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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.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Sovereign God, raise Your throne in our hearts. Created by You, let us live in Your image; created for You, let us act for Your glory; redeemed by You, let us give You what is Yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



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 Prelude "God Whose Almighty Word"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 979

"God Whose Almighty Word"

- 1 God, whose almighty word Chaos and darkness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we humbly pray, And where the Gospel day Sheds not its glorious ray, Let there be light!
- Lord, who once came to bring,
 On Your redeeming wing,
 Healing and sight,
 Health to the sick in mind,
 Sight to the inly blind:
 Oh, now to humankind
 Let there be light!
- 3 Spirit of truth and love,
 Life-giving, holy dove,
 Speed forth Your flight;
 Move on the water's face,
 Bearing the lamp of grace,
 And in earth's darkest place
 Let there be light!

The Hymn continues on the next page...

△ 4 Holy and blessèd Three,
 Glorious Trinity,
 Wisdom, love, might!
 Boundless as ocean's tide,
 Rolling in fullest pride,
 Through the earth, far and wide,
 Let there be light!

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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:

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

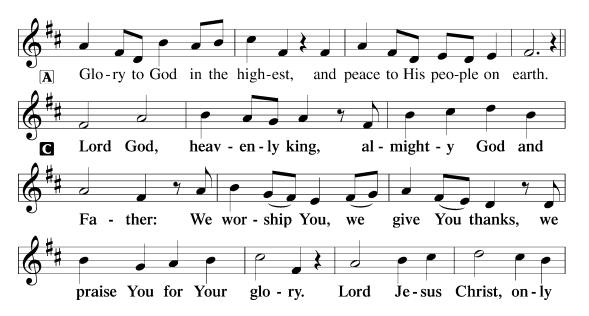
The Introit of the Day

Psalm 121:1-4, 7-8; antiphon: verse 5

- The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.
- I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
- My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.
- He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
- P Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.
- 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.
- The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.
O God, the Protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our Ruler and Guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; 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.

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: ²"I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord,

for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

Psalms 91:11; 103:1; Philippians 2:15-16

- P He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
- P Alleluia. Shine as lights in the world,
- **C** holding fast to the word of life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 22:15-22

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

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

The Congregation is seated.

"Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

- 1 Sing praise to God, the highest good,
 The author of creation,
 The God of love who understood
 Our need for His salvation.
 With healing balm our souls He fills
 And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
 To God all praise and glory!
- What God's almighty pow'r has made,
 In mercy He is keeping.
 By morning glow or evening shade
 His eye is never sleeping.
 Within the kingdom of His might
 All things are just and good and right:
 To God all praise and glory!
- 3 We sought the Lord in our distress;
 O God, in mercy hear us.
 Our Savior saw our helplessness
 And came with peace to cheer us.
 For this we thank and praise the Lord,
 Who is by one and all adored:
 To God all praise and glory!
- 4 He never shall forsake His flock,
 His chosen generation;
 He is their refuge and their rock,
 Their peace and their salvation.
 As with a mother's tender hand,
 He leads His own, His chosen band:
 To God all praise and glory!
- 5 All who confess Christ's holy name,
 Give God the praise and glory.
 Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
 Aloud the wondrous story.
 Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
 For God is God, and He alone:
 To God all praise and glory!

