

**Whoever comes to me will never
be hungry, and whoever believes
in me will never be thirsty.**



John 6:35, NRSV



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Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 351 Love Divine, All Love Excelling

Invocation

P 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,

C (spoken) who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C (spoken) and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

C 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 of 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!

Gloria Patri

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C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;




as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie

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



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

TLH 237 All Glory Be to God on High (v. 1)

♪ All glory be to God on high, who has our race befriended!

To us no harm shall now come nigh, the strife at last is ended.

God showeth His good will to men, and peace shall reign on earth again;

Oh, thank Him for His goodness! ♪

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

Exodus 16:2-16

Then the whole congregation of the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3 And the children of Israel said to them, "Oh, that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we

sat by the pots of meat and when we ate bread to the full! For you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

4 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. 5 And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.”

6 Then Moses and Aaron said to all the children of Israel, “At evening you shall know that the Lord has brought you out of the land of Egypt. 7 And in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord; for He hears your complaints against the Lord. But what are we, that you complain against us?” 8 Also Moses said, “This shall be seen when the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening, and in the morning bread to the full; for the Lord hears your complaints which you make against Him. And what are we? Your complaints are not against us but against the Lord.”

9 Then Moses spoke to Aaron, “Say to all the congregation of the children of Israel, ‘Come near before the Lord, for He has heard your complaints.’ ” 10 Now it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

11 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 12 “I have heard the complaints of the children of Israel. Speak to them, saying, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. And you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

13 So it was that quail came up at evening and covered the camp, and in the morning the dew lay all around the camp. 14 And when the layer of dew lifted, there, on the surface of the wilderness, was a small round substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 So when the children of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was.

And Moses said to them, “This is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat. 16 This is the thing which the Lord has commanded: ‘Let every man gather it according to each one’s need, one omer for each person, according to the number of persons; let every man take for those who are in his tent.’”

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 136 (vv. 1-4, 23-26)

P Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

C Oh, give thanks to the God of gods! For His mercy endures forever.

P Oh, give thanks to the Lord of lords! For His mercy endures forever:

C To Him who alone does great wonders, For His mercy endures forever;

P Who remembered us in our lowly state, For His mercy endures forever;

C And rescued us from our enemies, For His mercy endures forever;

P Who gives food to all flesh, For His mercy endures forever.

C Oh, give thanks to the God of heaven! For His mercy endures forever.

Second Reading

Galatians 4:21-31

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? 22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, 24 which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar— 25 for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children— 26 but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written:

“Rejoice, O barren,
You who do not bear!
Break forth and shout,
You who are not in labor!
For the desolate has many more children
Than she who has a husband.”

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. 29 But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.” 31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

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

Alleluia



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

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 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 352 O Savior, Precious Savior

Sermon

John 6:1-15

After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples.

4 Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little."

8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?"

10 Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." 13 Therefore

they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."

15 Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

JESUS IS MORE
I: More than the bread they needed
II: More than the prophet they expected
III: More than the king they wanted

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

Offertory

C ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. ♪

Hymn

WS 760 Oh, Love, How Deep

Offering

Prayer of the Church + The Lord's Prayer

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

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 54 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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)

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

LENTEN WORSHIP – Our midweek Lenten worship continues this week on Wednesday at 6:30pm. Our theme this year is, “The Vocabulary of the Cross”, with our vocabulary word this week being REDEMPTION. Please join us in meditating on our Savior’s Passion!

THANK YOU – A special thanks to everyone who helped to organize and brought desserts for Paul Hein’s victory service yesterday! The family is very appreciative of all your help in making the day one of fellowship and joy during a time of grief. May the Gospel continue to comfort the family, knowing that Christ died to give us life!

SPRING CLEANING – Our Spring cleaning day is set for Saturday April 15th beginning at 9am. If you are able to come and help keep the property we have been so blessed with clean and orderly, we would greatly appreciate it! A sign-up sheet will be made available at a later time in case you can’t make it that day but would like to contribute whenever you can.

