

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Seventh Sunday of Easter

TLS 8th Grade Graduation

Saturday, May 16, 6 PM | Sunday, May 17, 9 AM

Divine Service – Setting One, p. 151

(The ringing of the bell signals the beginning of worship. Please direct your attention to the Prelude offered for your personal worship preparation and silence all electronic devices.)

Christ is risen—as the flame of the paschal candle has reminded us throughout this Easter season now concluding. Hereafter the candle will be lit for Baptisms and funerals.

PRELUDE..... “Suite on urelia” -arr. Hobby, Jacob Sprengeler, Organist

WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

During the Easter season we rejoice in our Lord’s resurrection, beginning and ending the Divine Service with the processional cross, symbol of our salvation.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”.....LSB 493, sts. 1-2, 6

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
trod, As - cends un - to the throne of
God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Hymn continues on the next page

2 The holy apostolic band
Upon the Mount of Olives stand.
Alleluia, alleluia!
And with His faithful foll'wers see
Their Lord ascend in majesty.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

△ 6 O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
All praise to You let earth accord:
Alleluia, alleluia!
You are, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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CONFESSIO and ABSOLUTIO..... Page 151

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

INTROIT..... *Psalm 100, 101:1*

Pastor: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

People: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

People: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Pastor: Know that the LORD, he is God!

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

People: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Pastor: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

People: and his faithfulness to all generations.

All: 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.

Pastor: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

People: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

(♪) KYRIE.....Page 152

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

(♪) HYMN OF PRAISE: “Gloria in Excelsis”.....Page 154

Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**People: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

(♪) SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY.....Page 156

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray...

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING.....Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ¹⁸(Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

And

“‘Let another take his office.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which

Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL..... *adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead.

People: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

Pastor: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

People: he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE.....1 Peter 4:12—5:11

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹ Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

⁵ So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: ² shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; ³ not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. ⁵ Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(♪) ALLELUIA and VERSE (*stand*).....Page 156

People: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

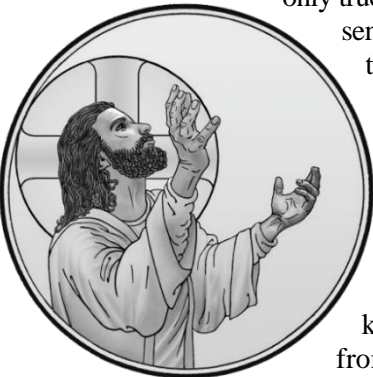
The Gospel is read in the midst of the gathered congregation, signifying the presence of the risen Lord Jesus among His people.

HOLY GOSPEL..... John 17:1-11

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

17 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.



⁶"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come

to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven".....LSB 477



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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SERMON: "Under the Mighty Hand of God"..... 1 Peter 4:12—5:11

NICENE CREED.....Page 158

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

(9:00) TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT..... See Insert

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING.....“Festival Alleluia” -Miller

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Out of love for our members and guests, and with sincere concern for the spiritual welfare of all, and in the desire to honor Christ our Lord and to be faithful to His Word, Trinity Lutheran Church abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. All who are communicant members in good standing of Trinity Lutheran Church or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to come in true repentance to receive Christ’s body and blood in the fellowship of this altar. All others are welcome to gather at the altar rail with arms folded across your chest, indicating your desire to receive a word of blessing from the pastor.

(♪) PREFACE.....Page 160

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also 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 Him thanks and praise.

(♪) SANCTUS.....Page 161

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow’r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....Page 161

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD.....Page 162

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

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST.....Page 162

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER..... Page 162

People: 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.