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The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and Giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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.
- God our Father, You have invited us to raise our prayers to You in the Name of Jesus, Your beloved Son, and have promised to hear and answer us with all that is best for us. Give us confidence, that we may call upon You as the people of Your name, and teach us to be content with what Your wisdom and love supply. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- God our Father, You have set apart a people for Yourself and washed them in the blood of the Lamb to be Your own, to live under You in Your Kingdom forevermore. Give us faith, that we may daily be restored through repentance and forgiveness, and renew our hearts and spirits in the causes of holiness, righteousness and faithfulness all our days. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God our Father, You have loved and chosen us according to Your mercy and called us through the living voice of Your Word. Grant to us the healthful Spirit of Your grace, that what You have begun in us may be brought to completion when Christ appears in His glory on the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God our Father, You have appointed on earth governments and institutions that are accountable to You. Bless our nation and those in authority over us, and teach us to be good and faithful citizens who willingly supply the resources needed to provide for the common good. Though we are quick to judge and condemn what we dislike, give us patience and wisdom, that we may encourage and support those who carry the heavy mantle of leadership. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God our Father, Your Son has borne the weight of our sins and carried the weakness of our flesh in His body on the cross. Be with the sick, the suffering, the grieving and the dying in their hour of need. [We especially remember before You ______.] We ask that everyone who calls on You may find comfort in Your presence, healing according to Your will and be sustained through their afflictions. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God our Father, as Your Son rested in the grave until His glorious resurrection from the dead, and as He is now the repose of the blessed dead who died trusting in Him for forgiveness of sins, give comfort to those who mourn. Keep us all ever confident of the covenant You make with us in the waters of Holy Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- God our Father, accept our grateful thanks for all Your goodness to us. [Especially we praise You for the joy You have brought into the lives of ______.] Teach us to treasure Your blessings and open our mouths to speak about Your constant care in our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God our Father, You care for every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have, especially for _______, as well as the requests of those who have asked for our prayers, which we present to You from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts.... And we pray You to hear and accept our prayers, granting us all things that seem best for us according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- God our Father, You have given us not only bread for the body but the Word that endures forever. We come to our Lord's table, at His invitation, to receive the gift of His Flesh and Blood in this Holy Sacrament. Give us grace, that what we have received with our lips we may keep in holy lives. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Remembering Saint Luke, the blessed evangelist, and Saint James of Jerusalem, the Lord's brother, we recall the saints of old who loved You and served Your Name. We pray that, following their example and the lives of trust and hope lived by all the faithful departed, we too may come to share with them in the joys of heaven's life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- 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:

- Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to His grace.

 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 # 636

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

5 Jesus, Source of lasting pleasure,
Truest Friend, and dearest Treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding,
Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You;
Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You
And, so favored, never leave You.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- Jesus, Sun of life, my Splendor, Jesus, Friend of friends, most tender, Jesus, Joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring: At Your feet I cry, my Maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessèd food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
 You once left Your throne in heaven
 On the cross for me to languish
 And to die in bitter anguish,
 To forego all joy and gladness
 And to shed Your blood in sadness.
 By this blood redeemed and living,
 Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- 8 Jesus, Bread of life, I pray You,
 Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited,
 Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
 Through the gift of grace You give me
 As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

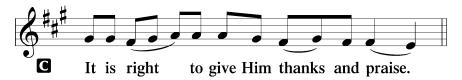
P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

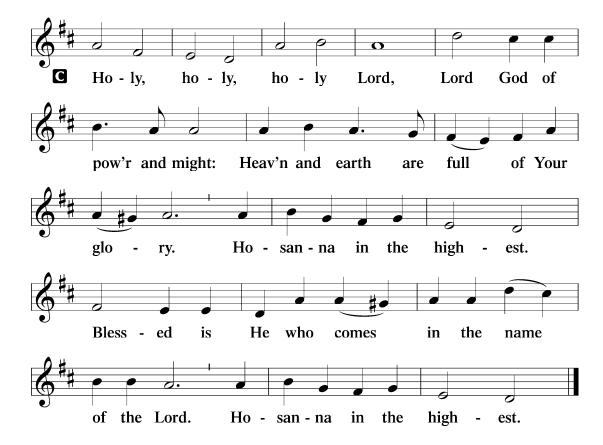


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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:

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:
- 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."

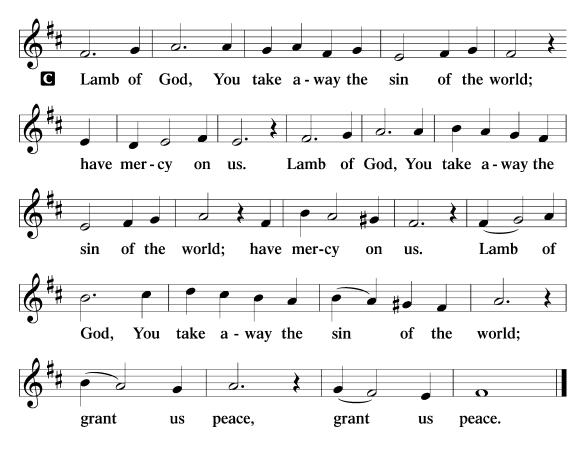
The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.





