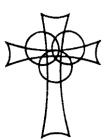


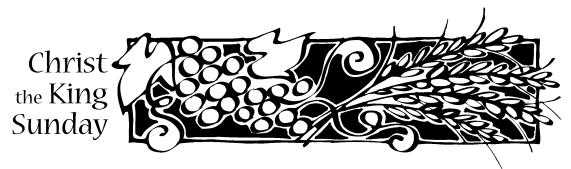


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The Last Sunday of the Church Year NOVEMBER 26, 2023

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

O God of power and might, Your Son shows us the way of service, and in Him we inherit the riches of Your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world You have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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

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✤ In the Name of Jesus Christ ✤

✤ The Preparation ✤

The Music for Meditation

The Prelude

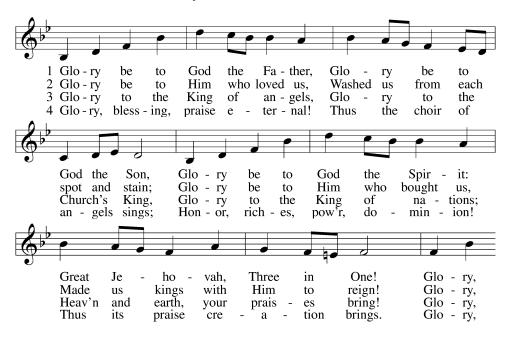
The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

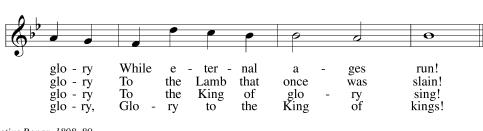
The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 506

"Glory Be to God the Father"



"Beautiful Savior"



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The Invocation:

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

▶ In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
▶ 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 ✤

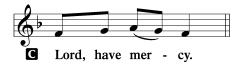
The Introit of the Day

Psalm 39:4-5, 7-8, 12; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13 NIV

- In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.
- **C** O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am!
- P Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
- C And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.
- Deliver me from all my transgressions. Do not make me the scorn of the fool!
- C Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace at my tears! For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.
- **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.
- In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

The Kyrie Eleison:

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



▶ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

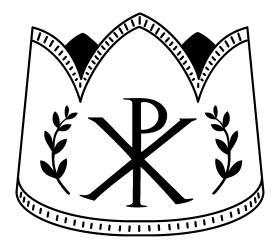


▶ For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.





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The Hymn of Praise: This Is the Feast Refrain This is the feast С of vic-to-ry for our God. 0 Al-le - lu ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu ia. -0 0. Wor-thy 1 – is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose wis - dom, and 2 Pow rich - es, strength, and er, with all 3 Sing the peo - ple of God, and 4 Bless ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to 5 For the Lamb_ who was slain has be -0 0 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Refrain ing, and glo - ry hon - or, bless are His. Refrain in the hymn of join all cre - a tion: Stanza 4 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. Α men. Refrain His reign. Al - le - lu gun ia. Final Refrain Final Refrain This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 0 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-lelu ia. -

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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.

Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as Judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, 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

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. ...

²⁰⁶⁶Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse of the Day:

Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5 Revelation 22:13

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.

C Blessèd are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

- P Alleluia. I am the Alpha and the Omega,
- **C** the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia.



The Holy Gospel

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³²Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

⁴¹"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

The Congregation is seated.



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The Hymn of the Day Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 851 "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" 1 Lord of glo You have bought With Your ry, us 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord. to give You Glad ly, 3 Won - drous hon or You have giv en To our 4 Lord of glo ry, You have bought us With Your life - blood grudg - ing for as the price, Nev er the free - ly With of Your own. the sun shine of Your hum - blest char -Your rious i - ty In own mys - te life - blood Nev - er as the price, grudg - ing for the lost That ri - fice; ones tre - men dous sac good Melt ness our thank less hearts of stone -"You it Me." sen tence, have done all to lost ones That tre - men dous sac ri - fice. And with ly that have free giv Bless ings _ en Till our cold and self ish na tures, Warmed by -Can it be, Ο gra cious Mas ter, That You Give us faith to trust You bold ly, Hope. to count less the sand То the un thank ful as You, at length be - lieve That more hap py deign for alms Sav by to sue. ing Your You; But, best of stay our souls on oh, and the vil With Your own un - spar ing hand. e give and more bless ed 'Tis to than to re - ceive. poor and need _ у, "Give as have giv'n to you"? all With Your grac es, Your love our love re - new.

