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Welcome to Trinity!

November 26th, 2023

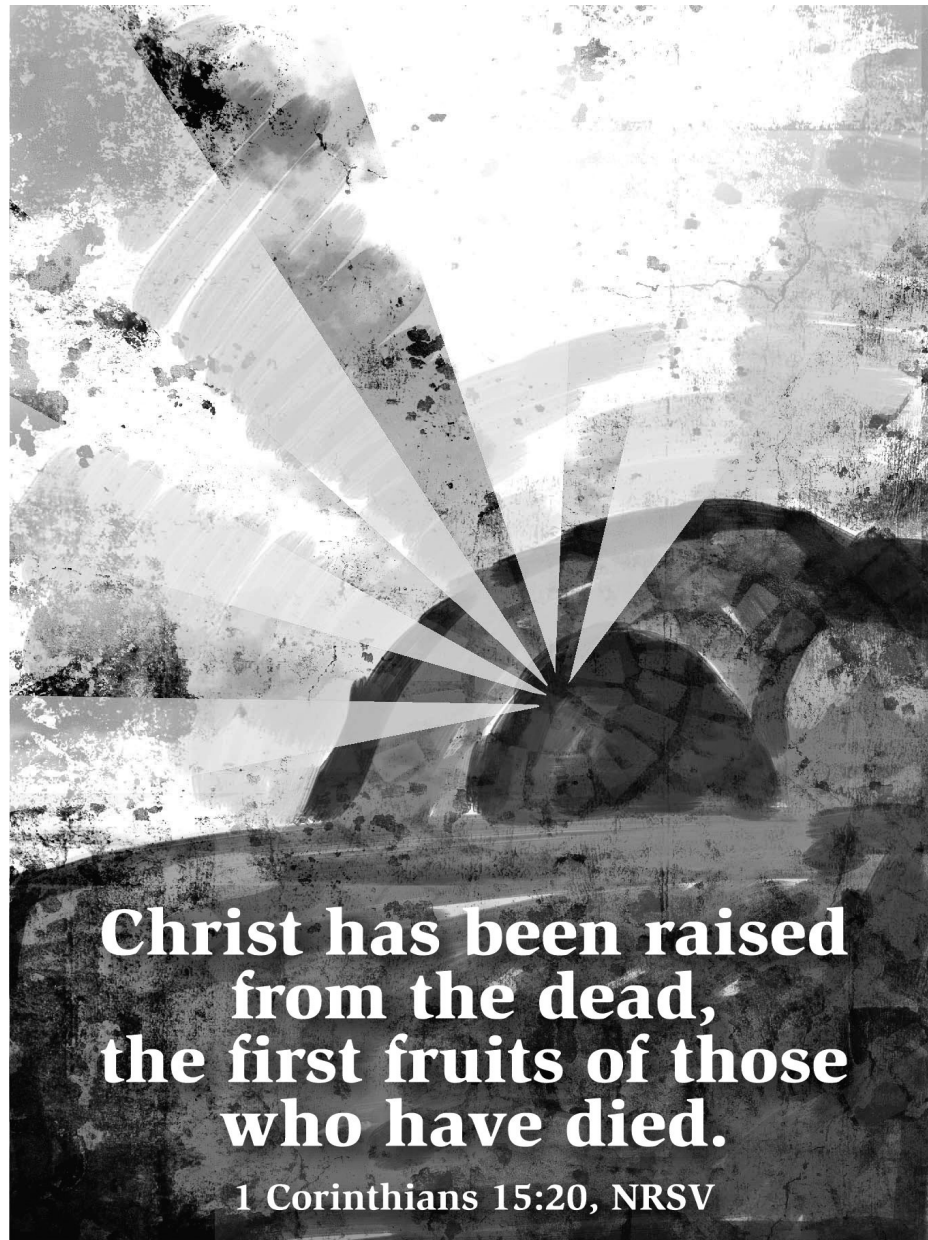
Divine Service, Setting I

Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am

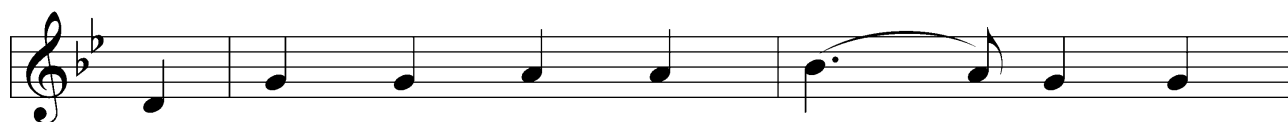


**Christ has been raised
from the dead,
the first fruits of those
who have died.**

1 Corinthians 15:20, NRSV

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

513 THE CLOUDS OF JUDGMENT GATHER



1 The clouds of judg - ment gath - er, The
2 A - rise, O true dis - ci - ples; Let
3 The home of fade - less splen - dor, Of
4 Oh, hap - py, ho - ly por - tion, Re -



