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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

Righteous God, our merciful Master, You own the earth and You give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve You with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of Your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



# The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

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₦ In the Name of Jesus Christ ₦

**▼** The Preparation **▼** 

The Prelude

"Come, We That Love the Lord"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 669

"Come, We That Love the Lord"

1 Come, we that love the Lord,
And let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne,
And thus surround the throne. Refrain

Refrain We're marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful city of God.

- 2 Let those refuse to sing
  Who never knew our God;
  But children of the heav'nly King,
  But children of the heav'nly King
  May speak their joys abroad,
  May speak their joys abroad. Refrain
- 3 The hill of Zion yields
  A thousand sacred sweets
  Before we reach the heav'nly fields,
  Before we reach the heav'nly fields,
  Or walk the golden streets,
  Or walk the golden streets. Refrain

The Hymn continues on the next page...

4 Then let our songs abound,
And ev'ry tear be dry;
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground,
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground
To fairer worlds on high,
To fairer worlds on high. Refrain

Refrain We're marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful city of God.

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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.

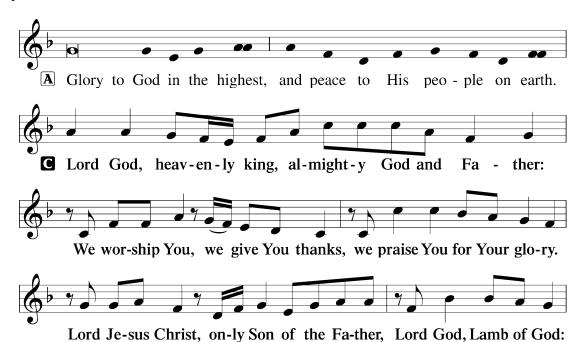
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

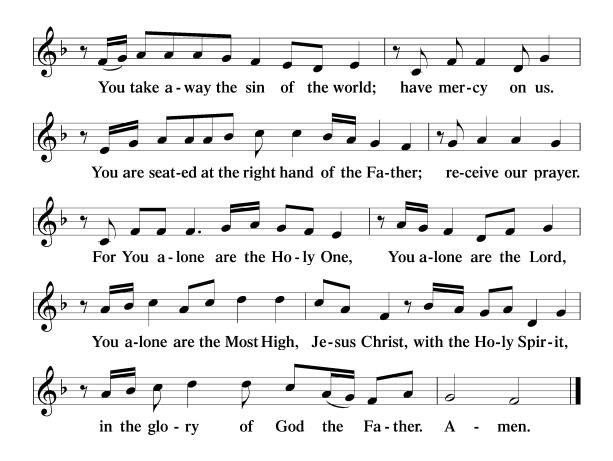
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our 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.

- Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!
- Enter not into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you.
- I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done; I ponder the work of your hands.
- I stretch out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.
- P Teach me to do your will, for you are my God! Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!
- For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!
  In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!
- 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.
- Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

# The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis





**▼** The Service of the Word **▼** 

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



# **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord GoD! For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests. <sup>8</sup>And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice— "I will punish the officials and the king's sons and all who array themselves in foreign attire. <sup>9</sup>On that day I will punish everyone who leaps over the threshold, and those who fill their master's house with violence and fraud. <sup>10</sup>"On that day," declares the LORD, "a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter, a loud crash from the hills. <sup>11</sup>Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar! For all the traders are no more: all who weigh out silver are cut off. <sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.' <sup>13</sup>Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them." <sup>14</sup>The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. <sup>15</sup>A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, <sup>16</sup>a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

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

The Epistle

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

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

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5; Matthew 25:29a

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

- These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

  They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- Blessèd are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- P Alleluia. For to everyone who has more will be given,
- and he will have an abundance. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

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

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you

delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.""

