

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church



Psalm 148:1

2nd Sunday in Lent

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! 4704 N Wall St Spokane, WA 99205

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Bible Class: 9:15am Worship Service: 10:30am

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Pre-Service Meditation

Genesis 2.7

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

Prayer: Almighty Father, Creator of heaven and earth, we praise your power and might in bringing forth all of Creation. We are fearfully and wonderfully made. Yet, we have defiled your creation with our sin. Help us to look forward to when you will restore to us the perfection mankind was originally created with when Christ returns and calls all the redeemed to enjoy the bliss of our New Jerusalem in heaven.



Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

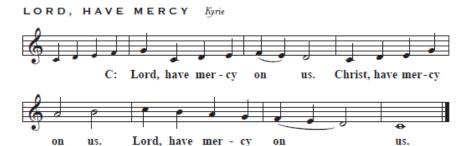
Opening Hymn

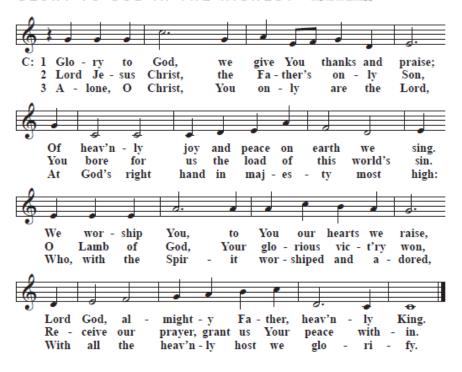
TLH 17 Oh, Worship the King (vv. 1-2, 4-5)

Confession and Absolution

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C (spoken) Amen.
- We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.
- Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin and take away my guilt.
- P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
- C (spoken) Amen.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

First Reading

Genesis 2:1-7

Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. 2 And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. 3 Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made. 4 This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, 5 before any plant of the field was in the earth and before any herb of the field had grown. For the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the earth, and there was no man to till the ground; 6 but a mist

went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground. 7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

Psalm of the Day

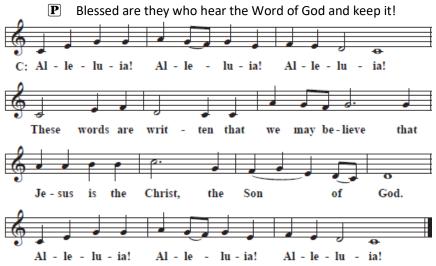
Psalm 148 (selected verses)

- Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights!
- Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts!
- Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light!
- Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens!
- P Let them praise the name of the Lord,
- For He commanded and they were created.
- P He also established them forever and ever;
- He made a decree which shall not pass away.
- Let them praise the name of the Lord, For His name alone is exalted;
- His glory is above the earth and heaven.

Second Reading

John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend 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 is seated 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 13 Before Jehovah's Awe-full Throne

Sermon *Acts* 17:22-29

Then Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, "Men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are very religious; 23 for as I was passing through and considering the objects of your worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO THE UNKNOWN GOD.

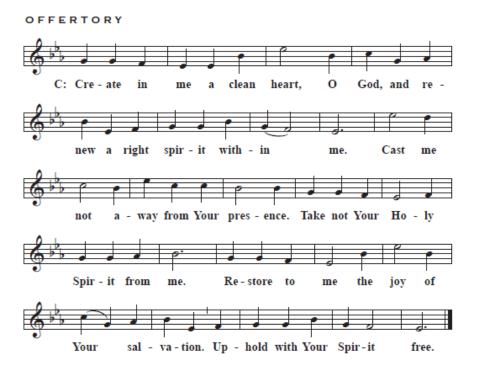
Therefore, the One whom you worship without knowing, Him I proclaim to you: 24 God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. 25 Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things. 26 And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, 27 so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; 28 for in Him we live and move

and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.' 29 Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man's devising.

The Unknown God Knows You

I: Where you came from II: Who you are III: Where you're going

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



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

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 \maltese give you peace.

C (spoken) Amen.

Closing Hymn

TLH 241 Father, in Whom We Live

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

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 year for our midweek Lenten services, we will be considering the 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!

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – The church council will meet today following the worship service.

