

*The CHURCH of the HOLY TRINITY*  
*An Episcopal Church*

*Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost*

October 11, 2026

8:00 & 10:00 am

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# GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

*"I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1*

*"The prelude begins our service. Once it begins, please take a moment for silent prayer/meditation so that we enter into our worship with quieted, prayerful minds. Thank you."*

## Holy Eucharist Rite II

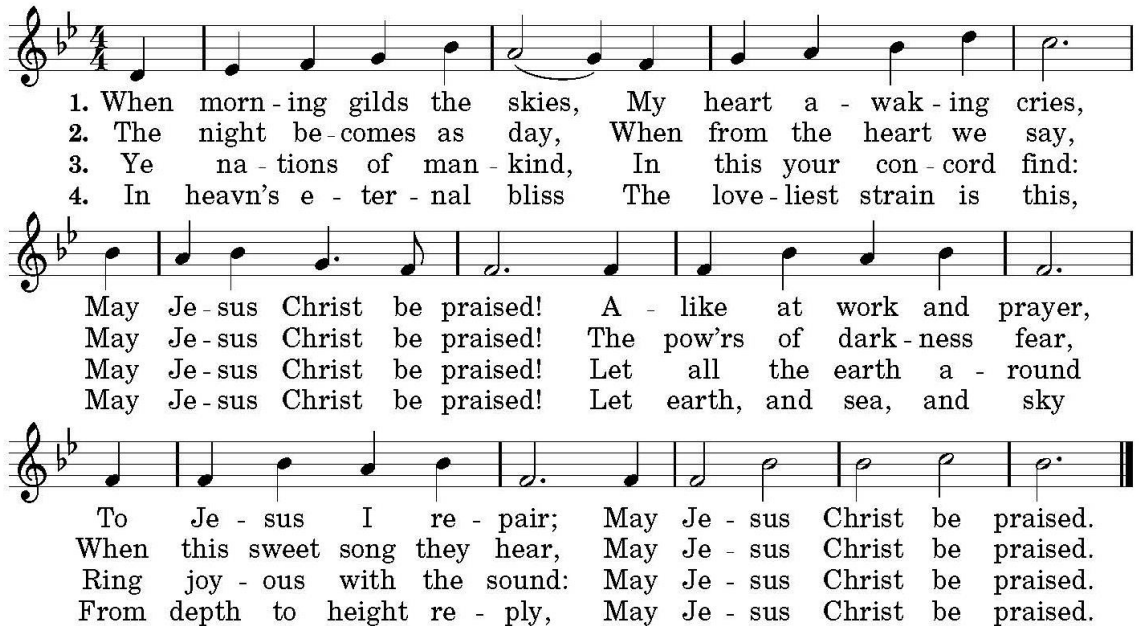
### Prelude

*All Are Welcome*

R. Schmoltze

### Processional Hymn

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*



1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, My heart a - wak - ing cries,  
2. The night be - comes as day, When from the heart we say,  
3. Ye na - tions of man - kind, In this your con - cord find:  
4. In heav'n's e - ter - nal bliss The love - liest strain is this,

May Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer,  
May Je - sus Christ be praised! The pow'rs of dark - ness fear,  
May Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round  
May Je - sus Christ be praised! Let earth, and sea, and sky

To Je - sus I re - pair; May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
When this sweet song they hear, May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
Ring joy - ous with the sound: May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
From depth to height re - ply, May Je - sus Christ be praised.

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## The Word of God

**Presider** Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**People:** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.*

*Amen.*

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. AMEN.*

## Gloria



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**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

## Collect

*Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

## Scripture

### First Lesson

*Exodus 32:1-14*

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the

land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” Aaron said to them, “Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD.” They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.” But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the

mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The Word of the Lord

*People: Thanks be to God*

### **Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23**

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *\*for his mercy endures for ever.*
- <sup>2</sup> Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord *\*or show forth all his praise?*
- <sup>3</sup> Happy are those who act with justice *\*and always do what is right!*
- <sup>4</sup> Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, *\*and visit me with your saving help;*
- <sup>5</sup> That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, *\*that I may glory with your inheritance.*
- <sup>6</sup> We have sinned as our forebears did; *\*we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.*
- <sup>19</sup> Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb *\*and worshiped a molten image;*

- 20 And so they exchanged their Glory *\*for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.*
- 21 They forgot God their Savior, *\*who had done great things in Egypt,*
- 22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, *\*and fearful things at the Red Sea.*
- 23 So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *\*to turn away his wrath from consuming them.*

