

4th Sunday in Advent

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

1 Corinthians 3:5-11

For no other <u>foundation</u> can anyone lay.



than that which is laid, which is **Jesus**

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Pre-Service Meditation

John 20:31

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, You have sent forth Your Holy Spirit to record all of Scripture for our instruction and learning. Since we need Your teachings daily in all matters of life and eternity, inspire in our hearts a longing for Your saving Word. Establish us in the Gospel truth that You alone are our salvation and build us up in the confidence of Your Holy Name. Amen.



Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

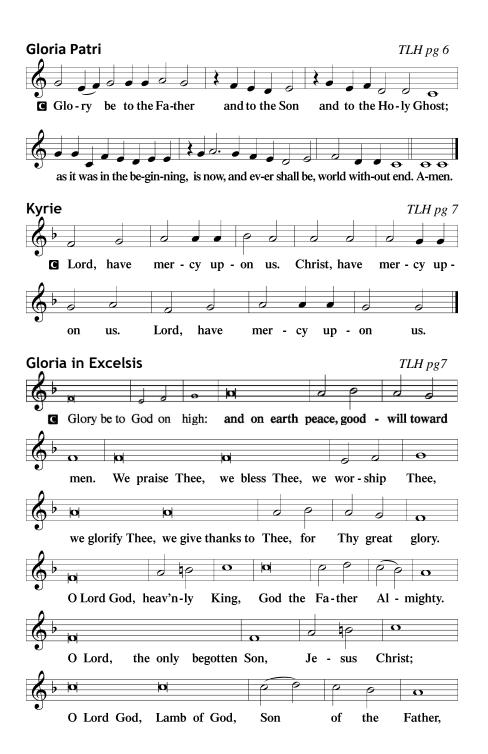
WS 718 O Jesus, King of Glory

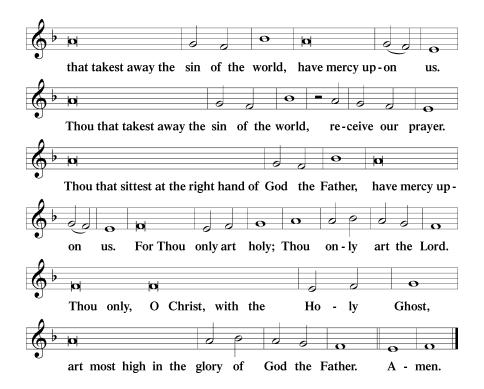
Confession and Absolution

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- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C (spoken) 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,
- (spoken) who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- (spoken) and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- 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 truly sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake 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, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our 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 (spoken) Amen.
- P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!





Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- (spoken) And also with you.
- P Let us pray. . .
- C Amen.

First Reading

Malachi 4:5-6

"For Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. 6 And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse."

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 2 (selected verses)

- P "I will declare the decree: the Lord has said to Me,
- 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.
- P Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance,
- And the ends of the earth for Your possession.
- P You shall break them with a rod of iron;
- You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.

- P Now therefore, be wise, O kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth.
- Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.
- P Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little.
- Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:5-11

Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers through whom you believed, as the Lord gave to each one? 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. 7 So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. 8 Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive his own reward according to his own labor.

9 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. 10 According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. 11 For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



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.

Hymn of the Day TLH 339 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name (vv. 1-4)

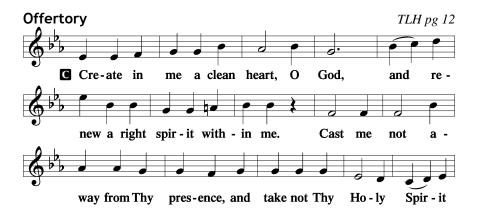
Sermon John 20:30-31

And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Jesus is the Biggest Name in History

I: God's Word establishes His Son's authority
II: Jesus' Name establishes His people's salvation

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





Hymn

TLH 98 Of the Father's Love Begotten

Offering

Prayer of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed by 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

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

→ give you peace.



