

**CHURCH OF THE TRINITY  
Coatesville  
in the  
Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania**

*Church of the Trinity is a congregation  
rooted in the faith and love of Christ,  
unified in diversity,  
seeking to grow and nourish  
the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.*



*"For whenever two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."*

**September 10, 2023**

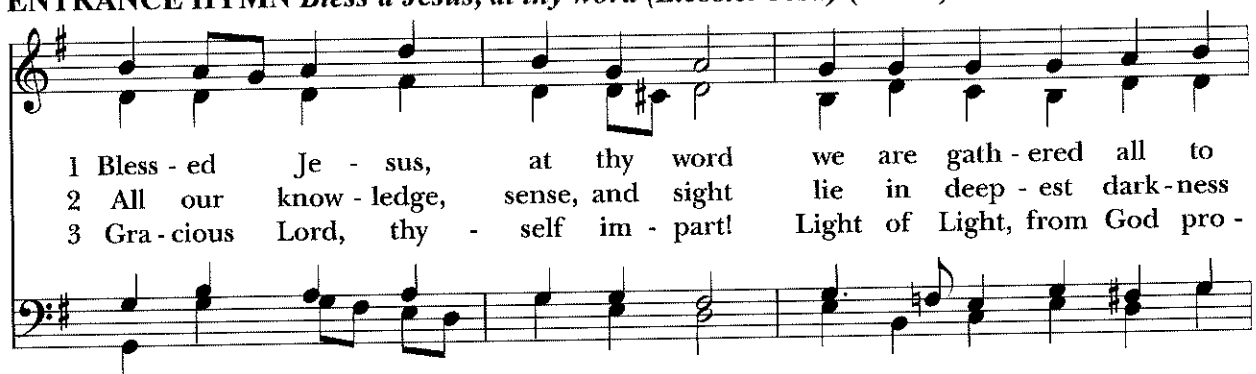
**9:30 AM**

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 18

## PRELUDE

### Entrance Rite

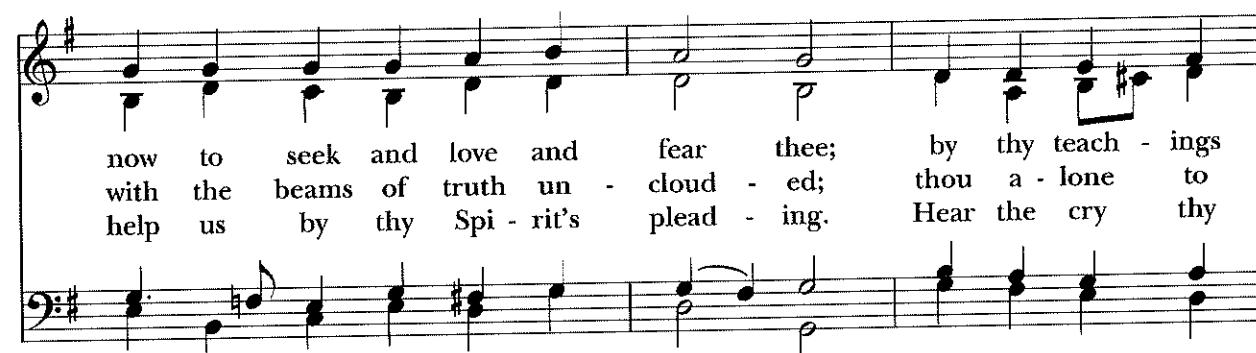
#### ENTRANCE HYMN *Bless'd Jesus, at thy word (Liebster Jesu)* (H 440)



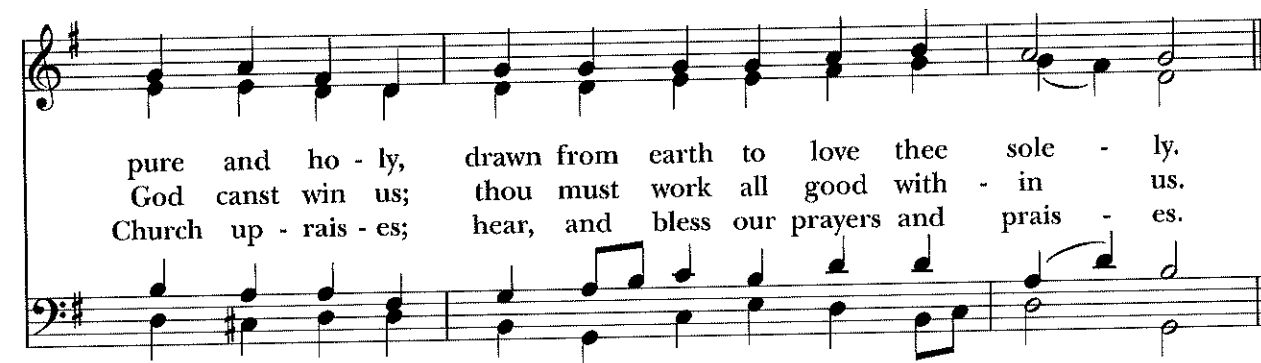
1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -



hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,



now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy



pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant*      Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.  
*People*          **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE (LEVAS #58)

