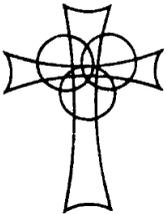


**“...you know  
that the kingdom  
of **GOD** is  
near.”**

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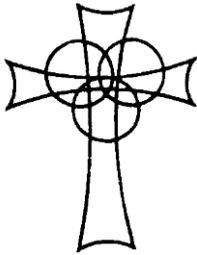
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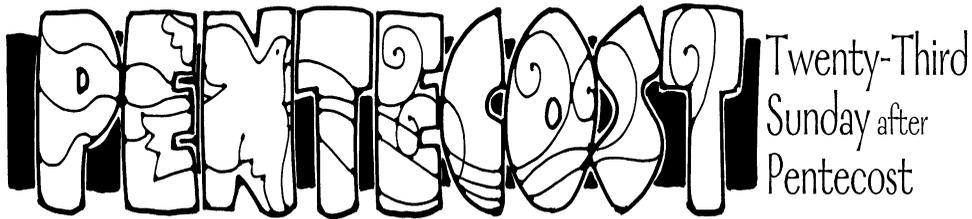


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***WELCOME TO WORSHIP!***

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

***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

God our Savior, You bid us face these last days, not with fear, but by doing what is right. When there is tumult and turmoil, show us the favorable time to testify to Your Gospel, and when we are called to speak, give us Your words and wisdom. Then, when the Sun of Righteousness dawns let Him find us steadfast and reward us with life eternal; for Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, is the Living One, 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

*Divine Service, Setting One*  
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✘ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✘

### ✘ **The Preparation** ✘

The Prelude

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 873*

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”



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



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



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

*Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88*

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

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The Invocation:

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

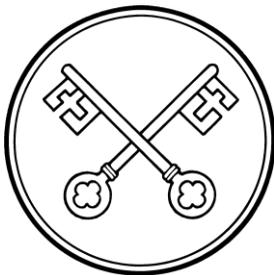
- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.



✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

*Psalm 121:1-2, 5, 7-8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*

- P** Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words will not pass away.
- C** **I lift up my eyes to the hills.**  
**From where does my help come?**
- P** My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.
- C** **The LORD is your keeper;**  
**the LORD is your shade on your right hand.**
- P** The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.
- C** **The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in**  
**from this time forth and forevermore.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words will not pass away.



The Hymn of Praise:

*Gloria in Excelsis*



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



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



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 4:1-6*

<sup>1</sup> “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>4</sup>“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.



## The Epistle

*2 Thessalonians 3:1-13*

<sup>1</sup>Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, <sup>2</sup>and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. <sup>3</sup>But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. <sup>4</sup>And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. <sup>5</sup>May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

<sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

**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  
Luke 21:28b*

**P** 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. Straighten up and raise your heads,

**C** **because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.**



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

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

<sup>5</sup>While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” <sup>7</sup>And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

<sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. <sup>11</sup>There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake. <sup>13</sup>This will be your opportunity to bear witness. <sup>14</sup>Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup>for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all for my name’s sake. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your lives. <sup>20</sup>“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. <sup>21</sup>Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup>for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. <sup>23</sup>Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. <sup>24</sup>They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. <sup>25</sup>“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

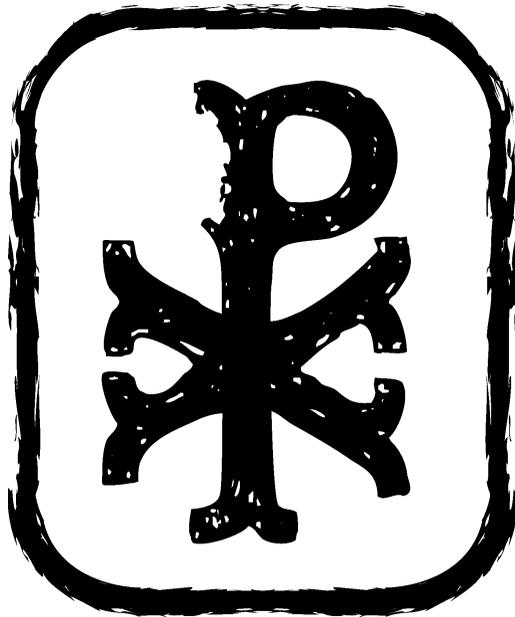
<sup>29</sup>And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. <sup>30</sup>As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup>For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

**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 # 872

“Come, Thou Bright and Morning Star”