Closing Hymn

TLH 70 Hosanna to the Living Lord

Silent Prayer

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Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Please wait to be ushered out of the sanctuary. Please do not leave any bulletins or other materials behind. **Offerings** may be left in the offering plate in the narthex or mailed to the church.

Guest and Visitors, we are delighted to have you here for worship with us this morning and are grateful for the opportunity to share the saving gospel message of Jesus Christ with you! We also invite you to sign our guest book in the entryway. Please speak to the members and pastor if you wish to learn more about the Gospel ministry here at *Trinity*, and we hope to see you again!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 – Due to the mask mandate in Washington state, **Trinity will be requiring that those attending in-person services wear face masks at all times**. This is an unfortunate step backwards in the re-opening process, yet the Lord remains in control. Please keep all those effected by the virus in your prayers, especially those within our fellowship. Instead of despairing over all the many disheartening things that are going on in the world right now, may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus!

BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Class – Now: Lutheran Spokesman Up Next: Apostle's Creed Sunday School – Now: Jailer of Philippi Up Next: The Fiery Furnace

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

o Christmas Eve (6:30pm): 12/24 o Christmas Day (10:30am) 12/25

NO NEW YEAR'S SERVICES – There will be no New Years Eve or Day services at Trinity this year. You are encouraged to attend or tune into our sister congregation Gethsemane's services (gethsemaneclc.org). May our God of ages past remain our hope and confidence for years to come!

COUNCIL MEETING – The church council will meet in the sanctuary appx. 10 minutes after the conclusion of our worship service.

NO BIBLE CLASS – There will be no Sunday morning Bible class next Sunday (12/26) or the following Sunday (1/2). We will resume our studies on 1/9 with a series on the Apostle's Creed with a special emphasis on how we can apply this knowledge to our prayer life. We hope you'll be able to join us!

PASTOR ABSENCE – Pastor Naumann will be away from the parish from Monday 12/27 until Tuesday 1/4. If an emergency should arise, please contact our congregation president, Dennis Lux (contact info on bulletin cover), or Pastor Eichstadt (507-380-1068).

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Pastor Frank Gantt and his family recently experienced an electrical fire in their home in Loganville, GA. The fire was contained in a single bedroom, limiting the physical damage. While they have been displaced from their home, they are thankful to the Lord for the limited damage and that there was no injury or harm to anyone. While they are wrestling with the issues of dealing with this trial during the Christmas season, they are confident that the Lord only chastens those whom He loves.
- The LORD, in His wisdom, saw fit to take Dr. David Menton out of this vale of tears to himself in heaven yesterday morning. Dr Menton was a long-time CLC member in South Carolina and a very gifted Christian apologist. May the God of Hope grant his wife, Debbie, their two daughters, and their families comfort and peace in the sure hope of the resurrection. Psalm 116:15 Blessed in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints.
- Kathy Conway's husband, Bob, had a leg adjustment to help with his recovery from knee replacement surgery which went well. Please keep Bob's recovery in your prayers.
- A friend of Kathy Conway's has a daughter named Becky who is suffering with a leg infection along with other serious health complications. Please keep Becky in your prayers during the coming weeks, that the Lord would grant strength and healing to Becky and her family.
- Flooding in India has been very severe in recent days, and it has affected many of our brothers and sisters in Christ of the BELC (South-West India). The Northern group, the CLCI has not been affected as much, but has not been unscathed. Please keep these

congregations in your prayers that the LORD might preserve them from any danger and sustain them with everything they need for their bodies and souls.

CALL NEWS:

- Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran School, Phoenix, AZ, is <u>still</u> <u>considering</u> the call to be the upper grade teacher of Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE.
- Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD, is <u>still considering</u> the call to Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA.
- Pastor Sam Rodebaugh of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, Florida, is <u>still considering</u> the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

	Attendance	Offering
12/5/21	19	\$2050
12/8/21	13	\$95
12/12/21	21	\$879
12/15/21	9	\$200

DECEMBER CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Clark	
Sanctuary	Helke	
Basement	Toll	

