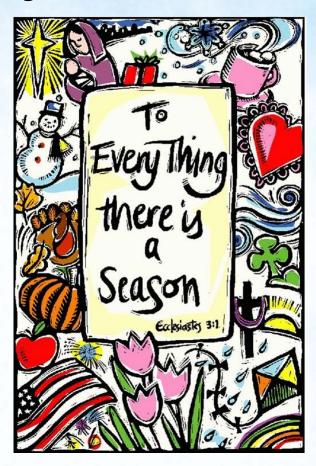
### WELCOME! Trinity Lutheran Church



August 6, 2023 Ecclesiastes

- \* = Please stand if able
  - = Please be seated
- Prelude By Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism...

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: God of wisdom and grace,

C: Too often we have sought happiness in all the wrong places. We have put our own needs above the needs of others. We have ignored your pleas to care for one another and have fought to care only for ourselves. We have forgotten to trust in you.

C: Forgive us for our selfishness, our immaturity, and our blatant disregard for others. Restore us by your grace. Amen.

L: Our God sees and knows our sin.
But God also sees and loves our
humanity. On this day I proclaim to
you the entire forgiveness of all
your sin, given as a gift of joy by a
wise and loving God.

C: Amen.

# \* Gathering Song

"Morning Has Broken" ELW 556 1 Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

3 Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning, born of the one light **Eden saw play!** Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning, God's recreation of the new day!

#### \* APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

#### \* KYRIE

Lord,

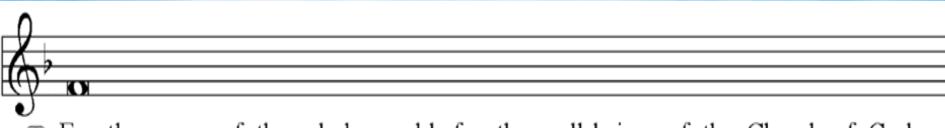
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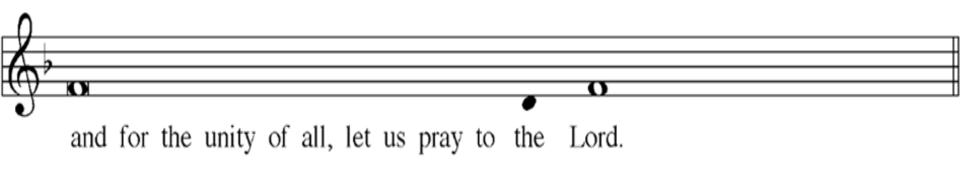
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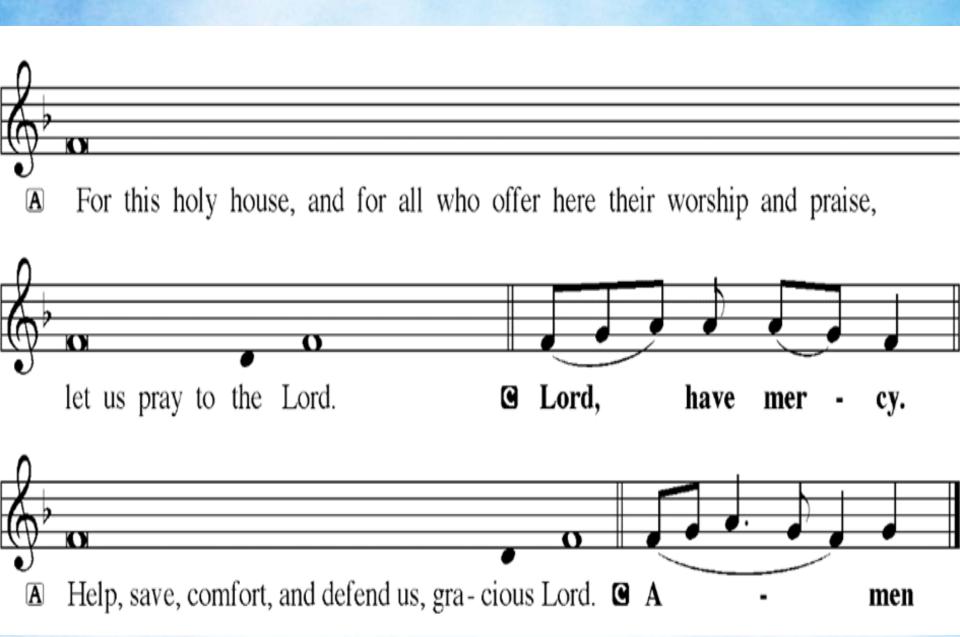


A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,





### \* KYRIE



#### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

#### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

#### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

#### \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... God of all seasons, there is a time and a place for every human experience. Help us to appreciate all that this life brings, to endure suffering, and to revel in joy, in Jesus name.

