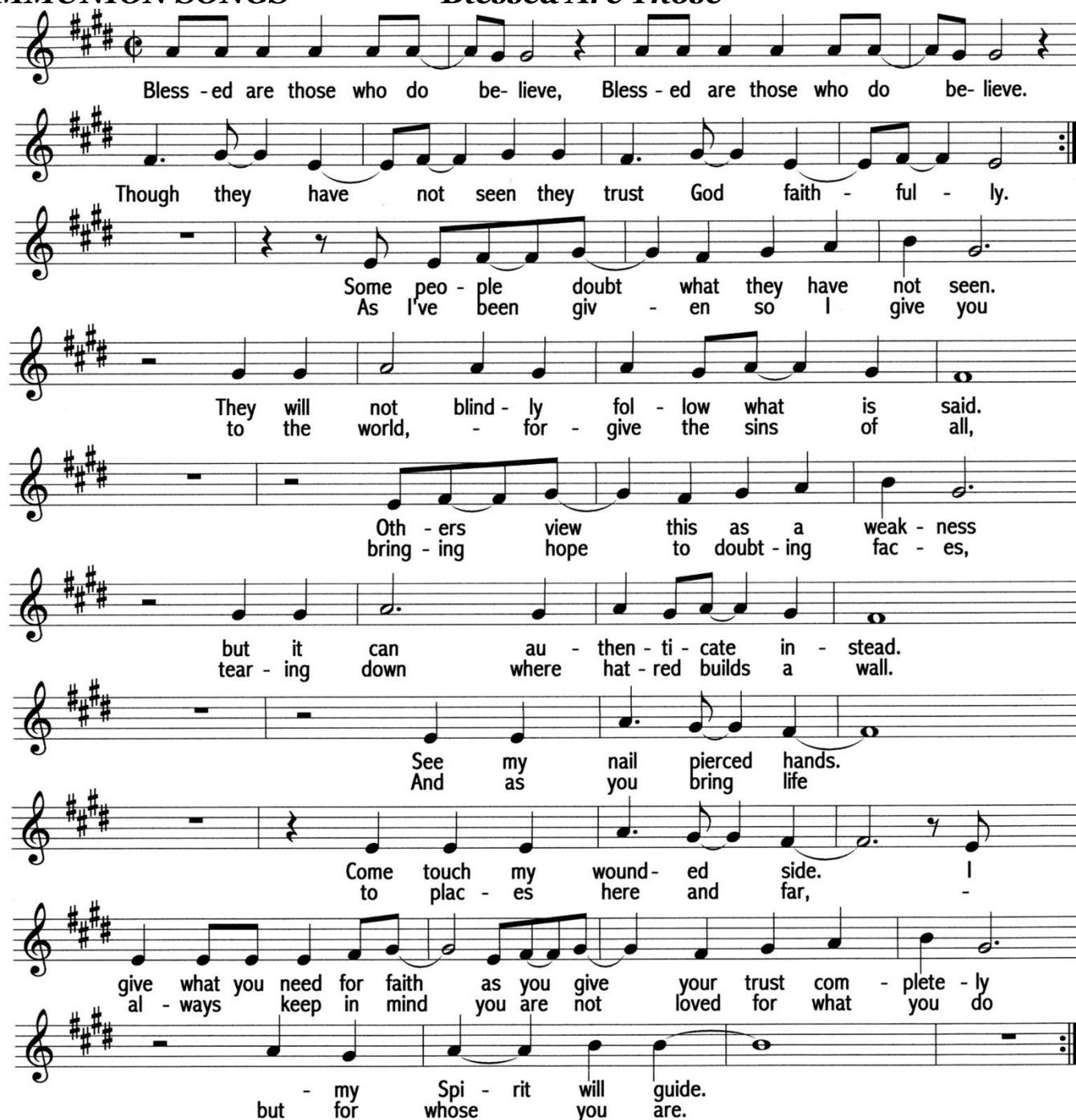
P: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy. All are welcome.

