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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost November 8 & 9, 2025

Welcome to Worship!

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The *worship bulletin* is intended to help guide us through our worship. Sections in **bold** print are for congregation response.

We believe our risen Lord Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of *Holy Communion* and we extend our Lord's invitation to all who are baptized to share in this meal.

Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please contact an usher if you need *communed in the pew*.

A *large print copy* of our worship service and *wireless sound enhancers* are available in the front narthex.



Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost November 8 & 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:15am (Broadcast, 98.7FM, 107.5FM, 1480AM, 910AM; Livestream @www.trinitylatrobe.com), Sunday 10:45am

Service of Holy Communion

(ELW Setting 1)

We worship on the first day of the week because Jesus was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

The prelude is a signal to end our conversation and prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Prelude and Silent Prayer

Sunday 10:45am "Happy Are They" Sleeth Men's Choir

Welcome and Announcements

(at the end of the bell peal, please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

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

Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

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

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(please kneel or remain seated as you are comfortable)

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Faithful God, you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.

Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. Amen.

(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

Gathering Hymn

"On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand"

ELW #437

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



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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(please be seated)

WORD

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

Children's Message

First Reading: Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Eighteen years before Haggai wrote, the Israelites returned from their 70-year exile in Babylon to find the temple destroyed and Jerusalem in ruins. Now the people were tired and the rebuilding project had stalled. Through Haggai's preaching, God put new life into the effort, which was ultimately successful.

^{15b} In the second year of King Darius, ^{2:1} in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: ² "Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say: 3 Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? ⁴ Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts, ⁵ according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. ⁶ For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land, ⁷ and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts. ⁸ The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts. ⁹ The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts, and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 145:1-5, 17-21 (Leader/**Assembly**: Saturday, spoken; Sunday, sung) *This psalm expresses the single-minded gratitude which Haggai encouraged, and which led to the re-construction of the temple.*

¹ I will exalt you, my | God and king, and bless your name forev- | er and ever.

² Every day will I bless you

and praise your name forev- er and ever.

³ Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

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⁴One generation shall praise your works | to another and shall de- | clare your power.

⁵ I will speak of the glorious splendor | of your majesty and all your | marvelous works.

17 You are righteous in | all your ways and loving in | all your works.

You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call up-on you faithfully.

You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.

You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians:2:1-5, 13-17

At the end of the church year, the readings focus on the end of time and last things. That is a theme of 2 Thessalonians, in which the apostle argues against those who say that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

(please stand to welcome the Gospel or remain seated as you are comfortable)



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

After Jesus entered Jerusalem to face his own death and resurrection, opponents from a variety of religious and political groups asked him trick questions, hoping to stump him or to maneuver him into giving unpopular answers.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 20th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

Sermon Pastor Jess Felici

Hymn of the Day (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

ELW #339

Apostle's 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 the People (please kneel or sit as you are comfortable)

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

The Peace (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

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

(share God's peace with one another and then be seated)

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Gathering of Gifts

As we move to the time in our worship where we offer our gifts to God's church, a portion of your offering supports our ministries of communicating, connecting, printing, and recordkeeping. This work not only keeps us functioning well as a congregation but joyfully connects us to one another.



If you prefer, scan the QR code to give online. You may then place a giving card from the pew in the offering plate as it passes by.

Anthem "Deep River" arr. Larson Choir

Offertory (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring"

ELW #691



- 1 Ac-cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up-on your ta-ble.
- 2 The vines were plant ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be fore you.

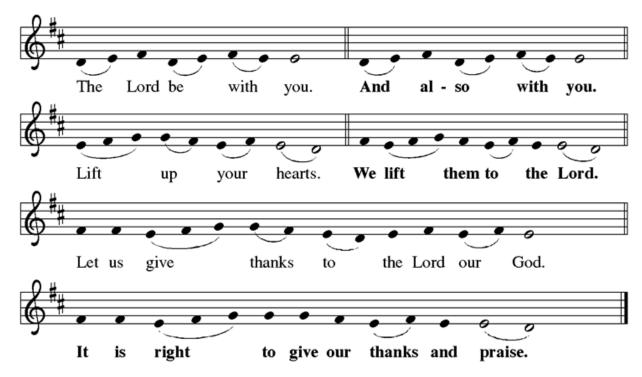


We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble. What once was com - mon, dail - y food be-comes a ho - ly trea-sure Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum-bly we a - dore you.

