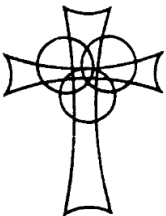


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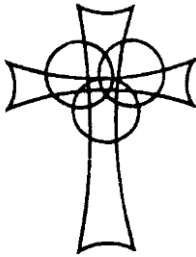
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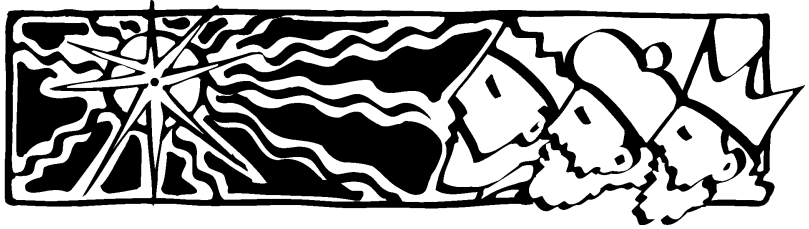
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***WELCOME TO WORSHIP!***

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! As the seasons change and time continues to run its appointed course, people are always confronted with how change-filled our lives can be. The Pastor and People of Trinity are happy that you have come to worship with us this morning and to receive strength for daily life and living through God's holy Word and Sacraments. We hope and pray that as you go back into the change-filled world we live in, the changeless Christ that we proclaim in this place will go with you.

***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

Lord God, with endless mercy You receive the prayers of all who call upon You. By Your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***CONCERNING 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. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



## THE DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

*Divine Service, Setting Two*  
*Lutheran Service Book*  
*Page 167ff*

✘ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✘

✘ **The Preparation** ✘

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“Allegro” – Tommaso Albinoni

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 873*

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true and on - ly light,  
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn Un - ac - com - pa-nied by Thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;



Sun of righ-teous-ness, a-rise; Tri-umph o'er the shades of night.  
Joy-less is the day's re-turn Till Thy mer-cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di-vine, Scat-ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap-pear.  
Till they in-ward light im-part, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
More and more Thy-self dis-play, Shin-ing to the per-fect day.

*Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88*

*Tune: attr. Johann G. Werner, 1777–1822*

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The Invocation:

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

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

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

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**P** 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 119:9-16; antiphon: verse 12*

**P** Blessèd are you, O LORD;  
teach me your statutes!

**C** **How can a young man keep his way pure?  
By guarding it according to your word.**

- P** With my whole heart I seek you;  
let me not wander from your commandments!
- C** **I have stored up your word in my heart,  
that I might not sin against you.**
- P** Blessèd are you, O LORD;  
teach me your statutes!
- C** **With my lips I declare  
all the just decrees of your mouth.**
- P** In the way of your testimonies I delight  
as much as in all riches.
- C** **I will meditate on your precepts  
and fix my eyes on your ways.**
- P** I will delight in your statutes;  
I will not forget your word.
- C** **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** Blessèd are you, O LORD;  
teach me your statutes!

The Hymn of Praise:

*Gloria in Excelsis*

**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we

praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
 take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
 us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-  
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*The Congregation is seated.*

The Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 58:3-9a*

- <sup>3</sup>“Why have we fasted, and you see it not?  
 Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?  
 Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,  
 and oppress all your workers.
- <sup>4</sup>Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
 and to hit with a wicked fist.  
 Fasting like yours this day  
 will not make your voice to be heard on high.
- <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose,  
 a day for a person to humble himself?  
 Is it to bow down his head like a reed,  
 and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?  
 Will you call this a fast,  
 and a day acceptable to the LORD?
- <sup>6</sup>“Is not this the fast that I choose:  
 to loose the bonds of wickedness,  
 to undo the straps of the yoke,  
 to let the oppressed go free,  
 and to break every yoke?
- <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry  
 and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
 when you see the naked, to cover him,  
 and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?
- <sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,  
 and your healing shall spring up speedily;  
 your righteousness shall go before you;  
 the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
- <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;  
 you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**



<sup>1</sup>And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup>and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup>But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the heart of man imagined,

what God has prepared for those who love him”—

<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. <sup>13</sup>And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

<sup>14</sup>The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. <sup>16</sup>“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

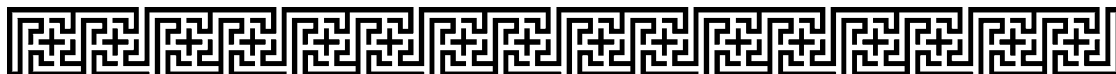
**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

“This Little Light of Mine”

*The Congregation rises.*



The Holy Gospel

*Matthew 5:13-20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*The Congregation is seated.*



The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 578

“Thy Strong Word”



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with  
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

The Hymn continues on the next page...

