

Tenth Sunday of
PENTECOST

August 17, 2025



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PRELUDE

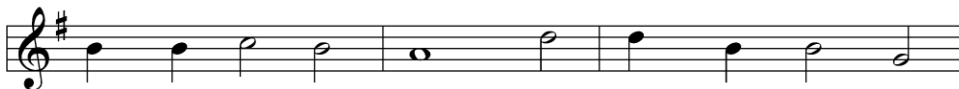
“Oh, For a Thousand Tongues”

Marilyn Biery

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” LSB 528 v. 1, 3-4, 6-7



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He
6 See all your sins on Je - sus laid; The
7 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love Be



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the
Lamb of God was slain. His soul was once an
now and ev - er giv'n By saints be - low and



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.
of - f'ring made For ev - 'ry soul of man.
saints a - bove, The Church in earth and heav'n.

INVOCATION *Matthew 28:19b*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely.

People: **Let us look to Jesus, who endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. *Heb 12:1-2, adapt.***

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- Pastor: By faith Abraham, when tested, was willing to offer up Isaac because he believed God would raise him from the dead. *Hebrews 11:17-19*
- People: **We confess that we have avoided many circumstances which might cause us hurt or sorrow, preferring easier roads and quieter paths. Forgive us, Lord, and strengthen our faith.**
- Pastor: By faith Moses chose to be mistreated with God's people rather than enjoying the treasures of Egypt and the pleasures of sin. *Heb 11:24-25*
- People: **We confess that we have put higher value on worldly wealth, easy living, and the approval of our friends than we have on standing with our Savior. Forgive us, Lord, and strengthen our faith.**
- Pastor: By faith people throughout the centuries have endured injustice, oppression, imprisonment, and death rather than renouncing their Lord. *Hebrews 11:32ff.*
- People: **We confess that we have preferred to turn blind eyes as our brothers and sisters in the faith have stood up for their Lord, while our words and our witness have been silent. Forgive us, Lord, and strengthen our faith.**
- Pastor: Look to Jesus! For us and our salvation He endured the cross, rose victorious over sin, death, and the power of the devil, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. *Hebrews 12:2* For His sake our heavenly Father has had mercy on us. Through Word and Sacrament the Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts that we may look to Jesus in every time of trial. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- People: ♪ **Amen.**

THE INTROIT *Psalm 55:1, 12–14, 16; antiphon: v. 22*

Pastor/Choir: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved. Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy! For it is not an enemy who taunts me—it is you, a man, my equal, my companion, my familiar friend. We used to take sweet counsel together; within God's house we walked in the throng. But I call to God, and the Lord will save me.

THE GLORIA PATRI

♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE KYRIE *Mt 9:27, 15:22*

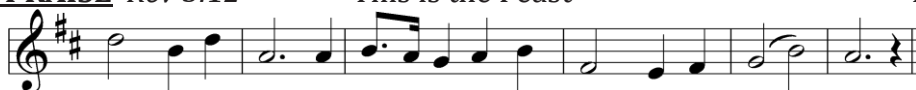
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People: **♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

HYMN OF PRAISE *Rev 5:12*

“This is the Feast”

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



C 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.



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



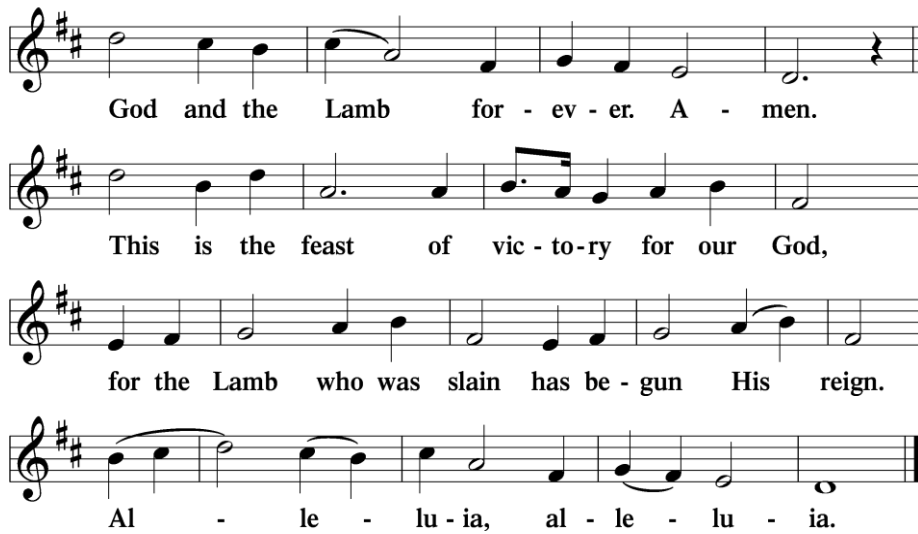
lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Loving God, You have kindled the fire of Your love among all the peoples of the earth. Grant that we who walk by faith in Jesus be kept by His peace in the midst of every tribulation and conflict with our fellow human beings; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns in communion and love with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Jeremiah 23:16-29

(The Lord rails against those who are listening to false prophets, who do not speak His Word of warning.)

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his

word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹ Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. ²⁰ The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹ "I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²² But if they had stood in my council then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds.