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The Sermon

Living for the Not Yet Right Now Text: Matthew 25:31-46

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 Rejoicing together in the hope of our Savior's appearing, let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- ▶ Let us pray for the Church throughout the world, the colony of the Age to come, as she waits with eager expectation the revealing of her King, that she may welcome Him with joy. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray for our Trinity and Mekane Yesus Congregations, and for all our sister congregations of Synod, that we may grow in our joy of serving Christ in the least of His brothers and sisters, loving Him in the hungry and the poor, the prisoners and the sick. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for all relief efforts and all the ministries of mercy in Christ's Church, that through their devoted service the disinherited and downtrodden would experience Christ's mercy and be given the hope of everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for all the baptized, especially remembering Angelica Michelle Harvey who will be brought to the saving waters of the Font this week, that together we might live watchful and sober lives, eagerly looking forward to and hastening the joy of our Lord's appearing. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray for the nations of the world, that they may work towards ways to live together in peace and justice that we may even now have glimpses into the reign of God among us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for our government, for all who make, administer, and judge our laws, for our armed forces, and for all who serve to bring order and justice out of chaos and greed, that God's protecting hand may rest on them and further them in every good deed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

■ Let us pray for all those who travel in this holiday season, that the Lord may keep them in safety, making their ways safe and their homecomings joyful. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for all sisters and brothers of the Savior who cry out in their time of need, especially all who have asked for our prayers, including ______. Let us beg that Christ would be to them their Health in sickness, their Joy in sorrow, and their Life in death. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for ______ and all those who rejoice in the Lord's goodness and love to them, that they may ever and always give thanks to God as the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for all those who mourn (especially _____), that they may be comforted by the peace won through the Lord of Life's victory over death and the grave which He gives to His saints. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for _____ and all the people and other concerns that are committed to our thoughts and prayers which we present to the Lord from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts..., and we pray that God who knows all and sees all would give His gracious and wise attention to our needs and desires, conforming all things to His holy will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray for all who commune today, that receiving at the altar a foretaste of the feast to come, they may be forgiven, renewed, and strengthened to set their hope fully on the grace revealed in our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us give thanks to the Lord for Noah, St. Andrew, and all the faithful in heaven who await the day of the resurrection, and let us pray that as we too wait for the Lord's return that we may remain faithful to Him and ask that that day may come swiftly. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- ▶ Father in heaven, with the whole Church in heaven and on earth we wait with eager joy for our Lord's triumphant return. Send Him forth, we pray, that He might renew all things according to His gracious promises, and bring us at last to see that Kingdom prepared for us from the foundation of the world. We ask all these things in His Name, trusting only in His righteousness, His mercy, and His love. Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus! And all of God's people say:
- **C** Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- P We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near. The Peace of the Lord be with you always!
- **C** And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.



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✤ The Service of the Sacrament ✤

The Hymn of Preparation Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 537 "Beautiful Savior" 1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of tion, Son of cre - a -2 Fair are the mead-ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in 3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the Lord 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, of the na - tions, Son of God Son I'd love Thee, Tru - ly and of Man! Tru - lv I'd flow'rs of bloom-ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is kling stars Je - sus shines bright-er, Je - sus shines spar on high; -God and Son of Man! Glo-ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o serve Thee, Light of my soul, crown. joy, my my er, He makes our sor r'wing spir it sing. pur -Than all the sky. pur er an gels in the Now er - more ra tion and for - ev be Thine!

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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.