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

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 667

"Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses"

- 1 Saints, see the cloud of witnesses surround us; Their lives of faith encourage and astound us. Hear how the Master praised their faith so fervent: "Well done, My servant!"
- These saints of old received God's commendation;
  They lived as pilgrim-heirs of His salvation.
  Through faith they conquered flame and sword and gallows,
  God's name to hallow.
- 3 They call to us, "Your timid footsteps lengthen; Throw off sin's weight, your halting weakness strengthen. We kept the faith, we shed our blood, were martyred; Our lives we bartered."
- 4 Come, let us fix our sight on Christ who suffered, He faced the cross, His sinless life He offered; He scorned the shame, He died, our death enduring, Our hope securing.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 5 Lord, give us faith to walk where You are sending, On paths unmarked, eyes blind as to their ending; Not knowing where we go, but that You lead us— With grace precede us.
- You, Jesus, You alone deserve all glory!
  Our lives unfold, embraced within Your story;
  Past, present, future—You, the same forever—
  You fail us never!

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The Sermon Good and Faithful

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 + of the world to come. Amen.

# The Prayer of the Church

- **P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Giver of every good and perfect gift, we confess that no one living is righteous before You, and so we plead Your mercy for us and for all people, that we might be given grace to stand before You on the day of Judgment, clothed completely in the righteousness of the Only Faithful One, Jesus Christ our Lord, and giving You endless thanks and praise for Your great mercy and love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Heavenly Father, Your Son will return at a time when people do not expect. Grant all Your baptized people to live holy lives in this age looking forward with eagerness to His joyous return, seeking only to be found in Him on that glorious Day. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Giver of all we have, how often we forget that nothing is truly our own and that all belongs to You. Forgive us and help us to use Your gifts wisely so that we may be a blessing to others. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Ring of all nations, to You we commend the government of our nation and of every nation on earth, and all whom You have placed in authority over us, asking that You would guide them, bless them, and uphold them in every good deed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord, our Dwelling Place in every generation, into Your merciful hands we commend all who suffer at this time—those who are ill, those who suffer the effects of aging, those who are lonely and frightened, those who are unjustly imprisoned, especially those who are persecuted for Your name—especially remembering

  \_\_\_\_\_\_. Grant them all Your peace, Your healing, Your life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Giver of every good and perfect gift, be with all those who celebrate Your great and abundant blessings to them, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_. Continue to bring them joy and move us all to be ever thankful for all the blessings that come to us from Your loving hand. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord of life, grant comfort to those who mourn the death of loved ones (especially ...). By the proclamation of Christ's victory over death assure them that all who die in Christ will surely rise to eternal life on the Last Day. Help us all to live each day in that confidence so that we may face our final hour in confidence and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

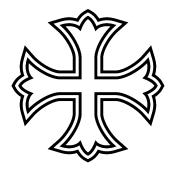
- P Compassionate Lord, You care for every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have, especially remembering \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, as well as the requests of those who have asked for our prayers, which we present to You from the things unspoken and 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.
- Bountiful Host, in the Eucharist You spread before Your people a heavenly feast of joy for them to share here on earth. Grant that all who come to Your Son's altar this day may receive His holy body and blood with living faith to their abundant blessing. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord of Life, Your Son is the Resurrection from the dead, and so we give thanks for everyone who has fallen asleep in faith in Him, knowing that they live forevermore. Bring us to share with them the joys You have prepared, and grant that on the Last Day, clothed in our resurrection bodies, we may join the heavenly hosts in singing Your praises without end. 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:

- May the God of peace make you perfect and holy, that you may be kept safe and blameless in spirit, soul, and body for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 # 621

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
  And with fear and trembling stand;
  Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
  For with blessing in His hand
  Christ our God to earth descending
  Comes our homage to demand.
- King of kings yet born of Mary,
   As of old on earth He stood,

   Lord of lords in human vesture,
   In the body and the blood,

   He will give to all the faithful
   His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
  Spreads its vanguard on the way
  As the Light of Light, descending
  From the realms of endless day,
  Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish
  As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph,
  Cherubim with sleepless eye,
  Veil their faces to the presence
  As with ceaseless voice they cry:
  "Alleluia, alleluia!
  Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

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The Congregation rises.