*The following is sung, all standing*

*The Lord is my light and my salvation,  
the Lord is my light and my salvation,  
the Lord is my light and my salvation,  
whom shall I fear?*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

<sup>7</sup>So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

<sup>10</sup>Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" <sup>11</sup>Say to them, "As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?"

*Reader*          The Word of the Lord.  
*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

**PSALM: Psalm 119:33-40**

*Remain seated.*

<sup>33</sup>Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, \*  
**and I shall keep it to the end.**

<sup>34</sup>Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; \*  
**I shall keep it with all my heart.**

<sup>35</sup>Make me go in the path of your commandments, \*  
**for that is my desire.**

<sup>36</sup>Incline my heart to your decrees \*  
**and not to unjust gain.**

<sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; \*  
**give me life in your ways.**

<sup>38</sup>Fulfill your promise to your servant, \*  
**which you make to those who fear you.**

<sup>39</sup>Turn away the reproach which I dread, \*  
**because your judgments are good.**

<sup>40</sup>Behold, I long for your commandments; \*  
**in your righteousness preserve my life.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (Caribbean/Sedio)***

*All stand.*

***Halle, halle, hallelujah!***  
***Halle, halle, hallelujah!***  
***Halle, halle, hallelujah!***  
***Hallelujah! Hallelujah!***

**GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20**

*All stand.*

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] <sup>15</sup>“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup>But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup>If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup>Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup>Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup>For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Deacon        The Gospel of the Lord.  
People        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

### THE NICENE CREED

*All rise as you are able.*

*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.*

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All remain standing.*

*God's word tells us that those who love their neighbors have fulfilled the law. Out of love and compassion for a broken world, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Lord, have mercy.*

*For nations crippled by international debt, for nations who must beg and scramble for the necessities of life, for nations whose people live in poverty, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For all Christians who have more than they need, that taking the Lord's word to heart, they may be content with what is necessary and generously shared their surplus with the poor, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*Remembering the children of our own country caught in the cycle of poverty, ignorance, disease, and despair, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For all who suffer; the lonely, the sick and the sorrowing, especially those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):*

*Violet Armstead, Clair Armstrong, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Tony Carroll, CJ, Lola Clarke, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Sam Haak, Lillian Hadler, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Jennifer, Jennifer Jenkins, Pete Jennings, Diane Kitson, Jodi Lancaster, Alison Lauren, John and Lindsay, Lisa, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloon, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Deborah Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Meredith Olseski, Betty Peirce, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Antonia Planamento, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff,*

*Thomas Rubinaccio, Flora Rutledge, Judy Skoniczin, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Mary Shidlowksi, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Robin Spicher, Colby Stackhouse, Debra Stackwicz, Stephanie, Linda Still, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Evans Thompson, Tom, Tom Wagner, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams, Donna Zahorchak*

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed who are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

*Police: Sgt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello*

*Military: PVT Austin Combs, PO2 Jason Combs, PO3 Andrew Combs, 1CPT Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, Petty Officer William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MC, and MSgt Rewa Price*

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Michael Thompson and Alexander Kirwin, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in our own City of Coatesville and surrounding neighborhoods who are out of work and out of luck, for broken families, for those crippled by debt, for those at wit's end, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Let us be mindful of the dead, especially Anna Fox and Virginia Robins, for whom the altar flowers are given. That they may come into the fullness of life, united with God in the communion of the faithful. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Lord, you invited the beggars and the crippled, the lame and the blind, to eat and drink at your table and to feast in your kingdom; and lo, here we are. Grant us the grace to extend to others the same generosity you have shown to us; for you are our Lord, our God forever and ever. Amen.*

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*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

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## The Holy Communion

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### OFFERTORY HYMN *'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free (Simple Gifts) (H 554)*

'Tis the gift to be sim - ple, 'tis the gift to be free,  
'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,  
and when we find our - selves in the place just right,  
'twill be in the val - ley of love and de - light.  
When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained to  
bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed, to turn, turn, will  
be our de-light till by turn - ing, turn - ing we come round right.