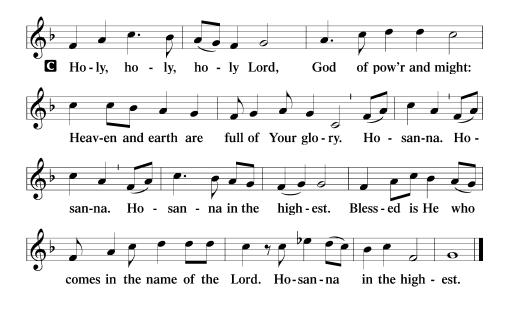
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P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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:





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The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

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 allavailing 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 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 Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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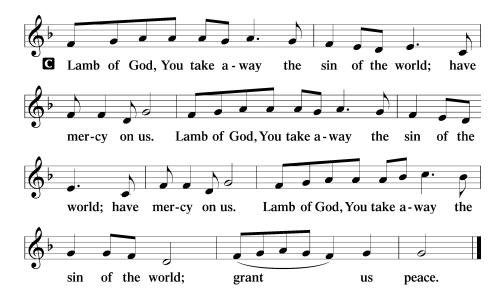
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Pax Domini:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.



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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.

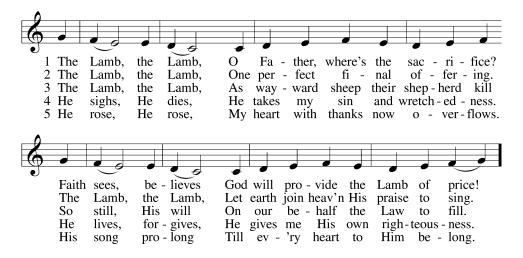
Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the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

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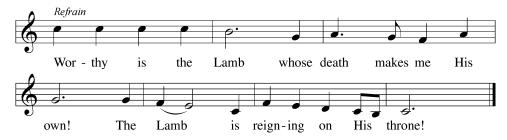
The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 547

"The Lamb"



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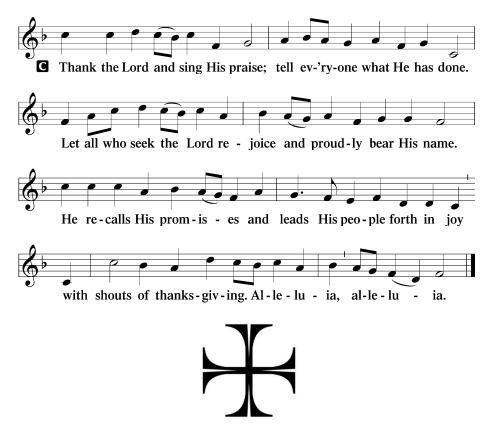


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The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



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The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

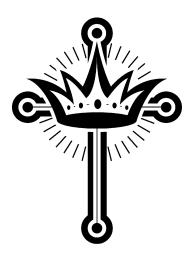
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's Body and Blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of 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:

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.





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The Hymn to Depart Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 525 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" The Lamb 1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, up - on His throne; 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born, 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side, 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri-umphed o'er the grave 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En-throned in worlds a - bove, Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own. Whose arm those crim-son tro-phies won Which now His brow a-dorn: Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied. rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save. And Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love. A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And of the mys-tic rose. Yet Fruit of that rose the stem. The No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight. But His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty. root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem. down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies SO bright. died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die. Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

✤ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ✤

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THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

NOTES AND NEWS

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.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES ... are extended to Shirley Simon and to the whole Simon family as we mourn with them at the passing of Art Simon. We pray that the Lord who promises Resurrection and Life to His faithful ones will bring all those who sorrow His comfort and peace. Art's Service of Victory will be held here at Trinity this Friday with a time of viewing and visitation beginning at 10:00 AM, with the service following at 11:00 AM. After the service there will be a repast. The service will be livestreamed and available for later viewing on the church Facebook page. Interment will be a private family service at a later date.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM ... will, Lord willing, be celebrated this Saturday at Trinity for Angelica Michelle Harvey. Her parents, Danielle and William, were married by Pastor Schiebel and William was a member at Pastor's home congregation. May the Lord bring Angelica safely to the waters of the Font and claim her forever as one of His one precious children.

ADVENT IS COMING ... As another Church Year draws to a close, we prepare for the beginning of a new year of grace. To help us begin this new year aright, we are once again providing **Advent Devotional Materials** for each household, and for families with young children. You can pick up your devotions on the literature table in the rear of the sanctuary. Any packets not picked up by TODAY will be mailed to you in hopes that they will reach you for your use by the First Sunday in Advent, December 3rd.

