

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

*"A family where Christ is Head and the entire congregation are ministers."*

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## Good Morning! We welcome you today as a part of God's family here at Trinity! We hope that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting.

Trinity is a liturgical Lutheran church using the Divine Service as written in the Lutheran Service Book. Today's Divine Service is printed for you in this bulletin. Today's service is being live streamed to YouTube and will be available later in the day on Trinity's Facebook page and Website. The receiving of communion will not be recorded to preserve the sanctity of the sacrament. During this time, the recording will be directed to the stained-glass window above the altar so communion hymns can still be shared. By entering the service, you consent to the video recording to be used for live streaming, inclusion on our web site and Facebook, and/or any other purpose by Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

**Visitors** – We are so happy you are joining us for Worship today. If this is your first visit at Trinity, please take a moment to complete the Visitor Card found in front of you in the pew. Then place the card in the Offering Plate as it is passed during the service.

**PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR** – Flo and Richard Ball, Suri Capehart, Janet Eddy, Chuck Edsall, Pastor Charles Froehlich, Pat Gregory, Terry Ingmire, Jan Knickelbein, Julie and Sam Locklear, Mary Ann Medlin, Brenda Pendry, Bob and Carol Petrie, Sherrie Schirmer, Boyd Sylvester, Linda Vernick, and Sarah Von Moll.

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**HOLY COMMUNION** – In the Sacrament of Holy Communion our Lord Jesus comes to us with **His very body and blood** to eat and to drink **for the forgiveness of sins** and **to strengthen our union with Him and with one another**. He invites to His table those who trust His words, **repent of all their sin** and forgive and love one another as He forgives and loves us.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because **Holy Communion is a confession of the faith** which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the LCMS, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to **speak with the Pastor before communing**.

*For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; Acts 2:38, 42; 1 Cor. 10:16, 11:17-34*

Other Christians and children who have not completed instruction may come forward, cross their arms over their chest and receive a blessing. **During distribution, the Common Cup will be offered first followed by the Individual Cup.** For those who prefer it for any reason, the cups in **the center of the tray contain a grape juice option**. Please let the pastor know if you need a **Gluten Free wafer**.

(Before communing, we ask that first time guests and visitors please speak with the Pastor.)

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### Today's Worship Participants

Greeter  
Ushers  
Lector  
Communion Assistant  
Video Stream  
Host/Hostess

*John Malone  
Ted Smith and Doug Sulak  
Cathy George  
Dave Petri  
Orry Watts  
LWML*

### Participants for Next Sunday

Greeter  
Ushers  
Lector  
Communion Assistant  
Video Stream  
Host/Hostess

*Gerry Harger  
Errol Jennings and Anne Starke  
Scott Thieman  
John Knickelbein  
Bud Hubert  
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## Divine Service Setting Three

*The congregation sits quietly. Please be aware that some people use the time prior to the service for reflection and meditation in the sanctuary. You are encouraged to talk to God before the Service, let God talk to you in the Service, then talk to one another after the Service.*

### Organ Prelude

*My Lord, What a Morning*

Richard Billingham

### Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship** *Stand and face the Processional Cross (rear of the Church)*

### Processional Hymn

*Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come*

LSB 350



1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for  
2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and  
3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -  
4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our



sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!  
Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,  
ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,  
sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,



O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty  
Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es  
Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I  
Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er



let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.  
will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!  
will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.  
we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

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# Confession and Absolution

*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** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

**Each Sunday we light a new candle on the Advent wreath.**

**This week we light the first candle, the Hope candle.**

**It represents our hope as we eagerly await the birth of Jesus Christ.**





1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je-sus, Born to set Thy peo-ple free;  
 2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!



