# Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool Howards Grove, Wisconsin

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

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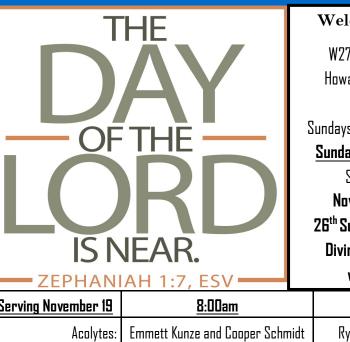
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Welcome to Trinity!

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 November 19th, 2023 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Divine Service, Setting 1 with Communion

Serving November 19	<u>8:00am</u>		<u>10:30am</u>
Acolytes:	Emmett Kunze and Cooper Schmidt		Rylan Bahr and Bryce Peter
Greeters:	Scott and Linda Plocar		Judy Luecke
Video Operator:	Scott		Timm
Ushers:	Team 3		Team 6
Elders:	Tom Weber		Mark Plocar
Altar Guild:	Margie Born and Anne McCraw		
Serving November 22 & 23		<u>November 22 6:30pm</u>	<u>November 23 9:00am</u>
Acolytes:		Brody Timm and Owen Timm	Ethan Fenn
Greeters:		Dave and Robie Scharinger	Dick and Sherry Horness
Video Operator:			
Ushers:		Team 4	Team 3
Elders:		Tom Weber	Mark Plocar
Altar Guild:		Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel	
Serving November 26		<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Acolyte	s: Ma	cey Schueler and Andie Koenig	Emily Harris and Avery Sachse
Greeter	S:	Jan and Deb Grunewald	Mark and Karen Plocar
Video Operato	: Josh		Schorer
Ushers:		Team 3	Team 6
Elders:		Tom Weber	Mark Plocar
Altar Guil	Altar Guild: Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel		Debbie Henschel

#### Opening Hymn: LSB 606 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

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

- $\mathbf{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the  $\mathbf{H}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Sit—Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- 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.

Stand Introit

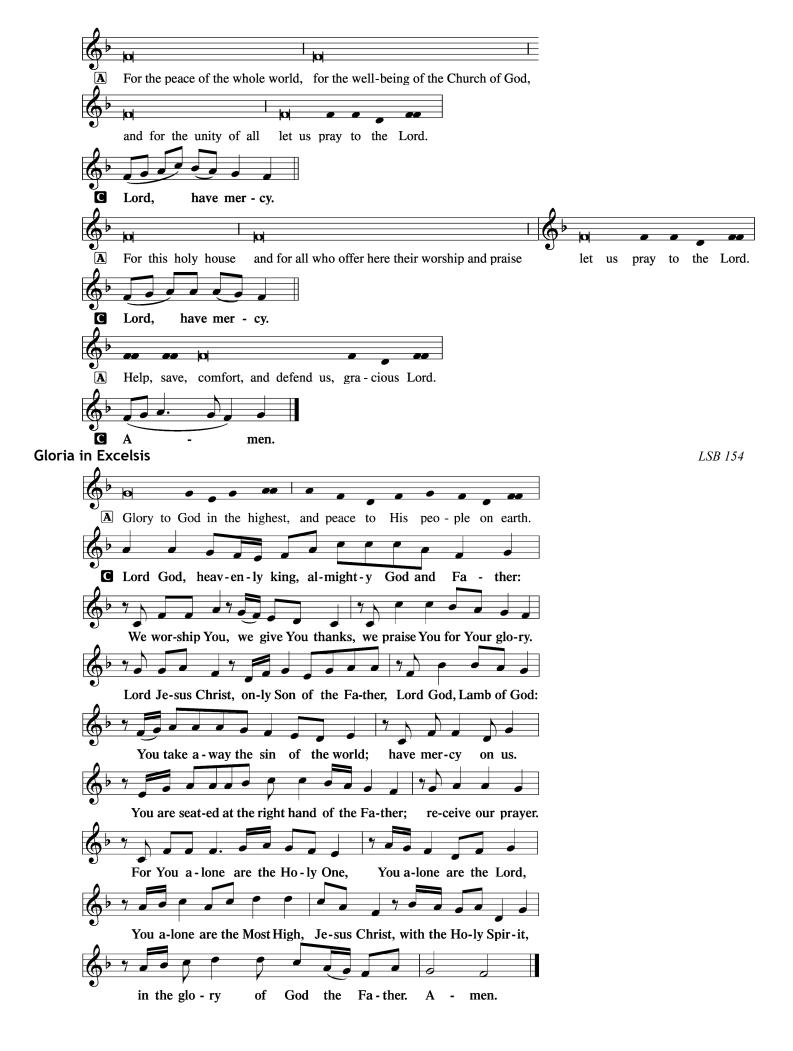
Psalm 143:2, 5-6, 10-11; antiphon: v. 1

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





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#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



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



#### Sit Old Testament Reading

#### Zephaniah 1:7–16

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

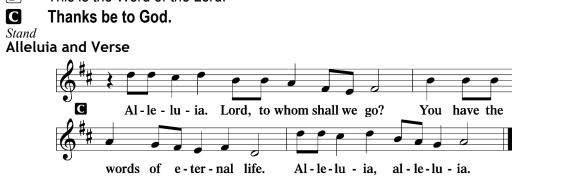
#### P This is the Word of the Lord.