#### C: Amen





# Scripture Reading

R: The Scripture reading for today is from the Book of Ecclesiastes chapters 1 and 3

C: Glory to you O' Lord! (Spoken)

### Chapter 1

The words of the Teacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. <sup>3</sup>What do people gain from all the toil at which they toil under the sun?

<sup>4</sup>A generation goes, and a generation comes, but the earth remains forever.

### Chapter 1

<sup>5</sup>The sun rises and the sun goes down, and hurries to the place where it rises. <sup>6</sup>The wind blows to the south, and goes around to the north; round and round goes the wind, and on its circuits the wind returns. 7All streams run to the sea, but the sea is not full; to the place where the streams flow, there they continue to flow. 8All things

are wearisome; more than one can express; the eye is not satisfied with seeing, or the ear filled with hearing. <sup>9</sup>What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done; there is nothing new under the sun. 10 Is there a thing of which it is said, "See, this is new"? It has already been, in the ages before us. 11The people of long ago are not

remembered, nor will there be any remembrance of people yet to come by those who come after them.

### Chapter 3

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: <sup>2</sup>a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; <sup>3</sup>a time to kill, and a

time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; 4a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; 5a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; <sup>6</sup>a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; 7a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to

keep silence, and a time to speak; 8a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace. 9What gain have the workers from their toil? <sup>10</sup>I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. <sup>11</sup>He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has

done from the beginning to the end. 121 know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; <sup>13</sup>moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil. 141 know that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it; God has done this, so that all

should stand in awe before him. <sup>15</sup>That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already is; and God seeks out what has gone by.

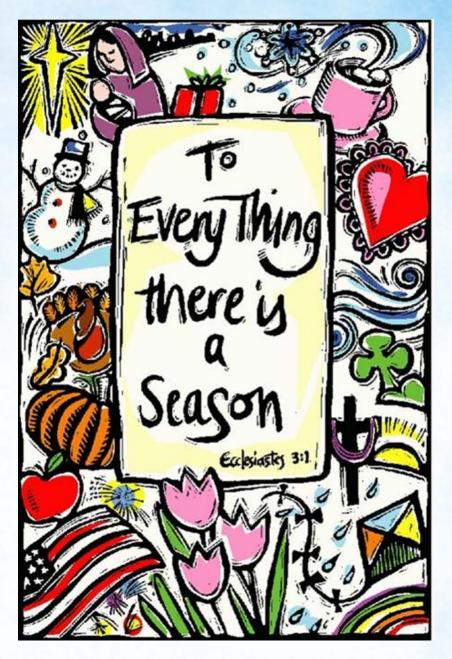
<sup>16</sup>Moreover I saw under the sun that in the place of justice, wickedness was there, and in the place of righteousness, wickedness was there as well.

<sup>17</sup>I said in my heart, God will judge the righteous and the wicked, for he has appointed a time for every matter, and for every work.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)

### Sermon



\* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- \* APOSTLE'S CREED
- C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

### \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

### \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: 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 INTERCESSION

Each petition will end with the words,

A: God of wisdom,

The congregation will respond with:

C: In mercy, hear our prayer.

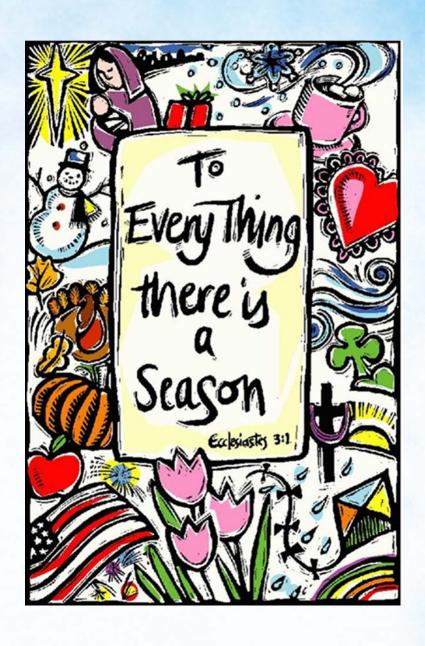
#### \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

