All Saints Day

November 1, 2026 ▪ 9:30 am



Welcome to Trinity Church

We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community centred in the good news of Jesus. We invite you to join us for worship and to take up your place with us on our journey. We'd be glad of your presence and grateful for your company!

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Holy Communion

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	Thanks be to God.
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Serving Today

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Dr. Tanya Varner
Assisting Minister:	Randy Thomson
Greeter:	Kim Schmidt
Usher:	Brian Racho
Altar:	Pat Schmetzer
Musicians:	Jamie Courtney, Trinity Choir
Technology:	Lisa Hagen
Fellowship:	Melissa Racho

We acknowledge that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Neutral, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga peoples.

Liturgy of Remembrance

The assembly stands. The presiding minister begins.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.
For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

In the passing of minutes and hours, days and seasons, we remember them.
In the rising of the sun and its going down, we remember them.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.
In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

In the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.
In the rustling leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.

The assembly is seated.

We remember those Trinity members and friends who have died in the last year.

Ebba Peterson
Art Danner
Joyce Junker
Dagmar Otto
Timothy Berg
Gunther Hell
Jessica Klassen
Nancy Brodrecht
Muriel Weichel

We remember all those who enriched our lives by their presence, and whose names are now spoken in our hearts.

The assembly stands.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.
When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

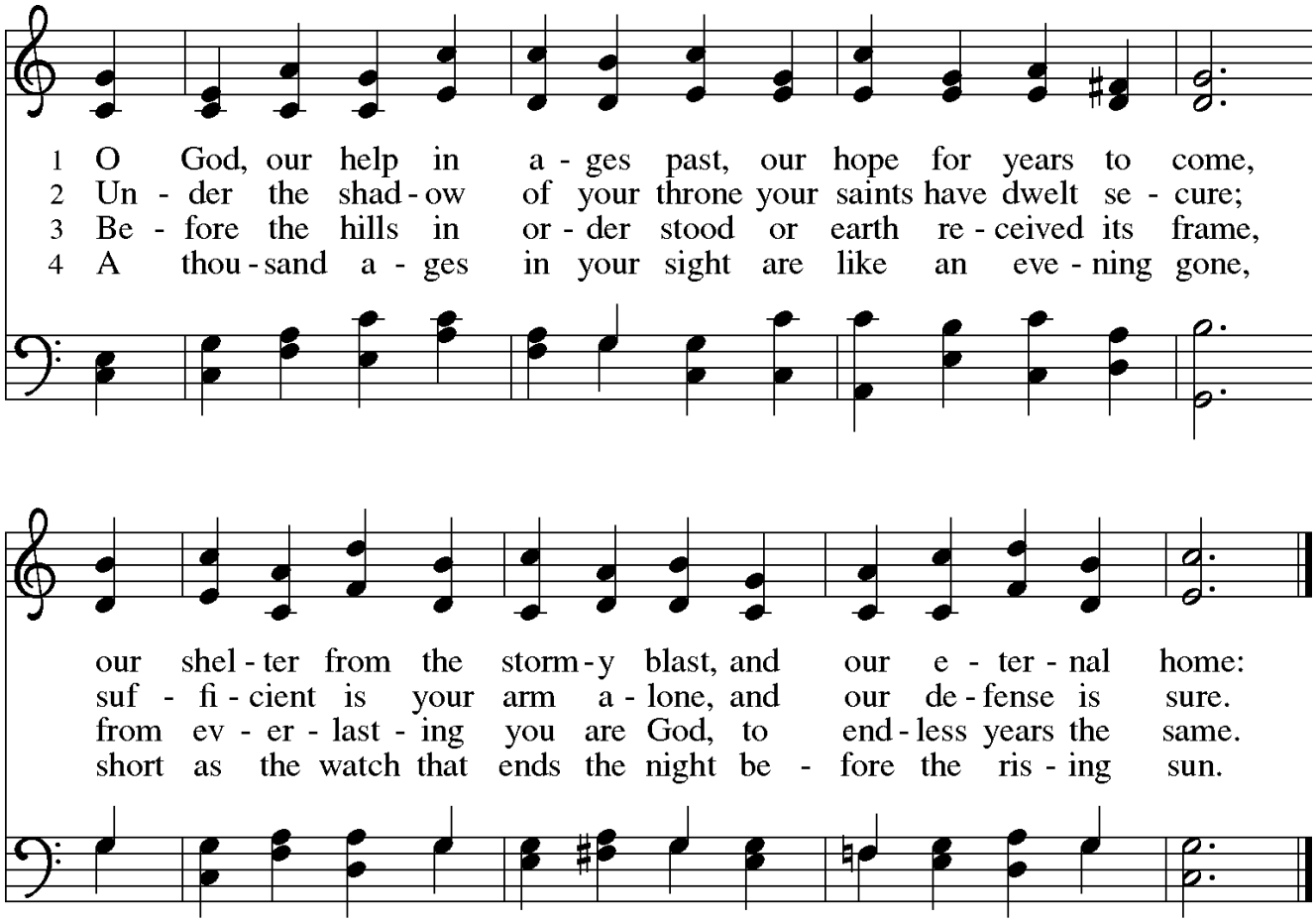
When we are sick and lost at heart, we remember them.
When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.