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,  
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,  
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the light which Thou dost send  
Fill our songs with alleluias,  
Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, Light-Creator,  
To Thee laud and honor be.  
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,  
Praise be sung eternally.  
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer,  
Glory, glory be to Thee.  
Mortals, angels, now and ever  
Praise the Holy Trinity!

*Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–76*

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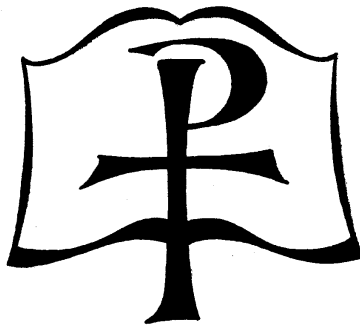
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The Sermon

God's Great Surprise

Text: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

*The Congregation rises.*



The Nicene Creed:

- C** 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  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come.
- Amen.**

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Heavenly Father, You have appointed Your Church to be a city on a hill, shining the light of Your mercy into the world and gathering Your own to receive Your precious gifts of forgiveness, life and mercy. Use us joyfully to invite and welcome our neighbors, co-workers and acquaintances to join us in receiving Your gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Heavenly Father, Your Son commanded us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the field. In answer to that prayer, You raise up pastors to serve Your people with Your Word and Sacraments. You raise up teachers, deacons, deaconesses, directors of Christian education and others to catechize and carry out works of mercy in the world. Bless all those who study for church vocations in our synod's seminaries and universities, that their studies might build them up in the joy of Your Gospel and prepare them to share Your Word with confidence and love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

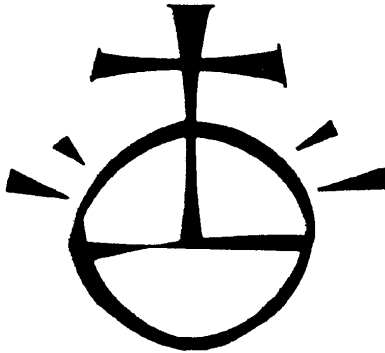
- P** Heavenly Father, through the prophets You declare that the fasting You accept is to share our food with the hungry and our homes with the homeless. Guard us from self-absorption, gluttony and other vices that prevent us from extending Your bounty to those less fortunate. Grant shelter to those who have none, food to those who hunger and honest work to the unemployed. Use Your people to extend Your mercy, and lift us to the joy of sharing our daily bread. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord of the nations, You sent Your Son into this world as the Prince of Peace. Bless our nation and all the nations of the world with peace. Bring war and violence to an end. Raise up faithful rulers who seek peace and justice. Protect all those who serve the cause of peace, especially the members of our armed forces. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and yet we often know the pain of sickness, injury, sorrow and other frailties. In Your never-failing mercy, remember those who have requested our intercessions, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that they might have healing and wholeness according to Your will and grace to entrust themselves to Your merciful hands as they endure with courage and hope whatever crosses and afflictions they must bear. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, Your loving care for us day by day gives us 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,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Loving God, Your comfort and peace alone can still the sorrows of our hearts. Grant that [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all who mourn the death of loved ones find comfort and hope in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious Father, You have promised that even when we do not know what to pray for as we ought, the Holy Spirit himself intercedes for us with groaning too deep for words. Through Your Spirit, hear us as we commend to Your care \_\_\_\_\_, as well as all of the other needs and concerns we lift to You from the silence of our hearts... May our prayers be in accord with Your will, and grant them, we beseech You, for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Heavenly Father, Your Son came to perfectly fulfill Your holy Law. Give us confidence and faith in His unfailing obedience as we approach Your altar today, that we might receive His true Body and Blood for forgiveness and depart with renewed love for our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord of life, receive our thanks for the Patriarch Jacob, Silas, and all of Your faithful servants who now rest in Christ. Bring us with them to the light and joy of Your eternal kingdom and to the feast that never ends. 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 Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

- P** Christ came and proclaimed the Gospel: peace to those who are far off and peace to those who are near.  
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 # 560

“Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blest”

1 Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed With heal - ing  
 2 Thou know - est all my griefs and fears, Thy grace a -  
 3 Wash me and take a - way each stain; Let noth - ing  
 4 And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so

gifts for souls dis - tressed, To find in Thee my  
 bused, my mis - spent years; Yet now to Thee with  
 of my sin re - main. For cleans - ing, though it  
 sweet a ser - vice be That an - gels well might

life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 be through pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

*Text: Genevieve M. Irons, 1855–1928*

*Tune: Joseph Barnby, 1838–96*

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*The Congregation rises.*

The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so 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.

**P** It is truly good, 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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*:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



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

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P** 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.

- C** Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer:

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
**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.**

## The Words of Our Lord:

- P** 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.



