

Last Sunday of the ` Church Year

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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

Today is the Last Sunday of the Church Year. In just one week we will turn our attention to Advent and preparations for the celebration of Christ's incarnation. But as we prepare to celebrate Christ's first coming, we also anticipate His second coming. Christ's return in glory is the focus of this service. Jesus calls on His followers to stay awake and remain prepared for His coming. He warns that no one knows the day or the hour of His return. But He promises He is returning and returning soon.

## **Holy Communion**

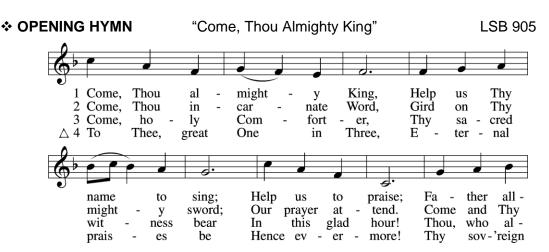
We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. If you have any questions, please speak to the pastor at any time. Non-alcoholic white wine is offered as part of Holy Communion. The cups are in the center of the serving trays. Gluten free wafers are also available, just let the pastor know. 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!

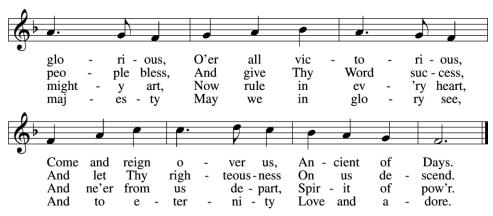
#### **PRELUDE**

"Fanfare for Reeds and Other Festal Stops"

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#### **GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**





#### INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father, and of the 

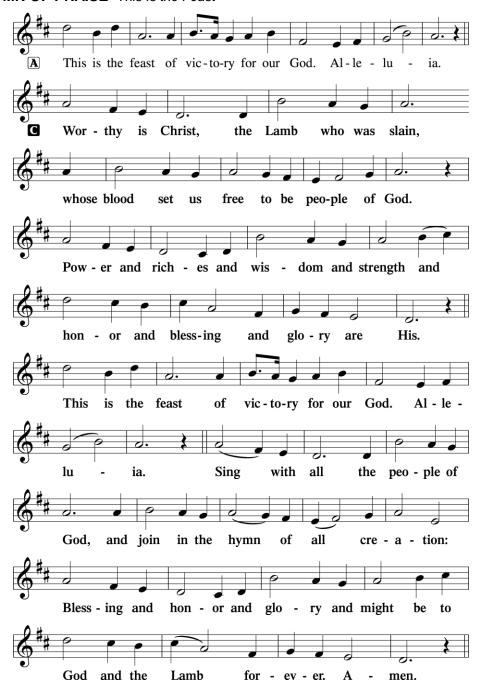
  ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **❖ CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [I 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.
- 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 This Is the Feast





#### **❖ PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## CHILDREN ARE NOW DISMISSED TO ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 51:4-6

<sup>4</sup> "Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
<sup>5</sup> My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait.
<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke.

the earth will wear out like a garment,

and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Jude 20-25

<sup>20</sup> But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, <sup>21</sup> keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. <sup>22</sup> And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup> save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

<sup>24</sup>Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup> to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

## ❖ ALLELUIA and VERSE



♦ HOLY GOSPEL
Mark 13:24-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

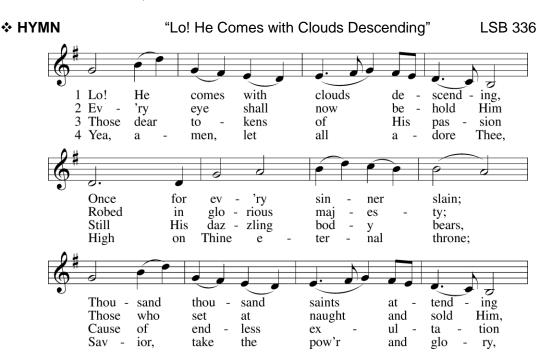
## Glory to You, O Lord.

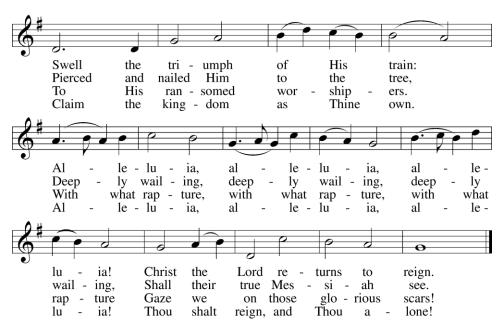
<sup>24</sup> "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup> and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup> And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup> "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup> Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup> "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup> Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup> It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup> Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning— <sup>36</sup> lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup> And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.





#### **SERMON**

Pastor Johnson Rethinasamy

+ Please turn and face your fellow members across the center aisle +

#### **❖ 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**

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

#### **OFFERING**

+ Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

Your gift to the Lord is an act of worship which shows your trust in God to provide for you and it shows your thankfulness for the blessings received.

