



*Everything is ready;
come to the
wedding banquet*

MATTHEW 22:4

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10 & 11, 2026

Welcome to Worship!

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The **worship bulletin** is intended to help guide us through our worship. Sections in **bold** print are for congregation response. Throughout the bulletin you will note two symbols that denote when the congregation is invited to stand (▲) or be seated (▼) as your body allows. **Large print copies** of our worship service and **wireless sound enhancers** are available.

We believe our risen Lord Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of **Holy Communion** and we extend our Lord's invitation to all who are baptized to share in this meal.



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Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:15am (Broadcast, 98.7FM, 107.5FM, 1480AM, 910AM;
Livestream @www.trinitylatrobe.com), Sunday 10:45am

Service of Holy Communion

(ELW Setting 4)

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

*The prelude is a signal to end our conversation and
prepare our hearts and minds for worship.*

Temple Talk

"We've Come This Far By Faith"

ELW #633

(Assembly please sing refrain)

Prelude and Silent Prayer

10:45am

"Shepherd Me"

Wagner

Men's Choir

Welcome and Announcements

(at the end of the bell peal, please stand as your body allows)

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

▲ Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **Amen.**

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.
(please kneel or sit as your body allows, silence is kept for reflection)

Compassionate God, we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. **Amen.**

▲ Gathering Hymn

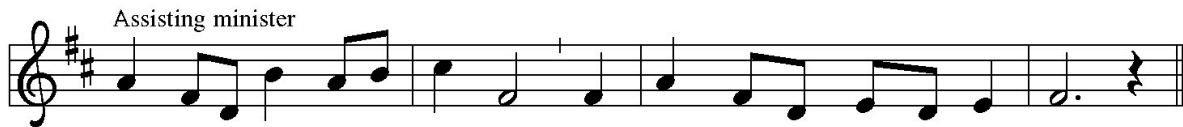
“Now We Join in Celebration”

ELW #462

▲ Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

▲ Glory to God



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

▲Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

▼Children's Message

▼First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9

This section of Isaiah was written during the rise of the Assyrian Empire, which the prophet foresaw would conquer Judah's neighbors, destroy the northern kingdom of Israel, and finally subjugate Judah itself. Isaiah saw the hand of God in this humiliation of Judah's enemies, and of the unjust leaders of Judah, and promised a new day of life and righteousness, not only for the chosen people, but for all the world.

1 O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. 2 For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of foreigners is a city no more; it will never be rebuilt. 3 Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. 4 For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, 5 the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. 6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. 7 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations; 8 he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. 9 It will be said on that day, "See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 (Leader/Assembly: Saturday, spoken; Sunday, sung)

The intimacy and confidence of this beloved psalm echo that of the first reading.

1 The Lord | is my shepherd;

I shall not | be in want.

2 The Lord makes me lie down | in green pastures

and leads me be- | side still waters.

3 You restore my | soul, O Lord,

and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.

▼Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

We finish our reading of Philippians with this expression of love and concern for the community. The first few verses demonstrate both that the early church was blessed with strong women leaders, and that conflict within the church is nothing new.

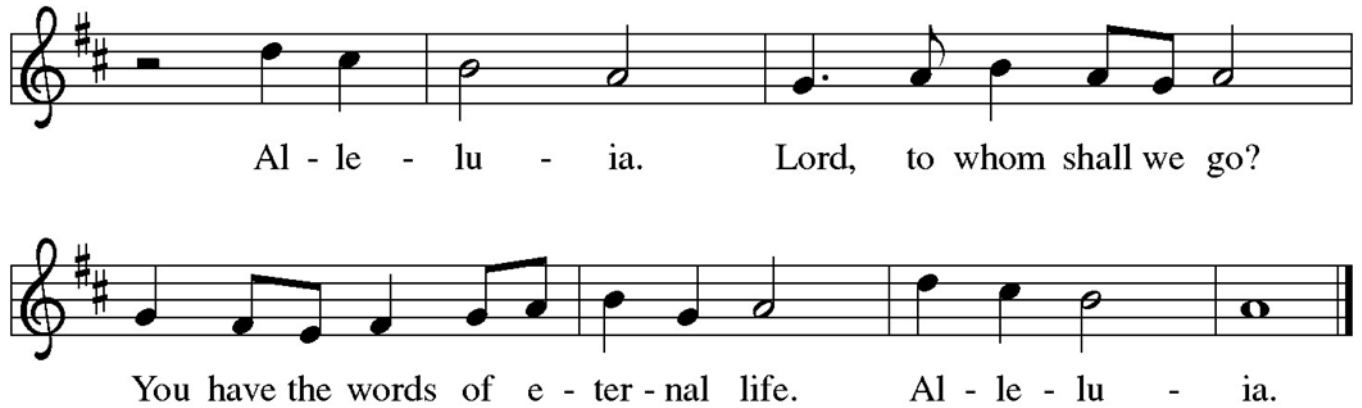
1 My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. 2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3 Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