From our fears and sins re-lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.  
 Born to reign in us for-ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con-so - la-tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,  
 By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na-tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
 By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

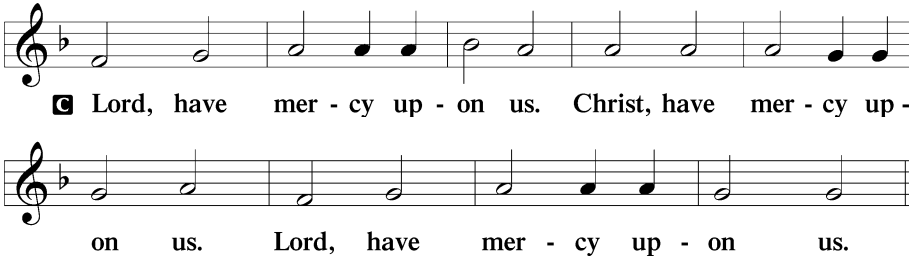
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## Service of the Word

### Introit

**☐ Behold, your king is coming to you;  
 righteous and having salvation.  
 To you, O LORD,  
 I lift up my soul.  
 O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;  
 let not my enemies exult over me.  
 Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;  
 they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.  
 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.**

## Kyrie



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 64:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,  
that the mountains might quake at your presence—

<sup>2</sup>as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil—

to make your name known to your adversaries,  
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

<sup>3</sup>When you did awesome things that we did not look for,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

<sup>4</sup>From of old no one has heard  
or perceived by the ear,  
no eye has seen a God besides you,  
who acts for those who wait for him.

<sup>5</sup>You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,  
those who remember you in your ways.

Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;  
in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?

<sup>6</sup>We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.

We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

<sup>7</sup>There is no one who calls upon your name,  
who rouses himself to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

<sup>8</sup>But now, O LORD, you are our Father;  
 we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
 we are all the work of your hand.  
<sup>9</sup>Be not so terribly angry, O LORD,  
 and remember not iniquity forever.  
 Behold, please look, we are all your people.

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

## Gradual

- C** Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.  
 Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.  
 Behold, your king is coming to you;  
 righteous and having salvation.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 From the house of the Lord we bless you.

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 1:3–9*

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—<sup>6</sup>even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

*Stand*

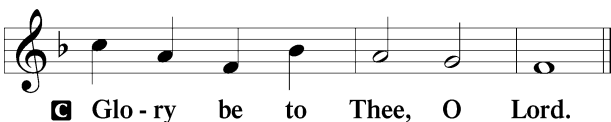
## Alleluia



## Holy Gospel

*Mark 13:24–37*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.



<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup>“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— <sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## 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 ✠ of the world to come. Amen.



## Hymn of the Day

*Savior of the Nations, Come*

LSB 332



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make  
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it  
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a  
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,  
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—  
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:  
 king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,



That the Lord chose such a birth.  
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
 God was there up - on His throne.  
 His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

5 God the Father was His source,  
 Back to God He ran His course.  
 Into hell His road went down,  
 Back then to His throne and crown.

6 For You are the Father's Son  
 Who in flesh the vict'ry won.  
 By Your mighty pow'r make whole  
 All our ills of flesh and soul.

7 From the manger newborn light  
 Shines in glory through the night.  
 Darkness there no more resides;  
 In this light faith now abides.

△ 8 Glory to the Father sing,  
 Glory to the Son, our king,  
 Glory to the Spirit be  
 Now and through eternity.