1 Come, Thou bright and Morn - ing Star, Light of Light with -  
 2 Let Thy grace, like morn - ing dew Fall - ing soft on  
 3 May Thy fer - vent love de - stroy Our cold works, in  
 4 Ah! Thou Day - spring from on high, Grant that at Thy  
 5 Light us to those heav'n - ly spheres, Sun of grace, in



out be - gin - ning; Shine up - on us from a - far  
 bar - ren plac - es, Com - fort, quick - en, and re - new  
 us a - wak - ing Ar - dent zeal and ho - ly joy  
 next ap - pear - ing We who in the graves do lie  
 glo - ry shroud - ed; Lead us through this vale of tears



That we may be kept from sin - ning.  
 Our dry souls and dy - ing grac - es;  
 At the pur - ple morn's first break - ing,  
 May a - rise, Thy sum - mons hear - ing,  
 To the land where days un - cloud - ed,



Drive a - way by Thy clear light Our dark night.  
 Bless Thy flock from Thy rich store Ev - er - more.  
 Let us tru - ly rise ere yet Life has set.  
 And re - joice in our new life, Far from strife.  
 Pur - est joy, and per - fect peace Nev - er cease.

Text: Christian Knorr von Rosenroth, 1636–89; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–87  
 Tune: Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, 1704, Halle, ed. Johann A. Freylinghausen  
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The Sermon

People. Look East

Text: Malachi 4:1-6 & Luke 21:5-36

*The Congregation rises.*

The Nicene Creed:

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
- And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
- And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come.
- Amen.

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Almighty and most merciful God, on this blessed day of grace, receive the prayers of Your holy Church throughout the world and here in this place. We thank You for the beauty of Your Son's glorious resurrection and the hope of eternal life it secures. We celebrate again Your great gift of the forgiveness of sins, which we have in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** All things are Yours, almighty Creator, including the gift of time. As the days pass and Your creation draws closer to the time of Christ's return, strengthen all Christians in saving faith to daily and steadfastly confess the Name of Him who comes again in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

**P** Lord, we thank You for all those whom You have raised up among Your people to lead and guide us into Your truth. We especially give thanks for Matthew and William, our shepherds and bishops in Christ; Peter and Gugssa, our pastors; and for all pastors, teachers, missionaries, and ministers. Bless them all in their labors and keep them strong in faith. And as we have learned and received much from them and their examples to us, encourage and help us to put all that we have received into practice in our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord, You gather Your people in a fellowship of love and in the worship of Your Name. Be ever present among Your people in our Trinity and Mekane Yesus congregations, that we may learn and grow in knowledge and love of You and be strengthened and empowered by Your gifts so that we may go out and share the news of Your love with all those around us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, You are the Lord of the nations. Sustain the dominion of the world's governments through the righteous enforcement of law and the protection of all human life, that the schemes of the lawless may be curbed and that justice and peace may be established. Remember the leaders of our nation and local governments, as well as all those who serve in our military. Guide, bless, protect and uphold them all in honor. According to Your mercy, bring our people and the people of all nations into the ways of peace and justice. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, we praise You for the gift of the heavens and the earth. Continue to sustain all that you have made, so that we Your children may receive in peace our daily bread and be thankful for all that You give. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord of life, look with mercy on the sick and injured, especially \_\_\_\_\_. If it be Your will, give them healing, restoration, and strength, that they may praise You for Your mercy and kindness. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Loving Lord, You grant to Your children peace in their sorrow. Sustain and comfort those who mourn the death of loved ones, (especially \_\_\_\_\_), that they may find hope in the resurrection of Your only Son, and be assured that eternal life belongs to their loved ones who have departed this life in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Gracious Lord, You bless all of our days with Your love. We praise and thank You for Your tender mercies which You have shown to us, and especially to \_\_\_\_\_. Open our eyes to see the many blessings that come from Your hand of mercy so that we may continually return thanks to the Giver of all good gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Tender Savior, You look with compassion and love upon all those You have redeemed. To Your care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before You \_\_\_\_\_ and all the people and concerns which we now name in the silence of our hearts ... Hear all of these prayers, we beseech You, and answer them according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Bless all those who partake of the Lord's Supper this day, that they may receive the Body and Blood of the Lord and trust in the good things and abundant riches which He offers in this Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** King of the saints, kindle among us a joyful remembrance of Elizabeth of Hungary and all the saints who have gone before us who now see You face to face. May their faithful witness inspire our walk of faith that we may continually confess You as our Lord and God, and bring us also at last to share life eternal with You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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.*