### C Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

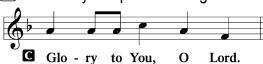
<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden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



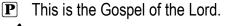
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#### Holy Gospel

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



<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."





Su Sermon Hymn: LSB 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense Verses 1-4 Sermon Stand

#### Nicene Creed

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

**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, and our shut-ins. Sit **Offering** *Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.* 

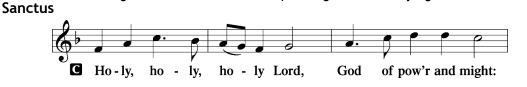




Preface

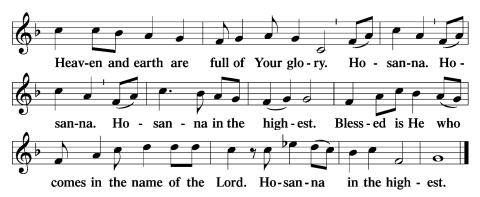


It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





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#### 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."
- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

#### Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

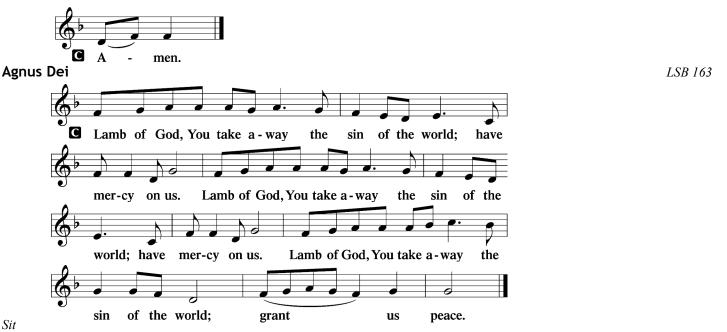
O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### Lord's Prayer

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.

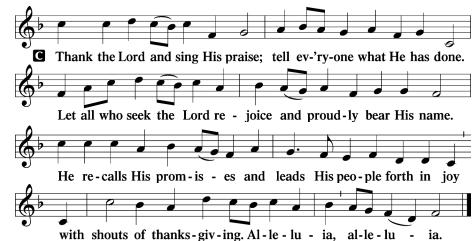
#### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



#### Distribution

Distribution Hymns: LSB 527 O Savior, Precious Savior LSB 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name LSB 623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



#### Post-Communion Collect

I Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and r give you peace.



#### Closing Hymn: LSB 548 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious

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Trinity Messenger

Thank you Connie Cortright for playing the music at our church. You have been such a huge help to us!

**USHERS:** The usher schedule is being updated for 2024. Please contact Mike Mallmann if you want to usher; change to a different team or service time; or to resign from ushering. (920-905-6524)

**Annual Food Drive:** Our annual food drive will be held again this year. You may bring non-perishable items to church November 19-26<sup>th</sup>. Items are given to the St. Mark's Food Pantry.

**Birthday Blessings to:** Dennis Bramstedt, Jamie Englebert, Anne McCraw, Sharon Paske, Mary Goedeke, Harvey Kolberg, Phyllis Becker, Judith Endreas, Susan Kober, Barbara Wolfert, Lincoln Hopf, and Jerome Henschel.

Flowers on the altar are for Mary Lou and Tom Neuman's 49th Anniversary.

Flowers on the tall pedestal are from Judy Luecke for Anne McCraw's Birthday. Flowers on the short pedestal are also for Anne's Birthday from Liz Haag and Margie Born, her Altar Guild partner.

Thanksgiving Worship Times Join us for Thanksgiving Worship with Holy Communion on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm and Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am. CONFIRMATION will NOT be held on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

 11/12/23 Offering

 General
 \$3,942.00

 Concordia, WI
 \$20.00

 Pizza Sales
 \$2,963.00

 Church Improvement
 \$630.00

**Reminder:** The Love Packets that Christian Women's Fellowship put together for the college students may be picked up after either Thanksgiving Worship Service.

#### Special Voter's Meeting: November 26th after the late service to discuss purchasing a new boiler.