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## Children's Message

### Sermon

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

**C** Amen.

**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)

### Anthem

*The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*

Austin C. Lovelace

*Stand*

### Offertory



**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

### Prayer of the Church

**P** Lord, in your mercy...

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

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

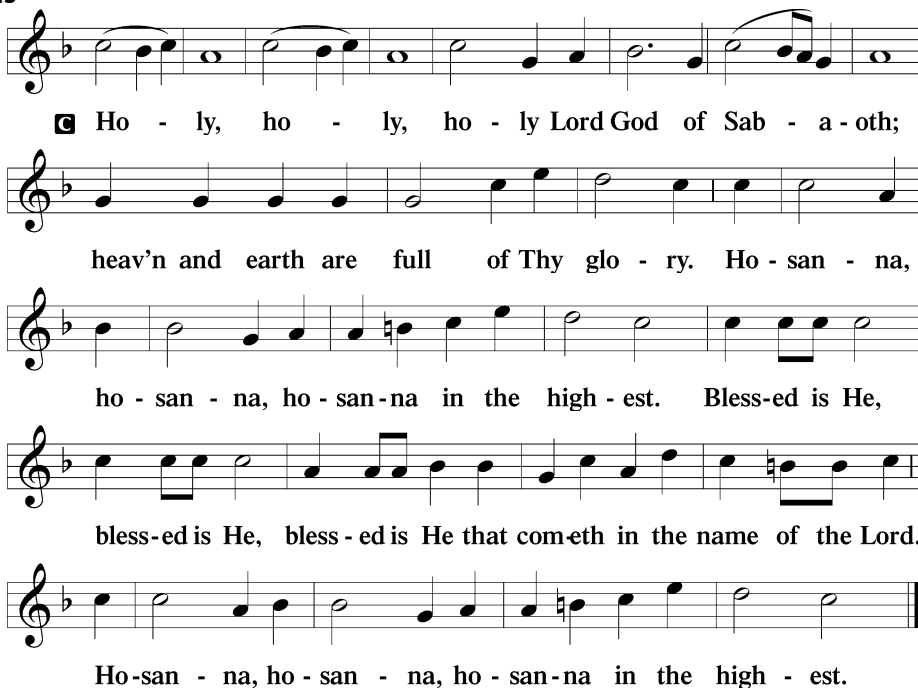
**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, 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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## 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.

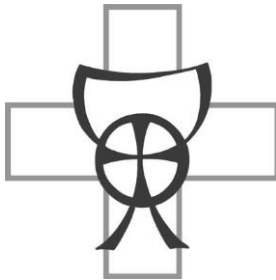
## The Words of Our Lord

**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."

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.



## Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Sit

*Please respect the time of silence at the beginning of the Eucharist before the Distribution Hymns are begun. While this is time for some to commune it is also a time for introspection and helps quiet our imagination, our worries and our toils so as to join our hearts to the prayers and be fully attentive to whatever the Holy Spirit should inspire in us. This silence is an active, not a passive disposition. This form of interior silence does not impede, and indeed favors, full and active participation in those parts of the celebration where the community is united in acclamation and song, for each person is more fully aware of what he or she is doing.*

## Distribution

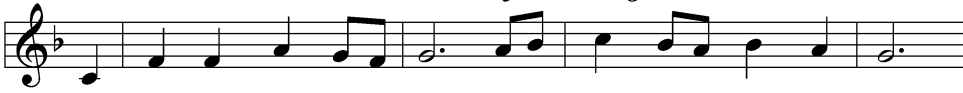
*The body and blood of Christ are distributed to those who come to receive.*

**The Common Cup will be offered first followed by the Individual Cup.**

*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 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,  
 2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,  
 3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,  
 4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain

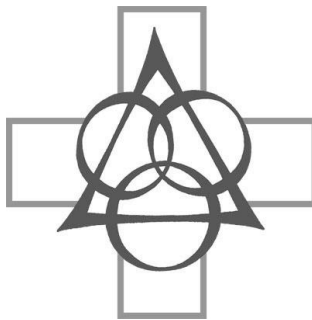


And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.  
 Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.  
 Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.  
 And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

- 5 Before the dawning day  
 Let sin's dark deeds be gone,  
 The sinful self be put away,  
 The new self now put on.

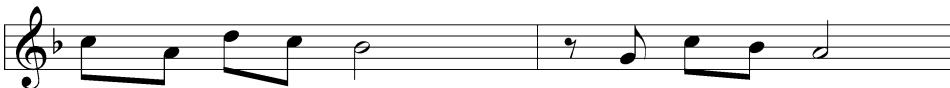
- △ 6 All glory to the Son,  
 Who comes to set us free,  
 With Father, Spirit, ever one  
 Through all eternity.