Offering Prayer

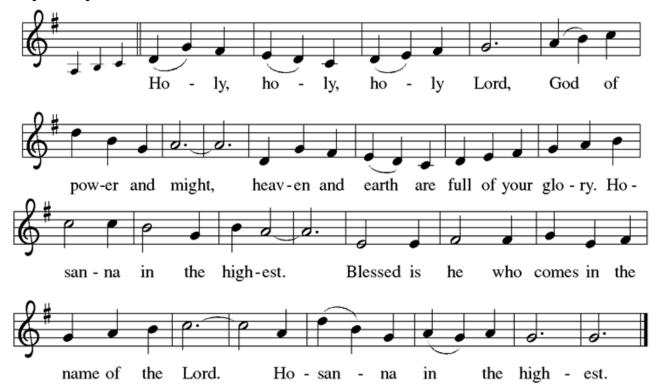
Let us pray. God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



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:

Holy, Holy, Holy



You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer

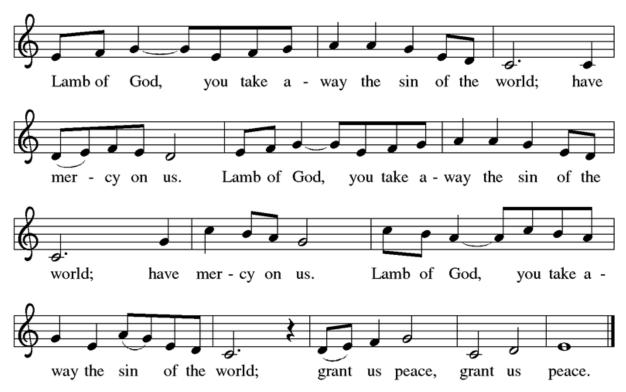
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Invitation to Communion

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

Lamb of God



(please be seated)

Distribution of Communion

To receive communion, please come down the center aisle, take a cup from the tray and gather at the altar rail. Receive the bread into your hand. Wine will be poured into your cup. The communion wine is gluten free. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. For those unable to receive wine, communion cups with water are available. Leave the altar rail, place your cup on the tray and return to your pew via the side aisles. If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please contact an usher. Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.



Table Blessing (please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)

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

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

The love of God the Father strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The Holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

ELW #890

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are dedicated to the Glory of God and Veterans past and present, given by the Fellowship Committee.

<u>THE BROADCAST THIS WEEK</u> is dedicated to the Glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Justin Hugo and Nicole Cramer, given by John and Gail Hugo and Carol McDowell.

Serving this Weekend

Preaching: Pastor Jason Felici **Presiding:** Pastor Jess Felici

Director of Music: Debbie Morley

Lectors: Saturday 5:30pm: Donna Showalter

Sunday 8:15am: Kathy Ferlin

Sunday 10:45am: Christina Andrae

Liturgical Deacons: Saturday 5:30pm: Kathe Houck

Sunday 8:15am: Kathy Ferlin, Evan Stemler Sunday 10:45am: Kathe Houck, Jim Zamerski

Ushers: Saturday 5:30pm: Jay Elder, John Elder, Linda McDowell,

David Rock, Isaiah Sherba

Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Rick Baldonieri,

Mark & Kathy Jones

Sunday 10:45am: Matt & Kelly Clever, Eli Clever, Becky Tomlinson

Acolytes: Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am:

Sunday 10:45am: Peyton Ingelido

Tellers: Sunday 8:15am: Gary Sheppard, Nancy McHenry, Carol McIntyre

Sunday 10:45am: Jane Lawson, Tim Potter, Marcia Salandro,

Kathy Sowatskey

Acolytes Serving Next Weekend November 15 & 16

Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am: Emma Felici, Brooke Rhoads

Sunday 10:45am: Ava Vought

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