time is grow - ing late; Be so - ber and be
wrong give way to right, And pen - i - ten - tial
blooms that bear no thorn, Where they shall dwell as
lief for all dis - tressed, True vi - sion of true



watch - ful, Our judge is at the gate:
shad - ow To Je - sus' bless - ed light:
chil - dren Who here as ex - iles mourn;
beau - ty, Re - fresh - ment for the blest!



The judge who comes in mer - cy, The
The light that has no eve - ning, That
The peace of all the faith - ful, The
Strive now to win that glo - ry, Toil



judge who comes in might To put an end to
knows no moon or sun, The light so new and
calm of all the blest, In - vi - o - late, un -
now to gain that light; Send hope a - head to



e - vil And di - a - dem the right.
gold - en, The light that is but one.
fad - ing, Di - vin - est, sweet - est, best.
grasp it Till hope be lost in sight.

(Stand)

(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.

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.**

(Kneel/Sit)

(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.

(Stand)

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

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

P In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,

C **the home of righteousness.**

P O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;

C let me know how fleeting I am!

P Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

C and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

P And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

C My hope is in you.

P Deliver me from all my transgressions.

C Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

P Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace at my tears!

C For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.

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 In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,

C the home of righteousness.

KYRIE

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

P 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.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS LSB 154

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God:**

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

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.

C **Amen.**

(Sit)

*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. . . .

²⁰“Therefore, 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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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 subjection under him. ²⁸When all things are 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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE LSB 156

C **Alleluia.**

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 25:31–46

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?’⁴⁰ And 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.’⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,⁴³ I 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.’⁴⁴ Then 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?’⁴⁵ Then 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.’⁴⁶ And 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.

(Sit)

550 LAMB OF GOD



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre - cious blood, My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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SERMON

(Stand)

APOSTLES' CREED

**☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our
Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the
dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. 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, the family of Randy Ries, Marie Rietbrock, Lori (Kober) Badtke, the family of Lonnie Bigler, Jerry Barts, Judd Bau-
mann, Ken Korb, and our shut-ins.

(Sit)

OFFERING Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.

OFFERTORY LSB 159

☐ What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

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.

BENEDICTION LSB 166

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.

C Amen.

(Sit)

920 FORTH IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST WE GO



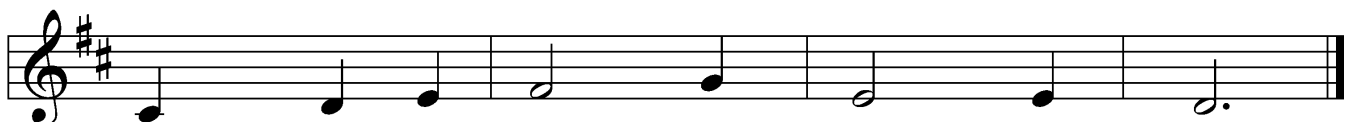
1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go;
2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;
3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth
4 Christ's are our lips, His Word we speak;
5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show



Christ to the world with joy we bring;
King - ship with Him His ser - vants gain;
This world of time to con - se - crate,
Prop - ets are we whose deeds pro - claim
That in His Church all na - tions find



Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,
With Christ the Ser - vant - Lord of all,
This world of sin by grace to heal,
Christ's truth in love that we may be
Their hearth and home where Christ re - stores



Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.
Christ's world in Christ to re - cre - ate.
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.
True peace, true love to all man - kind.

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Trinity Messenger

Special Voter's Meeting: TODAY after the late service to discuss purchasing a new boiler.

Birthday Blessings to: Faye Milbrath, Jacob Kober, Liam Beauvais, Shelley Gessler, Gary Hopf, Annika Liermann, Ruby Bender, Jackie Moths, Jerry Brandt, Morgan Zunker, and Tanya Zander.

Flowers on the tall pedestal are in celebration of Jerome Henschel's 91st Birthday.

