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# 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 13, 2024 + 11:00 am Worship

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As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence all electronic devices. The opening voluntary is the call to silent meditation and preparation for worship.

+ Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Robert Elmore

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebekah LeMon

## CALL TO WORSHIP (from Matthew 22, by Joanna Harader)

One: Which commandment in the law is greatest?

**All: Love your God.**

One: And the second?

**All: Love your neighbor as yourself.**

One: Love

**All: with all your heart.**

One: Love

**All: with all your soul.**

One: Love

**All: with all your mind.**

One: Love

**All: with all your strength.**

One: On these commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**All: Blessed are those whose delight is in the law of our God.**

One: Let us worship the Lord our God together.

## +OPENING HYMN

*#407 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers*

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## MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT

Bobby & Heather Szyperski

## +CALL TO CONFESSION

Tom Farmer

## +PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness. Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(silence for personal prayers of confession)*

## +ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. God's mercies never come to an end. Friends, know that we are forgiven and be at peace.

**All: Hallelujah! Thanks be to God!**

## +CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYFRYDOL

**Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.**

*(may be found as stanza 1 of Hymn #366)*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING (Psalm 23, in unison)

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.**

**He makes me to lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters.**

**He restores my soul. He leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

## ANTHEM

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Psalm 121*

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help?

My help cometh even from the Lord who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved. He that keepeth thee shall not sleep.

Behold, he that keepeth thee shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper; he shall preserve thee from all evil: yea,

it is even he that shall keep thy soul from this time forth for evermore.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 22:34-40

(pew Bible, NT p. 25)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SERMON

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon

*Whole Faith:*

*Love with Soul*

## +AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (based on 1 Peter 2:21-25)

Lucy Strong

**Christ suffered for us, leaving us an example, so that we should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. For we were going astray like sheep, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.**

## +AFFIRMATION RESPONSE

BEECHER

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

*(tune may be found as Hymn #761)*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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 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.**

## CALL TO GIVE

## OFFERTORY

Aaron Copland

*Help Us, O Lord*

Help us, help us, O Lord; for with thee is the fount of life, in thy light shall we see light. Let us march and try our ways: turn to God. It is good that we should wait, it is good that we should hope, hope in the salvation of the Lord.

## +DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

## +PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## +CLOSING HYMN

*#803 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

RESIGNATION

## +CHARGE & BENEDICTION

## BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*Amen*

John Stanley

## CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

*Fugue a la Gigue*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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## TODAY IN WORSHIP

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon  
*Senior Pastor*

Rev. Tom Farmer  
*Parish Associate for Pastoral Care & Senior Adult Ministries*

Rev. Lucy Strong  
*Associate Pastor for Mission & Engagement*

Forbes Stancil  
*Acolyte*

### MUSICIANS

The Chancel Choir of Trinity Church  
Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and Director of Music and Arts*

Katherine Murray, *mezzo-soprano*

### FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Chuckie Ellithorp by her family. This morning's arrangement was created by the Trinity Presbyterian Flower Guild.

The flowers in the narthex are given in memory of Jeane and Rembert DuBose.

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## WELCOME

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Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here.

### Children and Worship

Children are always welcome in worship at Trinity! There are activity bags and children's books available at each entrance for children to use during worship, and there are children's Bibles in each pew. If you would prefer to have childcare, it is available for children from birth through pre-K in the following rooms:

Infants and One-Year-Olds ..... D102

Two-Year-Olds – Pre-K (4 year olds) ..... D106

### Prayer Requests

If you are going through a difficult time, we would like to know how best to support you. To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, birth, death, or prayer request, or if you need pastoral care after hours, reach out to any pastor at the addresses on the back of the bulletin or call 404-237-6491.

### Counseling

Trinity has affiliate relationships with the following for private counseling: Morgan DiOrio, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Children, Adolescents and Families (678-935-6472), Christi Bartolomucci, Clinical Director of Atlanta Innovative Counseling Center, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults (770-293-1950 ext. 210), Elizabeth Earhart, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults (404-631-7934). Contact a pastor for more information and referral assistance.

### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are laity, trained and committed to providing fully confidential, one-to-one, Christian caregiving and support to those experiencing difficult times. To make an inquiry for, or about Stephen Ministry, please contact one of the pastors or email us at: [stephenminister@trinityatlanta.org](mailto:stephenminister@trinityatlanta.org); Cindy Stancil at [cindy.stancil@comcast.net](mailto:cindy.stancil@comcast.net) or Scott Calhoun at [sdc@hpsslaw.com](mailto:sdc@hpsslaw.com).

### Livestream

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