✻ The Service of the Sacrament ✻

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 636

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

We sing Stanzas 5-8



5 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, Tru - est  
 6 Je - sus, sun of life, my splen - dor, Je - sus,  
 7 Lord, by love and mer - cy driv - en, You once  
 8 Je - sus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me



friend, and dear - est trea - sure, Peace be - yond all un - der -  
 friend of friends, most ten - der, Je - sus, joy of my de -  
 left Your throne in heav - en On the cross for me to  
 glad - ly here o - bey You. By Your love I am in -



stand - ing, Joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:  
 sir - ing, Fount of life, my soul in - spir - ing:  
 lan - guish And to die in bit - ter an - guish,  
 vit - ed, Be Your love with love re - quit - ed;



Hum - bly now, I bow be - fore You; Love in - car - nate,  
 At Your feet I cry, my mak - er, Let me be a  
 To fore - go all joy and glad - ness And to shed Your  
 By this Sup - per let me mea - sure, Lord, how vast and



I a - dore You; Wor - thi - ly let me re -  
 fit par - tak - er Of this bless - ed food from  
 blood in sad - ness. By this blood re - deemed and  
 deep love's trea - sure. Through the gift of grace You



ceive You And, so fa - vored, nev - er leave You.  
 heav - en, For our good, Your glo - ry, giv - en.  
 liv - ing, Lord, I praise You with thanks - giv - ing.  
 give me As Your guest in heav'n re - ceive me.

*Text: Johann Franck, 1618–77; (st. 5): tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978; (sts. 6–8): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
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The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

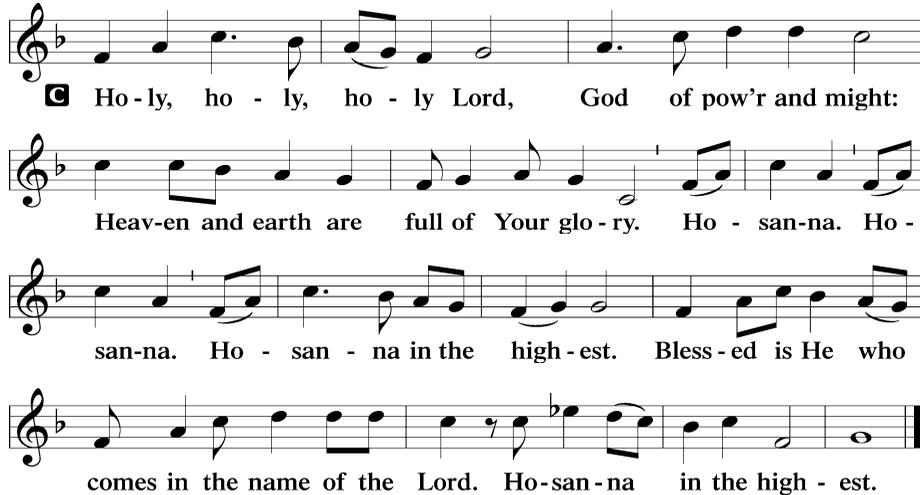
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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*:


**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer:

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

The Words of Our Lord:

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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*:

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

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The Distribution of Holy Communion

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

*Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of 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.*

## The Distribution Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 508*

### "The Day Is Surely Drawing Near"



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When Je - sus, God's a - noint - ed,  
 2 The fi - nal trum - pet then shall sound And all the earth be shak - en,  
 3 The books are o - pened then to all, A rec - ord tru - ly tell - ing  
 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea - sures,



In all His pow - er shall ap - pear As judge whom God ap -  
 And all who rest be - neath the ground Shall from their sleep a -  
 What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was  
 Who here de - spised His pre - cious Word And loved their earth - ly



point - ed. Then fright shall ban - ish i - dle mirth, And flames on  
 wak - en. But all who live will in that hour, By God's al -  
 dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, And all be  
 trea - sures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand And at the



flames shall rav - age earth As Scrip - ture long has warned us.  
 might - y, bound - less pow'r, Be changed at His com - mand - ing.  
 known as they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.  
 judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.

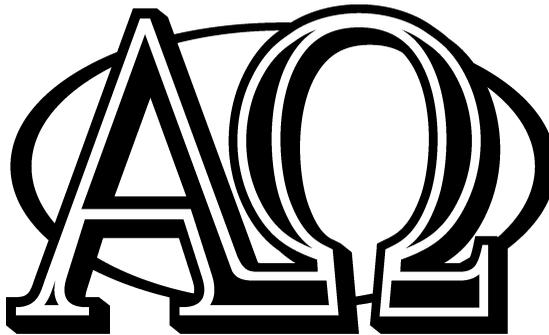
5 My Savior paid the debt I owe  
 And for my sin was smitten;  
 Within the Book of Life I know  
 My name has now been written.  
 I will not doubt, for I am free,  
 And Satan cannot threaten me;  
 There is no condemnation!