# The prayer concludes...

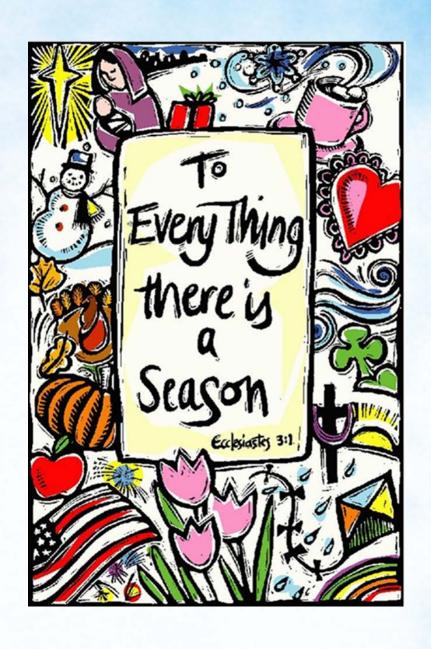
P: Into your hands, loving God, we lift all for whom we pray, confident in your grace and mercy, through our savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

# OFFERING



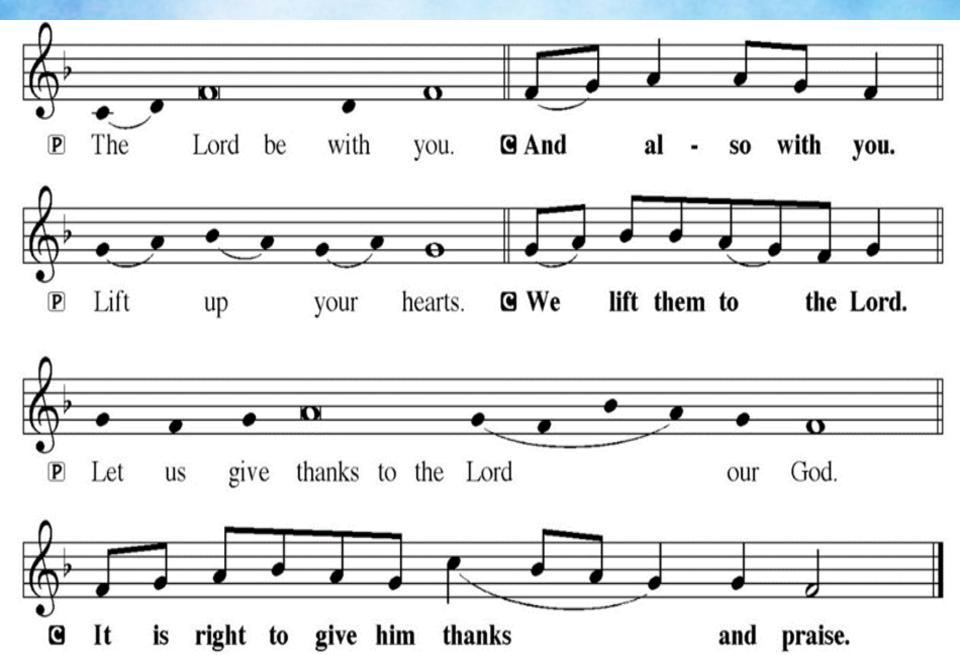
# \* OFFERING PRAYER



### \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All the Baptized are welcome to celebrate this Holy Meal.

# \* DIALOGUE

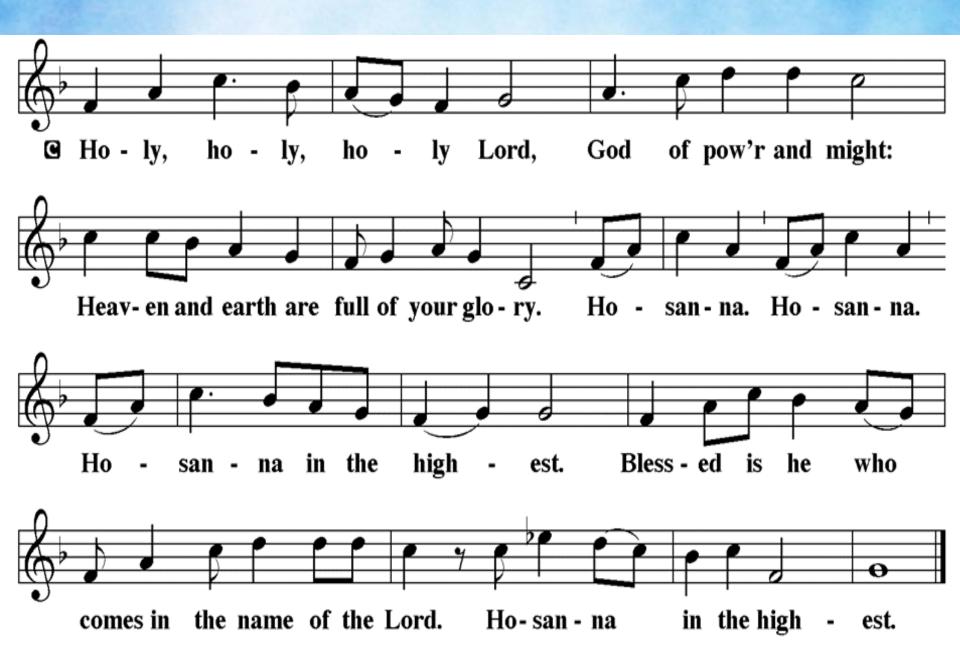


# \* THE PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

# \* THE SANCTUS



#### \* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God...

...both now and forever.

C: Amen.

### \* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

# \* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# \* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: In Jesus Christ, there is a time to feast at this holy table, and that time is now. Come, for Jesus is calling you to partake in his very presence in this bread and wine, for the sake of all creation.

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All will commune "At the Railing".

The bread may be broken for distribution.

As the ministers give the bread and wine,
they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: Amen.

# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE

