

Offertory Anthem: “Calypso on "He Leadeth Me" William B. Bradbury, arr. by Tammy Waldrop

***Doxology:** UMH# 94

Prayer of Dedication: *-Bell Worship Resources*
Faithful God, all we have is a blessing from your hand. As we return a portion of your gifts, let this act of giving shape our hearts into instruments of your mercy. Use these gifts to extend the message of salvation. In Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (vv.1-4) UMH# 117

Benediction

Postlude: “Fantasia” Johann Krebs (1713-1780)

Music Notes: The composer of the postlude today, Johann Krebs, was a student of J.S. Bach. Krebs studied the organ with Bach and was considered an extremely fine player. Next to Bach, Krebs held the esteem of his contemporaries. He composed many works for organ, harpsichord and a variety of instrumental combinations. However, most of his compositions were forgotten until the beginning of the 20th century when his keyboard pieces were published in modern editions.

We thank those who participated in today’s service:

Accompanist: Steve Hays

Acolytes: Adeline and Anya Berke, Nii-Lante Bruce

Trinity’s Adult Handbell Choir

Altar Ministry: Lisa Everett

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Liturgist: Robert McKeown

Fellowship Hour: The Missions Committee and volunteers

Ushers: Head Usher; Lisa Bakowski, Asst. Head Usher; Sheila Womble, Karen Andros, Wendy Regan, Jack Rust, Ian Smythe

Video Team: Brian and Samuel Crawford, Eric Mazzarella, Nic Odell, Anthony and Nicholas Skridulas

Please Pray for: Vera B and family, Bridget B, James B, Janet B, Meri B, Natalie B, Richard B, Mary C, Pat D, the family of David & Priscilla F, Ted G, Donna G, Courtney H, Pete L, Diane M, Holly Joy P, Rev. Dr. Bob P, Reena R, Catherine Ann R, Gerald R, Lynn T, Allie W, our service members & their loved ones, those affected by gun violence and natural disasters.

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Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.



Celebrate God’s love

Nurture relationships with God and one another

Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 27, 202610:30 a.m.

WELCOME

We worship using this liturgy & two songbooks: The United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) & The Faith We Sing (TFWS). Please silence your electronic devices. Nursery care is downstairs for children birth - 4 yrs.
*Please stand in body or in spirit. **Items in bold are read in unison.** *Items italicized are sung by the choir.*

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE FOR A TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

“Whenever you’re in conflict with someone, there is one factor that can make the difference between damaging your relationship and deepening it. That factor is attitude.” – William James

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, ("Dearest Jesus, we are here") BWV 731 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Introit: “God is My Rock”
*God is my rock, He is my strong salvation, He is my hope and I will trust in Him.
God is my fortress; I will not be shaken, God is my rock, my strength; I will trust in Him.
God is my rock. my strength, and my song.*

***Call to Worship:** – Ministry Matters
Leader: This week has been filled with joys and sorrows.
People: We have come here this day with burdens on our hearts.
Leader: God, who hears your cries, will offer you healing love.
People: Thanks be to God for such generous compassion.
Leader: Open your hearts to God’s infinite mercy.
People: We open our spirits to receive God’s love for us. Amen.

***Hymn:** “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” UMH# 154

***Morning Unison Prayer:**
– Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion, Liturgies for Year C, Vol. 2, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed. WJK Press, 2013, 230.

Good and gracious God, you promise to pour out your Spirit upon us; you are the hope of the world. Give us strength, that we might serve you; make us humble, that we might live for your glory alone. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

***Congregation Response:** “Surely the Presence of the Lord” UMH# 328

Anthem: “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me” Spiritual arr. by Bob Burroughs
The text may be found in UMH# 521

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Moment: Dr. Desiree A. McKay-Rogers

Pastoral Prayer, Joys and Concerns

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 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. Amen.

Choral Prayer Response: “Hear our Prayer, O Lord”
Hear our prayer, O Lord; hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.

***Hymn:** “Help Us Accept Each Other” UMH# 560
(5-13 yr. olds are invited to Grace Chapel for Chapel Kids. Parents please bring your children & pick them up.)

New Testament Scripture Reading: Matthew 21: 23-32 (NRSV) p. 22

Response to the Word:
One: The Word of God for the People of God.
Many: Thanks be to God!

The Word in Reflection: “By What Authority?” Rev. Dr. David V. Calhoun

RESPONDING TO THE SPIRIT’S PROMPTINGS

Offertory Prayer: – Discipleship Ministries
Humble Savior, you meet us at the start of every day and invite us to take on the mind of Christ. As we bring these gifts, use what we offer to build a community where sacrifice is natural, mercy is instinctive, and hope rises in every heart. We place our offerings—and ourselves—in your hands. **Amen.**