(♪) PAX DOMINI..... Page 163

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

(♪) AGNUS DEI.....Page 163

People: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”.....LSB 623

“Beautiful Savior”.....LSB 537

(♪) CANTICLE (*Stand*): “Thank the Lord”.....Page 164

People: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT.....Page 166

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us
through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You
would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent
love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who
lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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 ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

“Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”.....LSB 680



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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POSTLUDE.....“Prelude & Fugue in E-flat Major” -J. S. Bach



PRAY

without ✦ ceasing

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THESE GENERAL & SPECIFIC NEEDS AT TRINITY

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS AT TRINITY

- Guidance, courage, and faith for our graduates as they begin a new chapter in life.
- Comfort for all those mourning their dead in the hope of the resurrection
- God's blessings upon Judy McCarty, Stacy Steele, Jeremy Petersen, & Rhonda Petersen
- For relatives and friends of Trinity on active military duty

GENERAL CHURCH & WORLD CONCERNS

- For the children of Gboawuta Villiage, Liberia
- Thanks for God's care through Word & Sacrament
- For opportunities to share Jesus with others
- For the Spirit-empowered readiness to love, confess, forgive, and be reconciled
- For persecuted Christians throughout the world, and for the conversion of their persecutors
- For the well-being of pregnant mothers and their preborn children, in both body and soul
- For an end to racism, terrorism, and every evil
- For our national, state, and local government leaders
- For all those who are chronically ill and suffering

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- Carole Anderson
- Ron & Vonnie Andrie
- Donnie Bolton
- Edna Bornstein
- Pat Campbell
- Tyler Cole
- Nancy Engen
- Shirley McCord
- Henrietta Mueller
- Lois Nord
- Bill Rosell
- Amy Wilkie



GRADUATION 2026

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TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Sunday, May 17, 2026 | 9:00 am

STUDENT SPEECHES

“Thank You” – Rhylin Kinney

“Gratitude” – Mercy Hodgins

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

God’s blessings to the eighth-grade students graduating from Trinity Lutheran School who will attend the following high schools:

Claire Anne Brusius Washington High School
Ava Elaine Carter Kennedy High School
Natalie Jane Fersdahl Kennedy High School
Daniel Robert Groth Marion Home School Assist. Prog.
Elizabeth Lou Heck Jefferson High School
Lucas Richard Heller Kennedy High School
Mercy Gabriela Hodgins Kennedy High School
Jacob Alan Hoffman Marion High School
A’Leysia Jennipher Jones Kennedy High School
Rhylin Ann Kinney Marion High School
Claire Elise Kistler Xavier High School
Claire Autumn Krenz Marion High School
Ava Claire Manthe Cedar Rapids Prep
Jayne Joanne Mullins Springville High School
Greta Leighann Smith Marion High School
Rose Marie Steffens Marion High School
Bethany Marie Wagner Marion High School
Sydney Rae Wilson Kennedy High School
Everly Sophia Zimmerman . . . Marion Home School Assist. Prog.



HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE

In addition to our Trinity Lutheran School graduates, we would like to congratulate the following Trinity Church members who are graduating:

GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL:

DEVIN BOEHMKE

Kennedy High School

*Future Plans: studying general education and business
at Kirkwood Community College*

KATRIEL BURKETT

Jefferson High School

Future Plans: studying nursing at Concordia University Wisconsin

TYLER COLE

Marion High School

*Future Plans: studying criminal justice and Spanish
at Iowa State University*

KAYLIN KINNEY

Marion High School

*Future Plans: studying vascular sonography
at University of Nebraska Omaha*

JUSTIN POWELL

Kennedy High School

*Future Plans: studying business and playing basketball
at Concordia University Nebraska*

NOLAN POWNELL

Mt. Vernon High School

Future Plans: studying mechanical engineering at Iowa State University

LIBBIE SPICKA

Cedar Valley Christian School

*Future Plans: studying radiologic technology
at Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines, IA*



GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL:

JONATHAN SWYERS

City View Community High School

Future Plans: working as an electrician apprentice

HOLLY WILKIE

Washington High School

Future Plans: studying neuroscience at the University of Iowa

ELLYANA WOLFE

Marion High School

Future Plans: studying therapeutic recreation and American Sign Language at the University of Iowa



GRADUATING FROM COLLEGE:

GRANT FUNSTON

Iowa State University – Master's Degree in Political Science

Future Plans: Taking a gap year and applying to a graduate program in fall 2027



Be strong and courageous...for the Lord your God goes with you.

Deuteronomy 31:6