6 May Christ our Intercessor be  
 And through His blood and merit  
 Read from His book that we are free  
 With all who life inherit.  
 Then we shall see Him face to face,  
 With all His saints in that blest place  
 Which He has purchased for us.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,  
 But hasten our salvation;  
 We often tremble on our way  
 In fear and tribulation.  
 O hear and grant our fervent plea:  
 Come, mighty Judge, and set us free  
 From death and ev'ry evil.

*Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832–1919, alt.  
 Tune: Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert, 1535, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug  
 Text and tune: Public domain*

*The Congregation rises.*



The Post-Communion Canticle:

*Thank the Lord*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

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.



**C** A - - men.



The Benediction:

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



The Hymn to Depart

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 918*

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;  
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar  
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,

Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,  
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,  
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,

bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no  
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and  
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more; Feed me till I want no more.  
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

*Text: William Williams, 1717–91, abr.; (st. 1): tr. Peter Williams, 1722–96, alt.; (sts. 2–3): tr. William Williams, 1717–91*  
*Tune: John Hughes, 1873–1932*  
*Text and tune: Public domain*

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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*The Flowers adorning the Altar today have been given to the Glory of God  
by Vincent Peele in honor of his wife, Tracy Peele, for her birthday.*

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

The Celebrant & Preacher  
The Lector  
The Communion Assistant  
The Worship Assistant  
The Parish Musician

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel  
Sarah Lydia McCoyer  
Helen Joynes  
Paul Ritter  
Skip Hall

## 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.

*THANK YOU* ... to all those who came out to support the Bowman Family yesterday as we celebrated his Service of Victory. Special thanks goes to all who helped to prepare for the service and the repast afterwards. God's blessings to you all!

*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 next Sunday will be mailed to you in hopes that they will reach you for your use by the First Sunday in Advent, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

*TRINITY HISTORY MOMENTS* ... As a part of our 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year celebrations we hope to publish occasional articles about our Congregation's history on our church website. You can view the first installment by clicking on the "Current Events and News" tab on our website's navigation bar. If you follow Trinity on our Facebook page or group, new articles will be announced as they become available; or you can check back on the website frequently.

*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 2024 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 now **\$45.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto:trinity-elc-office@verizon.net))

*LUTHERAN MEDIA MINISTRIES 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 [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo.org), [X](https://www.x.com/kfuo.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo.org).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** This week begins a new series on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET)! “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” will take listeners through a study of some of the hymns of thanksgiving in Lutheran Service Book. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET) as we continue our series on the Gospel of Matthew! This week’s study will cover chapters 22-25. Don’t forget to tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (November 22 at 11 a.m. ET). We’ll be starting a discussion of the Lord’s Prayer as found in the Large Catechism. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or in the KFUO Radio app!

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** ... Christ is the King of an unlikely kingdom. Dr. Chad Lakies describes that kingdom's seemingly upside-down, illogical logic. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, November 23, 2025, for this message from Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies, "An Unlikely King". The Lutheran Hour can be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM, as well as on SiriusXM’s Family Talk 131 channel on Sundays at 10:00 AM. For more ways to listen, to hear messages on demand, or for more information on this media ministry, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org), and click on “The Lutheran Hour” link. You can also view many of the other devotional and spiritual life materials provided by Lutheran Hour ministries as well.

**LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO** ... is an internet station providing 24/7 *Sacred Music for the World*. You can listen anytime to hymns and music from the centuries-old library of the Church’s song by tuning in at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org). Lutheran Public Radio (LPR) is also the home of Issues, etc., a program of *Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused Talk Radio*, hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken, which airs Monday-Friday from 4-6 p.m. ET, both on [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) and on [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org). Also on the Issues, etc. website you can also listen to archived past programs on a host of topics. And if you want to “listen on the go”, there are LPR apps available for your phone. See the Lutheran Public Radio website for more information.