CONGREGATION INFO – There is a form on the North entryway table where we are collecting a variety of information from you. Please fill it out at your earliest convenience. Alternatively, a Google form was emailed out where you can answer. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS – We have decided to recess midweek bible class until Easter. Sunday morning bible class will continue to meet at 9:15am.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Please keep **Pastor John Hein and his family** in your prayers as he continues treatment for his thymic carcinoma. For updates on his care, visit: <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 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

- Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church of Middleton, WI has decided to re-open its Christian day school for Fall 2023. They have called Mrs. Leah Ude of Eau Claire, WI as teacher.
- Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Mountain View, CA is considering the call to serve as the third pastor at Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
3/1/23 (midweek)	11	\$315
3/5/23	21	\$3045
3/12/23	TBD	TBD
3/15/23	9	\$145

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Dennis & Linda Lux
3/19	Tom & Molly Bettinger
3/26	Randy & Lynne Estes

MARCH CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	Poffenroth
Sanctuary	Kenkman
Basement	Naumann

CLC Financial Report - February

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2022	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 8 Months	Balance 2/28/2023
General Fund	0	666,890	828,852	852,800	- 161,962
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,170,238	1,020,665	1,034,400	149,573
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF) **	223,343	69,794	19,295		273,842
ILC Building Projects **	1,164,731	129,432	28,793		1,265,370
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	168,733	141,903	155,258		155,378
Kinship	194,437	100,295	112,225		182,507
Church Extension Fund (CEF) **	2,539,155	325,420	469,219		2,395,356
Student Aid Fund (SAF) **	127,406	65,954	83,925		109,435
CLC Reserve Fund**(YTD gains/losses)	190,153	-16,576	0		173,577
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$4,607,958	816,222	868,715		4,555,465

General Fund – February offerings were **\$73,097 VS** disbursements of **\$89,090** for a negative cash flow of **-\$15,874**, increasing the deficit to **-\$161,962**. Disbursements YTD are \$23,948 under budget, **but** offerings still trail expenses by 20%. General Fund Annual CBP Budget is \$1,279,680, and is needed for the major support our 4 Boards require: Missions, Trustees, EdPub, & Regents.

CLC Reserve Fund is held in our Investment Pool account to grow until needed, typically at the end of the fiscal year June 30. The negative **-\$16,576** in February is due to the market loss for the month. Div/Int income received since July: \$8,804. **The GF deficit is near the limit of what the Reserve can cover!**

ILC Operations – February revenue: **\$138,698** (incl. \$72,232, Tuition/R&B/Fees; \$63,810 General Fund subsidy) **VS** disbursements: **\$129,084** (incl \$80,000 wages; \$13,500 Food Service; \$10,346, Bldgs/Ground/Utilities; \$6,611, Admin. Annual ILC Budget: \$1,552,000.

IIF – February receipts: **\$2,588** (\$2,453/mo bequest; \$135 offerings **VS** \$0 disbursed. The IIF balance of \$273,842 is all in the checking account to be used on the list of ILC improvements the Regents have scheduled to be completed over the next several months. (Cf 2022 CLC Proceedings, p 62)

ILC Bldg – February receipts: **\$4,193**; (\$2,453 monthly bequest; \$1,740 offerings) **VS** disbursed: **\$0** Div/Int income received since July: \$37,716.

CEF – February receipts: **\$175,911** (2 Cong loans paid in full: \$139,618 (Original \$229,224); \$9,979 (Original \$69,000); \$26,314 loan payments on P&I **VS** disbursed: **\$53,694** (Debt service & Member Notes repaid. Div/Int income received since July: \$69,857.

MDF – February receipts: **\$5,407** (Offerings) **VS** disbursed **\$12,305** (\$1,210, Admin; \$4,099, Exploratory; \$2,050, Church Bldg Assist; \$4,400 Africa Pastoral Conference.

SAF – February receipts: **\$6,559** (\$5,123, SAF loan repayments; 1,436 gifts) **VS** disbursed: **\$21,247** Div/Int income since July: **SAF: \$40,220; PMP: (Pastor/Teacher Prep): \$48,671; Scholarship: \$3,214.**

Kinship – February receipts: **\$20,379**: (\$3,194 offerings, \$17,185 sponsors) **VS** disbursed: **\$1,218** (\$948, Admin; Orphanages; \$180, Seminary students; \$90; Nigeria Widows.

** Positive & negative values in the revenue columns reflect market fluctuations of long term invested funds of the ILC Building Projects, CEF, SAF, & Reserve. (IIF no longer invested in the Alerus Pool).

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