²³ "Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away? ²⁴ Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' ²⁶ How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷ who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:17-31, 12:1-3

(We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses who modeled faith for us.)

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ¹⁹ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²²By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not being

afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

²⁹By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies...

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM @10:30am

"Sing a New Song"

*Michael Praetorius
The Cathedral Choir*

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56

(Jesus has not come to bring peace on earth but to cause division.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

People:



⁴⁹ "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret

the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF THE LUTHERAN FAITH

The Augsburg Confession. Article XX.

On the side wall of the chancel is a fresco by Viggo Rambusch Studio, New York.

*It was created by stenciling with tempera powdered paint on wet plaster. The individual shields are the coat of arms of the **signers of the Augsburg Confession**, the restorers of the faith of the Apostles and Prophets.*

The Augsburg Confession—the declaration of the Lutheran faith—was signed in 1530, exactly 400 years before the dedication of this Historic Trinity sanctuary.

Pastor: Our works cannot reconcile God or merit forgiveness of sins, grace, and justification,

People: **but that we obtain this only by faith when we believe that we are received into favor for Christ's sake,**

Pastor: who alone has been set forth the Mediator and Propitiation (*1 Tim. 2:5*) in order that the Father may be reconciled through Him.

People: **Whoever, therefore, trusts that by works he merits grace, despises the merit and grace of Christ,**

Pastor: and seeks a way to God without Christ, by human strength, although Christ has said of Himself:

People: **I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.** (*John 14:6.*)

Pastor: This doctrine concerning faith is everywhere treated by Paul, Ephesians 2:8:

People: **By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of your selves; it is the gift of God, not of works.**

SERMON HYMN

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

LSB 940

This hymn is another variation of the Te Deum Laudamus (“to Thee O God, we praise”). The altar reredos of Historic Trinity is an artistic depiction of this hymn of praise. Authorship is traditionally ascribed to St. Ambrose, written for the baptism of Augustine of Hippo (North Africa), at about 387 AD. This German version (“Katholisches Gesangbuch”) of the Te Deum is from 1774, written in Vienna, translated in English around 1850 by Charles Walworth.

1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
 4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,
 bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
 three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,
 All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
 As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,
 vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
 bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
 bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

SERMON

“The Harrowing Halls and Walls”

Hebrews 11:29

Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski, Head Pastor

Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

OFFERTORY Ps 51:10-12

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We continue to gather offerings utilizing the offering receptacles (one at the back of the church and one at the Gratiot entrance in the parish hall), through the mail, and online.



VOLUNTARY

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

Paul Manz

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

9am continues with the benediction

† The Order of Holy Communion †

@10:30am

THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Tim. 4:22*

People:
☐ And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *Lam 3:41*

People:
☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *Ps 100:4*

People:
☐ It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all
places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is Himself our peace in the midst of
every tribulation and conflict with our fellow human beings. Therefore
with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud
and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:


SANCTUS *Is 6:3*

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♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.


THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

THE PAX DOMINI *Jn 20:19*

Pastor: The peace of Lord be with you all.
People:  Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI Jn 1:29

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 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION

For those with health concerns, there are gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic white wine available.

TWO STATION COMMUNION:

If you would like to receive communion at the altar, take the path to the left before the chancel step.

If you would like to receive communion in a continuous line, take the path to the right before the chancel step.

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

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1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's

wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of

lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

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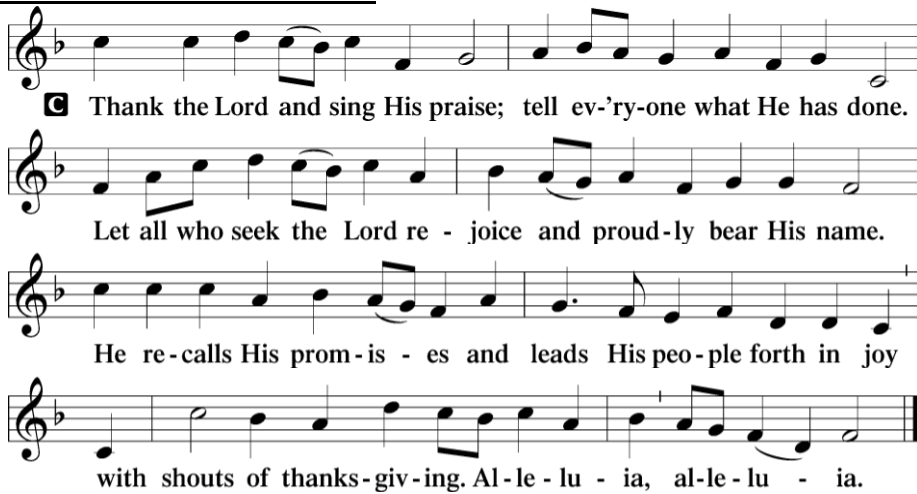
Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING


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Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Loving God, thank You for this Meal of ordinary bread and wine, which according to the words of Jesus are for us His very body and blood. Use this food of resurrection to bring peace in the midst of every division through faith in the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns in communion and love with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:  **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *Heb 12:1-2; Num 6:24-26*

Pastor: Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus,

People: **the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross.**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: 
 A-men, a-men, a - men.


RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

LSB 738



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
 Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
 Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:
 Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
 Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
 Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
 Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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POSTLUDE

“Grand Offertoire Solennel”

Charles Gounod