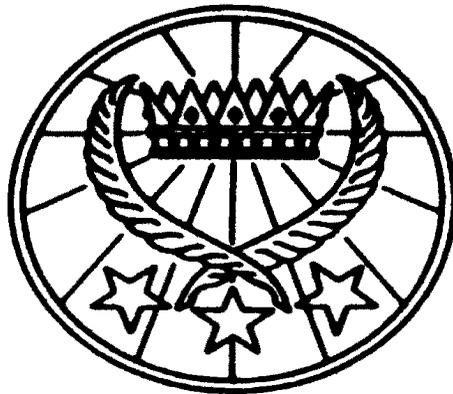
**LUTHERAN WORSHIP ONLINE** ... Maybe you missed worship on Sunday morning, or Trinity's livestream cut out, or you just need a message to lift you up during the week. **Worship Anew** provides a weekly Lutheran worship service available on demand through their website: [worshipanew.org](http://worshipanew.org). Featuring LCMS pastors from the Fort Wayne, IN area, you can hear messages based upon the Sunday Scripture readings heard in our Lutheran churches each week. This ministry's website also provides devotional materials, especially geared towards seniors by seniors. Please visit their website for more information on this special media ministry.

**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 COMMEMORATION...*

November 19 **Elizabeth of Hungary**, *Princess & Worker of Charity*

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



*COMPASSION CENTER NEWS*... Our Compassion Center is open and is 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.

Owing to the continued increased need in our community, our Compassion Center has exhausted its Maryland Food Grant for the year. In order to keep our pantry shelves well-stocked for the remainder of the year, we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Cereal; Peanut Butter; Pasta and Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Rice; Soups; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Canned Vegetables (both green and color)

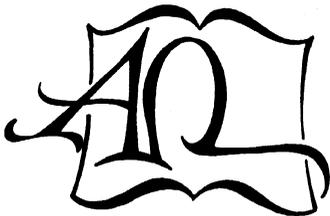
Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' (sizes 10-18), girls' (sizes 10-14), and men's (especially small and medium) clothing.

There is always a demand for diapers and wipes, especially sizes 3, 4, 5, and pull-ups 2T-4T.

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 WEEK ...*

The Feast of Christ the King

The Last Sunday of the Church Year (LSB Proper 29C)

November 23, 2025

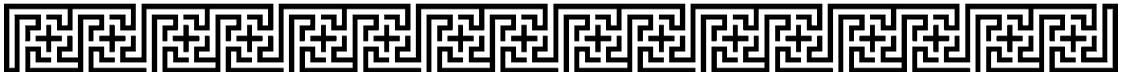
Scripture Readings: Malachi 3:13-18

Colossians 1:13-20

Luke 23:27-43

**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16 – 23**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<b><i>The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>	
	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
	9:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Circuit 7 Professional Church Workers Meeting at Pilgrim-Bethesda
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b><i>The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>	
	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



**CHURCH STATISTICS**



Sunday, November 9, 2025  
 Worship Attendance: 18; Communed: 18.

***MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR OCTOBER 2025:***

General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$10,543  
 General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$11,951  
*Deposits to Thrivent* (money market): +\$4,000  
 Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: ~\$49,105  
 (Net Withdrawals from Thrivent this year: \$7,500)

*Thanks to a residual high balance from earlier this year and some lower than expected expenses, we were able to put \$4,000 back into our Thrivent savings, even though our offerings were below target. The Thrivent funds have also grown some on their own, which is a blessing.*

✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of November 16, 2025**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

*For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:*

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;  
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; 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; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;  
Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;  
Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;  
Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Craig, husband of Edith;  
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;  
Raymond, brother of Joy; Nancy & Family, sister of Vincent; Daniel, friend of Cullen;  
Donald, friend of Cullen; Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda;  
Mary, former Concordia Teacher; Laura, granddaughter of Gus & Betty;  
Jim, friend of Michelle; Millie, co-worker of Joyce; Dale, son of Gus;  
Pat, mother of Kim; Sean, friend of Joyce & Dave; Eleanor, former Concordia Teacher;  
Cora, aunt of Tracy & Vincent; The Coopers, friends of Tracy & Vincent;  
Kelly, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Fred, brother of Helen

**Thanksgivings and Blessings**

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

**Those Who Mourn**

The family of John H. Bowman, who passed away November 4<sup>th</sup>, and was buried from  
Trinity yesterday.

## 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.
- ✘ 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.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political and social discourse.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.





***Celebrating the Gift of Ninety-Five Years of  
God's Love and Grace!***

***...as it was in the beginning,  
is now,  
and will be forever.  
Amen!***

***Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church***

4000 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street

*at the intersection of 30<sup>th</sup> Street and Bunker Hill Road  
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***Sunday Mornings:***

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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*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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