

Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"



Lutheran Women's Missionary League 801 Seminary Place L010 St. Louis, MO 63105

Welcome to Trinity!

W2776 State Highway 32 Howards Grove, WI 53083

<u>Worship:</u>

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am

October 8, 2023

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting 4

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Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: LSB 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Stand

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.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Sit

- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Stand

Introit

Service of the Word

P Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

- **P** The stone that the builders rejected
- **C** has become the cornerstone.
- This is the LORD's doing;
- it is marvelous in our eyes.
- **P** This is the day that the LORD has made;
- let us rejoice and be glad in it.

ALL: 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 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
- for his steadfast love endures forever!

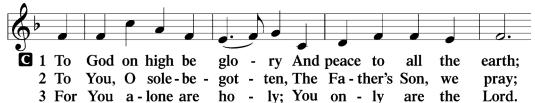
Psalm 118:22–24; antiphon: v. 1

Kyrie LSB 204



Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
 Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ¹For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

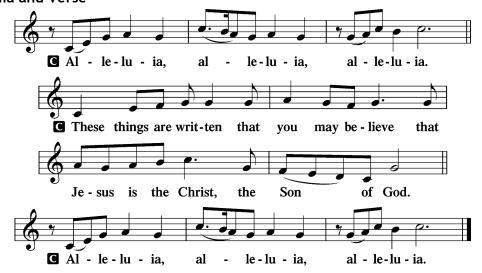
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle Philippians 3:4b–14

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Stand Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Matthew 21:33–46

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

G Glory to You, O Lord.

³³[Jesus said:] "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 38But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' 39And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" 41They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." 42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him." 45When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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

Apostles' Creed

Sermon Hymn: LSB 577 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church We respond with Amen. Prayer requests: the family of Trent Lieffring, the family of Eugene Bubolz, Michael Winter, Connie Hansen, Todd Bender, Randy Ries, Marie Rietbrock, Lori (Kober) Badtke, the family of Lonnie Bigler, Jerry Barts, Zebediah Lusty, and our shut-ins.

Prayer for LWML

Let us pray. Gracious Lord, in love You have given Your Son to bring light and life to our fallen world. You generously promise to give us our daily bread even as You feed us with the Bread of Heaven. As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks to God that we are HIS. We are held by God's Word. We are inspired to share His Gospel. We are surrounded by His grace. As our Lord commended the widow who gave from her heart all she had, we pray the Spirit of our God and Savior to magnify our mite offerings for the growth of His kingdom throughout the world. May all who receive these gifts know Your divine care and love for them. Strengthen and uphold them in their time of need, and bless them with Your presence. Grant us Your Spirit that we may faithfully share Your love with others as You grant us opportunities to do so. Bring all people into Your kingdom that we may dwell with You, our everlasting King, forever; in Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

Offering (Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.) **Lord's Prayer**

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.

Benedicamus LSB 212

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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.
- C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn: LSB 696 O God, My Faithful God

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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Serving October 8	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	
Acolytes:	Macey Schueler	Emily Harris	
Greeters:	Al Bramstedt	Kathy Schmid	
Video Operators:	Mark Schorer		
Ushers:	Team 1	Team 4	
Elders:	Peter Franz	Dale Hopf	
Altar Guild:	Linda Hopf and	Kathy Franz	

October 1, 2023 Offering	
General	\$7,300.00
Special Offering: Christ's Cares for Kids in Kenya	\$115.00
Church Improvement	\$345.00
Sunday School	\$23.25

Serving October 15	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>			
Acolytes:	Ethan Fenn and Cooper Schmidt	Bryce Peter and Emmet Kunze			
Greeters:	Peter and Kathy Franz	Josh Schorer			
Video Operators:	Scott Timm				
Ushers:	Team 1	Team 4			
Elders:	Peter Franz	Dale Hopf			
Altar Guild:	Connie Bitter and Linda Plocar				

Attendance October 1, 2023				
8:00am: 80 10:30am: 68				
Total: 148				
Sunday School: 20				

<u>Monday</u> October 9	<u>Tuesday</u> October 10	<u>Wednesday</u> October 11	<u>Thursday</u> October 12	<u>Friday</u> October 13	Saturday October 14	<u>Sunday</u> October 15
8:30am Preschool	8:30am Preschool	8:30am Preschool	8:30am Preschool			8:00am Worship
1:00pm Quilting		4:00pm Confirmation				with Communion
6:30pm Women's						9:15am Bible
Bible Study/CWF						Class/Sunday
						School
						10:30am Worship
						with Communion

Trinity Messenger

<u>LWML Sunday</u> Today is LWML Sunday here at Trinity. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions. Their Mission Statement is "As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others." The Mite Box on the table in the narthex is always there year round to place our coins in to help fulfill the mission grants. Anyone can put coins in the box. There is a mite box as you enter or leave church if you would like to donate.

<u>Christian Women's Fellowship</u> will meet Monday, October 9th at 6:30pm. We will be having a Bible Study, followed by a business meeting. All women of the congregation are welcome to join!

<u>College Students:</u> CWF needs the names and addresses of our college students so the group can make their Love Packets. Please write them down and put them in Denita Krause's mailbox by TODAY Sunday, October 8.

<u>Voter's Meeting:</u> There is a voter's meeting Sunday, October 22nd following the 10:30am worship service. Minutes from the previous voter's meeting were emailed and are in the narthex. The following Members have agreed to place their name in nomination for the following officers and committees to begin their term January 1, 2024. Elder: Scott Plocar, Tom Weber. Property: 1 VACANCY, Education: Anne McCraw, Linda Plocar. Stewardship: Liz Haag, Chairman: David Scharinger, Finance: Steve Forward. Secretary: Angie Schorer, Cemetery: Gary Hopf, Endowment: Dick Horness.

