Trinity Lutheran Church Cortez, Colorado

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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church, and to the blessings, comfort and peace of Christ.

As we gather, we prepare our hearts for the worship and praise of our Lord and Savior by remembering what the Scriptures say: "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!' "Psalm 122:1 and "One thing have I asked of the Lord...that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple." Psalm 27:4

To join us on your phone or online, you just need to connect to the **9 am** Teleconference, OR at **6 pm** go to our YouTube page.

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TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS:

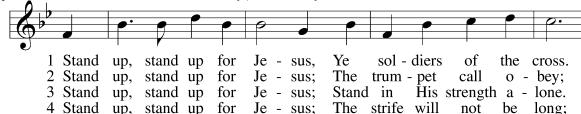
Within this church let no one feel a stranger. We ask you to sign our guest register, located in the entrance hallway. If you get the chance, before or after the worship service, Pastor Scheele would love to talk with you to find out how he might serve you. Whether you are looking for a new church home, or are passing through Cortez from time to time, we invite you to join Trinity Lutheran in worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ as often as you can. New member classes are open to all and cover the basics of the Christian faith. Please get in touch with Pastor Scheele for the next available class.

TITHES AND OFFERING:

The offering plates are in the Narthex to allow you to put your offering in the plate as you enter or exit the building without having to "pass the plate" across social distancing guides. If you are worshiping from home, please mail your check or work with Carol Sperling to set up electronic transfers.

Divine Service: Setting Three

Hymn of Invocation: 660 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus





Confession and Absolution

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e - ter - nal - ly.

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

with the King of Glo - ry

- C Amen.
- 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. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Shall reign

- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- 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,
- 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.
- 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.

 Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

- **P** I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.
- **I** will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- **P** My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
- 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** I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.

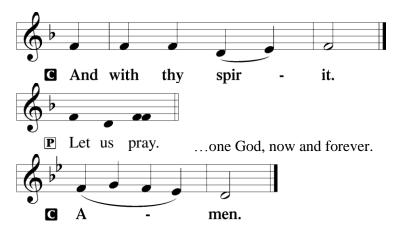




Salutation and Collect of the Day



The Lord be with you.



First Reading Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm Keith Getty | Stuart Townend
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live. There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again

And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand



Holy Gospel John 8:31–36

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

G Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."



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.

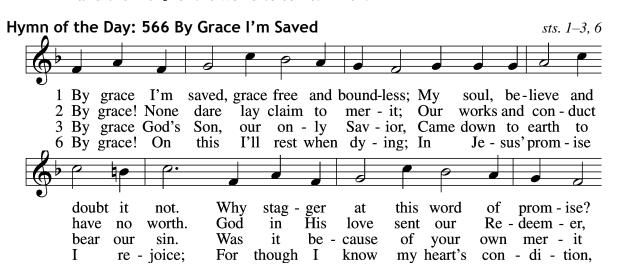
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

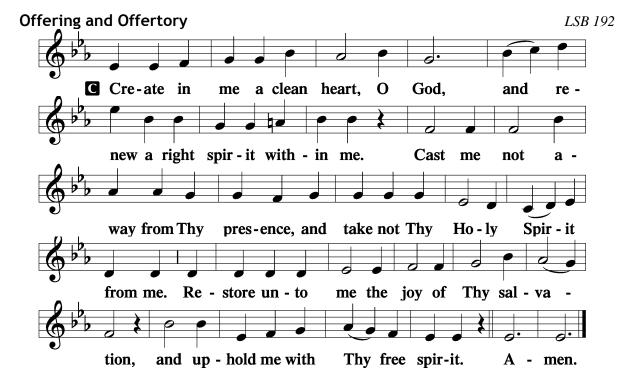
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

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.





Sermon



Prayer of the Church

Each petition ends with the following response:

P ... let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,

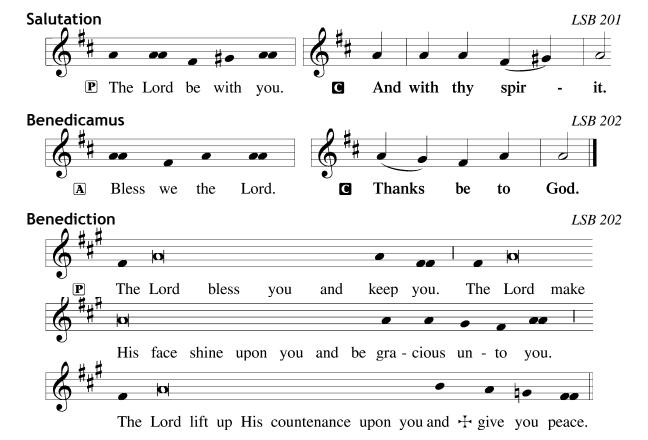
hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come,

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.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.







SPECIAL PRAYERS: Baby Asher & Family (Shar Short's friend), Lolita Aulston, Terri Blackwell (Lowell & Mary Lou Volk's daughter), Ed Bonds, Cheryl Brodhagen, Ray Brodhagen (Gary Brodhagen's brother), Deb Eicher (Bonnie Johnson's sister), Bonnie Hayes (Mike Merkley's sister), Jerry Henneman, Trudy Hooyman, Mary Mahaffey, Max (Sara McCabe's grandson's friend), Beth McCabe, Paul McCall (Renee Johnson's Dad), Carmen Miller, Brooke Picray (Roland & Connie Walter's granddaughter), Kylee Pontine (friend of Penny Steven's granddaughter), Aspen Riddell (thanksgiving); Ron & Ann Sam (friends of Carol Sperling), Shirlie Schlotfelt, Ron Selah, Clark Spalsbury (Bruce Schulz's Friend), Scott Spindler (Katrina Baumgartner's friend), and Bill Witthans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Choir and Bible Study follow the Service. Choir meets immediately after worship in the Sanctuary; Bible Study starts at 10:45 AM in the Sanctuary. **VOLUNTEER to serve your family in Christ!** Help with **Children's Church** (please talk to Nicci Crowley); Help provide **Altar Flowers** by signing up in the Narthex & donating \$25 (labeled for Flowers).

We will be doing a special remembrance on Nov 7th of All the Saints who have died this past year. If you would like your departed loved ones named during the worship service, please email or call the church office.

Voters Meeting-Nov 14th at 10:30 am major agenda items include: 2022 Officer Elections, the 2022 Budget Approval, and a proposed change to the Church Bylaws.

The proposed change to the Church Bylaws is to delete the last sentence of Section 5. A. (concerning the duties of the President) which reads: "A slate of board members shall be assembled by the nominating committee, reviewed with the newly-elected Board Chairpersons, and presented to the President for appointment and Council approval at the last Church Council meeting of the year." This turns out to be unworkable because the new Board Chairpersons are not elected until November, yet the candidates are to be reviewed by those Chairpersons and then approved by the Church Council for appointment at its last meeting of the year which is in October, as provided elsewhere in the Bylaws. To fix this, the Council proposes deleting this sentence from the Bylaws altogether. The Council has already adopted a different policy, which seems to be working; it makes the newly-elected Board Chairpersons responsible for recruiting such Board members as they need. Complete copies of the Bylaws and the Council Policy are available in the Church office.

This Week at Trinity: Ladies' Group Bible Study – Monday at 1:30 pm; Fellowship Hall Prayer Group – Wednesday at 7:30 am; Sanctuary

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