

All Saints Sunday

"People coming together to be The Church, not just attend one."

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November 6, 2022



Service of Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Worship Trinity Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING! We invite you to join us regularly for worship and in a variety of activities and opportunities in our congregational life. If you are new here, we welcome you; if you are a member of longstanding, we celebrate your gifts and your ministry among us. Our order of worship is printed on the following pages of this bulletin.

MISSION STATEMENT - The Mission Statement of Trinity Lutheran Church is to nurture faith through proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ by word, sacrament, deeds and loving relationships, to ALL people.

VISION STATEMENT - As proclaimers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Vision of Trinity Lutheran Church is to maximize our gifts and resources to reach out with God's love and serve the global community.

COMMUNION PROCEDURE - The communion table of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is open to all baptized Christians who believe that our Lord Jesus is truly present in the forms of bread and wine. Please follow the ushers' instructions at the time of distribution. Children who have not yet received first communion instruction are welcome to come forward with their families to receive a blessing.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated weekly throughout the year. No one is ever required to participate in the sacrament, but it is offered to nourish and sustain God's people. This is in accordance with Lutheran teaching:

Background 35A: The Church celebrates the Holy Communion frequently because the Church needs the sacrament, the means by which the Church's fellowship is established and its mission as the baptized people of God is nourished and sustained. This practice was reaffirmed in 1989 by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We continue to need "consistent pastoral encouragement and instruction relating to Holy Communion...pointing up Christ's command, his promise, and our deep need." For a variety of historical reasons, Lutherans in various places moved away from the weekly celebration of the sacrament.

Application 35C: Participation in the sacramental meal is by invitation, not demand. The members of the church are encouraged to make the sacrament a frequent rather than occasional part of their lives.

(Excerpts from: The Use of the Means of Grace, Principle 35)

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INTRODUCTION

We worship on the first day of the week because Jesus was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

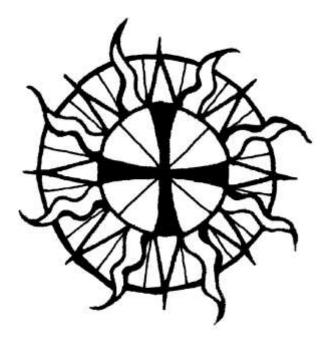
- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
- C Amen.
- P Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. *Silence for reflection and self-examination. (kneel/stand)*
- P God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
 We have harmed your good creation.
 We have failed to do justice,
 love kindness, and walk humbly with you.
 Turn us in a new direction.
 Show us the path that leads to life.
 Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
 through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
 Amen.
- P Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

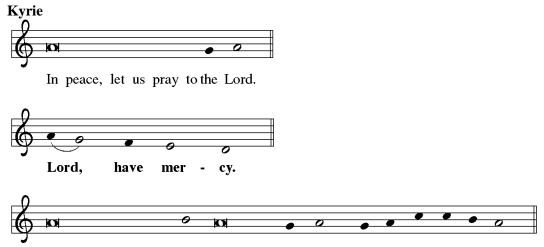


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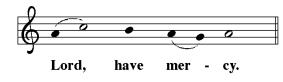
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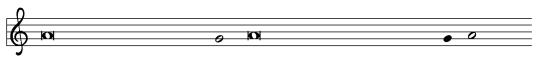
- P God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C And also with you





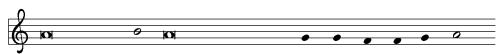
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



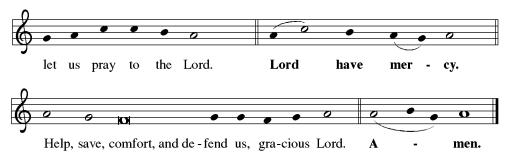


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

A A reading from Job

FIRST READING

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

- ²³"O that my words were written down!
 - O that they were inscribed in a book!
- ²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!
- ²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
- and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
- then in my flesh I shall see God, ^{27a}whom I shall see on my side,
 - and my eyes shall behold, and not another."
- A Word of God, Word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

Job 19:23-27a

PSALM

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 17:8)

¹ Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
² Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.
³ Examine my heart, visit me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
⁴ I have not regarded what others do;
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;
and my feet do not slip.
⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
⁷ Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.
⁸ Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings,
⁹ from the wicked who assault me,
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

A A reading from 2 Timothy

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:1-5,13-17

This portion of the letter provides encouragement for the church at Thessalonica during a time of confusion and opposition, as some allowed their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

