

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GENEVA

TRINITY SUNDAY



ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11H00

26 MAY 2024

THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION OF THE ELCG WELCOMES YOU!

*We are a community on the move,
discovering Christ together on the journey of faith.*

We see Christianity as a path to be walked together—learning, serving, praying, sharing, and growing alongside sisters and brothers. As we live and practice our faith, we not only encounter a new community; we also find the presence of God.

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We are glad you are here—welcome!

Thank you to those sharing in worship leadership this morning:

Reader: Caetano de Chassey

Prayer leader: Jonathan Mtata

Altar care: Penuel Kiondo Zanetti

Assisting ministers: Elisabeth Benn, Filipa de Chassey,
Faith Fookes, Nathan Wilson

Ushers: Alessia de Chassey, Eva de Chassey

Offering counters: Penuel Kiondo Zanetti, Njoroge Njuguna

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Trinity Sunday + 26 May 2024, 11h00

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: *Angola, Mozambique*

Welcome

Prelude

Katharina Mainberger-Dellweg

Greeting

Holy is God on the throne,
over all and in all,
incomprehensible, mysterious, beyond all our beyonds,
with cherubim and seraphim singing praise.

Holy is the Spirit who breathes life,
whose fire burns away all impurities that hinder love,
who keeps reminding us—warning us, even—
that we are children of God,
so we do not forget whose we are, and with whom we suffer.

Holy is Christ Jesus, the Beloved, the Chosen, the Anointed,
who did not shy from the unclean, the lost, the cast out,
who touched those outside the boundaries,
and in his touching healed.

Holy is the Blessed Trinity,
the sacred community knowing no bounds to compassion,
the oneness, not obsessed with itself,
but deigning to share its throne,
calling us royalty,
and its breath,
calling us priests,
and its anointing,
calling us heirs.

Hymn

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty

Reginald Heber

John B. Dykes: England



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to
 cast - ing down their gol - den crowns a - round the glass - y
 though the eyes of hu - man-kind your glo - ry may not
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and



thee: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y.
 sea; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 see, on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 sea, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty!
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Too often we feel powerless, God of glory.
*We get lost in desires we don't understand,
in patterns that isolate or tear down rather than build,
in struggles whose only outcome is a hurt that impedes reconciliation.*

Response

Nkosi, Nkosi

$\text{♩} = 72$ G. M. Kolisi: South Africa

The musical score is written in 3/2 time with a tempo of quarter note = 72. It consists of a vocal line and a bass line. The vocal line has two lines of lyrics: 'Nko - si, Nko - si, yi - ba ne - nce - ba.' and 'Lord have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.' The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

Too often we feel unloving or unlovable, God of mercy.
*We become bound by fears that lock away our hearts,
by an emptiness that does not let go of its need,
by long-festering wounds that flash warnings when love comes near.*

Response

Nkosi, Nkosi

The musical score is written in 3/2 time. It consists of a vocal line and a bass line. The vocal line has two lines of lyrics: 'Kres - tu, Kres - tu, yi - ba ne - nce - ba.' and 'Christ have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.' The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

In 'ne-nce-ba' the middle syllable, 'nce,' is pronounced by making a 'tsch' sound that a mother uses to reprimand a child, with the addition of a nasalized beginning.

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Too often we feel unclean, God of grace.

We get drawn into behaviors that we know are not good.

We do not honor your image in us, or your image in those we mistreat.

We can feel belittled by judgmental measures that have little relationship to your realm.

Heal us, God of light,

so we might find your power, your love, your purity

turning us right in Jesus Christ.

Response

Nkosi, Nkosi

♩ = 72

G. M. Kolisi: South Africa

Nko - si, Nko - si, yi - ba ne - nce - ba.
Lord have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.

Words of Assurance

Hymn of Praise

Nzamuranza

Xitswa "Hallelujah" song, Mozambique
English, Patrick Matsikenyiri
adapted by S T. Kimbrough, Jr.

