

September 22, 2024 10:00 am

18th Sunday after Pentecost

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We are blessed that you have joined us today.

Notes on worship:

BOLD type = people of God =You

Regular type = leader *Italic type = directions or explanations*

Introduction to the Day



Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it

concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Bellerose! We are so glad that you are here to worship with us either in person or online. If you are seeking a church to call home, welcome and we hope you find the comfort of Christ's Beloved Community here. If Pastor Analyse or the Prayer Team can provide any care for you at present, please reach out in person or at pastoranalyse@holytrinitybellerose.org or the church office at office@holytrinitybellerose.org.

~Please stand as you are able.~

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God.

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips,

but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ.

our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 613 vs. 1 & 3 Thy Holy Wings

1 Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me, and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee.
Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place, and let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.

Oh, wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood.
Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping thy children great and small, and while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE ELW 781 v. 1-2 Children of the Heavenly Father

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather; nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.
- God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish.
 From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

~Please be seated.~

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20 NRSV Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering. The first reading is from Jeremiah, beginning at the eleventh chapter.

¹⁸It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;

then you showed me their evil deeds.

19But I was like a gentle lamb

led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

²⁰But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,

who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 54

We will now read responsively Psalm 54.

¹Save me, O God, by your name;

in your might, defend my cause.

²Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,

those who have no regard for God.

⁴Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SECOND READING James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a NRSV

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

The second reading is from James beginning at the third chapter.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the

truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. ⁴:

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

~Please stand as you are able.~

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37 NRSV Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark beginning at the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and

said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

~Please be seated.~

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON

~Please stand as you are able.~

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 712 vs 1 & 3 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith saying the words of the Apostles' 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.

~Please remain standing as you desire, otherwise please be seated.~

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Loving God, you welcome all at your table of grace. Instill in your church a spirit of humility and curiosity, that we embrace all who seek you. We pray especially for ministries of hospitality and faith formation. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, you shape the world so there is more than enough for all. Curb our habits of overuse, and guide us toward more sustainable sources of energy, food, and water. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gracious God, your peace brings justice and solidarity. Encourage peace among peoples, tribes, and nations; heal divisions in our country and local communities, that together we might cooperate for the good of all. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your mercy is great.

Faithful God, you draw near to you all who are in need. Bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer especially Bob Sarro, Janice Rajgopaul, Ruth Nouza, Susan Henyan, Jackie Budds, Darrell Weller, Josh Dinkins, Stephen J. Behr, Allen Jennings, Jeff Slatkin, Linda Lago, Henry Kunz, Larry Fattorusso, John Pietler, Isaiah Soriano, Jackie Sanfedele, Funda Gedick, Rosetta Fiorello, Darone Edgecombe, Lorcan Nouza, and Hagin Nouza.. Receive our prayer, O God.

Transforming God, you accompany all through changes and transitions. Help us to see where you are calling this community to new ways of living the gospel promise; assure us that even as change brings loss, it also brings hope and life. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Wisdom has gathered us all to her self. Teach us your way of hospitality that we may receive the grace to see every human being as a child of God, regardless of race, language, or culture. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Merciful God, you embrace us on our final pilgrimage from this life. Accompany all who have died, console those who mourn, and at the last, show us the way to eternal life in you. Receive our prayer, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always! And also with you!

Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another. (In the method of your comfort level.)

~Please be seated.~

OFFERING

~Please stand as you are able.~

OFFERTORY HYMN ELW 531 v 1 & 2 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

1. The trumpets sound, the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin.

The gates of heaven are open wide, and Jesus welcomes you inside.

Refrain

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King. The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

2. Tables are laden with good things; oh taste the peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love divine; he'll turn your water into wine. Refrain

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.
Blessed are you, O God,
source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might; Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, 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.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

~Please be seated.~

COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's Table. We receive communion in the form of a wafer and a small cup of wine or grape juice. Please tell the ushers if you need the bread and wine brought to you. If you are not yet receiving communion, or do not wish to receive today, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Follow the usher's directions.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

COMMUNION HYMN ACS 978

God Welcomes All

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends. 3x

~Please stand as you are able.~

TABLE BLESSING & COMMUNION PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Let us pray.
Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

~Please be seated.~

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~Please stand as you are able.~

BLESSING

God all mighty,
God most merciful

→ bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 843

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light; praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight. Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease, calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

2 Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word; praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand; from this well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory;
praise the One who makes us one.

DISMISSAL

What is our Mission?

Welcoming all to grow in faith; living Christ's message of serving and loving neighbors near and far.

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We are blessed by your presence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

IN PERSON SERVICES every Sunday Live and via Facebook Live @ 10:00 am. You don't have to belong to Facebook to watch. Video will also be available on our interactive bulletin at: holytrinitybellerose.wordpress.com.

COUNCIL MEETING

Next meeting: October 8th @ 7:30 pm.

CA\$H & COCKTAILS

Thank you to Carol Robinson and all who made the CA\$H & COCKTAILS fundraiser possible!

OKTOBERFEST

Mark your calendars! Oktoberfest will take place on **Saturday**, **October 5**th from **11:30am-3:30pm**. See Carol Robinson, Julia Klarman, and Tom Weickert for more information.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Our annual pet blessing will take place **Sunday, October 6**th **after worship**. Pets are welcome to worship at 10am!

GENESIS BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study will continue through **Monday November 7**th. Join us at 10am or 7pm (except 10/14 & 10/21) as we look

at the first book of the bible! The book is \$15. **ADVENT CONCERT**

Holy Trinity will host an Advent Holiday Concert on Saturday, **November 16th at 2:30pm**. Tickets are \$20. The New York Children's Choir for Christ and other musicians will play. See Olivia Lu for more

CHURCH MERCHANDISE



info.

We have a webstore!
Apparel and accessory items
will ship either to your home or
the church

(Your choice!)

As a certified non-profit Holy Trinity receives money back for every item purchased.

Purchase Holy Trinity shirts, hats, mugs etc. by visiting https://www.bonfire.com/store/holy-trinity-lutheran-church-merch/ or scanning the QR code above.

YOUTH GROUP

The youth meet twice a month on the first and third Saturday's from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm for 2 - 8 grades and 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm for 9th grade and up. Contact Diane Gilroy for more information.

ALTAR GUILD

Looking for volunteers to help Denice & Pastor Analyse with Altar Guild responsibilities.

WOMEN'S GROUP

This group is women getting together to discuss relevant topics and books, spend time uplifting and supporting each other. Meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month from 7-9 pm. All are welcome. Any questions contact Carol Robinson or Denice Watkins.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

All positions available. Learn a new skill. The video camera is really user friendly. See Pastor for additional information.

YOGA PRACTICE

Yoga, Thursdays, at 7 pm in the Friendship Hall. One hour for only \$10. Contact Carol Robinson, 917-208-7340, for additional information.

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

- 5 Vanesa Mejia
- 6 Jackie Budds
- 7 Cheryl Albrecht
- 17 Susan Henyan
- 17 Bill Robinson
- 17 Evelyn Kimmich
- 18 Kelvin Persad
- 20 Emily Clark
- 20 Michael Giordano
- 21 Tom Weickert
- 23 Judy Lim-Leung
- 29 Juliana Daxland Herbe
- 29 Charlie Ng

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