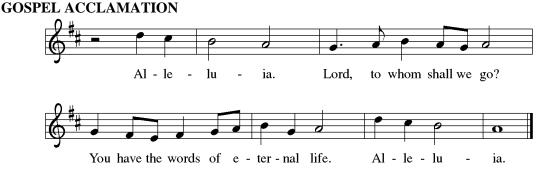
¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

- A Word of God, Word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand



- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 20th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38

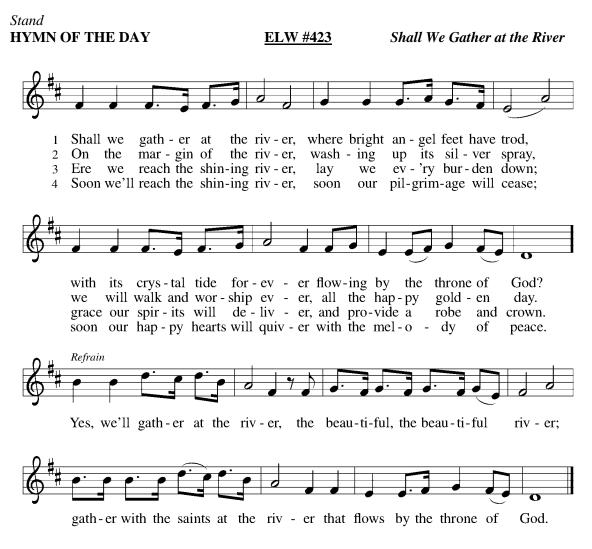
Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

³⁴Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ

Sit SERMON



Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry **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 worshiped 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.

REMEMBRANCE OF ALL SAINTS

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

God of new life, we give you thanks for those who have been baptized in the past year especially Conlee Pauken. May they join the communion of all the saints, past, present, and future, and enter into the mission we share to be the body of Christ in the world.

God of the resurrection, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors, especially Mary Mandrick. Keep us in union with all your saints, and bring us with them to the joyous feast of heaven, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

We remember those affiliated with this congregation as the bell tolls:

Mary Mandrick --Died February 23, 2022

Others may come forward to light a candle in remembrance their loved ones.

- P Almighty God, gather us as your holy people of all times and places. Comfort us and all who mourn. Bless us, defend us, and bring us to everlasting life with you.
- C Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

- A God of time and space, our faith has been passed down through the generations. Bless new believers, catechumens, and any affirming their faith in you (*especially*), that they share what they have first received. Lord, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.
- A God of tempest and tide, our world is full of dazzling beauty and brutal destruction. Protect us and all your creatures from hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and fires. Restore what has been lost. Lord, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

- A God of truth, raise up leaders with integrity, honesty, and compassion. Unite our elected officials in shared goals that benefit and serve all people. Instill in them hearts of justice, mercy, and peace. Lord, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.
- A God of tumult, you sustain and guide your people when the way forward is uncertain. Abide with all going through transitions at work, school, or in their personal lives. Bring healing to those who are sick (*especially*). Reassure us of your constancy in the midst of change. Lord, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.
- A God of togetherness, deepen the relationships that are built in this place. Form us as a community where tears of sorrow and shouts of joy can both be shared. Lord, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A God of tenderness, we give thanks for all who have died in the faith. (*Here the names of those who have died in the previous year may be read.*) Console our mourning spirits with the promise of eternal life in your presence. Lord, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.
- P Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

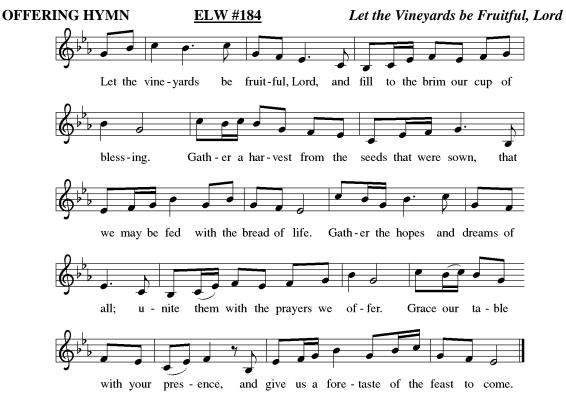
Please do not leave your pew, pass the peace to those in your family group as you wish but to others by waves or other hand signs