Mozambique
arranged by Patrick Matsikenyiri

Leader *All*

Nza - mu - ra - nza, I wor - ship Christ! Hal - le - lu - jah, Nza - mu - ra - nza, I wor - ship Christ! Hal - le - lu - jah, Nza - I wor - ship Christ! Hal - le - lu - jah.

mu - ra - nza, wor - ship Christ! le - lu - jah! An - ga - ko - na wa - ku - fa - na - na na - ye. There is no one who will ev - er be like him.

Leader

An - ga - ko - na wa - ku - fa - na - na Je - su. There is no one who will ev - er be like him.

All

An - ga - ko - na wa - ku - fa - na - na na - ye. There is no one who will ev - er be like him.

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Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of the Lord’s robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

Sung Response

Holy, holy, holy

Vigorously

John Bell: Iona Community, Scotland

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff in 12/8 time. It begins with a repeat sign. The melody is simple and rhythmic, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Glo - ry to your name, glo - ry to your name. Glo - ry to your name, O Lord most high." The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel according to John, chapter 3.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia

Hymn

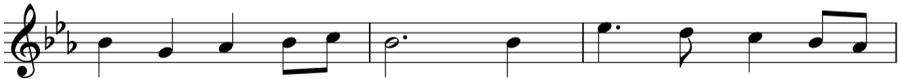
Holy God, holy and glorious

Susan R. Briehl

Robert Buckley Farlee



1. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and glo - ri - ous
 2. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and pow - er - ful,
 3. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and beau - ti - ful,
 4. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and on - ly wise,
 5. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and liv - ing one,



glo - ry most sub - lime, you come as one a -
 pow - er with - out peer, you bend to us in
 beau - ty un - sur - passed, you are de - spised, re -
 wis - dom of great price, you choose the way of
 life that nev - er ends, you show your love by



mong us in - to hu - man time
 weak - ness; emp - tied, you draw near,
 - ject - ed; scorned, you hold us fast,
 fol - ly; God the cru - ci - fied,
 dy - ing, dy - ing for your friends,



and we be - hold your glo - ry.
 and we be - hold your pow - er.
 and we be - hold your beau - ty.
 and we be - hold your wis - dom.
 and we be - hold your liv - ing.

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Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.*

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

*We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.*

Prayers of Intercession

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Gathering of Gifts *O Trinity, most blessed light* Choir
Ambrosius, English, J. M. Neale. Music, Malcolm Archer

*O Trinity, most blessed light, O unity of sovereign might,
as now the fiery sun departs, shed thou thy beams within our hearts.
To thee our morning song of praise, to thee our evening prayer we raise;
thee may our souls forevermore in lowly reverence adore.
All praise to God the Father be, all praise, eternal Son, to thee,
whom with the Spirit we adore, forever, and forevermore.*

Offertory music

Utima

Umbundu: Angola

as sung by the choir of Igreja do Carmo, Luanda, Angola

U-tima Wa - nge Uku-kwe - te - le yo - na,
For you, Lord God, all my heart is thirst - ing.

U - tima Wa - nge U - ku - lu - lu - mbi - la.
With you, Lord God, all my heart is joy - ful.

U-tima Wa - nge Uku-kwe - te - le yo - na,
For you, Lord God, all my heart is thirst - ing.

U - tima Wa - nge U - ku - lu - lu - mbi - la.
With you, Lord God, all my heart is joy - ful.

A Ñga-la su - ku ya - nge, A Ñga-la su - ku ya - nge.
You are Lord of cre - a - tion. You are God, the Cre - a - tor.

Leader A Ñga - la su - ku ya - nge,
You are God, the Cre - a - tor

A Ñga - la su - ku ya - nge,
You are Lord of cre - a - tion.

A Ñga - la su - ku ya - nge.
You are God of cre - a - tion.