Food Drive You may put your non-perishable items in the boxes located by the table near the library off of the narthex through Today, November 26th.

Sunday School Christmas Card Sale is set up in the narthex on the table near the carport entrance.

Christmas Blessings - As in previous years, we will again be collecting donations for Health and Human services of Sheboygan county. As you all know, many people are struggling to make ends meet. As a caring congregation, we have been a great help to those people. We will again be collecting hygiene, paper, and cleaning products. This includes- hair care, oral care, deodorants, feminine care products, soaps, laundry and cleaning products, etc. Don't forget the guys! Also we need donations for the babies- diapers, formula, blankets, etc. If you don't want to shop, you can simply purchase scrip cards to donate. We will be collecting these items on December 3 and 10th. There will be boxes in the narthex. The items will be picked up on December 11th.

Scrip News - scrip cards are such an easy way to do your Christmas shopping. We have many cards in stock and there are 100s of cards that can be ordered. This year, the last day to special order cards will be December 10th. You can pick them up on the 17th. That will be the last selling day until January 7th since the 24th and 31st are holidays. Remember you are supporting your church by buying scrip cards.

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)

December 2nd we will go Christmas caroling to our shut-ins. There is a sign-up in the back to see who is interested so we can plan accordingly. More details will follow as we get closer.

Advent Worship Our Advent worship services begin Wednesday, December 6th. The worship times are 10:30am & 6:30pm. Advent meals will be offered on Wednesdays after the morning Advent worship service and also from 5-6:15pm. A free will offering will be accepted.

Children's Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 17th during the 10:30am worship service. We will be having a practice Saturday, December 16th at 10:00am.

Christmas Worship Christmas Eve: 4:30pm & 6:30pm and Christmas Day: 9:00am (Sunday, December 24th will have no morning worship, Bible study, or Sunday school.)

Sunday, December 31st Worship Our worship services on Sunday, December 31st will be at their regular time, 8:00 & 10:30am. There will not be Sunday school or Bible study.

Celebrate Christmas at Sheboygan Lutheran On Saturday, December 2, The Pete Ellman Big Band will be performing *The Twelve Grooves of Christmas* in the LHS Performing Arts Center. Doors & cash bar open at 6 pm with the concert to follow at 7 pm. Join us as we *Jingle Bells* to kick start *The Most Wonderful Time of the Year* with Chicago's 20-piece jazz band! Tickets are \$20 and available at lutheranhigh.com/pac. All proceeds benefit Lutheran High's capital campaign.

Then save the dates for *Noel*, Lutheran High's annual band & choral Christmas concert, on Saturday, December 9 at 7 pm and Sunday, December 10 at 2 pm. Reserve your free tickets at lutheranhigh.com/pac.

Annual Report and Directory Information Please get your **committee** information to me for the annual report by December 13th. **(Financials can be submitted when they're available.)** Also, if you have moved or have a new phone number, please let me know for the directory. Thank you!

-Mary.

<u>Serving November 26</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Acolytes:	Macey Schueler and Andie Koenig	Emily Harris and Avery Sachse
Greeters:	Jan and Deb Grunewald	Mark and Karen Plocar
Video Operator:	Josh Schorer	
Ushers:	Team 3	Team 6
Elders:	Tom Weber	Mark Plocar
Altar Guild:	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel	

<u>Serving December 3</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Acolytes:	Emmet Kunze and Cooper Schmidt	Emily Harris and Avery Sachse
Greeters:	Betty Butler	Nathan and Jennie Cassity
Video Operator:	Lance Liermann	
Ushers:	Team 5	Team 2
Elders:	Scott Plocar	Jim Post
Altar Guild:	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel	

<u>Serving December 6</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>6:30pm</u>
Acolytes:		Macey Schueler and Andie Koenig
Greeters:	Al Bramstedt	Kathy Schmid
Video Operator:	Mark Schorer	
Ushers:	Team 1	Team 1
Elders:	Scott Plocar	Jim Post
Altar Guild:	Janice Lieftring and Kathy Shircel	

<u>November 19, 2023 Offering</u>	
General	\$3,958.50
Concordia University, Mequon, WI	\$51.00
Pizza Sales	\$32.00
Church Improvement	\$365.00
Sunday School Offering	\$5.05

<u>Attendance</u>	
<u>November 19, 2023</u>	
	8:00am: 63
	10:30am: 66
	Total: 129
	Sunday School: 21