The presiding minister continues.

Siblings in Christ, as we remember and give thanks this day, we rejoice that it is God's remembrance which prompts and motivates our celebration. While our memories will fade, and we too will one day be remembered and then forgotten, God continues to name and keep all who have been claimed as God's children, even to the end of time. As we recall all who have lived and died in faith, and who are now in God's eternal keeping, let us look in hope to the One who sustains us on our journey and who, one day, will gather us all into a new heaven and a new earth.
Amen.



Gathering Song — O God, Our Help in Ages Past



5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

First Reading Revelation 7:9-17

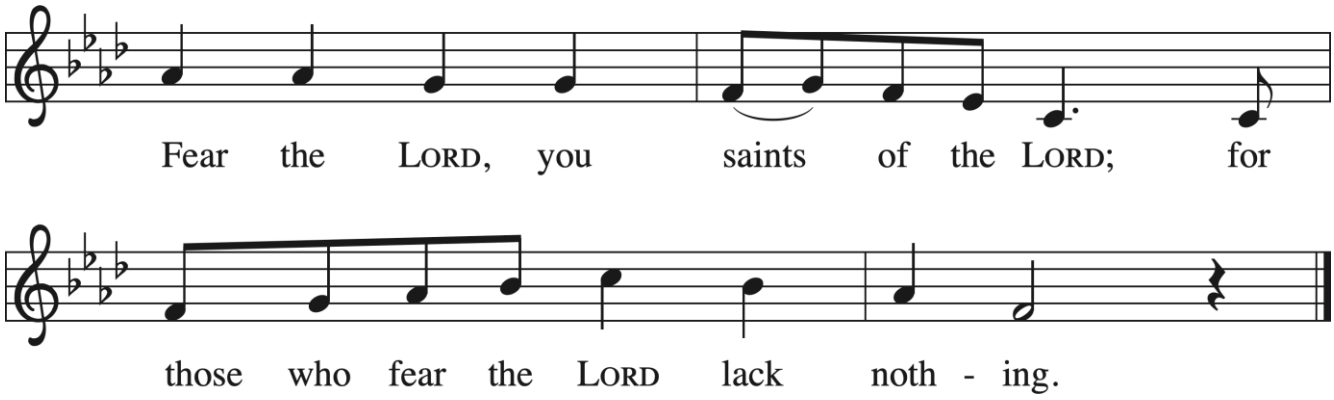
9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could
count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,
standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm
branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the
Lamb!"

11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the
four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and
worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in
white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the
one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out
of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in
the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10, 22



Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3

[1] See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



The choir sings the proper verse. The alleluias are repeated.

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat
down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them,
saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will
be filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter
all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for
your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the
prophets who were before you."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**


1 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!
2 Some march with e - vents to turn them God's way;
3 Re - joice in those saints, un - praised and un - known,
4 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!
A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.
some need to with - draw, the bet - ter to pray;
who bear some - one's cross, or shoul - der their own:
A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.
Their faith in ac - quir - ing the hab - it of prayer,
some car - ry the gos - pel through fire and through flood:
they share our com - plain - ing, our com - forts, our cares:
In lov - ing, in liv - ing, they prove it is true:
their depth of a - dor - ing, Lord, help us to share.
our world is their par - ish, their pur - pose is God.
what pa - tience in car - ing, what cour - age is theirs!
their way of self - giv - ing, Lord, leads us to you.

Prayers of Intercession

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us, especially Pastor Tanya.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace, especially in the Holy Land, Columbia, Cameroon, Myanmar, Ukraine, Russia, Congo, Sudan, and Chad. In all places, raise up leaders in who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and protect the vulnerable.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness, especially Lyle, Steve, Dorothea, Christine, Gwen, Stan, Diane, Jacob, Mary, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors, especially Ebba, Art, Joyce, Dagmar, Timothy, Gunther, Jessica, Nancy, and Muriel. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, our Lord.
Amen.


