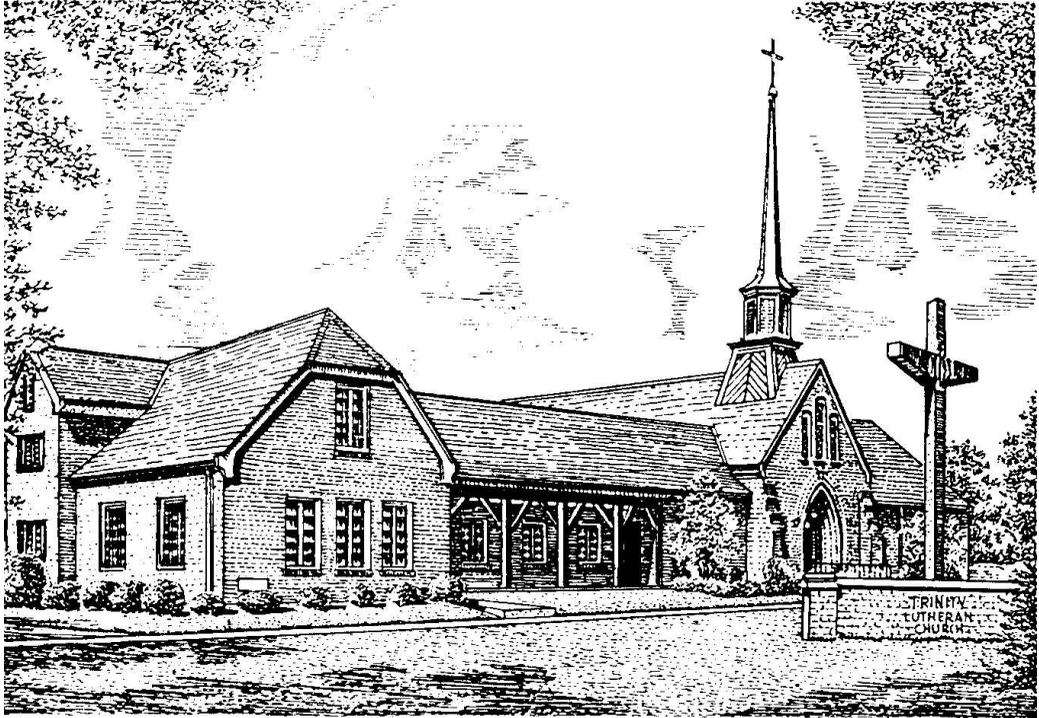


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WiFi Password – HelloFriend

A Special Welcome to those who are worshipping with us for the first time. No matter who we are or where we come from, we all have this in common: God has chosen us in Christ to be His own. We hope you feel welcome and that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting. **All members and guests are asked to fill out the Welcome Book** and join us in the Welcome Center after the service for fellowship.

Surge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone.

PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR – Richard Ball, Louise Brodeur, Howard Copeland, Jacque Czynski, Victor Duarte, Gerry Harger, Kristen Helgeson, Jean Ingmire, Terry Ingmire, Doris Lass, Paul Lass, Ida “Reggie” Licht, Sam Locklear, Brenda Pendry, Viola Person, Erika Straddeck, Bettie Terrell, Marilyn Vaughan, Shirley Whitson and Charlotte Whyne.

LIFTING UP OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY IN PRAYER – Tyler Ocana



Today Rylee Loraine Smith will be welcomed into the Kingdom of God through Holy Baptism. Rylee is the daughter of Tiffany Marie Smith. Her sponsors are Michelle Hartman, Emma Crutcher and Preston Anderson. May our Lord sustain and bless the new life in the Holy Spirit which he creates in Rylee today.

HOLY COMMUNION - In the Sacrament of Holy Communion our Lord Jesus Christ comes to us with His body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. **You are invited to join us in celebrating the Lord's Supper:**

- If you are a **Baptized Christian and a repentant sinner.** (Acts 2:38)
- If you **Confess that the Lord's Supper is the body and blood of Jesus under the forms of bread and wine (Real Presence).** (1 Cor. 10:16)
- If you **Affirm the Christian faith as it is confessed in this church to be the true Word of God.** (Acts 2:42)

Other Christians and children who have not completed Confirmation may come forward and cross their arms over their chest and a blessing will be extended to them.

The cups in the center of the tray contain grape juice. If you wish to commune from the Common Cup please do not take an individual cup, this will let Pastor know your intention. Gluten Free wafers are available, please let the Communion Assistant know if you need this when you come to the rail. If you wish to commune at your seat please inform an usher.

(We ask that first time guests and visitors please speak with the Pastor before communing.)

