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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us in worship today. During this Advent Season we rejoice in the coming of Jesus Christ among His people, not only in His birth as a man, but also as we receive Him as even now He comes to us in His Word and Sacraments and as we wait for His coming again in glory. We pray that you will meet your Savior in our worship today as we joyfully celebrate Him who comes among His people, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Stir up Your power, Lord Christ, and come. By Your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of Your new day, for You live and reign with the Father You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

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▼ In the Name of Jesus Christ **▼**

▼ The Preparation **▼**

Advent Music for Meditation

The Prelude

"Hosanna Now Through Advent"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Blessing of the Advent Wreath:

- **P** In the Name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord, as we begin the season of Advent, let this wreath remind us that Jesus Christ came to conquer the darkness of sin and to lead us into the light of His glorious kingdom. As the prophet Isaiah says, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined."
- **P** Our Help is in the Name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, the true Light who comes into the world to enlighten all people, bless us as we light the candles of this wreath in preparation for Your coming, and enkindle in our hearts the fire of Your love that we may receive You with joy and gladness and evermore remain steadfast in the faith; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this wreath for use in His Church throughout this holy season of Advent.
- C Amen.

"Hosanna Now Through Advent"

- 1 Hosanna now through Advent
 With loving hearts we sing,
 For Jesus Christ is coming
 To be His children's King.
 Hosanna! Blessed Jesus,
 Come in our hearts to dwell,
 And let our lives and voices
 Your praise and glory tell.
- 2 Hosanna! Let this welcome
 Ring out from ev'ry heart;
 Draw near to us, O Jesus,
 And nevermore depart..
 So when we see You coming
 With angels in the sky,
 Hosanna, loud hosanna
 Shall be Your children's cry.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!"
 That ancient song we sing;
 For Christ is our Redeemer,
 The Lord of heav'n our King.
 Oh, may we ever praise Him
 With heart and life and voice
 And in His blissful presence
 Eternally rejoice!

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The Confession of Sins:

- **P** The hour has come to wake from sleep.
- **G** for salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.
- **P** The night is far gone; the day is at hand.
- So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

- 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.
- C Amen.

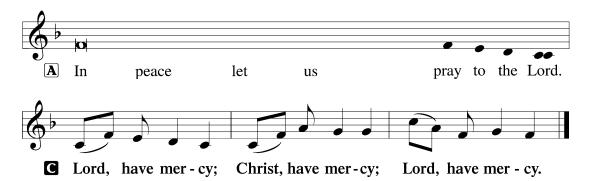
▼ The Service of the Word **▼**

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 25:1-3; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.

- P Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.
- To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.
- Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
- 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.
- P Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.

The Kyrie Eleison



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



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

A 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.



- C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



- C Lord, have mer cy; Christ, have mer cy. Lord, have mer cy.
- A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray.

 Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

- ¹Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—
- ² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—
- to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

³When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. ⁵You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? ⁶We have all become like one who is unclean. and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. ⁸But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

- Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.
 Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.
- Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.
- **P** Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **C** From the house of the Lord we bless you.
- P Alleluia. Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
- c that the King of glory may come in. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Mark 11:1-10

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed:

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.

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 355

"O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide"

- O Savior, rend the heavens wide; Come down, come down with mighty stride; Unlock the gates, the doors break down; Unbar the way to heaven's crown.
- 2 O Father, light from heaven send; As morning dew, O Son, descend. Drop down, you clouds, the life of spring: To Jacob's line rain down the King.
- O earth, in flow'ring bud be seen; Clothe hill and dale in garb of green. Bring forth, O earth, a blossom rare, Our Savior, sprung from meadow fair.
- 4 O Fount of hope, how long, how long? When will You come with comfort strong? O come, O come, Your throne forego; Console us in our vale of woe.
- O Morning Star, O radiant Sun,
 When will our hearts behold Your dawn?
 O Sun, arise; without Your light
 We grope in gloom and dark of night.
- 6 Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies; Grim death looms fierce before our eyes. O come, lead us with mighty hand From exile to our promised land.
- 7 There shall we all our praises bring And sing to You, our Savior King; There shall we laud You and adore Forever and forevermore.

The Congregation rises.

