

PSALM 128:3

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Pre-Service Meditation

Genesis 2:18

And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

Prayer: LORD God, You instituted marriage in the Garden of Eden, and through Your word You uphold and protect Your gift of male and female and the union of man and woman into one flesh. Cause us to honor marriage and keep us from sinful thoughts, words or actions which would dishonor or corrupt the gift of marriage. Bless those who are married with faithfulness. Hear the prayers of those who seek a godly spouse, and give to us all purity and chastity in all we think, say and do. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 134 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Invocation

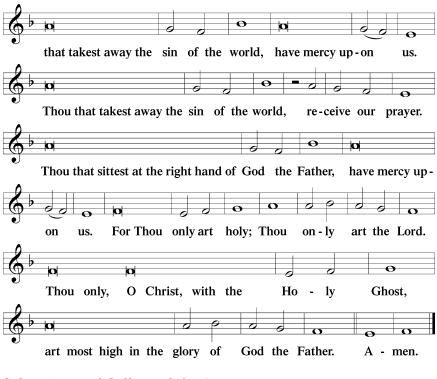
- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C (spoken) Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- 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** (spoken) who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** (spoken) and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- 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 my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the -I Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C (spoken) Amen.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

First Reading

Genesis 2:18-25

And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." 19 Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. 20 So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.

21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22 Then the rib

which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

23 And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Psalm 128

- P Blessed is every one who fears the Lord,
- **G** Who walks in His ways.
- P When you eat the labor of your hands,
- **C** You shall be happy, and it shall be well with you.
- Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the very heart of your house,
- **C** Your children like olive plants all around your table.
- P Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord.
- C The Lord bless you out of Zion, and may you see the good of Jerusalem all the days of your life.
- P Yes, may you see your children's children.
- C Peace be upon Israel!

Second Reading

Matthew 5:27-32

27 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.' 28 But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29 If your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell. 30 And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell.

31 "Furthermore it has been said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' 32 But I say to you that whoever divorces his wife for any reason except sexual immorality causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a woman who is divorced commits adultery.

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 there 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 625 O Blest the House, Whate'er Befall

Sermon

Ephesians 5:1-10

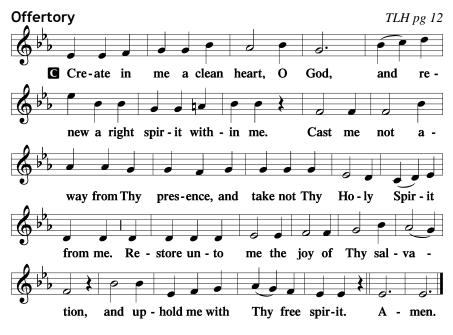
Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; 4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. 5 For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not be partakers with them.

8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

FINDING OUT WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE LORD I: Hearing it in His Word II: Seeing it in our lives

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



Hymn

WS 783 Jesus Shepherd of the Sheep

Offering

Prayer of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

P ... in whose Name we also join to pray together:

 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

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 + give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn

TLH 53 Abide, O Dearest Jesus

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: Apostles CreedUp Next: Apostles CreedSunday School – Now: Jailer of PhilippiUp Next: The Fiery Furnace

PASTOR ABSENCE – Pastor Naumann will be away from the parish next week from Wednesday 1/26 – Tuesday 2/1 while he is on the West side of the state assisting with the vacancy at Ascension, Tacoma. If there is an emergency during this time, please reach out to our president, Dennis Lux, or Pastor Wayne Eichstadt. The service on 1/30 will be conducted by lay members, and there will be **NO BIBLE CLASS NEXT WEEK.**

ANNUEL VOTERS MEETING – We will be holding our annual voters meeting two weeks from Sunday, on February 6th, following the worship service. The agenda for that will be coming out (God-willing) on February 2nd, so keep an eye on your e-mail. We request that any voters able to attend make plans to

do so and, as usual, we welcome any women of the congregation who would like to sit in and observe.

SERVICE SCHEDULE – Included in your bulletin this morning is a proposed worship service schedule for 2022. Please take a look and bring any suggested changes to Pastor Naumann before Wednesday, February 2nd. If you would only be able to attend some of these services under certain scheduling conditions, let Pastor Naumann know so that we can try to accommodate as many members as possible.

THANK YOU – Thank you for all the wonderful cards, greetings, and gifts that were so graciously offered this Christmas season. It has been an indescribable blessing service Trinity, and the Lord continues to shower blessings upon blessings upon me through you all. Philippians 1:3-6 *I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, 5 for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.*

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Kathy Conway's husband, Bob, continues to recover from his knee replacement surgery and follow-up adjustment. Please continue to keep him and Kathy in your prayer that the Lord would keep pouring out His grace on Bob's rehabilitation.
- May the Lord continue to pour His grace out on His people during this difficult time of illness and uncertainty. May He send us His Spirit to give us patience and love as we endeavor to carry out His will for our lives and reflect His love through our thoughts, words, and actions!

CALL NEWS:

- Teacher Michaela Winters of Messiah Lutheran School, Hale Corners, WI, has <u>received</u> the call to be the lower grade of teacher of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN.
- Mr. Nathan Wales of Columbia, SC, has <u>accepted</u> the call to be the principal and upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Sleepy Eye, MN.
- ILC Professor John Ude has <u>returned</u> the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN.

- Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Churches, Mt. View, CA, Stockton, CA, and Hayward, CA, has <u>returned</u> the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.
- Teacher Andrew Roehl of Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI, is <u>still considering</u> the call to be the principal and upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE.

	Attendance	Offering
12/24/21	30	\$648
12/25/21	13	\$291
12/26/21	21	\$705
1/2/22	9	\$2140

JANUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Lux	
Sanctuary	Everett	
Basement	Estes	

