

LUKE 1:38

the presence of God, and I sent to speak to you and to tell you the good news.²⁰ And now you will not be able to speak^a until the appointed time, because you did not hear the words, which will come true in your time."

While the people were waiting for him and wondering why he had not spoken in the temple,²² when he came out he could not speak to them, for he had seen a vision in which he kept making signs^b to them, but he was unable to speak.

After this his time of service was completed, and he returned home.²⁴ After this he became pregnant and remained in seclusion, as was done this for me," she said. "He has shown his love to me by taking away my disgrace."

Thus Foretold

In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth,^c a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to Joseph,^d a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, "Greetings to you who are highly favored!"

But she was troubled at his saying, and did not know what kind of greeting this was. But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid,^e Mary, for you have found favor with God.^f You will bear a son, and his name will be Jesus.^h The Lord God will be with you, and he will make you fruitful, and you will bear a son, and his name will be Jesus. The Lord God will be with you, and he will make you fruitful, and you will bear a son, and his name will be Jesus."

"Mary asked the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?'"

"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Lord will overshadow you. So you will bear a son, and his name will be Jesus. Even Elizabeth has borne a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren. For nothing is impossible with God."

"Mary answered, 'I am the Lord's servant. May it be to me as you have said.'"

Or from his side to be born.

WHEN YOUR
WORDS CAME,
I ATE THEM;
THEY WERE
MY JOY AND

MY
HEART'S
DELIGHT,

FOR
I BEAR YOUR NAME,
LORD GOD ALMIGHTY.

JEREMIAH 15:16, NIV



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Narrative Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

LSB 908 Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear

1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through Your
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants the
△ 3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the

Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure re -
heal - ing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or

tain; Let me Your child and heir re - main.
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C (spoken) Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P 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.

C 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.

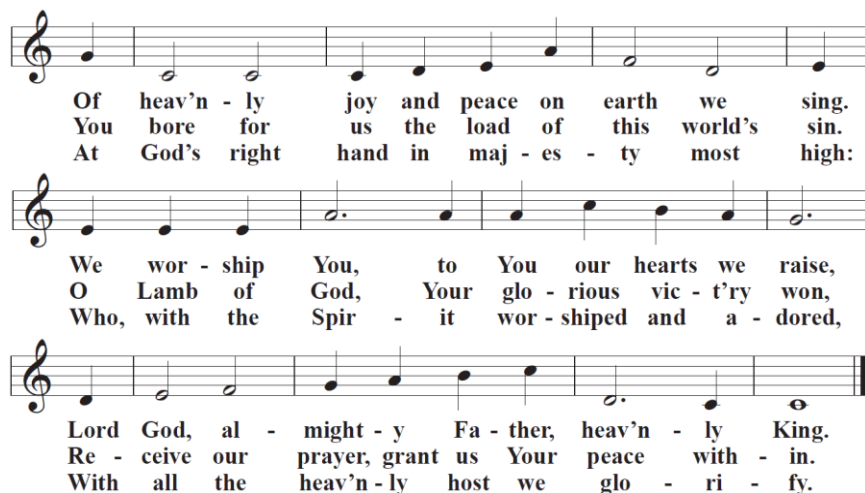
P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST *Gloria in Excelsis*

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C (spoken) And also with you.

P Let us pray. . .

C (spoken) Amen

First Reading

Luke 8:4-15

And when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Him from every city, He spoke by a parable: 5 "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. 6 Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. 8 But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

9 Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?"

10 And He said, "To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that

'Seeing they may not see,
 And hearing they may not understand.'

11 "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy;

and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. 14 Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. 15 But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 63:1-5

- P** O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; my soul thirsts for You;
- C** **My flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.**
- P** So I have looked for You in the sanctuary,
- C** **To see Your power and Your glory.**
- P** Because Your lovingkindness is better than life,
- C** **My lips shall praise You.**
- P** Thus I will bless You while I live;
- C** **I will lift up my hands in Your name.**
- P** My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness,
- C** **And my mouth shall praise You with joyful lips.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:1-9

It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. 3 And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— 4 how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. 5 Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. 6 For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me.

7 And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. 8 Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

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



Apostles' Creed

C 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 \dagger everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

TLH 277 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Sermon

Amos 8:11-12

“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord God, “That I will send a famine

on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the Lord.

