



Now godliness with contentment is

<u>great gain.</u>



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### **Pre-Service Meditation**

Luke 12:20-21

But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' 21 "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

**Prayer:** Loving Savior, Jesus Christ, make us truly thankful for the immeasurable gift you have purchased for us with your precious blood: the crown of eternal life. Keep us from a desire for vain material things and send us Your Spirit to renew us in our love and devotion to You and Your priceless Gospel message. Amen.



# Service of the Word

## **Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymn** 

TLH 425 All Depends on Our Possessing (vv. 1-4)

#### Invocation

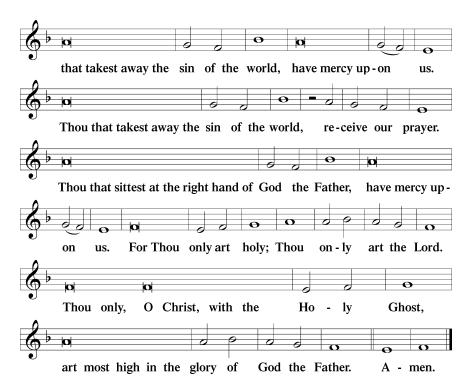
- In the name of the Father and of the 

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

### **Confession and Absolution**

- 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.
- 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 
  → 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

Luke 12:13-21

Then one from the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." 14 But He said to him, "Man, who made Me a judge or an arbitrator over you?" 15 And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

16 Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. 17 And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' 18 So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid

up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." 20 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided? 21 "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

### **Psalm 37** (selected verses)

- P Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way,
- Because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass.
- P For evildoers shall be cut off;
- But those who wait on the Lord, they shall inherit the earth.
- P A little that a righteous man has is better than the riches of many wicked.
- For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the Lord upholds the righteous.
- P The Lord knows the days of the upright,
- And their inheritance shall be forever.
- P They shall not be ashamed in the evil time,
- And in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

### Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Now godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8 And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 I urge you in the sight of God who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, 14 that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, 15 which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen.

17 Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. 18 Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, 19 storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

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

TLH 518 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee (vv. 1-3, 7)

Sermon Joshua 7:19-26

Now Joshua said to Achan, "My son, I beg you, give glory to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession to Him, and tell me now what you have done; do not hide it from me." 20 And Achan answered Joshua and said, "Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and this is what I have done: 21 When

I saw among the spoils a beautiful Babylonian garment, two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. And there they are, hidden in the earth in the midst of my tent, with the silver under it."

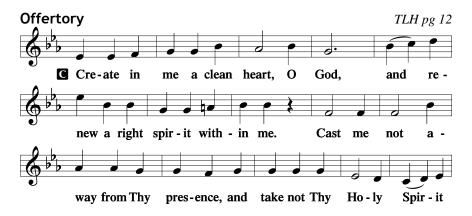
22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran to the tent; and there it was, hidden in his tent, with the silver under it. 23 And they took them from the midst of the tent, brought them to Joshua and to all the children of Israel, and laid them out before the Lord. 24 Then Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, the silver, the garment, the wedge of gold, his sons, his daughters, his oxen, his donkeys, his sheep, his tent, and all that he had, and they brought them to the Valley of Achor. 25 And Joshua said, "Why have you troubled us? The Lord will trouble you this day."

So all Israel stoned him with stones; and they burned them with fire after they had stoned them with stones. 26 Then they raised over him a great heap of stones, still there to this day. So the Lord turned from the fierceness of His anger. Therefore the name of that place has been called the Valley of Achor to this day.

# The Trouble of Truth and Consequences

I: The covetous man buries his sin II: The righteous God punishes sin

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





Hymn

WS 789 Consider How the Birds Above

### Offering

## Prayer of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

- . . . 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

#### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

Forever and ever. Amen

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ⅓ give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

# **Closing Hymn**

WS 764 God of Grace and God of Glory

## Silent Prayer

# Acknowledgments

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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 Creed/Trinity Up Next: Apostles Creed/Trinity Sunday School – Now: Jailer of Philippi Up Next: The Fiery Furnace

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES – This coming Wednesday (March 2nd) will mark the beginning of our midweek Lenten worship schedule with Ash Wednesday worship beginning at 6:30pm. There will be communion during this service (again, offered in either disposable kits or altar reception). This year, we will be considering the overall theme: SEARCHING QUESTIONS OF OUR SAVIOR'S PASSION. We also look forward to hearing the Word from pastors Wayne Eichstadt and Dave Naumann via pulpit exchange throughout the season. Midweek services will begin at 6:30pm every Wednesday from March 3rd – April 6th. Good Friday worship will be held on April 15th at 6:30pm, and Easter Sunday on April 17th at 10:30am. Please mark your calendars accordingly and join us to ponder our Lord's Passion, suffered for our salvation!

**WOMEN'S CIRCLE MEETING** – The Women's Circle will be meeting next weekend following Sunday worship to discuss Easter plans. Please stick around for the discussion if you are able!

### **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

- Margaret Bjork was admitted to the hospital last week due to dehydration. She has since returned home, but it appears quite possible that the Lord may be preparing to take Margaret to her Himself in heaven. Please pray that the Lord's will be done, and that He might grant Margaret strength of body and soul. Especially, may her confidence in redemption through Jesus' blood be preserved and enlarged in the coming days.
- Barbara Anderson remains at Manor Care rehabilitation as she and her daughters wait to see where the LORD will lead her next following her recovery from various health ailments. Please keep Barbara in your prayers so that the LORD might continue to bless her with patience and confidence in His plan for her on this earth and the plan He has laid out for all His children in eternity.

### **CALL NEWS**

- Mr. Luke Willitz, a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN, has <u>received</u> the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN.
- ILC Professor Joel Gullerud has <u>returned</u> the call to be teacher and principal of Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.
- Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, is still <u>considering</u> the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.
- ILC Professor Joe Gullerud is still <u>considering</u> the call to be teacher and principal of Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.
- Ms. Claire Abbas of Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane Valley, WA, is still <u>considering</u> the call to be the lower grade teacher at Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN.
- Mrs. Dawn Mayhew, a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY, is still <u>considering</u> the call to be the teacher and principal of Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY.

- Mrs. Becky Buck, a member of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire,
   WI, is still <u>considering</u> the call to be the 3rd & 4th grade teacher at
   Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI.
- The Vicar calls for this coming summer/fall have been received: Paul Agenten will be serving at Berea, Inver Grove Heights, MN. + Jonah Albrecht will be serving at Faith, Markesan, WI.

	Attendance	Offering
2/6/22	21	\$1970
2/13/22	18	\$1035
2/20/22	21	\$665

MARCH CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Clark	
Sanctuary	Helke	
Basement	Toll	

