



Trinity Lutheran Church



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Divine Service –Setting Three

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Today's Schedule

Divine Worship/ Holy Communion 8:30am/ 11:00am

Coffee/Goodies time in the Fellowship Center 9:30am

Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 10:00am

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran. We are delighted you have chosen to join us this day. Our Lord always blesses those who come to His house to hear His word and receive His sacraments. We pray you will experience God's love and care for you.

For our guests:

- ❖ Quiet bags are provided for your children during the service. They are located as you enter the church. The children's bulletin and color booklet is for you to keep. Please return the bags as you exit. ***We now have children's bulletins that go with the theme of the day! Please return to the rack when exiting.***
- ❖ For your convenience we have a Cry Room. You will find it as you enter the church doors. From that room you can hear and observe the service.
- ❖ Here at Trinity we believe, as Scripture teaches, that in the Lord's Supper, we receive not only bread and wine, but also the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins, and the strengthening of our faith and our fellowship with one another. If you would like to participate in this Sacrament, but have further questions, we encourage you to speak with the pastor or elders. We also invite and encourage you to fill out the white card indicating your desire and intention to commune.
- ❖ Pastor Smith is available for visiting and consultations. Please contact the church office or Pastor's cell phone 760 485-5171 for an appointment.

*****Please silence cell phones...Thank you*****

God Bless Your Worship!!!



1 Greet the ris - ing sun, Shin - ing with bright force,
 2 Fa - ther, hear my prayer, Keep me safe to - day;
 3 Lord, I will to - day On Your love re - ly;



Like an ath - lete strong, Set to run the course;
 Sanc - ti - fy my thoughts, All I do and say:
 Let no e - vil thought Cloud the clear blue sky.



Birds soar high a - bove, Wild-flow'rs bloom be - low;
 As I teach the young And es - teem the old,
 Joy - ful and con - tent With life's sim - pler things,



With the day's new light, Glad to work I go.
 May Your boun - teous grace By my life be told.
 Know - ing all I need From Your kind - ness springs.

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 116:12–13, 15–16; antiphon: v. 17

I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

What shall I render to the LORD
for all His benefits to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.

Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of His saints.

O LORD, I am Your servant;

**I am Your servant, the son of Your
maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.**

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.

I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Hymn of Praise

“Revelation Song”

Congregation/Troubadours

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain — Holy, Holy, is He
Sing a new song, to him who sits on —Heaven's mercy seat

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain — Holy, Holy, is He
Sing a new song, to him who sits on —Heaven's mercy seat



Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You

**Clothed in rainbows, of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be
to You the only wise King**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You**

**Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of your name
Jesus your name is power Breath, and living water
Such a marvelous mystery**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything
And I will adore You (2x)**

Collect of the Day

Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

⁶“Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may
have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly
pardon.

[L]: This is the Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God

Isaiah 55:6–9

⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares
the LORD.

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the
earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you His saints,
for those who fear Him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers Him out of them all.

Epistle

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far

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Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30

better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Alleluia



[C] Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

¹[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire

Matthew 20:1–16

laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going

out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when

those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?' ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

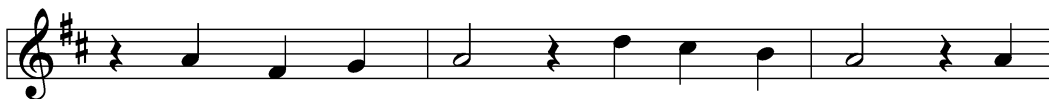
C Praise to You O Christ

Apostles' Creed

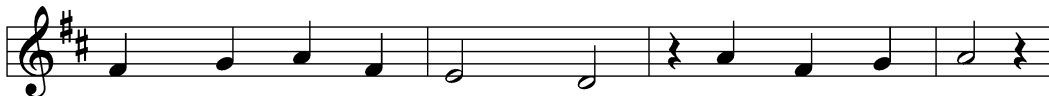
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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



1 Seek where you may To find a way That
 2 Seek whom you may To be your stay, None
 3 Seek Him a - lone Who did a - tone, Who
 4 My heart's de - light, My crown most bright, O



leads to your sal - va - tion. My heart is stilled,
 can re - deem his broth - er. All help - ers failed;
 did your souls de - liv - er. O seek Him first,
 Christ, my joy for - ev - er. Not wealth nor pride



On Christ I build, He is the one foun - da - tion.
 This man pre - vailed, The God - man and none oth - er,
 All you who thirst For grace that fails you nev - er.
 Nor for - tune's tide Our bonds of love shall sev - er.



