

Welcome to
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



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July 5th, 2026

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

A Total Ministry Congregation

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Our Mission: To seek, know, love and serve
Christ in all persons and all Creation.

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Bishop of Minnesota: The Rt. Rev. Craig Loya

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Services can also be viewed on KCC-TV***

Within the Reign of God

Verses



1. Come now, the feast is spread; in Je - sus' name we break the bread.
2. Stand up and do not fear, for Christ is tru - ly pres - ent here.
3. Wel - come the weak and poor, the sin - ner finds an o - pen door,
4. All fear and ha - tred ends and foes be - come our faith - ful friends,



Here shall we all be fed
Heav - en is tru - ly near
none judged, and none ig - nored with - in the reign of God.
just as our God in - tends



Come take this ho - ly food; re - ceive the bod - y and the blood.
Now at the wed - ding feast, the great - est here shall be the least.
Here shall the wea - ry rest, the stran - ger be a wel - come guest.
All you who seek God's face are wel - come in this ho - ly place;



Grace is a might - y flood
All bonds shall be re - leased
So shall we all be blest with - in the reign of God.
join in the feast of grace

Refrain



Bless - ed are they who will feast in the reign of God.



Bless - ed are they who will share the bread of life.



Bless - ed are they who are least in the reign of God;



they shall re - joice at the feast of life.

(Lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People)

Celebrant: Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant says

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 Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God in the high -
est, and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. will. A - men. A - men.
1. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we
1. glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,
1. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa - ther.
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,
2. Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world,

2. have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world,

2. re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand,

2. the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.

3. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

3. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly to Coda or Refrain

3. Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war-horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalms 145:8-15

828 The Hand of God

Refrain



The hand of God feeds us, heals us, the hand of God!

Verse 1

Cantor:



1. All your works praise you, your faith - ful ones bless you!



Let all pro-claim your glo - ry, your pow - er, your king-dom!

Verse 2

Cantor:



2. All eyes look to you, you feed us in due sea - son.



You come with o - pen hands to feed your cre - a - tion!

Verse 3

Cantor:



3. You are just in all things, lov - ing and ho - ly.



You are near to all who call your name, who cry out in love and truth!

Second Reading

Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

All who are able, please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said,] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

All who are able, please stand.

People and Celebrant

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 the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

Come to prayer, all who labor and are heavy laden, and God will give us rest. Come to praise, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for the revelation of your gift of abundant life and for the rest coming to those who put their trust in you. For such life and rest,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for entrusting us with the message of grace, that we might speak a reconciling word to our age. For such mercy,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for leading us into the ways of peace and for transforming weapons of war into tools of charity. For such peacemaking,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for the people of faith who surround us and for the family and friends, teachers and clergy who assist our growth in grace. For such companions through life,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for the gifts of creation and for wholesome times of recreation. For such times of harmony,

Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for those who tend the sick, accompany the frustrated, visit the lonely, comfort the dying, confront the addicted, or minister to any in need. For such attention to human anguish,

Lord, hear our prayer.

We thank you for sustaining all who are oppressed, all who suffer for reasons of conscience, all who are passionate for justice. For such signs of the coming kingdom,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those in any need, especially Nancy & Greg Hunter, Eddie Blaha, Dixie Kinnear, Tia Martins, Ashley Kostiuik, Kris & Steve McClenney, Robin Monahan, Karen Race, Michael Valdez, Meghan Finlayson, Mike Solomon, Wade Howe, Dave Karraffa, Karen Cendejas, & Sue Vidor. Let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who will go to ECMN camps and all who are embarking on mission projects during the summer. Please also pray for all lay and ordained leaders engaged in Faithful Innovation and Mustard Seed, and those planting New Christian Communities. For St. Johns' Anglican Church (*Fort Frances, Ontario*), and Salvation Army (Int'l Falls). Let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Silence

Confession of Sin

All who are able, please kneel.

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

**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.**

The Priest stands and says

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Announcements

Holy Communion

The celebrant says

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us.

All who are able, please stand

Offertory Hymn

LESS OF ME *Glen Campbell*

Let me be a little kinder, let me be a little blinder
To the faults of those around me, let me praise a little more.
Let me dream when I am weary, just a little bit more cheery,
Think a little more of others and a little less of me.

Let me be a little braver when temptation bids me waver,
Let me strive a little harder to be all that I should be.
Let me be a little meeker with another that is weaker,
Let me think more of my neighbor and a little less of me.

