

# Fight the Good Fight

Sixteenth Sunday *after* Pentecost

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### **Mission Statement**

***Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship,  
serve, and share Jesus.***

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## Welcome

In the traditional “learning trio” of reading, writing, and arithmetic, the first two of the listed disciplines deal with words. Spoken and written communication is vital throughout life. But learning numbers and how to work with them, understand them, and use them well is also important. The books of the Bible include many numbers, each of which has special significance. The fourth book of the Old Testament is called Numbers because it contains the results of two censuses of the Hebrew people taken after the exodus from Egypt, one beginning in the first chapter and the second beginning in chapter 26. The Lord God demanded that each of His people was accounted for and known. His care for each of us continues, as is reflected in His Word through the prophet Isaiah, “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine” (Isaiah 43:1b). God sees each of us as “number one” in His loving view!

## Holy Communion

We believe that Christ’s body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a “Family Church,” we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God’s forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. If you have any questions, please speak to our pastor at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the “Fellowship Pad” in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Please stand where indicated with a ❖. Thank you!

## PRELUDE

“Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart”

- Costello

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ❖ OPENING HYMN

“Oh, What Their Joy”

LSB 675



1 Oh, what their joy and their glo - ry must be,  
2 In new Je - ru - sa - lem joy shall be found,  
3 We, where no trou - ble dis - trac - tion can bring,  
△ 4 Now let us wor - ship our Lord and our King,



Those end-less Sab - baths the bless - ed ones see!  
 Bless - ings of peace shall for - ev - er a - bound;  
 Safe - ly the an - thems of Zi - on shall sing;  
 Joy - ful - ly rais - ing our voic - es to sing:



Crowns for the val - iant, to wea - ry ones rest;  
 Wish and ful - fill - ment are not sev - ered there,  
 While for Your grace, Lord, their voic - es of praise  
 Praise to the Fa - ther, and praise to the Son,



God shall be all, and in all ev - er blest.  
 Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.  
 Your bless - ed peo - ple shall ev - er - more raise.  
 Praise to the Spir - it, to God, Three in One.

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## ❖ INVOCATION

**P** *In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

## ❖ CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

**P** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** [1 John 1:8-9]

+ *Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination* +

**P** *Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. [John 20:19-23]

**C** Amen.

❖ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Glory to God in the Highest*

**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and  
Fa-ther: We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we  
praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly  
Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the  
Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-



❖ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Let us pray.*

*O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C** **Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Deacon Lynn Waldeck

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Amos 6:1-7

“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,  
 and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,  
 the notable men of the first of the nations,  
 to whom the house of Israel comes!  
 Pass over to Calneh, and see,  
 and from there go to Hamath the great;  
 then go down to Gath of the Philistines.  
 Are you better than these kingdoms?  
 Or is their territory greater than your territory,  
 O you who put far away the day of disaster  
 and bring near the seat of violence?”

“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory  
 and stretch themselves out on their couches,  
 and eat lambs from the flock  
 and calves from the midst of the stall,  
 who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp  
 and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,

who drink wine in bowls  
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,  
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!  
Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,  
and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

**R** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

1 Timothy 6:6-19

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

**R** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## ❖ ALLELUIA and VERSE

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



❖ **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 16:19-31

**P** *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.*

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

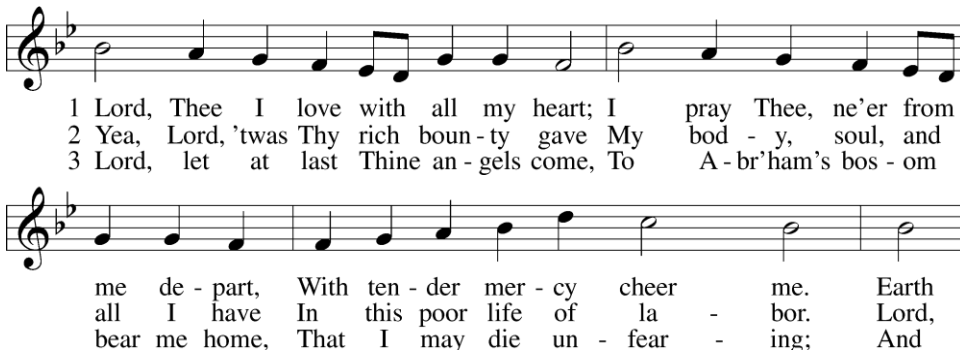
**P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*


