



Be **KIND**

to one another,

**TENDERHEARTED,**

**FORGIVING**

one another, as

**GOD** in **CHRIST**

has forgiven **YOU.**

Ephesians 4:32, NRSV



MEMBER OF THE CHURCH





# Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church

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## Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

*TLH 346 Jesus! And Shall It Ever Be*

Invocation

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

**C** (spoken) Amen.

Confession and Absolution

**P** God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**C** **If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from all sin.**

**P** If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**P** Let us pray together:

**C** **Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting.**

**P** Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence, we may approach the throne to find grace to

help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

## Gloria Patri

*TLH 237 (v. 1)*

♪ All glory be to God on high, Who hath 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

*Genesis 28:10-22*

Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went toward Haran. 11 So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. 12 Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

13 And behold, the Lord stood above it and said: "I am the Lord God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. 14 Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. 15 Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."

16 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it." 17 And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!"

18 Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it. 19 And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously. 20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, 21 so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the Lord shall be my God. 22 And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be

God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."

## Psalm of the Day

*Psalm 4:3-5, 8*

**P** But know that the Lord has set apart for Himself him who is godly;

**C** **The Lord will hear when I call to Him.**

**P** Be angry, and do not sin.

**C** **Meditate within your heart on your bed, and be still. Selah**

**P** Offer the sacrifices of righteousness,

**C** **And put your trust in the Lord.**

**P** I will both lie down in peace, and sleep;

**C** **For You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

## Second Reading

*Matthew 9:1-8*

So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city. 2 Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you."

3 And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!"

4 But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? 5 For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? 6 But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." 7 And he arose and departed to his house.

8 Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

**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**      *LSB 658 Preserve Your Word, O Savior (vv. 1-4)*

**Sermon**      *Ephesians 4:20-32*

But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. 26 "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 nor give place to the devil. 28 Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. 29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

**Sermon Theme:**  
**Christ's Fashion is Not a Fad**  
**I: Put off the old man**  
**II: Put on the new man**

**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 Thy 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 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:

**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be 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.

### Hymn

*TLH 51 Now May He Who from the Dead*

### 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** – Bible class schedule resumes as normal after today: Sundays at 9:15am and Tuesdays at 2pm. Please join us in our study!

**CHURCH COUNCIL + WOMEN'S CIRCLE** – The church council and Women's Circle will be meeting after worship today.

**EVANGELISM SEMINAR** – Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton WI will be conducting an evangelism seminar to encourage us in how best to witness our faith in Christ with confidence and humility. That will take place on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. To accommodate his schedule, we will have worship at 12pm (no Bible class) and will have a potluck lunch to accompany the seminar following worship. Please mark your calendars!

**CALENDARS + MINUTES** – Church calendars for October are available in the entryway. I will endeavor to have those to you in a more timely manner next month! There are also minutes of September's council meeting available.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

- **Tina Eichstadt** suffered a major heart attack last week while on vacation with her husband, Pastor Wayne. She is now awake, responsive, and will be beginning physical and occupational therapy shortly. Please offer your thanks to God for His grace in preserving Tina's life and continued prayers for a blessed recovery.
- Tomorrow, **Bob Conway**, husband of our organist Kathy, will be undergoing surgery to correct a problem with his peripheral vision. Please remember Bob in your prayers for a successful operation.
- **Kate Sauers**, wife of Pastor Rob Sauers who serves Immanuel Lutheran Church in Winter Haven FL, was diagnosed with cancer recently. May God

keep Kate in His loving care and bless the family with Gospel comfort.

- **Molly's friend, Jeanne**, has continued to take chemotherapy treatment to treat a brain tumor. May the Lord, in His love, alleviate any pain and suffering and grant healing according to His will.
- 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>.

### CALL NEWS

<> Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN has accepted the call from Messiah Lutheran of Eau Claire, WI to be their third pastor.

<> Pastor Terrel Kesterson of Ascension Lutheran in Batavia, IL is considering the joint call from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter's Lutheran of Iron River, MI.

<> Pastor Em. David Baker has received and accepted the call from Resurrection Lutheran in Corpus Christi, TX to be vacancy pastor.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
9/17/23	19	\$1,005
9/24/23	19	\$1,033
10/1/23	22	\$2,655
10/8/23	17	\$1,170

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Randy & Lynne Estes
10/29	Joyce Miller
11/5	Jeanne Helke

OCTOBER CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	Reim
Sanctuary	Estes
Basement	Naumann