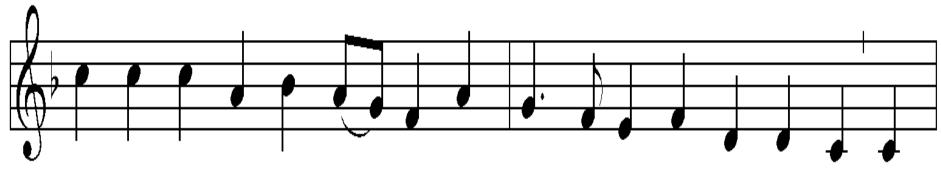


Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.

# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE



He re-calls his prom- is - es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy with

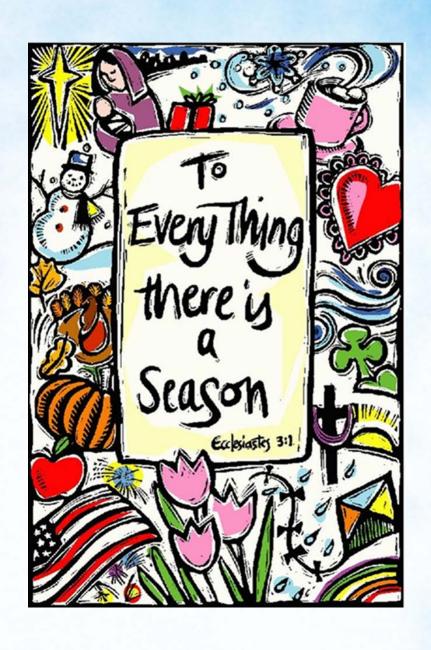


### \* POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray... We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C: Amen

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

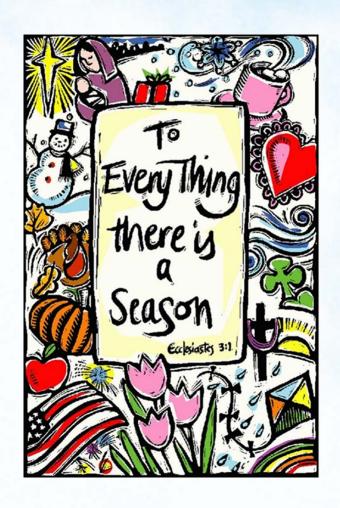


# \* SENDING BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

# \* Sending Song "For the Beauty of the Earth" LBW 561



1 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

#### Refrain

\* "For the Beauty of the Earth"

**LBW 561** 

2 For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:

#### Refrain

**LBW 561** 

3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:

#### Refrain

4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild:

5 For yourself, best gift divine to the world so freely giv'n; agent of God's grand design, peace on earth and joy in heav'n:

#### Refrain

\* DISMISSAL

P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.

C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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