Today's Worship Participants

Greeter	Flo Ball
Ushers	Errol Jennings and Doug Sulak
Acolyte	Janet Gould
Lector	Ken Leiding
Communion Assistant	Ken Leiding
Children's Sermon	Chaplain Mallie
Host/ess	Holiday Happenings

Participants for Next Sunday

Greeter	xxxxxx
Ushers	Jack Carter and Errol Jennings
Lector	Cathy George
Children's Sermon	Sharyn Leiding
Host/ess	xxxxxx

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

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1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -
 2 Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -
 3 There - fore we have come to You, In our arms this
 4 Gra - cious Head, Your mem - ber own; Shep - herd, take Your



mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near
 bey it du - ly: "You must all be born a - gain,
 in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace we view;
 lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;



In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it
 Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter
 May this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be
 Way of Life, to heav - en lead it; Pre - cious Vine, let



shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.
 and the Spir - it, And My king - dom thus in - her - it."
 shield - ed ev - er, Yours on earth and Yours for - ev - er.
 noth - ing sev - er From Your side this branch for - ev - er.

5 Now into Your heart we pour
 Prayers that from our hearts proceeded.
 Our petitions heav'nward soar;
 May our hearts' desires be heeded!
 Write the name we now have given;
 Write it in the book of heaven!

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Holy Baptism

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1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
 2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
 3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
 Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
 And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust
 and feeble as frail,
 In Thee do we trust,
 nor find Thee to fail.
 Thy mercies, how tender,
 how firm to the end,
 Our maker, defender,
 redeemer, and friend!

6 O measureless Might,
 ineffable Love,
 While angels delight
 to hymn Thee above,
 Thy humbler creation,
 though feeble their lays,
 With true adoration
 shall sing to Thy praise.

Confession and Absolution

Stand (as you are able)

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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C 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/ Stand (as you are able)

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 (as you are able)

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: Ps. 143:1

C Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!*

In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your | servant,*

for no one living is righteous be- | fore you.

I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that | you have done;*

I ponder the work | of your hands.

I stretch out my | hands to you;*

my soul thirsts for you like a | parched land.

Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God!*

Let your good Spirit lead me on | level ground!

For your name's sake, O LORD, pre- | serve my life!*

In your righteousness bring my soul out of | trouble!
 Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
 Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!*
 In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness!

Kyrie



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

Gloria in Excelsis



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C 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. Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 1:7–16

⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is near;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice
and consecrated his guests.

⁸And 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.

⁹On that day I will punish

everyone who leaps over the threshold,
and those who fill their master's house
with violence and fraud.

¹⁰“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.

¹¹Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!

For all the traders are no more;
all who weigh out silver are cut off.

¹²At 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.’

¹³Their 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.”

¹⁴The 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.
¹⁵ 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,
¹⁶ a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5

C These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.
Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,*
in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While 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. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But 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. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand (as you are able)

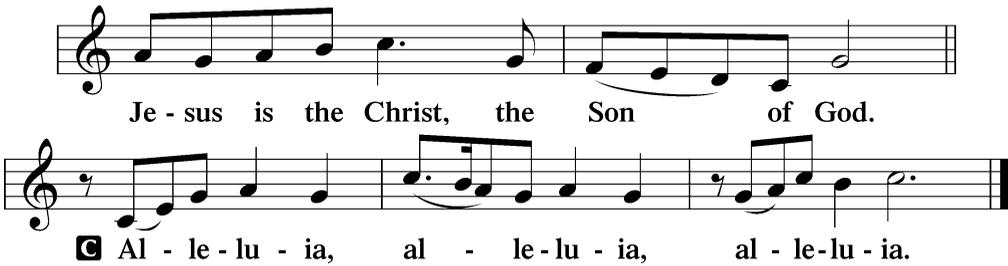
Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14–30

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

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

¹⁴[Jesus said:] “It will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰And 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.’ ²¹His 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.’ ²²And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.’ ²³His 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.’ ²⁴He 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, ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But 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? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For 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. ³⁰And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

Children's Message



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!

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.

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.

Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Stand (as you are able)

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in your mercy...

C:**hear our prayer.**

Sit

Offering *Please take this time to sign in the Welcome Book at the end of your pew.*

(Loose coins directly support LCMS families studying for the ministry through Coins for Christ.)

Service of the Sacrament

Stand (as you are able)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

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 ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P 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."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(We ask that first time guests and visitors please speak with the Pastor before communing.)

Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.
Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.
Amen.

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** **Amen.**



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, Your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

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△ Whenever this symbol of the Trinity is shown, it indicates that you should stand for that verse of music.



Distribution Hymn

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

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You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.



