THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 20, 2023 9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE
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PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" LSB 901, vs. 1, 2, 4,
Open now thy gates of beauty; Zion, let me enter there, Where my soul in joyful duty Waits for Him who answers prayer. Oh, how blessèd is this place, Filled with solace, light, and grace!
Gracious God, I come before Thee; Come Thou also unto me. Where we find Thee and adore Thee, There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O enter Thou; Let it be Thy temple now!
Thou my faith increase and quicken; Let me keep Thy gift divine, Howsoe'er temptations thicken; May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guiding star through life, As my comfort in all strife.
Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be done indeed. May I undisturbed draw near Thee While Thou dost Thy people feed. Here of life the fountain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.
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P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

See this wonder in the making: God Himself this child is taking As a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.

Miracle each time it happens As the door to heaven opens And the Father beams, "Belovèd, Heir of gifts a king would covet!"

Here we bring a child of nature; Home we take a newborn creature, Now God's precious son or daughter, Born again by Word and wat

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SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

- The New Testament Reading is from the 11th Chapter of Romans.
- Il ask, then, has God rejected His people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. . . .
 - ¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .
 - ²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all. (ESV)
- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY			
	Forever, O Lord, Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.		
	Your faithfulness endures to all generations; You have established the earth, and it stands fast.		
	By Your appointment they stand this day, for all things are Your servants.		
	If Your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction.		
	I will never forget Your precepts, for by them You have given me life.		
	I am Yours; save me, for I have sought Your precepts.		
	The wicked lie in wait to destroy me, but I consider Your testimonies.		
	I have seen a limit to all perfection, but Your commandment is exceedingly broad.		
C	Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.		
ALLELUIA AND VERSE			
C	Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.		
HOLY	GOSPEL		
P	The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15 th Chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.		
P	²¹ Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³ But He did not answer her a word.		
	And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴ He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."		
	²⁵ But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶ And He answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷ She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly. (ESV)		
	This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.		
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Haley Davisson, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries			
MESS	MESSAGEPastor Michael P. Dorn		

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PRAYERS

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.

OFFERING

(Offerings may be submitted online to www.trinitydt.org, by mail to Trinity Downtown, 800 Houston Ave., Houston, TX 77007 or dropped off at the office, M-F, 8:30 - 2:30.)

MUSICAL OFFERING...... "O Love of God, How Strong and True"....... Soloist, Maddie Meier arr. Howard Helvey

O love of God, how strong and true, Eternal and yet ever new, Uncomprehended and unbought, Beyond all knowledge and all thought!

O wide-embracing, wondrous love!
We read You in the sky above,
We read You in the earth below,
In seas that swell and streams that flow.

We read Your pow'r to bless and save, E'en in the darkness of the grave; Still more in resurrection light We read the fullness of Your might.

O love of God, our shield and stay Through all the perils of our ways! Eternal love, in You we rest, Forever safe, forever blest.

Eternal love, in You we rest, Forever blest, forever blest.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 ⅓ 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 ⅙ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"L	ord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray"	
	Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray That we may feast on You today; Beneath these forms of bread and wine Enrich us with Your grace divine.	
	Give us, who share this wondrous food, Your body broken and Your blood, The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n, The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.	
	By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the gift of love retold; All that You are we here receive, And all we are to You we give.	
	One bread, one cup, one body, we, Rejoicing in our unity, Proclaim Your love until You come To bring Your scattered loved ones home.	
	Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray: O keep us steadfast till that day When each will be Your welcomed guest In heaven's high and holy feast.	
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"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"		
	Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.	
	Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.	

Thine the truly Thine the yes

Thine the table we the guest

Thine the mercy all from Thee

Thine the glory yet to be

Then the ringing and the singing

Then the end of all the war

Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize

Thine the wonder full surprise

Thine the banquet then the praise

Then the justice of Thy ways

Thine the glory Thine the story

Then the welcome to the least

Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night

No more dying only light

Thine the river Thine the tree

Then the Lamb eternally

Then the holy holy holy

Celebration jubilee

Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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DISMISSAL

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

in peace.

G Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- **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 \pm give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"..... LSB 922

Go, My children, with My blessing,

Never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you;

You are My own.

In My love's baptismal river

I have made you Mine forever.

Go, My children, with My blessing—

You are My own.

Go, My children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
What I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story;
Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.

Go, My children, fed and nourished,
Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving,
Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you;
Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished,
Joyful and free.

I the Lord will bless and keep you
And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you
And give you peace.

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