Service of Communion

Great Thanksgiving

Sursum corda

Pastor The Lord be with you. *People* **And al - so with you.**

Pastor Lift up your hearts. *People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Preface

Sanctus

You are holy

Per Harling: Sweden

Samba

Du är he - lig, Du är hel. Du är all - tid myck - et mer,
You are ho - ly. You are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, Du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Väl sig - nad va - re Du, Som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com ing near. Bless - ed are you com ing here

Väl sig - nan - de vår jord, Blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

Part 2

Du är he - lig, Du är hel - het, Du är när - het,
You are ho - ly. You are whole - ness. You are pre - sent,

He - la kos - mos lo - var Dig! Ho - si - an - na!
let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing Ho - san - na

Ho - si - an - na! Ho - si - an - na! Ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
in the high - est. Sing Ho - san - na. Sing Ho - san - na to God.

First time unison. Second time women start at the beginning while the men start at Part 2.

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Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

Remembrance

At this table we remember Jesus Christ, his body, his blood.
We proclaim the mystery of our faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Lord's Prayer

in our many languages

***Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.***

Agnus Dei

Oi, Jumalan

Matti Rantatalo: Finland

Gm Dm7 Eb Bb/D Eb Bb/D Cm7 Dm Eb
Oi, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, jo - ka pois o - tat maa - il - man
O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are
syn - nin, ar - mah - da mei - tä, ar - mah - da mei - tä.
bear - ing. Grant us your mer - cy, grant us your mer - cy.
Gm Dm7 Eb Bb/D Eb Bb/D Cm7 Dm Eb F/A
Oi Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, io - ka pois o - tat maa il - man syn - nin,
O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are bear - ing.
F/Bb Bb Bb/D Cm F7 Bb
an - na meil - le rau - ha - si ja siu - na - uk - se - si.
Peace, we ask you, peace and jus - tice. Grant us your own true peace.

Invitation to Communion

Songs during Communion Njoo, njoo

Wilson Niwagila: Tanzania

1. Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho Mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji - wa - tu.
1. Come a - mong us, lov - ing Spir - it, touch us and make us whole.

Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni. Tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.
Show us glimp - ses of the King - dom, use us to spread its rule.

Refrain

Njo - o, njo - o, njoo, Ro - ho Mwe - ma.
Lov - ing Spir - it, fill us with your life.

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2. Utufanye waamini
Wa Yesu Mwokozi.
Tukaishi kikundini,
Kanisani mwako.

3. Roho Mwema, Mfariji,
Utupe hekima;
Tukiwaza na kutenda,
Yote yawe yako.

4. Tudumishe, tuwe hai
Na ukweli wako.
Tusivutwe na dunia,
Tushu'die neema.

2. Loving Spirit, come and kindle
faith in our Lord, God's Son.
Make your people in their worship
and in their action one.

3. Loving Spirit, let your wisdom
guide what we think and do.
Make us willing and responsive
as you make all things new.

4. From the grip of fear and conflict,
Spirit, your world release.
Help your people to discover
things that will make for peace.

Amazing Grace

John Newton: UK

19th cent. American



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound that
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace hath brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved.
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Oh, Sautez, sautez

Francisco Kapalu Ngongo: Angola

1. Oh sau - tez sau - tez. Oh dan - sez, dan - sez.
 2. Oh dan - sez la joie. Oh chan - tez la gloire.

Oh sau - tez sau - tez. Jé - sus il est le roi des rois.
 Oh dan - sez la joie. Jé - sus il est le roi des rois.

Oh sau - tez sau - tez. Oh dan - sez, dan - sez.
 Oh dan - sez la joie. Oh chan - tez la gloire.

Oh sau - tez, sau - tez. Jé - sus il est le roi des rois.
 Oh dan - sez la joie. Jé - sus il est le roi des rois.

Final Leader Spoken in rhythm

Sautez sautez, sautez Sautez, Dansez, dansez, Dansez.

A - lé - lu - ia A - lé - lu - ia A - lé - lu - ia.
 People A - men. A - men. jah!

Sending Forth

Benediction

Introduction of Visitors and Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Assembly Today!