**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

❖ **HYMN**


“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

LSB 708





has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were  
grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy  
in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in




void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my  
lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false  
peace - ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from




heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.  
doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.  
death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious  
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my  
O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and  
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and  
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.  
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.  
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

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## SERMON

Pastor John Hopkins

### ❖ APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will**



come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

❖ **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Ⓐ *Lord, in your mercy,*

Ⓒ **Hear our prayer.**

**OFFERING** *May God look upon our gifts and smile, even as we rejoice at the gift of new life which is ours in Christ Jesus! Offerings may be placed in the boxes at the Narthex and Chapel entrances or through one of the following options:*

**+ Four Ways to Give +**

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3 – Arrange through your financial institution’s Online Banking to give through their bill-pay.

4 – Mail in your offering through the US Post Office addressed to the following:

Trinity Lutheran Church  
40 W Nicholai St.  
Hicksville, NY 11801

**OFFERING VOLUNTARY** "Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart" - Scheidemann

❖ OFFERTORY *What Shall I Render*



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.

**THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

❖ PREFACE

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Lift up your hearts.*

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P** *It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Lord our God, for You have graciously blessed us through the Word Incarnate, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who for our sake died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
 pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
 of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### ❖ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\dagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### ❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P** *As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

❖ LORD'S PRAYER

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.

❖ AGNUS DEI *Lamb of God*




**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior”

LSB 619



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which  
2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in  
3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is  
4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not  
5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,



Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and  
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my  
 nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and  
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of  
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy



strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.  
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.  
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.  
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

*Refrain*



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

“O God, My Faithful God”

LSB 696



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun - tain ev - er flow - ing,  
 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing  
 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;  
 4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing;  
 What - ev - er You com - mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;  
 Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;  
 And let me find good friends For coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in  
 That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless  
 But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
 Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con-science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.  
 The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.  
 Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.  
 And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

5 Let me depart this life  
 Confiding in my Savior;  
 By grace receive my soul  
 That it may live forever;  
 And let my body have  
 A quiet resting place  
 Within a Christian grave;  
 And let it sleep in peace.

6 And on that final day  
 When all the dead are waking,  
 Stretch out Your mighty hand,  
 My deathly slumber breaking.  
 Then let me hear Your voice,  
 Redeem this earthly frame,  
 And bid me to rejoice  
 With those who love Your name.

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## ❖ NUNC DIMITTIS



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



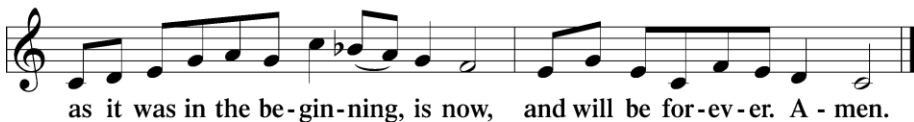
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



❖ **CLOSING PRAYER**

**A** *Let us pray.*

*Holy Father, we ask You now, by this blessed food and drink, to deliver Your Church from every evil, to teach her to love You perfectly, and to make her truly one, even as this bread was made from many grains of wheat to become the carrier of the body of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

**C** **Amen.**

❖ **BENEDICTION**

**P** *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.*

**C** **Amen.**

❖ **HYMN**

“Jerusalem, My Happy Home”

LSB 673



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home,  
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints,  
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks  
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit



When shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
 O sweet and pleas - ant soil! In thee no sor - row  
 Con - tin - ual - ly are green; There grow such sweet and  
 And ev - er - more do spring; There ev - er - more the



have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.  
 pleas - ant flow'rs As no - where else are seen.  
 an - gels dwell And ev - er - more do sing.

5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
Around my Savior stand;  
And soon my friends in Christ below  
Will join the glorious band.

6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore  
With all Thy saints above.

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## ❖ DISMISSAL

**P** *Go in peace. Serve the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

'Toccatà on "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

- Hobby

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