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OFFERING

First Sunday: ELCA World Hunger

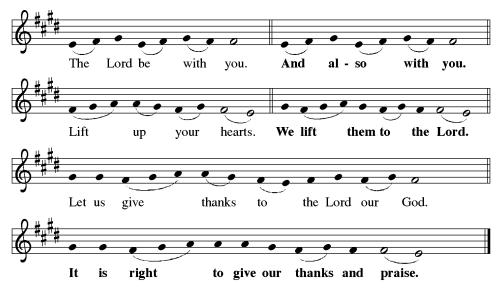
Each week, our congregation collects a general offering for the church and our ministries. Additionally, we collect an offering for special projects. If you would like to make a regular gift to the church, please place it in the offering plate. If you are looking to support our special project (noted above), please place your offering in the barnyard boxes or noisy offering buckets. The plate will be presented to the altar by the ushers at this time



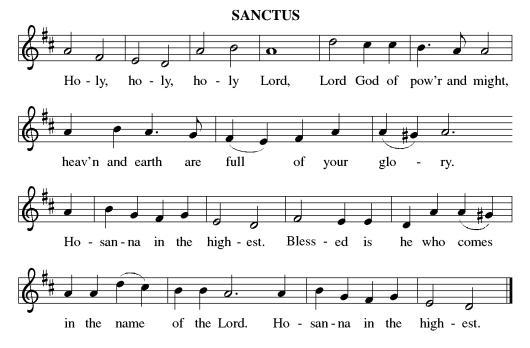
OFFERING PRAYER

- A Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
- C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right our duty and our joy, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



+EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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,
the sacrifice of his life and death
and the victory of his resurrection,
we await with all the saints
his loving redemption of our suffering world.
Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine
and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son:
teach us your mercy and justice,
and make all things new in Christ.
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

С

P 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

P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The presiding minister and the assisting ministers receive the bread and wine and then give them to those who come to receive. As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say "Amen."

Follow the usher's instructions to approach the altar. Communion will be by individual cup, the communicant stands before the Pastor to receive the bread, then Assisting Minister will hand you the cup of wine. Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request. Simply tell the pastor at the time of communion. If you are unable to consume alcohol, please inform the assisting minister when it is your turn to receive the wine, and you will be given a wine substitute. There is a basket for the used cups

SILENT MEDITATION

While others are receiving communion you are invited to reflect on the readings, the sermon and the music of the day.

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

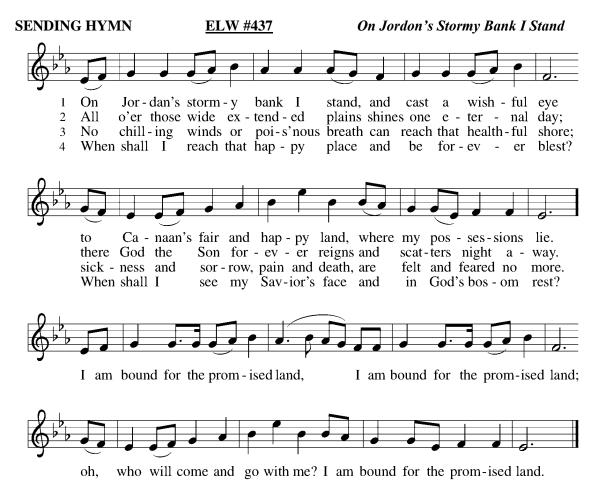
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C Amen.



Text: Samuel Stennett, 1727–1795 Music: PROMISED LAND, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. Rigdon M. McIntosh, 1836–1899

DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.
- C Thanks be to God

SERVING AT TRINITY

Ministers: Every member of the congregation Piano/Keyboard: Paul Lucas Parish Secretary: Chris McNamara

Council President: Terry Vear **Vice-President:** Suzanne Sponsler **Treasurer:** Chris McNamara **Secretary:** Sandra Dufur

Council Members: Warren Bartels, Johncie Langston, Joe Painter, Gene Stockford-Shively, and Patti Weber

SERVING TODAY:

Supply Pastor: Rev. Julie Winklepleck Assisting Minister: Warren Bartels Ushers: Amy & Keith Otterbein Coffee Hour: Susan Miller Next week Phyllis Klingler

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Altar Guild: Amy Otterbein Offering Counters: Sandra Dufur and Patti Weber Videographer: Gene Stockford-Shively

FLOWERS – The flowers on the altar today are given by TLC in memory of Arnold and Mary Mandrick.

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