▲ Gospel Acclamation



▲ Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

After his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, Jesus was attacked by the “chief priests and elders of the people.” For the third week in a row, we hear a parable in which Jesus compares their rejection of the Word of God with the joyful acceptance of it by tax collectors and prostitutes.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 2 “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. 4 Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ 5 But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. 7 The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. 8 Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ 10 Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests. 11 “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, 12 and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ 14 For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

▲ Hymn of the Day

“Let Us Go Now to the Banquet”

ELW #523

▲ Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People (*please kneel or sit as your body allows*)

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

▲ The Peace

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

(share God's peace with each other as you feel comfortable and then be seated)

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

▼ Gathering of Gifts

As we move to the time in our worship where we offer our gifts to God's church, a portion of your offering supports our ministries of Pastoral Care and Counseling. Our pastors, staff, and lay leaders accompany people in some of the most difficult times in life, offering God's peace and presence.



If you prefer, scan the QR code to give online. You may then place a giving card from the pew in the offering plate as it passes by.

▼ Anthem

“Table of Plenty”

Schutte

Choir

▲ Offertory

“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”

ELW #691

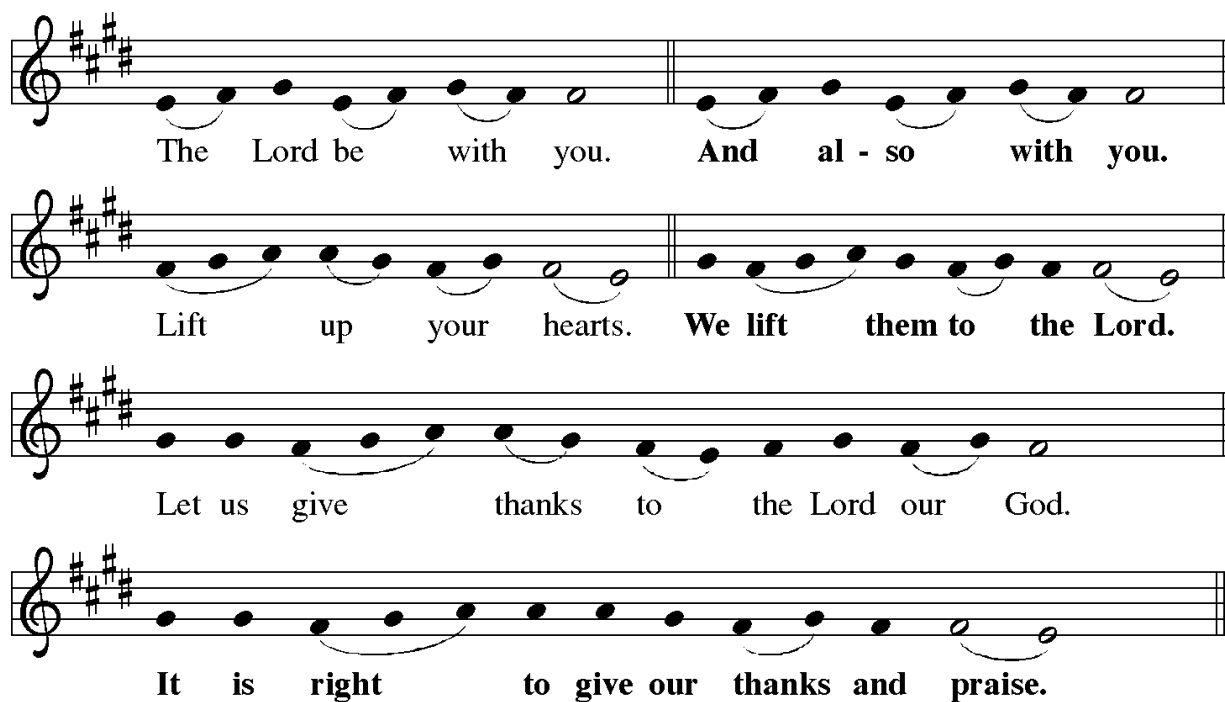
1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea - sure.
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.