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|---|------|------|------|--------|----------|----------|
| 1 | What | is   | this | bread? | Christ's | bod - y  |
| 2 | What | is   | this | wine?  | The      | blood of |
| 3 | So   | who  | am   | I,     | That     | I should |
| 4 | Yet  | is   | God  | here?  | Oh,      | yes! By  |
| 5 | Is   | this | for  | me?    | I        | am for - |



|          |          |            |      |       |      |        |
|----------|----------|------------|------|-------|------|--------|
| ris - en | from the | dead:      | This | bread | we   | break, |
| Je - sus | shed     | for mine;  | The  | cup   | of   | grace  |
| live     | and      | He should  | Un - | der   | the  | rod?   |
| Word     | and      | prom - ise | In   | mouth | and  | soul   |
| giv - en | and      | set free!  | I    | do    | be - | lieve  |



|        |       |      |        |         |         |     |        |       |       |      |
|--------|-------|------|--------|---------|---------|-----|--------|-------|-------|------|
| This   | life  | we   | take,  | Was     | crushed | to  | pay    | for   | our   | re - |
| Brings | His   | em - | brace  | Of      | life    | and | love   | un -  | til   | I    |
| My     | God,  | my   | God,   | Why     | have    | You | not    | for - | sak - | en   |
| He     | makes | us   | whole— | Christ, | tru -   | ly  | pres - | ent   | in    | this |
| That   | I     | re - | ceive  | His     | ver -   | y   | bod -  | y     | and   | His  |



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|--------|---|-------|-----|------|-----|------|----|--------|
| lease. | O | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | peace. |
| sing!  | O | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | King.  |
| me?    | O | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | free.  |
| meal.  | O | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | real.  |
| blood. | O | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | good.  |

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# Distribution Hymn

## *Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior*

LSB 640



1 Thee we a - dore, O hid - den Sav - ior, Thee,  
 2 In this me - mo - rial of Thy death, O Lord,  
 3 Thou, like the pel - i - can to feed her brood,  
 4 Foun - tain of good - ness, Je - sus, Lord and God:  
 5 O Christ, whom now be - neath a veil we see,



Who in Thy Sac - ra - ment art pleased to be;  
 Thou dost Thy bod - y and Thy blood af - ford:  
 Didst pierce Thy - self to give us liv - ing food;  
 Cleanse us, un - clean, with Thy most cleans - ing blood;  
 May what we thirst for soon our por - tion be:



Both flesh and spir - it in Thy pres - ence fail,  
 Oh, may our souls for - ev - er feed on Thee,  
 Thy blood, O Lord, one drop has pow'r to win  
 In - crease our faith and love, that we may know  
 To gaze on Thee un - veiled and see Thy face,



Yet here Thy pres - ence we de - vout - ly hail.  
 And Thou, O Christ, for - ev - er pre - cious be.  
 For - give - ness for our world and all its sin.  
 The hope and peace which from Thy pres - ence flow.  
 The vi - sion of Thy glo - ry, and Thy grace. A - men.

Text: Thomas Aquinas, c. 1225–1274; (sts. 1–2, 4–5): tr. James R. Woodford, 1820–85, alt.; (sts. 2–3): tr. Stephen P. Starke, 1955  
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Stand

## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** 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. Amen.

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spirit.

## Benedicamus

- P** Bless we the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

- 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.  
**C** Amen, amen, amen.