NO BIBLE CLASS – There will be no Sunday bible class next week. Pastor Naumann will be assisting with the vacancy in Tacoma next Sunday, so Pastor Eichstadt will be bringing us the Word on the 20th. We will resume our Sunday morning studies on the 27th.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

 Margaret Bjork was called to her heavenly home a week ago yesterday. We thank God for granting Margaret completion of her earthly pilgrimage and bringing her, at last, to eternal rest. Please

- keep the Bjork family in your prayers that God would grant them comfort and peace in the knowledge of Christ's redemption.
- Barbara Anderson has returned home last Thursday. We thank the Lord for granting this and pray that He would continue to bless Barbara with good health so she may remain at home according to God's perfect will.

CALL NEWS

- Teacher Claire Abbas of Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane Valley, WA, has <u>accepted</u> the call to be the lower grade teacher at Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN.
- Mrs. Debra Mayhew has <u>received</u> the call to teach grades K- 4 at Grace Lutheran School, Sleepy Eye, MN
- Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has <u>returned</u> the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.
- Pastor Tom Naumann of Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, has <u>received</u> the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.
- Mr. Luke Willitz, a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN, is still <u>considering</u> the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN.

	Attendance	Offering
2/27/22	17	\$1290
3/2/22	13	\$241
3/6/22	27	\$2120
3/9/22	12	\$640

MARCH CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Clark	
Sanctuary	Helke	
Basement	Toll	

CLC World Missions Prayer List – March 2022

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you... 2 Thessalonians 3:1





Nepal – The building project of the HCLCN is almost complete. Raju and his family have recently moved from Kathmandu to the Chitwan district, where the new HCLCN seminary and headquarters building is located. The building will be dedicated, and seminary classes will begin in late March when Missionary Ohlmann is scheduled to visit. With a lifting of Covid restrictions, the HCLCN is planning to start more preaching stations and continue construction and repairs on church buildings in the coming months. **Thank** the Lord for His continued blessings on the

building project as final preparations are made for the dedication and the beginning of classes. **Ask the Lord** to bless the teaching of His Word in this building that many more faithful preachers and teachers will be trained to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **Pray** also for those who will be reached with the Gospel during the upcoming evangelism trips, that many will hear, repent, believe in Jesus, and rejoice with us in God's grace and mercy!

Bangladesh – Pastor Monotosh reports that the individuals who were assaulted because of their faith in Jesus have been released from the hospital and are slowly recovering from their injuries. Pastor Monotosh has been busy in recent weeks with evangelism efforts. A pastoral training seminar for fourteen pastors and elders of the BLCM and several evangelism seminars are being planned while Missionary Ohlmann will be in Bangladesh. Give thanks to our Savior for the healing granted to His disciples who have suffered for His name's sake. Ask the Lord to continue to bless both the preaching and hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the evangelism efforts scheduled in Bangladesh.

Myanmar – Life continues to be difficult for our brothers and sisters in Myanmar as the military junta continues to rule with brutality. Many protestors have been imprisoned, killed, or are missing. The military continues to make it difficult for Christians to gather for worship and prayer. Most government offices and services remain closed along with banks and financial institutions. Food and daily necessities are scarce, and prices have increased. We are thankful that the Lord has provided an opportunity to send funds to Myanmar again so that we may help our brothers and sisters in Christ. **Pray** for justice and peace for all the people of Myanmar. **Pray** especially for our brothers and sisters in Christ that the Lord will grant them strength, courage, and boldness during these difficult times.

Togo – The classroom and small dormitory construction is almost finished on church land north of Lomé. Classes with a new cohort of students are scheduled to begin on March 21st. The long-term plan for this property is to serve as the church headquarters and Bible institute. Missionary Evensen has been busy translating and printing lessons for the new semester. **Pray** that the Lord would bless these new buildings, the truth of God's word that will be taught there, and the students who will study to prepare for the Gospel ministry in Togo.

Tanzania – Classes with a new cohort of ten students have recently begun at the Wittenberg Lutheran Theological Seminary of the CLC-Tanzania. These students will spend the first year studying basic theology, Bible History, and English as they prepare for seminary classes next January. **Ask for the Lord's blessings** on these new students and those called to teach and train them.