The Prayer of the Church

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Almighty God, when You come down, the nations tremble and the mountains quake because our sin angers You and causes You to look upon us in wrath. Yet for the sake of Your Son, You turn Your wrath away from us and promise to remember not our iniquity forever. We thank You for looking upon us in mercy and making us Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father of our Lord Jesus, as Your Son once came in humility, riding on a donkey, to bring salvation, we await His future powerful and glorious return. Help us not forget His promised coming but instead lead us to live each day in repentance as we await His second advent. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, bless the work of Your servants who proclaim Your salvation, especially our pastors, missionaries, teachers, and all other ministers. For those who are already members of Your Kingdom, sustain them in the true faith as they receive Your Gospel and Sacraments through these servants. For those presently outside Your kingdom, use the work of Your servants that they may repent of their sins, trust Your merciful goodness, and rest in the peace of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Eternal God, as we begin a new Church Year that marks the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Your Son and His teachings for us, open our ears to Your Holy Word so that we may cling to Your forgiveness, life, and salvation, hold Your Son's words and works sacred, and grow in faithfulness to You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God of peace, with wisdom and power You govern the nations of this world. Guide all who serve in positions of authority that they may turn away from acts of hatred and bloodshed, follow the paths of peace, and choose good things for their people. We ask You especially to grant wisdom to all those in authority over us at every level of the government of our nation, that they may govern us with good judgment and serve the welfare of all. And bless also the men and women of our armed forces, as well as the civilians who assist them, that they may be kept safe from harm in the performance of their duties. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

O Lord, look with kindness upon all who are sick and suffering, the homebound and elderly, and those suffering from terminal disease and chronic pain (especially). Assure them of Your mercy, and comfort them with the awareness of Your goodness. If it please You, restore them to health and strength, or give them grace to accept their afflictions and anticipate the eternal healing You will bring when You come again. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. C \mathbf{P} God of peace, cause Your comforting presence to be among all those who mourn the death of loved ones. In their grief, cause them to remember Your love for them and the hope that is to be found in the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. $[\mathbf{P}]$ Lord of life and joy, be with all those who rejoice in the goodness and blessing which You have brought into their lives, especially with . As they celebrate the blessings they have received, may their hearts be ever moved to acknowledge You as the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. C P Loving God, to Your care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before You _____ and all the people and concerns which we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear all of these prayers, we beseech You, and answer them according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P O Lord, as Your Son once entered Jerusalem in great humility, riding on a colt, He also enters our presence under the bread and wine of His holy Meal. Let us find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood in faith for the salvation of our souls and to the glory of Your holy Name. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P Lord God, keep us in communion with your saints of every time and every place, who bore witness to Your appearing, and who now rest in the blessed peace of Your presence. Rejoicing in their fellowship, may we, like them, keep faith in You and Your Word and come also at last to share with them in the joys of the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

 \mathbf{C}

Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

P Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always!

C And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

▼ The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 334

"O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

- 1 O Lord, how shall I meet You,
 How welcome You aright?
 Your people long to greet You,
 My Hope, my heart's Delight!
 O kindle, Lord most holy,
 Your lamp within my breast
 To do in spirit lowly
 All that may please You best.
- 2 Your Zion strews before You
 Green boughs and fairest palms;
 And I too will adore You
 With joyous songs and psalms.
 My heart shall bloom forever
 For You with praises new
 And from Your name shall never
 Withhold the honor due.
- 3 I lay in fetters, groaning;
 You came to set me free.
 I stood, my shame bemoaning;
 You came to honor me.
 A glorious crown You give me,
 A treasure safe on high
 That will not fail or leave me
 As earthly riches fly.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4 Love caused Your incarnation;
 Love brought You down to me.
 Your thirst for my salvation
 Procured my liberty.
 Oh, love beyond all telling,
 That led You to embrace
 In love, all love excelling,
 Our lost and fallen race.
- 5 Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
 Cannot His love erase;
 Your guilt the Lord will pardon
 And cover by His grace.
 He comes, for you procuring
 The peace of sin forgiv'n,
 His children thus securing
 Eternal life in heav'n.

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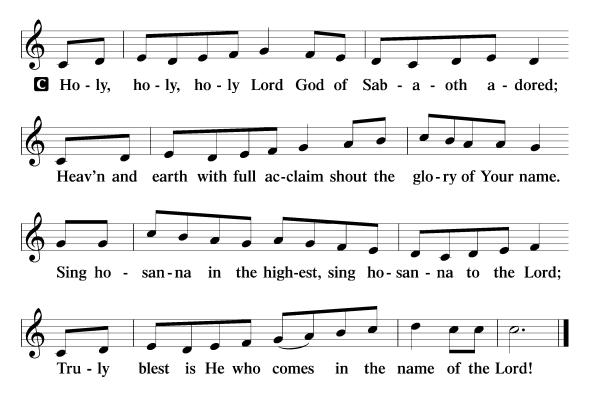
The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer:

- Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We give You thanks that You sent Your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us in Him heirs of everlasting life; that when He comes again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold His appearing. With thankful hearts we lift our prayer, "Come, Lord Jesus," confident that in His Body and Blood, given us to eat and to drink, we receive the forgiveness of sins and so proclaim His death until He comes in glory. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has 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.