- † On your Mobile Phone: Send a text to 77977 and type in TLCLI. Follow the instructions to send your gift today or set up a recurring gift.
- † Go to our website at <a href="www.TrinityHicksville.org">www.TrinityHicksville.org</a> to the "Giving" tab:
- † Go directly to PushPay:





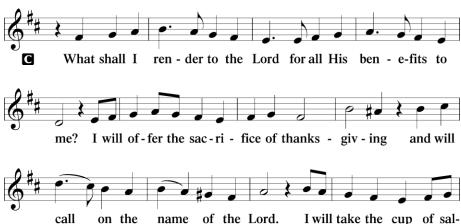
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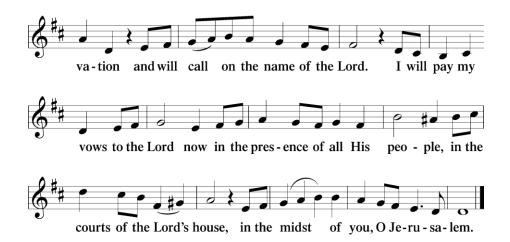
"King of Glory, King of Peace"

- Bach/Harris

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee: and that love may never cease, I will move Thee. Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me; Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee, and the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee. Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise Thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll Thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

## ❖ OFFERTORY What Shall I Render

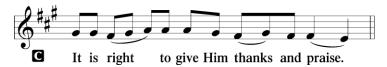




## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

## **❖ PREFACE**





It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth, who loved us and freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



#### ❖ 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 → 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  $\pm$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

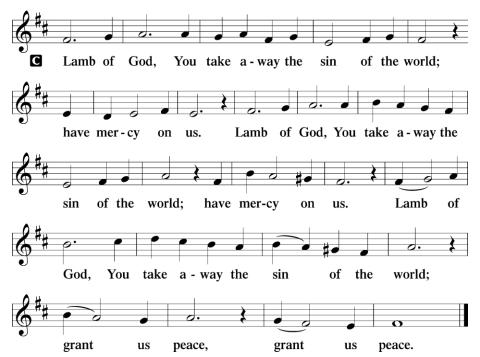
#### **❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

- 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



#### "Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray" DISTRIBUTION HYMNS LSB 663 1 Rise, soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak my 2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares Lest a - sleep he find 3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With lies de - feat its 4 Watch a - gainst your-self, my soul, Lest with grace you tri while watch-ing, al - so pray To the Lord un - ceas en! Be not by the vil day Un a - wares o'er e For in - deed no you; pains he spares To de - ceive and Lest with bold de - cep tions hurled It be - tray and Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy God pro-tects you day, Strength and faith in day by ing. Well For tak en; the foe, we know, Is blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se -Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less cheat you. sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your Mind and will creas - ing, So that still Shall u -

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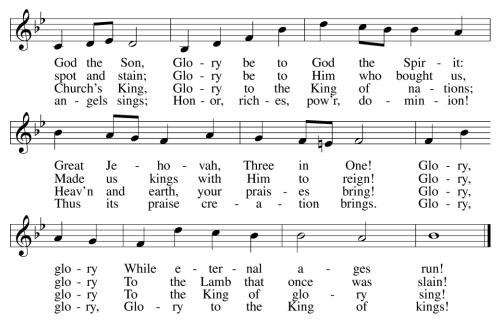
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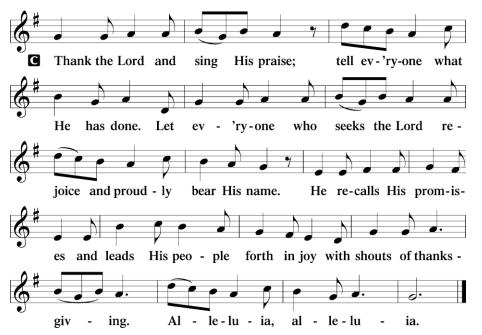
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## **❖ POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** Thank the Lord



#### **\* CLOSING PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

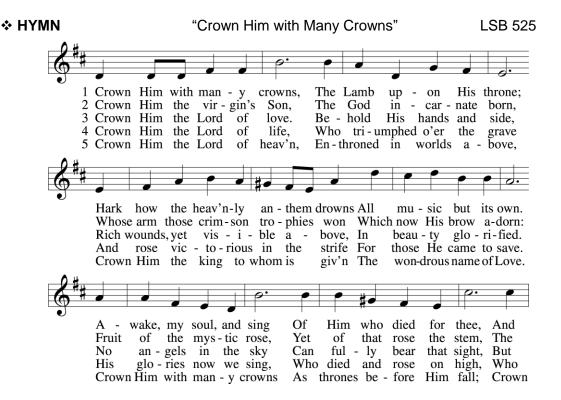
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

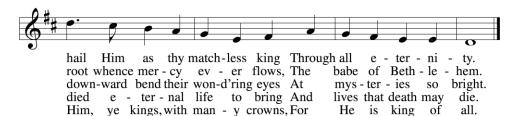
C Amen.

#### **\* BENEDICTION**

- 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.





#### ❖ DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE "Fanfare" - Soler

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