We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
What once was com - mon, dail - y food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

▲ Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

▲ Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

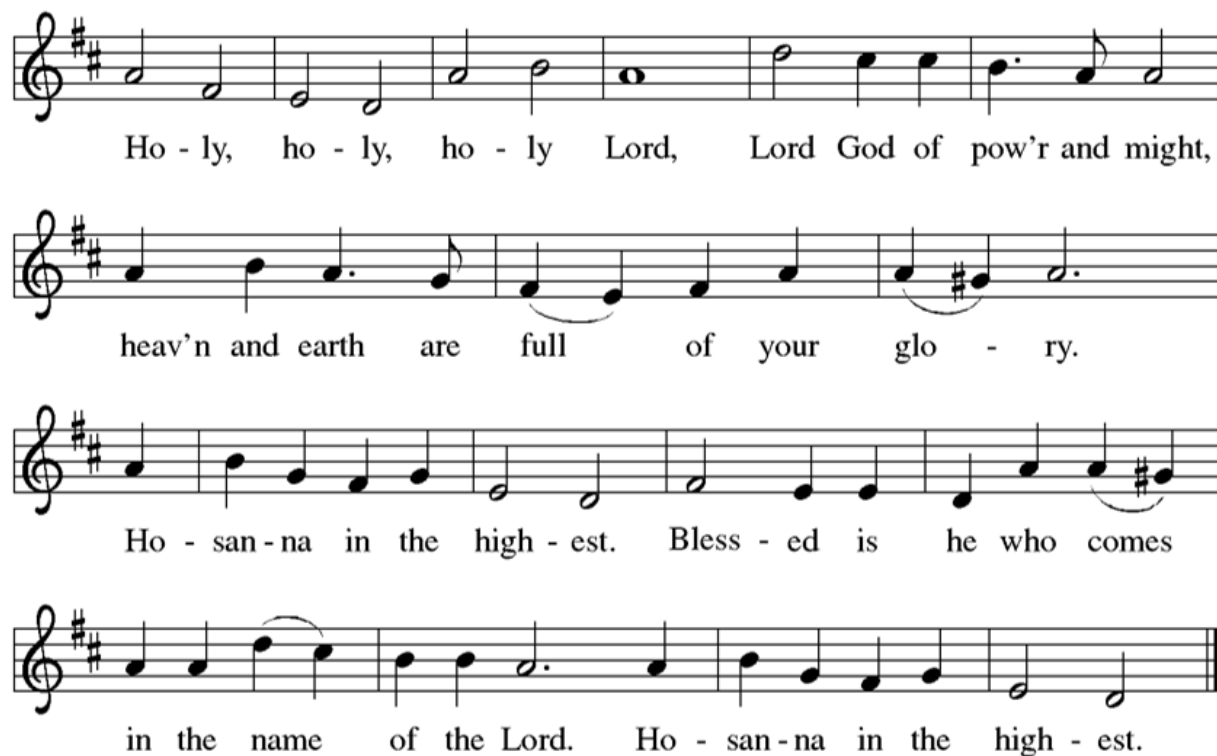
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

▲ Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

▲ Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen.

▲ Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

▲ Invitation to Communion

Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty and hungry, come.

▲ Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

▼ Distribution of Communion

*To receive communion, please come down the center aisle, take a cup from the tray and gather at the altar rail. Receive the bread into your hand. Wine will be poured into your cup. **The communion wine is gluten free. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.** For those unable to receive wine, communion cups with water are available. Leave the altar rail, place your cup on the tray and return to your pew via the side aisles. If you desire to receive communion in the pew, please alert an usher. Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

10:45am

"Rejoice in the Lord"

Lindner

Youth Choir

▲ Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

▲ Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Sustaining God, **with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

▲ Blessing

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of grace ✝ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

▲ Sending Hymn

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

ELW #873

▲ Dismissal

Go out in joy! Be led forth in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are dedicated to the Glory of God in celebration of our marriage on October 15, 1994 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Raleigh given by P. J. and Fred.

THE BROADCAST THIS WEEKEND is dedicated to the Glory of God in loving memory of deceased family members and in honor of children and grandchildren.

Serving this Weekend

Preaching: Pastor Jason Felici **Presiding:** Pastor Jess Felici

Director of Music: Debbie Morley

Lectors: Saturday 5:30pm: Donna Showalter

Sunday 8:15am: Jean Sorber

Sunday 10:45am: Woneida Naggy

Liturgical Deacons: Saturday 5:30pm: Darlene Hoffmann

Sunday 8:15am: Kim Henry, Sandy Kisick

Sunday 10:45am: Woneida Naggy, Kathy Zamerski

Ushers: Saturday 5:30pm: Kasha & Don Loveridge, Linda McDowell,
David Rock

Sunday 8:15am: Sandy Kisick, Rick Baldonieri, Kathy & Mark Jones

Sunday 10:45am: Matt & Kelly Clever, Eli C., Tim Potter

Acolytes: Saturday 5:30pm: Kelly Stanko

Sunday 8:15am:

Sunday 10:45am:

Tellers: Sunday 8:15am: Gary Sheppard, Carol McIntyre, Nancy McHenry

Sunday 10:45am: Jane Lawson, Marcia Salandro, Kathy Sowatskey,
Tim Potter