1 God of the fer - tile fields, sha - per of
2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in
earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your
trust from you all that you give; help us in
boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,
love to share, teach us like you to care
that all in ev - 'ry land be clothed and fed.
for peo - ple ev - 'ry - where, that all may live.

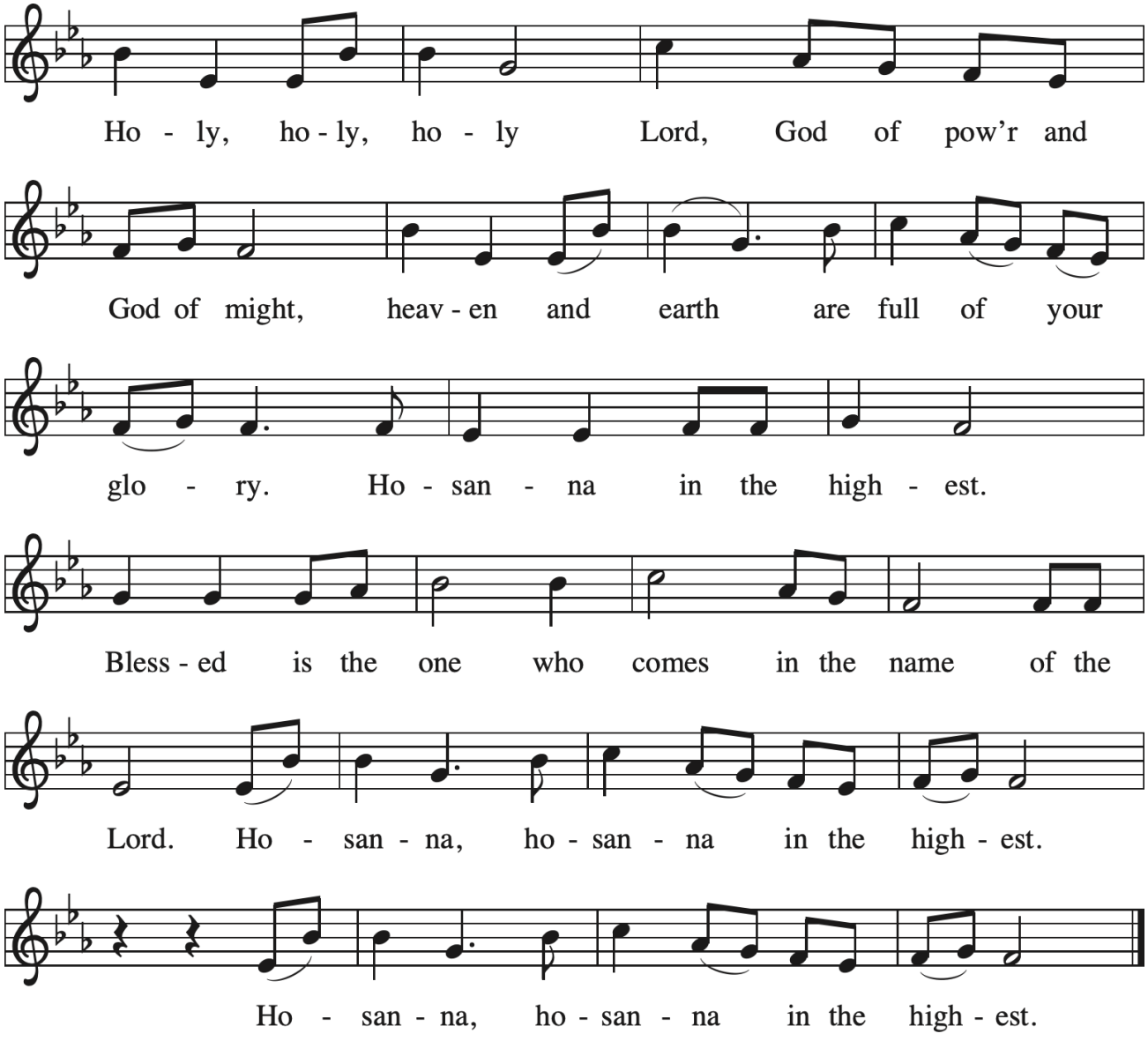
Dialogue

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

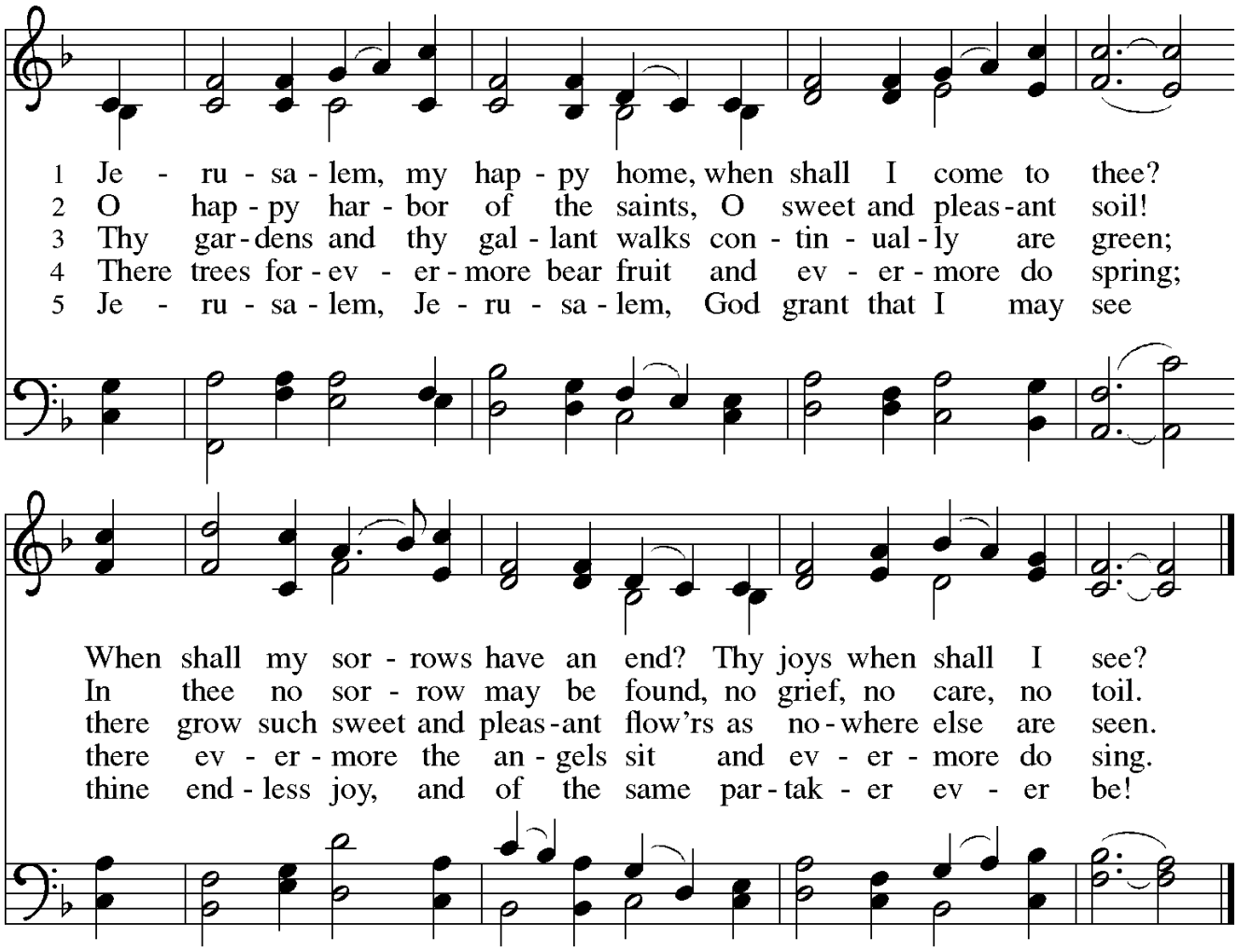
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy



Lord's Prayer

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.


1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may see
When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.
there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.
there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.
thine end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er be!

Communion Song For All Your Saints, O Lord



Communion Song Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In




1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es to praise my
2 Let ev - 'ry pow'r in me im - plant - ed a - rise, keep
3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der that dance for
4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that throng the
5 Cre - a - tor, hum - bly I im - plore you to lis - ten
God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -
si - lence now no more; put forth the strength that God has
joy in sum - mer air, you mead - ow grass - es, bright and
earth, the sea, the sky, come, share with me my heart's de -
to my earth - ly song un - til that day when I a -
joic - es, would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -
grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore! O soul and
slen - der, you flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, you live to
vo - tion, help me to sing God's prais - es high! My ut - most
dore you, when I will join the an - gel throng and raise to
ev - er I might be, what great things God has done for me!
bod - y, join to raise with heart - felt joy your mak - er's praise!
show forth praise a - lone. Join me to make God's glo - ry known!
pow'rs can nev - er quite de - clare the won - ders of God's might!
you with joy - ful cry ten thou - sand hal - le - lu - jahs high!