His Word is sure, His works en - dure; He o - ver - throws
 Our Ser - vant - King Of whom we sing. We're jus - ti - fied
 In ev - 'ry need Seek Him in - deed; To ev - 'ry heart
 You are my Lord; Your pre - cious Word Shall guide my way



All e - vil foes; Through Him I more than con - quer.
 Be - cause He died, The guilt - y be - ing guilt - less.
 He will im - part His bless - ings with - out mea - sure.
 And help me stay For - ev - er in Your pres - ence.

Offering/Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church & Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.



Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up unto the Lord.
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
C It is meet and right so to do.

- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world. have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution/ Distribution Hymns

#851, #643

Thanksgiving

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** 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.
C Amen..

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

- P**: Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you .
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and Φ give you peace..



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

“For Me to Live is Jesus”

#742



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.
And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.
My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.
And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.



1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;
2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim
3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;
4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,

- 5 In my last hour, O grant me
A slumber soft and still,
No doubts to vex or haunt me,
Safe anchored in Thy will;
- 6 And so to Thee still cleaving
When death shall come to me,
I fall asleep believing
And wake in heav'n with Thee!



THE FLOWERS today adorn the altar in loving memory of Jane Campbell's birthday by her husband, Russ Campbell and to the glory of our gracious and glorious Heavenly Father.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL, the children will study “Silence before a Son.” Doubting the angel’s announcement of his coming son, Zechariah finds himself silenced until the boy’s birth. Upon writing “His name is John,” Zechariah regains his voice and prophesies concerning his son’s work.



NEXT WEEK all Bible studies and choir practice are postponed. All will resume the following week. Pastor and Bobbi will be using their final Sunday off and spending the week with family for a mini family reunion. We pray for a safe and relaxing time for Pastor and Bobbi as they enjoy their time away.

Even to your old age and gray hairs, I am He, I am He Who will sustain you. Isaiah 46:4a.
The Lord has sustained me in my recent illness. Thank you for all the prayers and cards.



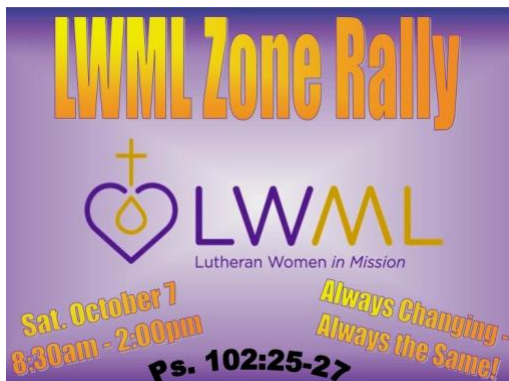
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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY LUTHERAN

September 24, 2023

Tuesday 10:00 am Quilters
Bible Studies and Choir Practice Postponed



THIS SUNDAY IS THE FINAL DAY to register for the LWML Fall Rally, “Always Changing...Always the Same”. This year’s rally is being held here at Trinity in the Fellowship Center. Enjoy inspiration, Bible Study, Fellowship, Food, Singing, and celebrating the seasons with friends! Registration is \$10 per person with a continental breakfast and lunch provided. We will have an ingathering of **diapers and wipes** for the Indio Refuge Pregnancy Center.

LWML SUNDAY is coming up! **Sunday, October 8, 2023**, has been designated as Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Sunday here at Trinity. The Lutheran Women in Mission invite the entire congregation to celebrate together as the Body of Christ under the theme, "The King is Coming" authored by Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Gray, LCMS Black Ministry Director.

Join us and learn how the Lord has worked through Lutheran Women in Mission to bring the lost and the erring into fellowship with Him through mission and ministry.

All are invited to a cake reception during the regular Bible study and Sunday School hour, 9:45am. We will also have quilts for sale made by our very own TLC Quilters.

Come and enjoy the day with us!



THOSE WE KEEP IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Elaine Bishop, Paula Carlsgaard, Andy Schlange, Sharyn Brackett, Trudi Intemann, Bill Grotenrath, Roy Culley, Terri Cuesta, Luke Mohr, Lucy Negron, Diana Kenyon(Ramona Haugen's daughter), Thomas Oduor, Phyllis Haflinger, Woody & Linda Kasnter, health

Michele Ungaro(sister of Renee Young), Sequoia(6yr old granddaughter of winter visitors Bill and Sandy Bell), Grace Ferris, Kathi Bredeesen(Trudi Intemann's daughter) cancer

Amy Frese's mom, heart problems

The Oduor Family, granddaughter, Michaela, born @ 24 weeks born 6/26/23
We pray for Gma Teresa as she prepares to meet lil' Michaela this month!.



*"Look to the LORD and His strength; seek His face always."
1 Chronicles 16:11*