## Recessional Hymn

### *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

LSB 344



- 1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es  
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the  
3 We hail Thee as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge  
4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the  
 $\Delta$  5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent



- that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,  
way for God with - in, And let us all our  
and our great re - ward; With - out Thy grace we  
fall - en strong to stand; Show us the glo - ry  
sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther



- for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!  
hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.  
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.  
of Thy face Till beau - ty springs in ev - 'ry place.  
we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. composite  
Tune: adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621  
Text and tune: Public domain

## Sharing the Peace of Christ

- P** Go in peace and serve the LORD.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

*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).*

## Organ Postlude

### *Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending*

Karl Osterland

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**This year at Trinity we will be celebrating Advent with Worship Services at 7:00 pm on Wednesday evenings, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. We hope that you will be able to join us for our special *Peace Came to Earth* Advent Mid-week Services as you prepare for Christmas this year! During the Advent season, we prepare our hearts to focus on Jesus being born as a humble human baby. He is both son of Mary and Son of God, the ultimate son of Adam who fulfilled the Law and Prophets. Through Him, we take on our identity as children of God, heirs to heaven and made new in baptism. Explore the theme of sonhood through Jesus, biblical sons, and our identity as children of the heavenly Father. The Christian Growth Committee has purchased Advent Devotionals, *Peace Came to Earth*, and they are available this morning. If you have not done so, please pick up your copy in the Narthex as you leave. We ask that you only take one per family.**

**Greening of the Church - Next Sunday, December 10th, we will 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. Please join us after the Worship Service to participate in this fellowship event.**

**TRINITARIAN articles are due by December 15<sup>th</sup> for the January/February/March issue. You may either drop them in the church office or email them to [tlc@trinitylutherannorfolk.org](mailto:tlc@trinitylutherannorfolk.org).**

**Christmas Caroling to the Homebound will be held on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Trinity's shut-in members look forward to visits from you. Share the Christmas spirit by lending your voice and enjoy good fellowship. A light lunch will be served after the Worship Service before we go caroling. There is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.**



**The Poinsettia sign-up sheet is on the LWML Flower bulletin board in the hallway. Please indicate whether they are in honor or memory of someone and whether you want to take them home or gift to a shut-in.**

Poinsettias will be \$10.00 this year and must be paid for in advance. Please make checks payable to LWML. Poinsettias may be taken home either after the service on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

**LWML Epiphany Luncheon will be held on Saturday, January 6th at 11:30 am. Please join us at Vino's Italian Bistro, Fairfield Shopping Center, Virginia Beach. All ladies of the congregation are invited! Please let us know if you are joining us for this wonderful fellowship event by signing up in the Welcome Center.**

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

|                                     |                                 |                   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Sunday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | <b>First Sunday in Advent</b>   |                   |
|                                     | Sunday School/Adult Bible Class | 9:00 am           |
|                                     | New Member Class                | 9:00 am           |
|                                     | Communion Worship Service       | 10:00 am          |
| Monday, December 4 <sup>th</sup>    | Bowling League                  | 6:30 pm           |
| Wednesday, December 5 <sup>th</sup> | Mid-week Advent Worship Service | 7:00 pm           |
| Thursday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Ladies Bible Study              | 11:30 am          |
|                                     | Choir Rehearsal                 | 4:30 pm           |
|                                     | Men's Bible Study               | 6:30 pm           |
| Sunday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Second Sunday in Advent</b>  |                   |
|                                     | Sunday School/Adult Bible Class | 9:00 am           |
|                                     | New Member Class                | 9:00 am           |
|                                     | Communion Worship Service       | 10:00 am          |
|                                     | Greening of the Church          | Following Worship |

### Scriptures for December 10<sup>th</sup>

Isaiah 40:1-11 ~ 2 Peter 3:8-14 ~ Mark 1:1-8

Sunday, November 26, 2023  
Worship Attendance - 82  
General Offerings - \$ 5,806.50

## PLEASE DO NOT BRING FOOD OR DRINKS INTO THE SANCTUARY!

If you must eat or drink, please do so in the Welcome Center or the Nursery.  
We are seeing an increase of critters in the building especially now that the  
weather is cooler. We appreciate your assistance!