12 They shall wander from sea to sea, And from north to east; They shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, But shall not find it.”

End Word Hunger

I: Many are starving and don't know it

II: Many are seeking and don't find it

III: God is speaking – don't ignore it!

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

OFFERTORY

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn

LSB 583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets

1 God has spo-ken by His proph-ets, Spo-ken His un-chang-ing Word;
 2 God has spo-ken by Christ Je-sus, Christ, the ev-er-last-ing Son,
 3 God is speak-ing by His Spir-it, Speak-ing to our hearts a-gain,

Each from age to age pro-claim-ing God, the one, the righ-teous Lord.
 Bright-ness of the Fa-ther's glo-ry, With the Fa-ther ev-er one;
 In the age-less Word de-clar-ing His own mes-sage, now as then.

In the world's de-spair and tur-moil, One firm an-chor holds us fast:
 Spo-ken by the Word In-car-nate, God of God, be-fore time was;
 Through the rise and fall of na-tions One sure faith yet stand-ing fast;

God is king, His throne e-ter-nal; God the first, and God the last.
 Light of Light, to earth de-scend-ing, He re-veals our God to us.
 God a-bides, His Word un-chang-ing; God the first, and God the last.

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Offering

Prayer of the Church + Lord's Prayer

C 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 A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

TLH 52 Almighty Father, Bless the Word

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 rear of the sanctuary 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! Because He lives, we shall live also! We 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 – The Acts of the Apostles (9:15am Sundays & 2pm Tuesdays)

Sunday School – Jailer of Philippi (9:15am Sundays)

CHURCH COUNCIL and WOMEN'S CIRCLE – The church council will meet today following worship. The Women's Circle will also meet at the same time to discuss Easter plans.

VACANCY ABSENCE – Pastor Naumann will be away from the parish from 2/17-2/21 serving the vacancies out West. If an emergency should arise, please contact our congregation president, Dennis Lux (contact info is on the inside cover of the bulletin). Pastor Wayne Eichstadt will be conducting worship at Trinity this coming Sunday.

CHURCH SIGN – We are aware that the church sign was damaged a few weeks ago and is now missing from the property. It was removed by one of our members to repair and refurbish and will be put back once that has been done.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Please keep the countries of Turkey and Syria as they work to rescue and help those affected by the recent earthquake. May the LORD shine His Gospel light on the bereaved, the displaced, and the injured.
- Paul Hein was called home to his eternal rest recently. We offer prayers of thanks for Paul and the everlasting life he now enjoys in our Savior, Jesus, and we ask for the Spirit's aid in comforting the **Hein family** during

this difficult time. Particularly in our prayers is Paul's wife, **Bertie**, who is a member here. May the cross of Christ shine through the gloom and calm every troubled heart!

- Please keep **Pastor John Hein** in your prayers as he continues receiving chemotherapy treatment for his thymic carcinoma. Here is the link to get updates on his care: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorjohnhein>. Additionally, a GoFundMe has been set up to help offset medical and travel expenses: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/john-and-janelle-hein-family>.
- Please keep our sister congregations **Ascension** (Tacoma) and **Redemption** (Lynnwood) in your prayers as they each seek a pastor to shepherd their flocks. May the Lord strengthen these congregations during their vacancy period and grant them an answer to their prayers according to His own perfect timing.

CALL NEWS

- Pastor Neil Radichel of Immanuel, Mankato has received the call the call to Messiah, Eau Claire, as the third pastor.
- Retired Pastor Mark Bernthal has accepted the call to serve in a part-time vacancy capacity at Messiah, Eau Claire.
- Mrs. Eileen Tiefel has announced her retirement from teaching kindergarten at Messiah, Eau Claire.
- Mrs. Haley Seffens, a member of Messiah, Eau Claire, has received the call to teach kindergarten at Messiah, Eau Claire.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
1/15/22	19	\$700
1/22/23	19	\$590
1/29/23	18	\$1287.50
2/5/23	19	\$2242

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Randy & Lynne Estes
2/26	Ben Reim
3/5	Joyce Miller

FEBRUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	White
Sanctuary	Bettinger
Basement	Reim