<u>Thank you</u> Thank you Ethan Winter for playing the music at our church. You have been such a huge help to us. We appreciate you!

The altar flowers for today are given by Peter and Pat Sixel in honor of their October 11th wedding anniversary. God's blessings on your anniversary, Peter and Pat!

The purple mum is from Christian Women's Fellowship in honor of LWML Sunday.

The flowers on the tall pedestal are given with love from Jeff, Kristin, and Taylor Bubolz for the occasion of Eugene and Carol Bubolz's October 9th wedding anniversary. This Monday would have been their 58th Anniversary, but sadly Eugene passed away before they could celebrate. We honor both the grief of the family and the life Carol and Eugene shared.

<u>Birthday Blessings to:</u> Diane Neese, Jacob Milbrath, JoAnn Bramstedt, River Grunewald, Preston Reiss, Stacia Schmidt, Hayden Zander, Jan Grunewald, and Donald Plier.

October 29th: We are trying to gauge interest if anyone would like to sing as a group for one or both services for Reformation Sunday. Alternatively, if anyone would like to offer other musical talents, please let Mary Fremer know by email (secretary@trinityhowardsgrove.org) or calling the church office (920-565-3669.)

<u>Hands for Hope</u> would like to do a "Blessing Bag" for the Sheboygan County Food Bank / Herb Kohler and Natalie Black Community Cafe and Warming center, located at 623 Ontario Ave, Sheboygan. The "Blessing Bag" would consist of an extra large Ziploc plastic bag filled with a pair of heavy socks, gloves, toothpaste, toothbrush, small package of wipes, deodorant, personal items for girls, hair brush/comb, snacks. Snacks like candy bars, protein bars, beef sticks, crackers, and nonperishable food items. We can also include Scrip cards and items that may help someone who is homeless or in a bad way. We will start collecting the items September 25th to October 29th and putting the bags together at our Hands for Hope next meeting.

Help Needed: Our Preschool program in need of substitute teachers. If interested, please contact the church office.

<u>Trunk or Treat:</u> will be Sunday, October 29th from 3-6. The car sign-up sheet is in the narthex and candy will be provided. A prize will be given for the best costume and also the best decorated car. The kids will trick or treat from car to car. There will also be food, games, and backgrounds for fun pictures. Join in the fun by decorating your car!

<u>PIZZA SALE</u> Good news—Our pizza fundraiser is back! This year it is on Saturday, November 11th. Order forms need to be returned no later than Sunday, October 29th. All information regarding toppings, prices, dates, and pick up times can be found on the order form in your mailbox. There are also forms on the table in the narthex and on our website. Please return your completed order to the mailbox of; Dale Hopf, Aaron Kuhlow, or the church secretary. We need a lot of help making the pizzas. If you are able to help, it would be greatly appreciated. There are work sign-up sheets on the table in the narthex for both Friday the 10th and Saturday the 11th. Friday will be unloading the delivery of supplies and Saturday will be assembling the pizzas. The more help we have, the quicker it goes. These pizzas are delicious, so make sure you order enough! Pizzas can be picked up on Saturday, November 11th between 12:30-2:00pm.

<u>Lost and Found:</u> Thank you to everyone who donated to the Orphan Grain Train collection for Ukraine. However, there was an article of jewelry found in the winter clothes. It's unclear if it was an accident or meant as a donation. If anyone has any information, please let Mary know either in person, by phone/email at church.

HISPANIC MINISTRY OUTREACH FUNDRAISER: Saturday, November 4th, 2023 / Noon-2 PM at Good Shepherd, Sheboygan. \$15 per person / 4-12 years old \$7 / 3 and under eat free! Salad, drinks, and desserts included! MENU: #1- 3 steak tacos served with Mexican Rice and beans. #2- 3 chicken tacos served with Mexican Rice and beans. #3- 2 chicken tamales served with Mexican Rice and beans. #4- large quesadilla with meat of choice (chicken or beef) served with Mexican Rice and beans. For info call Pastor Blas 630-229-2455

Are you interested in learning some Spanish? Join us for a bilingual Worship Service on October 19 at 6pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sheboygan. This will be the first of our bilingual services held at Immanuel. We plan on having our bilingual service the third Thursday of every month at 6pm. For more info contact Pastor Blas 630-229-2455.

St. Mark Men's Club Annual Pancake Supper Sunday, Nov 12, 3-6PM. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 10 yrs and under. They will be serving potato pancakes, wheat pancakes along with sausage, applesauce, cake, coffee, and milk. Tickets can be purchased in advance from the church office or at the door the day of the event. St Mark outreach committee will be selling fall treats featuring jams, applesauce, apples, and ornamental grasses. (1019 N. 7th St. Sheboygan)

Hymn Festival at Trinity--Sheboygan: All are invited to attend the Hymn Festival at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sheboygan (824 Wisconsin Ave.) on Saturday, October 21, at 7 p.m. The Kapelle Choir from Concordia--Chicago will be singing, while University Organist Emeritus Steve Wente will lead from the organ. Trinity's 5th-8th Grade Choir will be joining the Concordia musicians in this celebration of Trinity's 170th Anniversary. Admission is free, and a free will offering will be gathered the music at Concordia. A punch and cookie reception will follow. Please join us in singing hymns and hearing the Gospel proclaimed in beautiful music to the glory of God.

BETHLEHEM'S CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR – Join fellow shoppers on Saturday, November 11th from 9:00am-2:00pm. With your \$2 entry fee, you'll be able to support the over 50 crafters & vendors. Enjoy lunch in the cafeteria and save room for the bake sale! Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School, 1121 Georgia Ave.