## Second Lesson

*Philippians 4:1-9*

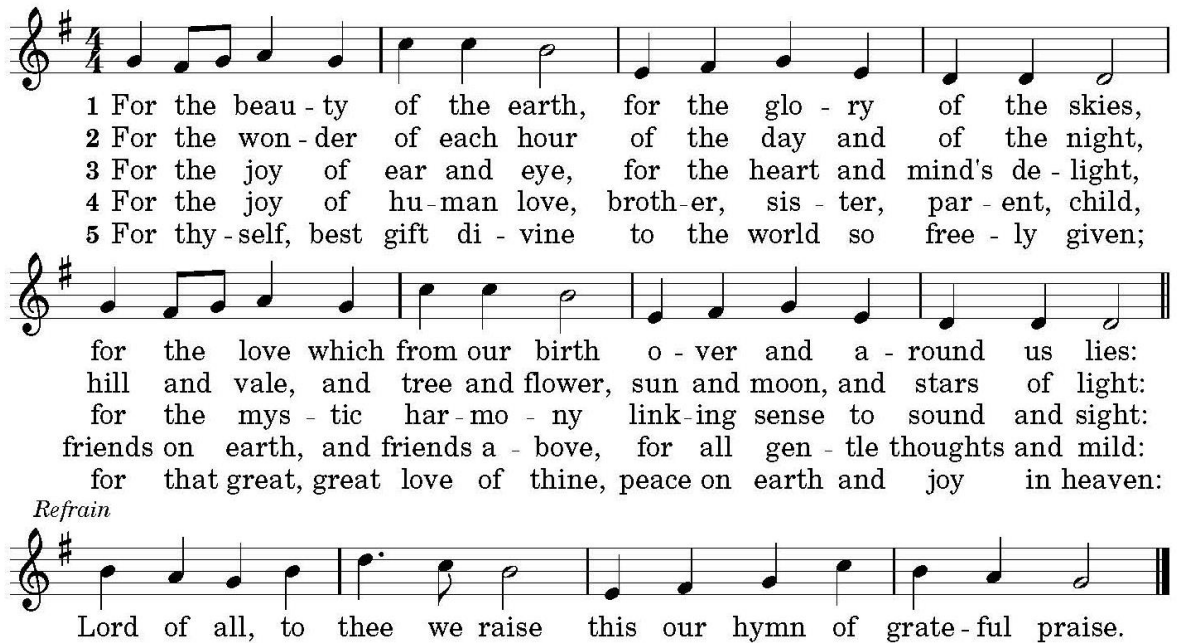
My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on

doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord  
*People: Thanks be to God*

**Gradual Hymn**

*For The Beauty of the Earth, vs. 1-3*



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;  
for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

*Refrain*  
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

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**Gospel**

*Matthew 22:1-14*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying:  
“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who

gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ*

**Sermon**

*The Reverend Mark Delcue*

## Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## Prayers of the People

### Diocese of Easton Discernment Prayer

*O God our Comforter, who guides us in the ways of justice and truth and holds us close in times of uncertainty: Inspire us with your grace and wisdom, that we might do everything*

*according to your will and ground ourselves in your love. Give us a sense of openness about the future ministries and mission of the Diocese of Easton. Help us remember that we do not hold all of the answers, nor do we need to. Encourage us when we are anxious about change, reminding us that all things are in your hands: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*

As faithful members of the body of Christ, let us now pray for the Church, the nation and the world. Saying, *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

Almighty God, we acknowledge you with grateful hearts and the One in whom we live and move and have our being. Thank you, O Lord, for your love, your goodness and your mercy. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind,

or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. In our weekly prayer intentions we pray for: (*read the names on the prayer list*)...

We pray for those in need of healing this day:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <i>Joel</i>             | <i>Fr. Ambrose Boyd</i> | <i>Peg Keller</i>                |
| <i>Ritzi Miller</i>     | <i>Dan O'Neill</i>      | <i>Stephanie Cooney Moorhead</i> |
| <i>Rich Wagner</i>      | <i>Jackson Beaumont</i> | <i>Sara Kadish</i>               |
| <i>Eleanor Dallam</i>   | <i>Courtney</i>         | <i>George Wadleton</i>           |
| <i>Michael Delean</i>   | <i>Polly Obermeier</i>  | <i>India</i>                     |
| <i>Donna Richards</i>   | <i>Everett Kimball</i>  | <i>Janet Wroten</i>              |
| <i>Betty Jo Mackart</i> | <i>John Dillon</i>      | <i>Leslie Howell</i>             |
| <i>Betty Mackart</i>    | <i>Ron Kaufman</i>      | <i>Suzanne Litty</i>             |
| <i>Elsbeth Ritchie</i>  | <i>Diane Lapp</i>       |                                  |

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart.(*pause*)... *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We remember especially the members of our military who died in service to our country and we pray for comfort and solace for their families.