# The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing.*

*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 our thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*        It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life  
and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

## SERVICE MUSIC 1982 HYMNAL #S125

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Cyril, our Patron Saint, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER LEVAS #264**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing.

*People and Celebrant*

***Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

Alleluia! Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

***Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia!***

### **INVITATION**

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **COMMUNION HYMN *Jesu, Jesu* (LEVAS 74)**

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

**Fine**

us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.\_\_\_\_\_

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their  
 2. Neigh - bors are rich\_\_\_\_\_ and poor, neigh - bors are black\_\_\_\_\_ and  
 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should  
 4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are  
 5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

**D.C.**

1. feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave\_\_\_\_\_ to them.\_\_\_\_\_  
 2. white, neigh - bors are near\_\_\_\_\_ and far\_\_\_\_\_ a - way.\_\_\_\_\_  
 3. love; all these are neigh - bors to us\_\_\_\_\_ and you.\_\_\_\_\_  
 4. slaves, this is the way we should live\_\_\_\_\_ with you.\_\_\_\_\_  
 5. feet, this is the way we should live\_\_\_\_\_ with you.\_\_\_\_\_

## ANTHEM BY CHOIR

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

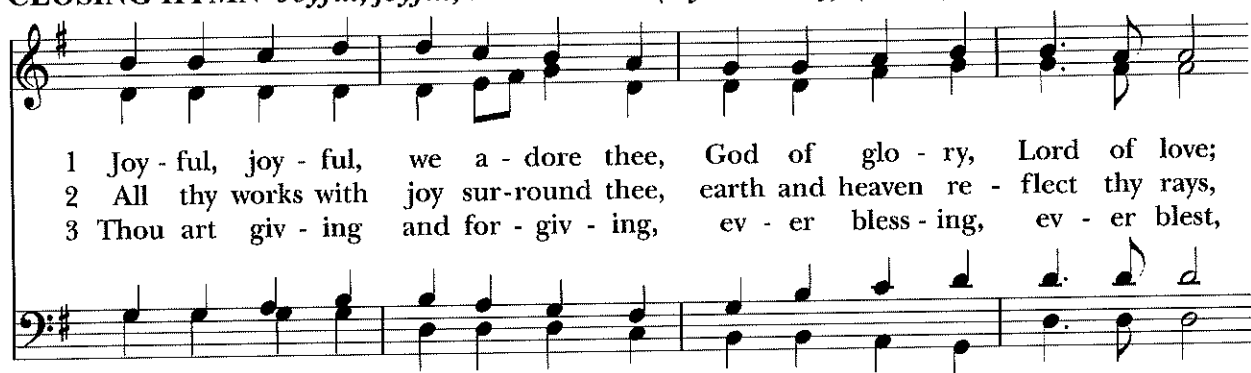
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

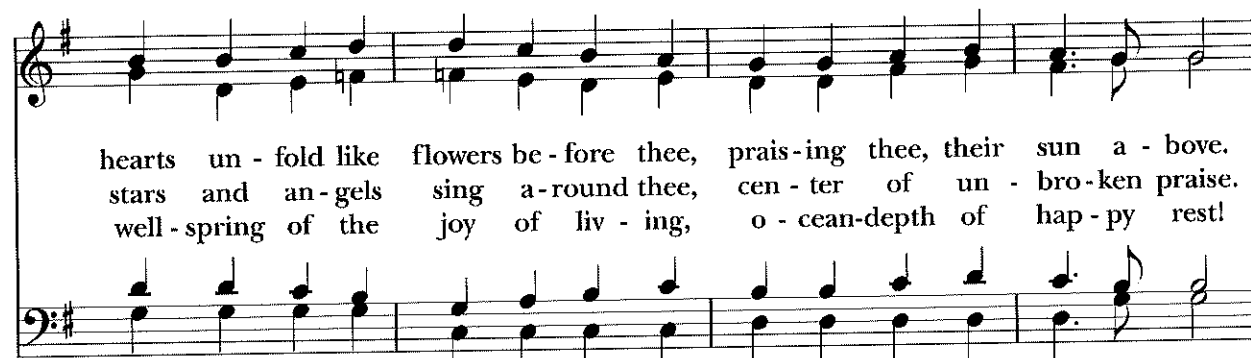
*God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