Kenya – Ted Quade, who is called by the CLC Bd of Missions to serve as the Christian School Instructor Supervisor, and Missionary Ohlmann recently returned from visiting the two schools in Kenya that are supported through offerings to Kinship. Plans to strengthen the spiritual training of the teachers and students were discussed and have already begun. A water well project at the school in Moi's Bridge and a solar energy system to run the pump and provide lights for some classrooms have been completed. Give thanks to the Lord for His many blessings and ask Him to continue to bless the teachers, students, and the staffs of St. David's Kinship School and Emmaus Millimani School as they grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

India – One of the district leaders of the BELC has been suffering with some serious medical issues. He has undergone several tests and is being treated with medicines. Ask the Lord to bless the medical treatments and grant His servant strength and healing. Pray for continued protection against persecution in India and for increased boldness and confidence to spread the Gospel amid these dangers.

2022 Mission Helper Trip – The CLC Mission Helper Trips in 2020 and 2021 were canceled due to the pandemic. Plans are currently underway for a trip to East Africa (Tanzania, Zambia, and Kenya) in July of 2022. Our brothers and sisters in Christ in East Africa are eager for the Mission Helper Teams to come again to assist them in the work of proclaiming God's saving word. **Pray** that our Savior will clear any obstacles that may stand in the way of this trip and that plans will go smoothly.

Uganda – Pastor Daniel Mugeni has studied with CLC missionaries and attended pastoral conferences in Kenya for many years. Missionary Mike Gurath and Board of Doctrine member Pastor Andrew Schaller are conducting the formal process of reviewing Pastor Mugeni's doctrinal positions for a possible recommendation for a declaration of fellowship. **Pray** that the Lord would bless this process of establishing God-pleasing fellowship

Zambia, D.R. Congo, Liberia, Nigeria, and Mexico – please continue to pray for all of our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world who are struggling to stay healthy, provide for their families and the ministry as they proclaim the Gospel...trusting the promise of our Savior that His Word will not return to Him void but will accomplish that for which He sent it.

Missionary Evensen – continues to translate Online Theological Studies lessons and courses into French for use in Togo and other French-speaking nations in Africa and elsewhere. He has also been busy getting coursework, textbooks, and lessons ready for the new cohort of students that will begin seminary classes on March 21st. Ask for the Lord's continued blessings on the translation work and course preparation so that many more can benefit from learning the truths of God's saving word in their language that many more will be well prepared to serve in the Gospel ministry.

Missionary Ohlmann – is currently working with our brothers and sisters in Christ of the Bangladesh Lutheran Church Mission (BLCM). After spending two weeks in Bangladesh, he will fly to Kathmandu, where he will work with the pastors and leaders of the Himalayan Church of the Lutheran Confession of Nepal (HCLCN) to spread the Gospel and train pastors and teachers. He is scheduled to visit twelve congregations and preaching stations of the BLCM and teach a three-day pastoral training seminar. While in Nepal, he will be on hand for the dedication of the new HCLCN building and the opening of the Himalayan Lutheran Bible Institute. He will also have the opportunity to preach and teach at several congregations and preaching stations and present a two-day pastoral training seminar. Ask the Lord to bless his travels and to clear any obstacles that may stand in the way of his travels and work. Thank the Lord for this opportunity to assist in the work of proclaiming the Gospel in these nations where less than 5% of the population confess Jesus as Lord and Savior.

The Philippines – Correspondence continues with an independent Lutheran pastor in the Philippines. This pastor has recently completed the first introductory Online Theological Study based on the CLC Statement of Faith and Purpose. A first face-to-face visit is tentatively planned for some time in 2022. **Pray** that the Lord would continue to bless this correspondence, that it will lead to a God-pleasing unity of faith and teaching. **Ask the Lord** to provide opportunities and all that is necessary for Pastor Jordan to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ!

New and Ongoing Opportunities – The Lord continues to provide opportunities to proclaim the truths of His saving Word in a variety of ways in different areas of the world. Thank the Lord for the privilege of teaching the truths of His saving Word to others! Pray for these individuals and all those around the world that we are working with as they seek to grow in their understanding of God's Word to be better equipped to spread the Good News of our Savior Jesus Christ!

God be merciful to us and bless us, And cause His face to shine upon us, That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations. Psalm 67:1–2