The Words of Our Lord:

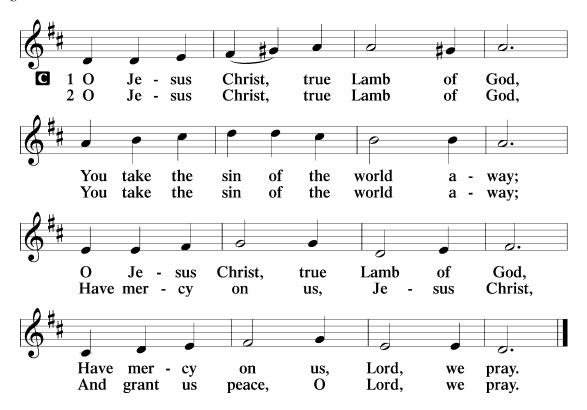
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."

The Pax Domini:

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.



The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music at the Distribution: "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

→ in peace.

C Amen.

The Congregation rises.



The Nunc Dimittis:



The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

O Lord our God, in the celebration of Your Sacrament You have given us the true Body and Blood of Your Son; grant that this Holy Supper may make us strong in the hope of our salvation, that we may joyfully await the advent of our Lord Jesus Christ in power and majesty; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The *Benedicamus* and Benediction:

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- 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.
- C Amen.

The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 350

"Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"

- 1 Come, Thou precious Ransom, come,
 Only Hope for sinful mortals!
 Come, O Savior of the world!
 Open are to Thee all portals.
 Come, Thy beauty let us see;
 Anxiously we wait for Thee.
- 2 Enter now my waiting heart,
 Glorious King and Lord most holy.
 Dwell in me and ne'er depart,
 Though I am but poor and lowly.
 Ah, what riches will be mine
 When Thou art my Guest divine!
- 3 My hosannas and my palms
 Graciously receive, I pray Thee;
 Evermore, as best I can,
 Savior, I will homage pay Thee,
 And in faith I will embrace,
 Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.
- 4 Hail! Hosanna, David's Son!
 Jesus, hear our supplication!
 Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown,
 Bring us blessing and salvation,
 That forever we may sing:
 Hail! Hosanna to our King.

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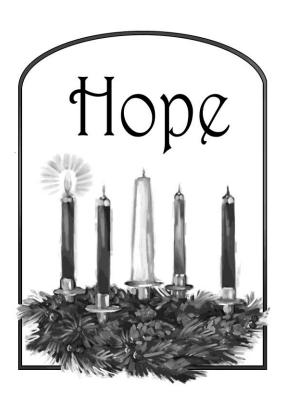
The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Hosanna Now Through Advent"

₩ To God All Praise and Glory! ₩



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NOTES AND NEWS

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we are not able to hold our Sunday Morning Bible Class at this time doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use during the Advent and Christmas Seasons. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/ (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

A NEW CHURCH YEAR ... begins today with the First Sunday in Advent. As we keep this season of preparing ourselves once more for the yearly remembrance of Christ's Birth, we will be providing devotional materials for our Trinity Families to observe this sacred time at home. The devotions were mailed to member homes last week.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... We sometimes hear the voice before we see the face that goes with it. Seek God's face where you hear God's Word. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday December 6, 2020, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Seek My Face", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit www.cph.org and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... If you had scheduled a Sunday to donate Altar Flowers during the time when we were away from our church building, and have already paid for them in advance, we would like to still honor your gift by purchasing those flowers for a Sunday service now that we've returned. Please let the church office know which Sunday you would like to sponsor. We also welcome other donors for other available Sundays as well. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Second Sunday in Advent, December 6, 2020 Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8



Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours will be:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 6 May Be Subject to Change

Today The First Sunday in Advent

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

Monday10:00 AM - 4:00 PMCompassion Center OpenTuesday9 AM—NoonChurch Office Open

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Wednesday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open

4:00 PM Midweek Devotions and Bible Study

(via Facebook Live)

Thursday 9 AM—Noon Church Office Open

Next Sunday The Second Sunday in Advent

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, November 22, 2020 Worship Attendance: 18; Communed: 17.



▼ O Christ, Hear Us! **▼**

Intercessions for the Week of November 29, 2020

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; John, relative of Pastor; Dina, niece of Sylvia;

Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen;

Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce;

Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce;

Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce;

Eric, homeless; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim;

Shirley, aunt of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim;

Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Tasha, and her son Layton, friends of Kristina;

Bill, brother of Peter; Robin, friend of Kristina; Zoila, mother of David;

Chuck, former Trinity Member

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Karsyn Joynes, Claudette Mayes, Cecil Haney, Gunhild Redman, and Lynn Orchowski, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Cullen & Roxanne Elias, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- **▼** Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ▼ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ▶ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.