## BLESSING

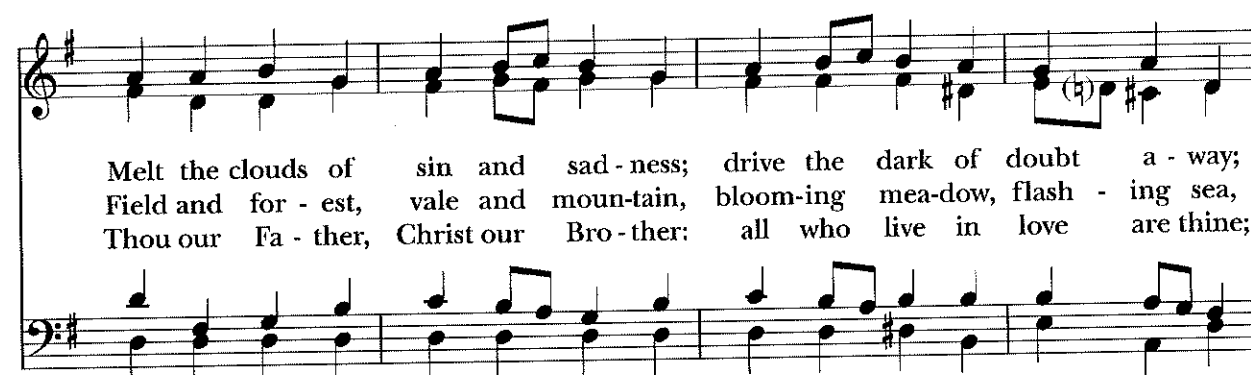
## CLOSING HYMN *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee (Hymn to Joy) (H 376)*



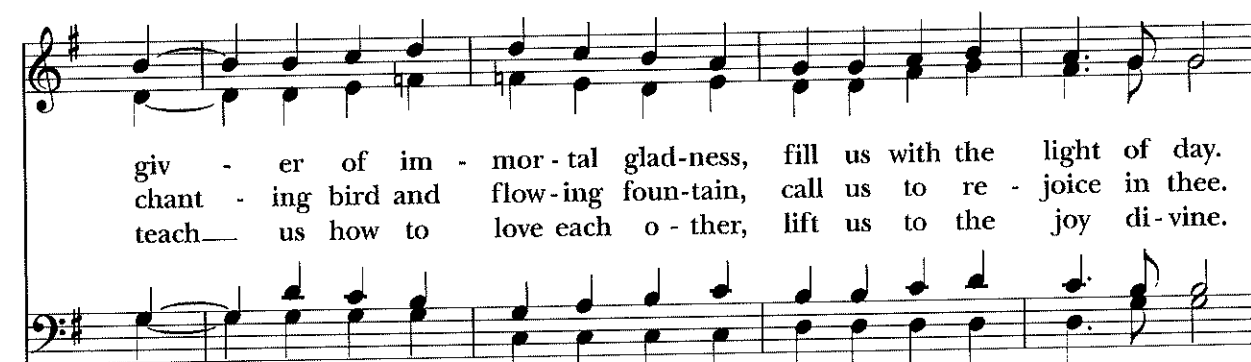
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach - us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

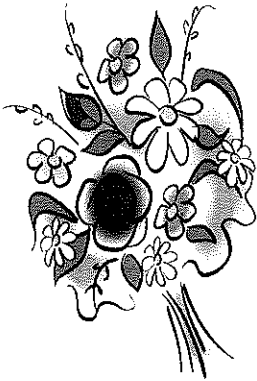
*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### POSTLUDE

**TODAY**

***Vestry Meeting after church service***



The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God  
and in Loving Memory of

***Anna Fox  
Virginia Robins***

by  
Pat & Joe Kirkner

**Announcements:**

**Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> , Healing service via Zoom.** Commemorating John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, 407

**Trinity's Annual "Rally Day" is planned for Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.** We will be holding our worship service at **10:30 a.m.** outdoors at the Bentley Farm once again. This is a wonderful opportunity for Trinity family and friends to come together in a beautiful setting for worship, a meal and activities for the whole family. Mark your calendars now! Transportation can be arranged.

**American Red Cross Blood Drive at Trinity, Thursday, September 21 from 1 – 6 p.m.** in our social hall. Sign up through Trinity's website: [www.trinitycoatesville.org](http://www.trinitycoatesville.org)

**Veterans Brunch to Go – Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Congregational Forum: Sunday, October 1 during coffee hour with Amber Little-Turner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Century Alliance and Roberta Consentino, Assistant City Manager** updating us on what's going on in the City and here to answer any questions you may have. Join us!

**Pastor Sherry on vacation beginning Monday, October 2 through Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.** The Rev. Dan Hinkle will be with us on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> as guest celebrant and preacher.

Teddy Bears for the Teddy Bear Ministry are available to give to someone who could use a little Trinity love.

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**VESTRY**

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