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart...(*pause*) ... *Lord, hear our prayer.*

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people in the war torn areas of the world today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you will hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace. *Dear God, hear our prayer.*

*A period for personal meditation is observed*

*All: God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to all who wait or work in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make them the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring them courage to endure what cannot be avoided for your will is health and wholeness; you're God and we need you. Amen.*

*The Altar Flowers Are Given By Susan Dillon In Loving Honor of Daughter Lindsey's and Son-in-Law John's 26<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and Susie and John's 57<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

## **Confession**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

## **Absolution**

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ and strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **Peace**

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

*People: And also, with you.*

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Offertory**

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

L. Smith

### **Doxology** *(please stand)*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Presider: All things come from Thee O Lord.

*People: And of thy own we have given Thee.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them to the Lord.*

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Preface

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus

Arr. Malcolm Archer

Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord

God of pow - er and God of might

Heav - en and earth are full of Your glo - ry Ho

san - na in the high - est

9 Bles-sed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord Ho -

12 san - na in the high - est. Ho -

14 san - na in the high - est.

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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink

it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.  
**AMEN.**

## **The 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, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

Presider: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion** *(Prayed with those joining us from home and hospital bed)*

*My Jesus, I believe you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I reaffirm your presence in my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

### **Communion**

*Amazing Grace*

M. McConnell

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord. AMEN.*

### **Birthdays**

|                       |                                            |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Ellis Williams, 10/16 | Peg Keller. 10/18 her 100 <sup>th</sup> !! |
| Connie, 10/16         |                                            |

### **Anniversaries**

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| Beverly & Peter Rohman, 10/12 |  |
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### **Blessing**

## Recessional Hymn

### *Hymn O Jesus I Have Promised*



1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:  
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;  
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,  
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.  
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.  
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

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## Sending Forth

Go in laughter; go in grace. Keep the Lord in your heart and a smile on your face. The world needs our joy, Alleluia, Alleluia  
**Let us go to share it. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Postlude

*To God Be The Glory*

G. Parker

*Thank you Anne and Tom DeMarco for hosting  
Fellowship hour.*

*Thank you Rev. Mark for being with us today.*

*Save the Date! November 8, 5 pm  
Silent Movie With Tedde Gibson (Theatre Organist)  
Safety Last! starring Harold Lloyd  
A wonderful musical event featuring  
Holy Trinity's new organ!*

## Worship Service Schedule

*Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:00 am*

*First Sunday of the month 9:30 am*

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| <b><u>Monday - October 12</u></b> <b><u>HOLIDAY</u></b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>5:00 pm - Men's Inquiring Believers<br><b><u>Tuesday - October 13</u></b><br>7:30 am - Soupmasters<br>8:30 am - Intercessory Prayer<br>10:00 am Daughters of the King<br>4:00 pm - Mission Meeting<br><b><u>Wednesday - October 14</u></b><br>8:30 am - Lunch Bunch | <b><u>Thursday - October 15</u></b><br><b><u>Friday - October 16</u></b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>8:30 am - Vestry Meeting<br>10:00 am - Choir Practice<br><b><u>Saturday - October 17</u></b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b><u>Sunday - October 18</u></b><br>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist<br>10:00 am - Holy Eucharist |
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### Vestry Members

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Margot McConnell Sr.<br>Warden | Connie Greenhawk,<br>Secretary                             | Margaret Munsch,<br>Registrar |
| Dick Deerin,<br>Treasurer      | Bill Ritchie & Michelle<br>Mactavish, Co-Junior<br>Wardens | Gordon Fronk -<br>Emeritus    |
| Martha Callahan                | Tom DeMarco                                                | Susan Grauel                  |
| Dick Deerin                    | Art Dent                                                   | Trish Malin                   |
| Laura Cassidy                  | Walda Roseman                                              | Al Sikes                      |

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

| <b>Worship Leaders</b> | <b>8:00 am</b>                                                         | <b>10:00 am</b>    |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Reader                 | Michelle Mactavish                                                     | John Malin         |
| Acolyte                | Beverly Rohman                                                         | Mickey Terrone     |
| Usher                  | Marty Sikes                                                            | Rene Van Erven     |
| Vestry Greeter         | Dick Deerin                                                            | Michelle Mactavish |
| Altar Guild            | Kathy Becker, Susan Grauel, Suze Segal, Margaret Munsch, Maxine Millar |                    |
| Flower Guild           | Ingrid Blanton, Pam Dent, Susan Middleton, Karen Parker, Chloe Pitard  |                    |