# The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.

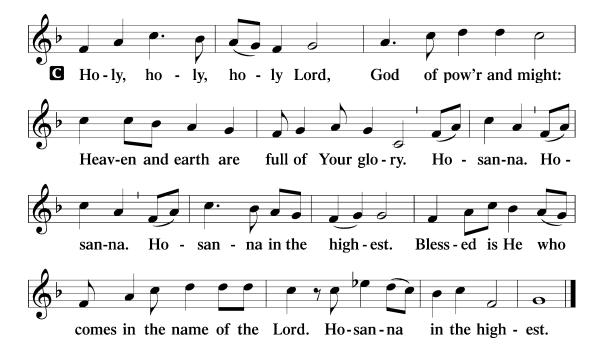


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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."

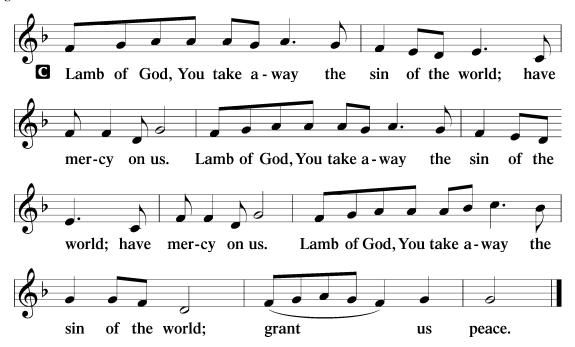
### The *Pax Domini*:

**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.

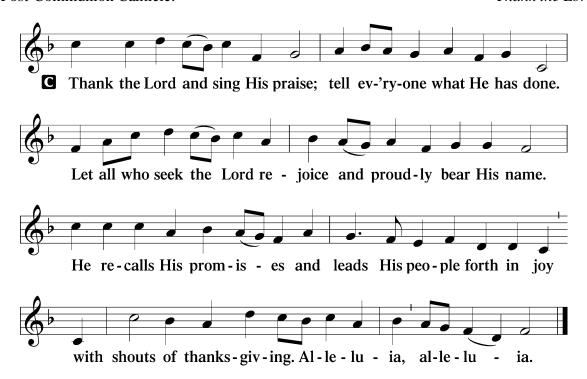
After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

# 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 Collect:

# **P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's Body and Blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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.



"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

I want to walk as a child of the light.I want to follow Jesus.God set the stars to give light to the world.The star of my life is Jesus. Refrain

Refrain In Him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

- I want to see the brightness of God.
  I want to look at Jesus.
  Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,
  And show me the way to the Father. Refrain
- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
  I want to be with Jesus.
  When we have run with patience the race,
  We shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude "Marching to Zion"

**▼** To God All Praise and Glory! **▼** 

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Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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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 month of November. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <a href="http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/">http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/</a> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... Political turmoil is nothing new and political security is only temporary. We can't escape politics. However, Dr.Michael Zeigler offers good news of a kingdom that cannot be overthrown and will never pass away. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday November 22, 2020, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Politics in Perspective", 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 <a href="www.cph.org">www.cph.org</a> and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

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!

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 ...

Christ the King: The Last Sunday of the Church Year, November 22, 2020 Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; Matthew 25:31-46



# 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 15 – 22 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

10:45 AM Ministry Planning Group Meeting

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** Christ the King: The Last Sunday of the Church Year

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

# **CHURCH STATISTICS**

Sunday, November 8, 2020 Worship Attendance: 29; Communed: 25.

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# **▼** O Christ, Hear Us! **▼**

# Intercessions for the Week of November 15, 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; Zoila, mother of David

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

Matt Welch, Tracy Peele, Lynda Pfeil, Joyce Varona, David Varona, Jr., and Betty Kibler, who celebrate their birthdays 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.