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.

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

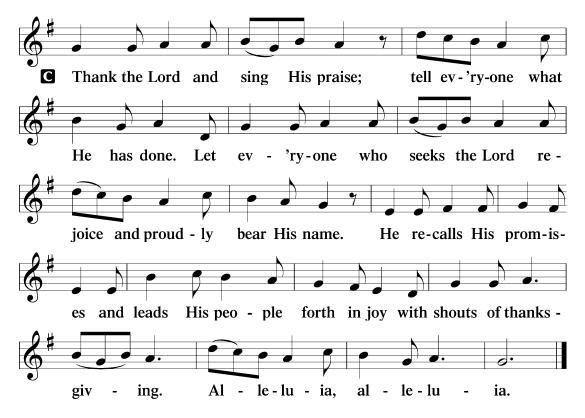
- P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



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.



The Benediction:

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.



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 850

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

- On Your people pour Your pow'r;
 Crown Your ancient Church's story;
 Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 For the facing of this hour,
 For the facing of this hour.
- Lo, the hosts of evil round us
 Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!
 From the fears that long have bound us
 Free our hearts to faith and praise.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 For the living of these days,
 For the living of these days.
- 3 Cure Your children's warring madness;
 Bend our pride to Your control;
 Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
 Rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,
 Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.
- 4 Save us from weak resignation
 To the evils we deplore;
 Let the gift of Your salvation
 Be our glory evermore.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 Serving You whom we adore,
 Serving You whom we adore.

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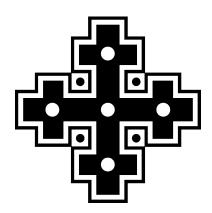
The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

♥ To God All Praise and Glory! ♥



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NOTES AND NEWS

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we will be taking our study opportunities on a summer break 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 month of October. 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.)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR..."The kingdom of God is not a game. The law teaches us how to love others as God first loved us. Our performance matters, but in God's kingdom belonging comes before performance." Dr. Michael Zeigler Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, October 25, 2020, for this message by Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "No Boasting, Just Belonging", 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.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS...It is that time again when you need to renew your subscription to *The Lutheran Witness* or to become a new subscriber. The current rate for 2021 is \$12.95 per subscription. The Lutheran Witness has timely, informative articles about the faith life of fellow Missouri Synod Lutherans. If you wish to renew or subscribe, please make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with the notation, Lutheran Witness, and place them in the offering plate. **Deadline for ordering is TODAY, October 18**th.

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).

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY ... This Wednesday at 4:00 PM, Pastor will be livestreaming Devotions and Bible Study from Trinity on Facebook Live. You are welcome to join him either live or by viewing the archived video available on the church Facebook Page. We will revisit our "delivery" of this study opportunity over the coming weeks so that we can be responsive in the best way to our members and friends.

Our opening study for this year will be on the Book of Ecclesiastes. In these days when many are looking for wisdom, we will look at this part of the wisdom literature of the Old Testament to gain insight into God's wisdom and how we might apply it to our own life and living. We hope that you will join us!

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

SPECIAL FOOD INGATHERING ... Thanks to the generosity of Thrivent Financial and their Feed Northeast Thrivent Action Team Incentive Program, we have an opportunity to both gather food and raise funds to help keep the food pantry at our Compassion Center stocked. By collecting 500 food items, Thrivent will donate \$500 to help provide more food for those we serve.

Join us on **Sunday, October 18th, from 12 Noon to 2 PM**, for this special food ingathering. You can drop off your donations for the Compassion Center at Redeemer during those hours. Please consider helping our Center through this "double giving" event.

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

Reformation Day (Observed), October 25, 2020 Scripture Readings: Revelation 14:6-7; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36



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 OCTOBER 18 – 25 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

Noon—2 PM Food Ingathering at Redeemer

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 Reformation Day (Observed)

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, October 11, 2020 Worship Attendance: 23; Communed: 21.



▼ O Christ, Hear Us! **▼**

Intercessions for the Week of October 18, 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; Eric, son of Sylvia; 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

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

Elizabeth Holland, Evelyn Joynes, and Michelle McNear, who celebrate their birthdays this week. Christopher & Lauren McBroom, 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.