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 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. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at <u>kfuo.org</u> and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Look ahead to the First Sunday in Advent on The Coffee Hour (November 29 at 10:00 a.m. ET), study 1 Corinthians 6-9 on Sharper Iron's "Nothing but Christ Crucified" (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET), and finish the Gospel of Mark and begin the book of Micah on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. ET). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... SOS and Mayday are distress signals that cry out for rescue. So is "Lord, have mercy!" Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, December 3, 2023, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Before They Call", locally 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 online to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. 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".

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 FEAST AND COMMEMORATION...November 29Noah, Old Testament SaintNovember 30St. Andrew, Apostle

Visit <u>http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</u> 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.



TREASURER'S NOTE:

Here's an update to last month's early financial report for 2023. First the good news! We received *more* offerings than needed for October:

October offerings received (5 Sundays): \$15,296 Income needed in October to meet the budget: \$13,536.83

Looking at the entire year, the picture remains similar as last month. Our offerings for the whole year have been roughly 10% short of our expenses. Overall expenses have been basically on target, though individual items have deviated. This has translated into us needing to take out \$8,000 from our Thrivent funds to cover 2023 expenses—\$4,000 on May 1, and another \$4,000 on July 1. Along with \$5,000 that we took out in early January to cover past due (2022) bills, we've withdrawn \$13,000 since last December. As of October 3rd, the total Thrivent balance was \$37,696, and we haven't had to make any additional withdrawals since.

I'll repeat what I said last month: I'm always impressed and awed by the generosity of this congregation—and the above figures include Mekane Yesus' regular giving as well. I've found it helpful to realize that if everyone increased their offerings by about 10% (maybe a *bit* more), we would probably be in good shape. We've increased our own very modest family offerings by 10%, and I hope others might do so too, or whatever they think is appropriate, giving from the heart as each is able. (I think we've already seen some of this in October!) – Michael McCoyer, Treasurer



COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. 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 ongoing time of 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.

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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

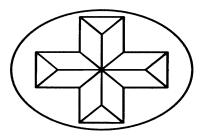
Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

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 First Sunday in Advent, December 3, 2023 Scripture Readings: Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 11:1-10



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PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26 – DECEMBER 3 May Be Subject to Change

The Feast of Christ the King: The Last Sunday of the Church Year								
8:30 AM	Bible Study							
9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion							
	(at church in person and via Facebook Live)							
12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)							
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open							
9:00 AM-Noon	Church Office Open							
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open							
9:00 AM-Noon	Church Office Open							
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open							
10:00 AM	Visitation for Art Simon							
11:00 AM	Funeral Service of Victory for Art Simon							
12:00 PM	Harvey Baptism Service							
The First Sunday in Advent: The Beginning of a New Church Year								
8:30 AM	Bible Study							
9:30 AM	Worship Service 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)							
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CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, November 19, 2023 Worship Attendance: 21; Communed: 21.

OUR STEWARDSHIP FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023: Offerings received for the month: (5 Sundays): \$15,296 Income needed in October to meet the budget: \$13,536.83

🛎 O Christ, Hear Us! 🛎

Intercessions for the Week of November 26, 2023

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Diane, John Tyler, Waymond, Paul, Alan, Kate, August, David, Ernie, Paul, Shirley, 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; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy; George, friend of Dave & Joyce; Danny, friend of Dave & Joyce; Paul III, grandson of Paul; Ralph, uncle of Vincent & Tracy; Cynthia, friend of Kim; Craig, friend of the Praticos; Oliver, son of David & Lisbeth; Yvonne, relative of Carole; Doris, mother of Vincent; Dee, Godmother of David; Kay, sister of Carole; John, father-in-law of Kristina; Tyler, son of coworker of Paul; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students; Evelyn, aunt of Judy; Phillip & Amanda and Family and the Black Family, friends of Michelle

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Susan Quisenberry, Karsyn Joynes, Claudette Mayes, and Cecil Haney, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

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

Those Who Mourn

The family of the Rev. Dr. Arthur Simon, who passed away on November 14th.

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.
- \blacksquare 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.
- \clubsuit 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.
- \blacksquare 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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