1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of
 4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal
 5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less



heed his voice; So when You call Your
 grat - i - tude That You should count us
 Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
 tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
 let us be, To serve each oth - er



fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.
 wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
 loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
 not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
 in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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Stand (as you are able)

Nunc Dimittis



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
- P** 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.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

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



1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross.
 2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;
 3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; Stand in His strength a - lone.
 4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The strife will not be long;



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.
 Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.
 The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.
 This day the din of bat - tle, The next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead
 Let all His faith - ful serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;
 Put on the Gos - pel ar - mor; Each piece put on with prayer.
 The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.
 Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose.
 Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.
 And with the King of Glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

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Sharing the Peace of Christ

Following the service, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Postlude

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Nursery



Our nursery is for children from infancy through preschool age and is located past the foyer to the left of the Sanctuary. In addition, there is a "cry room" located between the Narthex and Nursery for children under parental supervision. There is a video monitor and speakers inside so that you may see and hear the service from the cry room.

LWML NEWS – LWML Holiday Happenings is this morning in the Welcome Center – Please take a moment to drop by the Welcome Center and purchase a baked item or craft. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service, Wednesday 7:00 pm - All are invited to join us Wednesday as we join in worship to praise God for his many blessings. We pray for safe travels for all who travel to be with their loved ones this holiday season.



Live Nativity – Sat. December 2nd - 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Youth and adult volunteers are needed.

Please sign up on the volunteer board in the Welcome Center. Contact Lynn Hubert if you have any questions! Mark the date on your calendars, come out and support our youth and welcome our community to a night of fellowship and celebration of the birth of our Lord.

The ladies of the LWML are cordially invited to attend a **Women's Advent Tea**. *Advent is the time to prepare for the Coming of Christ.* Saturday December 2, 2017 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at **Hope Lutheran Church, 5350 Providence Road, Virginia Beach, VA.** RSVP to Christine Kern at 757-479-4291 no later than November 24th if you will be attending.

The Poinsettia sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway. Poinsettias will be \$8.00 this year and must be paid for in advance. Order deadline is Sunday, December 3rd. Poinsettias may be taken home after the late service on Christmas Eve. Please make checks payable to LWML.

December 3rd is the First Sunday of Advent – Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 10th (the Second Sunday of Advent) to join us after the late service to decorate the church for Christmas. Our tradition is to place handmade Chrismons on the two large Christmas trees that stand on either side of the altar. You are invited to participate in this fellowship event.



Christmas Caroling to the Homebound - Gather at the church on **December 17th** at 4:00 p.m. so that we can snack, compare notes, separate into two groups and prepare to **SING A JOYFUL NOISE.**



FILL THE BOOKSHELF - your Special Ministry team has teamed up with REACH Inc. a local non-profit whose mission is to support the literacy needs of at-risk and homeless children. You may ask, *How can I help?* The first thing we are going to try and do is fill a bookshelf with new and gently loved children and teen books. The bookshelf is located in the Welcome Center. We hope to get more involved by driving the books to the shelters and schools and maybe even get involved with reading aloud at the shelters/schools. This is just the beginning of hopefully a great partnership.

Did you know 25% of the children in the U.S. grow up not learning how to read? We can help change this and we hope you will join us in this worthwhile endeavor.



In preparation for our 100th Anniversary Celebration in 2020 a new fund raiser, "\$100,000 for 100 Years", will begin on January 1, 2018 and run through December 2020. Our prayers are to raise \$100,000 that would be divided between Building and Repair needs and to fund our yearlong celebration. Please prayerfully consider your participation in this fundraiser. We are looking for those who would be interested in serving on the 100th Anniversary Committee. It will take many volunteers to help make this celebration a success. If you have some ideas to share and time to help with the preparation, please sign up on the volunteer board in the Welcome Center. If you have any questions please contact Bud or Lynn Hubert.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, November 19 th	Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Worship Service	10:00 am
Monday, November 20 th	Bowling League	6:30 pm
Tuesday, November 21 st	Deacon's Meeting	1:00 pm
Wednesday, November 22 nd	Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service	7:00 pm
Thursday, November 23 rd	Thanksgiving	Church Office Closed
Friday, November 24 th	Thanksgiving Holiday	Church Office Closed
Sunday, November 26 th	Last Sunday of the Church Year	
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am

Scriptures for November 26th

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 ~ 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 ~ Matthew 25:31-46

Budget Update – October 2017	
Monthly Revenues	\$19,155.22
Monthly Expenses	\$19,191.39
Year to date Revenues	\$187,743.13
Year to date Expenses	\$207,902.95
Year to date: Actual Revenue less Actual Expenses	-\$20,159.82
<i>Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of the child of God and God's family, the church, in managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes.</i>	

Note from the Board of Stewardship – We had 16 Biographies/Opportunities for Service and Participation returned last Sunday. Please take the time to complete your forms and return them to us by November 26th.

NEW DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE – Updated church directories are available this morning in the Welcome Center. If you find any information that is left out or incorrect please notify the church office ASAP.

Sunday, November 12, 2017
 Worship Attendance – 73
 General Offerings - \$3,360.00