Let me dream when I am weary, just a little bit more cheery,
Let me serve a little better those that need someone to care.
Let me journey with the seekers, let me understand the keepers,
Think a little more of others and a little less of me

Prayers Over The Gifts

Gracious God, accept these Gifts from your people in gratitude for all your blessings poured out upon us. **Amen**

All who are able, please remain standing

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant proceeds (Lines in **Bold** are spoken by the People)*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

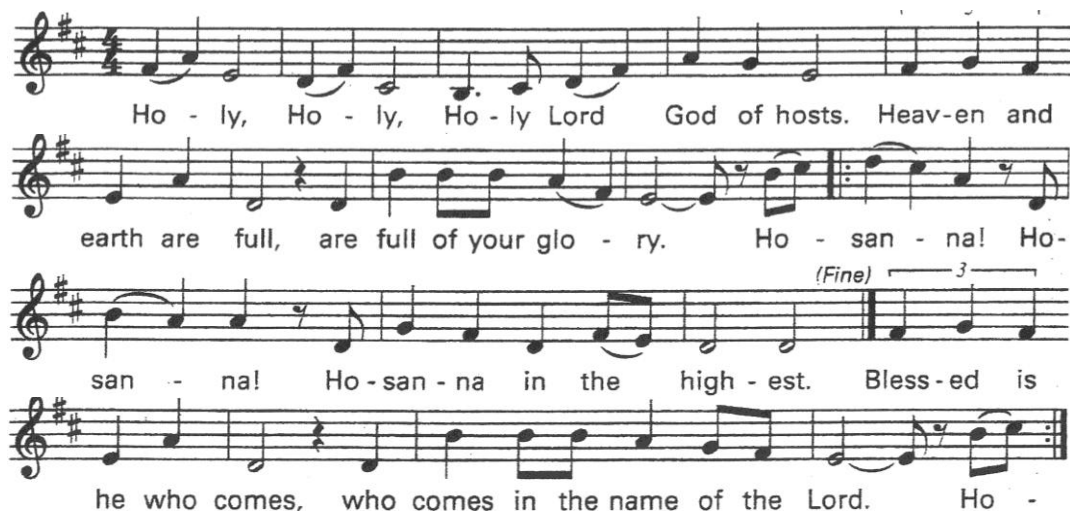
By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

Amen

Mass of Christ The Savior

Dan Schutte



The people may stand or kneel.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**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 for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the bread
A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Celebrant says
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion is open to everyone

Communion Hymn

COME TO ME, ALL WHO ARE WEARY

Dan Schutte



Come un-to me, all who are wea-ry, and find rest for your soul.



Come to me all who are bur-dened; you shall learn from me.



1. Take my yoke up-on your shoul-ders; do not be a-fraid,
2. I have come not for the strong but for sin-ners frail;



1. for I will gent-ly teach you of the ways of the Lord.
2. the pow-er-less shall be fav-ored in the eyes of the Lord.



3. You shall come to know se-cret things hid-den from the wise.



3. And child-ren shall be ru-lers in the land of the Lord.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All who are able, please stand or kneel

Celebrant and People

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

Remember that life is short and we haven't much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Verses 5 & 6

Within the Reign of God



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3. Wel - come the weak and poor, the sin - ner finds an o - pen door,
4. All fear and ha - tred ends and foes be - come our faith - ful friends,
5. Sing out the ju - bi - lee when those en - slaved are all set free,
6. One earth, one ho - ly band, one fam - 'ly as our God has planned,



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Heav - en is tru - ly near
none judged, and none ig - nored with - in the reign of God.
just as our God in - tends
chil - dren of God are we
all share the prom - ised land



Come take this ho - ly food; re - ceive the bod - y and the blood.
Now at the wed - ding feast, the great - est here shall be the least.
Here shall the wea - ry rest, the stran - ger be a wel - come guest.
All you who seek God's face are wel - come in this ho - ly place;
No more can we for - get the ones who bear life's crush - ing debt;
Come now, the feast is spread, in Je - sus' name we break the bread;



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All bonds shall be re - leased
So shall we all be blest with - in the reign of God.
join in the feast of grace
God's jus - tice guides us yet
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Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Next Sunday: July 12th ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist



***July 5th - 11th ~ Stephanie Fort
~ Sheila Shoquist***



July 8th ~ Rev Lynn Naeckel

***Congratulations to you: May your faith be true &
may God's love and blessing descend upon you!***