+ Sunday to Sunday

1 – Sunday	9:30 am	**Hybrid Worship + All Saints Sunday**
	10:30 am	Coffee, Juice, and Conversation
	10:45 am	Visioning Task Team: Redevelopment Information Session
2 – Monday	5:00 pm	Karate
	6:30 pm	Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal
3 – Tuesday	10:30 am	Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Karate
4 – Wednesday	10:00 am	Wilmot Indigenous Relations Interfaith Working Group
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Class
	5:15 pm	Music Together
5 – Thursday	8:45 am	Music Together
	9:30 am	NVMA Rostered Leaders (St. Luke's, Kitch.)
	10:30 am	*Reclaiming the "L" Word* Book Study (in-person)
	7:00 pm	Trinity Choir Rehearsal
7 – Saturday	7:45 am	Music Together
	7:00 pm	AA
8 – Sunday	9:30 am	**Hybrid Worship + Pentecost 24**
	10:30 am	Coffee, Juice, and Conversation
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	10:45 am	Special Congregational Meeting
	2:00 pm	Nithview Worship

✝ Remembering the Saints

We offer a warm welcome to those joining us to remember a friend or loved one on this All Saints Sunday. If you require any assistance, please speak to a member of our leadership team.

All are welcome at God's table for Holy Communion. Bread is offered, plus a gluten-free option is available as requested from the pastor. Wine is offered in small glasses, which, once used, may be deposited in the vessels at the side aisles.

✝ Visioning Information Session, Congregational Meeting

Today at 10:45 am, the Visioning Task Team will make a presentation on a possible development project for our Trinity properties. Then, on Sunday, November 8th at 10:45 am, Trinity's Church Council has called a special congregational meeting to consider and vote on the proposal. Per Trinity's constitution, only those Trinity members who are in-person may vote on November 8th; proxy voting is not permitted.

✝ Trinity's Advent Choir: An Invitation

Love to sing? Have some time on Thursdays and Sundays for a few weeks? Trinity Choir extends an invitation to folks to join our ranks for a short-commitment engagement for the Sundays of Advent (starting November 29th), plus Christmas Eve. We'll rehearse this music on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm starting November 19th. Need to miss a Sunday, or out of town Christmas Eve – no problem! – speak to Minister of Music Jamie Courtney for more details.

+ Endowment Fund Requests

Trinity's Endowment Fund has a legacy of supporting projects that extend our mission and ministry into the wider community. At the annual meeting each February, the congregation votes to distribute the previous year's investment proceeds. Oftentimes we support a dozen or more causes and projects.

As we move towards the end of the year, the Endowment Fund Committee invites members of the congregation to submit proposals for where might offer support from the proceeds of the Endowment Fund. While it is unknown until the end of the year how few or how many dollars are available to distribute, the committee will begin assessing potential recipients in December.

Any suggestions should be submitted, in writing, to the Pastor Tanya by November 30th. The Committee then prepares a list for the congregation's consideration at the Annual Meeting in the new year.

+ Offering Statements

Offering statements will be mailed in the coming days to those who made offerings from January through October. Please review the statement and report any errors to the church office.

As we head into the final weeks of the fiscal year, and our two months with the largest budgets for offering income, please consider if your offerings have met your goals for 2026. We are grateful for all those who give so generously to support the mission and ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church.

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+ Trinity's Annual Season of Giving

Each November and December we participate in several community projects at Trinity. This year we will continue the tradition of generosity in our community. Here are the projects for this year. All items can be left in the bins in the stairwell at the main entrance starting November 15th.

Gifts for Holiday Hampers
in support of Wilmot & Wellesley Resource Centre; due December 6th
Help us prepare gifts for families in need. All items need to be brand new and unwrapped. Here are a few ideas for all ages…books, craft kits, kid or adult colouring books, small toys, stuffed animals, bubble bath, puzzles, candy, board games card games, bath or lotion gift sets, card games.

Warm Woollies
in support of Wilmot & Wellesley Resource Centre; due December 6th
Keep folks warm in our community. We're accepting new or homemade hats, mitts, and scarves. Children, youth, and adult sizes welcomed.

Men's Socks
in support of House of Friendship; due December 13th
Keep feet dry and warm this winter! We're accepting new men's socks… consider purchasing bulk packages for maximum impact.

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