## The Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The Distribution of Holy Communion

*Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.*

*Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of three ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, 2) intinction: dipping the bread lightly into the chalice held by the Pastor, or 3) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*Music at the Distribution:*

The Trinity Singers

“Like a Shining Light”

The Distribution Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 637*

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,  
 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
 3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;  
 To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;  
 And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,  
 With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,  
 O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.  
 Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.  
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

*Text: Latin, 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.*

*Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois*

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*The Congregation rises.*



## The Post-Communion Canticle:

*Nunc Dimittis*

Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-  
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -  
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -  
 veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.  
 Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;  
 as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## The Post-Communion Collect:

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

The Benediction:

- P** 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** A - - - men.

The Hymn to Depart

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 411*

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

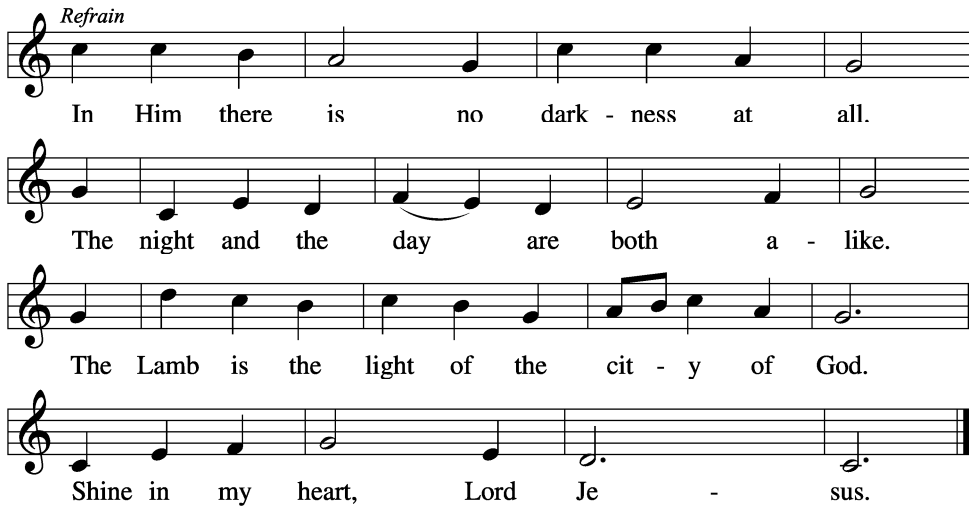
1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
 3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
 I want to look at Je - sus.  
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.  
 Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
 When we have run with pa - tience the race,

The star of my life is Je - sus.  
 And show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
 We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In Him there is no dark - ness at all.  
The night and the day are both a - like.  
The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

*Text and tune: Kathleen Thomerson, 1934*

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Almighty Father, Bless the Word”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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***THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP***

The Celebrant & Preacher	The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
The Lector	Tracy Peele
The Communion Assistant	George Kurtzweil
The Worship Assistant	Paul Ritter
The Choir	The Trinity Singers
The Flutist	Susan Kennedy
The Parish Musician	Skip Hall



**NOTES AND NEWS**

*COVID UPDATE* ... The wearing of masks while in the church building remains optional, and you are free to wear or not wear them as you choose, or as your personal needs determine. We ask, in love for one another, that everyone continue to observe our “Stay Safe Rules” as posted at the church entrances. Thank you all for your continued patience and loving concern for our Trinity Family during this time.

*LARGE PRINT HYMNALS* ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... A social media star with a million followers can't possibly know all one million of them. However, there is one really famous Person with billions of followers Who knows—and loves—each one. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, February 12, 2023, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Shine Like Stars", on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under “Media” and “The Lutheran Hour”.

*OUR PRAYER LIST* ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.



*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for **2023** is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is **\$35.00** (this is an increase from previous years). If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto:trinity-elc-office@verizon.net)).

*REMEMBERING THE SAINTS* ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

*THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATIONS* ...

February 5      **Jacob**, *Old Testament Patriarch*

February 10     **Silas**, *Fellow Worker of St. Peter & St. Paul*

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

*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.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM    Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

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

Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

*PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...*

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany: February 12, 2023

Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37



**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5 – 12**

*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<i>The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</i>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<i>The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany</i>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



**CHURCH STATISTICS**



Sunday, January 29, 2023

Worship Attendance: 17; Communed: 17.

✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of February 5, 2023**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

*For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:*

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;  
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda;  
Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;  
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;  
Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim;  
Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; Bernie, friend of Trinity;  
Randy, friend of Pepper; Joan, friend of Tracy; Sally, SED Staff;  
Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy; George, friend of Dave & Joyce;  
Danny, friend of Dave & Joyce; Hudson, son of Brendan; Paul III, grandson of Paul;  
Debbie, cousin of Kim; Allan, cousin of Kim

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**

Richard Hudson, Elouise Mathews, Xavier Elias, and Sharon Sinkoske, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**We Keep In Our Prayers**

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ 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 the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✘ 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 an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ 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 shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



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***Sunday Mornings:***  
Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM  
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live  
For more information, please visit the church website.*

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