Our congregation will hold its annual spring assembly following today's worship service. We'll hear reports on the past year of ministry, receive the 2023 financial review, and elect new and returning members of our Congregation Council. *Members, please plan to attend!*

Next Sunday, 2 June – Worship at 17h30

On the first Sunday of each month, our congregation holds its worship service at 17h30 instead of 11h00. So please remember that next Sunday, 2 June, worship will take place in the evening. Please note that there is no church school this week.

Serving at the Soup Kitchen on Saturday 1 June

Our congregation will be serving at the Soup Kitchen on Saturday, 1 June 2024. It takes place from 9h00 until about 13h00 at Le Jardin de Montbrillant (Rue de Montbrillant 3) just behind Geneva Cornavin train station. All are welcome to sign up and help prepare and serve a warm meal. Contact the church office or Elisabeth Benn (chriselis_benn@bluewin.ch) for more information.

Serving Weekly Coffee Hour

Our congregation holds a simple coffee hour after worship each Sunday. Preparation for coffee hour is by neighborhood groups:

2 June – Group B

9 June – Group C

16 June – Group D

23 June – Group E

*If you can help on a week when your group is assigned,
please let your group's coordinator know.*

Church School – Breakfast on 16 June, Last Class on 23 June

Church school kids and families are invited to a year-end waffle breakfast on Sunday 16 June, starting at 9h30. The final church school Sunday of the year will be 23 June, with classes resuming in mid-September. Contact Thomas Wilson with any questions.

Women's Circle

Ladies! You're invited to come to our Church Women's Circle! We will gather in our church, which is our village, on one Saturday each month for coffee and croissants and to share in fellowship and fun. All women church members and regular attendees are welcome in the Circle. We plan to meet on the following dates: **15 June, 13 July, 10 August from 10h00 to 12h00**. Contact Marit Bauer-Moore (079 320 3046; maritbmoore@hotmail.com) or Cynthia Wilbers (079 409 8503; cwilbers@gmail.com) for more information.

Music Camp this Summer

From Sunday, 11 August to Friday, 16 August 2024; there will be a summer camp organized by our music director Katharina Mainberger-Dellweg at La Lécherette in Vaud. The camp is for children ages 7 to 13, and previous musical knowledge is not required. The whole team together with the children will create a musical with a Circus theme, and the performance of the musical will be held on Sunday, 18 August at 16h00 at the ELCG. The cost for the week is CHF 400 per child (all-inclusive) with a discount for multiple children from the same family. Contact Katharina (katharina@genevalutheran.ch) to sign up or for more information.

Andy Willis on Sabbatical – June to August

After ten years with our congregation, Andy Willis has been granted a three-month sabbatical this summer. From 1 June through the end of August, he will be away from the congregation, taking time for rest, reflection, and time with his family.

Worship will be led by a number of different people during these months, including both members of the congregation and visiting clergy. You can find the schedule on our website.

A **care team**, composed of both lay and ordained members, is in place to offer support at any time. Contact Maureen Gumbe (079 331 29 81 / whelminaweekes@aol.com), and she can connect you with people ready to help.

For **administrative matters or other questions** related to the congregation and its ministries, contact Riza Le Geyt in the the church office (022 310 50 89 / office@genevalutheran.ch) or congregation president Nina Kiderlin.

This Week's Schedule:

Thurs, 30 May	19h30	Choir rehearsal
Sat, 1 June	9h00	Serving at the soup kitchen
Sun, 2 June	17h30	Worship, Rev. Judy Davis leading
<i>Office hours: Tuesday 9h30-17h30, Thursday 9h30-17h30, Friday 9h30-13h30</i>		

Our church is entirely self-supporting. Our ministry is entirely funded by the contributions of members and friends of the congregation. There are three ways you can donate today:

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By U.S. dollar check: Make the check payable to “Evangelical Lutheran Church in America,” and on the memo portion, write “GMG 0858”.

Thank you for your support of our ministry together!

If you are a guest in our congregation today, *please fill out the connection card below—you can place it in the offering bag or hand it to the pastor or one of the ushers. We would love to be in touch and answer any questions you might have about our congregation.*

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