THE DISTRIBUTION (You may be seated)

*All who celebrate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune today.
We commune by intinction. When you receive the bread, you may either dip the wafer
in the first chalice of wine or the second chalice of grape juice
Please indicate to the pastor if you need a gluten free wafer.
(We also have celiac friendly individually packaged wafer/wine in the first pew.)*

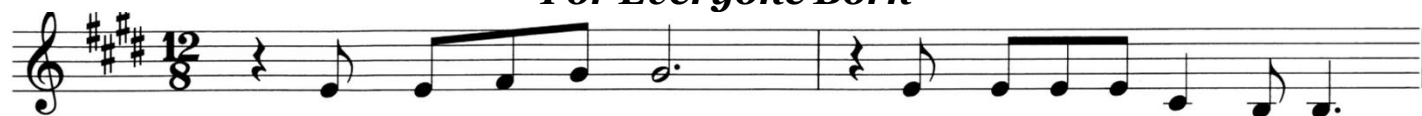
COMMUNION SONGS

"Blessed Are Those"



Bless - ed are those who do be - lieve, Bless - ed are those who do be - lieve.
Though they have not seen they trust God faith - ful - ly.
Some peo - ple doubt what they have not seen.
As I've been giv - en so I give you
They will not blind - ly fol - low what is said.
to the world, - ly for - give the sins of all,
Oth - ers view hope this as a weak - ness
bring - ing hope to doubt - ing fac - es,
but it can au - then - ti - cate in - stead.
tear - ing down where hat - red builds a wall.
See And my as nail you pierced bring hands. life
Come to touch plac - my wound - ed and side. far, I -
give al - ways you need keep in faith mind as you are give not your loved trust for com - plete - ly do
but - my for Spi - rit will you guide. are.

“For Everyone Born”



1. For ev - 'ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4. For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
 5. For ev - 'ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - 'ry - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - 'ry - one born, a star o - ver - head. *verse 3*
 for young and for old, the right to be - long. **And**
 for just and un - just, a new way to live. *verse 5*
 for ev - 'ry - one born, the right to be free. **And**



God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



joy com - pas - sion and peace; yes,



God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice, jus - tice and joy.

“Everyone is a Child of God”

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are: We are wait - ing, we are watch - ing, we are You are good - ness, You are mer - cy, You are hop - ing to see in the dis - tance, in the deep mys - ter - y, in the si - lence You have dark - ness a light that sets us free. To see ev' - ry - one spo - ken a love that sets us free. ev' - ry - one is a child of God. See ev' - ry - one ev' - ry - one is a child, a beau - ti - ful child of God. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots, with the word 'Fine' written above. A 'D.S. al Fine' instruction is written below the final line of the score.

We are wait - ing, we are watch - ing, we are
You are good - ness, You are mer - cy, You are
hop - ing to see in the dis - tance, in the
deep mys - ter - y, in the si - lence You have
dark - ness a light that sets us free. To see ev' - ry - one
spo - ken a love that sets us free.
ev' - ry - one is a child of God. See ev' - ry - one
ev' - ry - one is a child, a beau - ti - ful child of God.
Set us free. Set us free to see ev' - ry - one

THE 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

P: Holy God,

C: we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

P: Go in peace, remembering all the saints who have gone before us and trusting in the promise of resurrection. May the light of Christ guide you, the love of God sustain you, and the Holy Spirit strengthen you to live in hope.

C: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"Hallelujah, We're Not Alone"

Hal - le - lu - jah we're not a - lone. Your love will lead us home *Fine*
and o - pen hearts, which chang - es ev - 'ry - thing
Come all you thirst - y, de - sert - worn; wa - ter's here for you.
Take off your shoes, we're stand - ing on fer - tile, ho - ly ground.
In this wide world of dif - f'renc - es - gen - der, creed and race,
It does - n't mat - ter where you've been or
Our will God we move call - ing Em - for a us world road where
what jus - you've been a - through. God's grace is mov - ing
miss - tice Je - sus' face? The great "I AM" is
ev - 'ry - where and the rolls with - out end. It's an
stir - ring in the midst of the flame. Mos - es
by our side, raised from the dead. In com -
o - ver - flow - ing well of love, you'll nev - er thirst a - gain.
felt the fire of free - dom burn. Does your heart feel the same?
mu - ni - ty, Christ is a - live when we are break - ing bread.

THE DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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