

He rejoiced
along with
his entire
household
that he had
believed
in God.

Acts 16:34, ESV



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Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

WS 769 Lift High the Cross

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Our Help is in the Name of the Lord,
C Who made heaven and earth
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with you there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and to call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our own unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Kyrie - Lord, Have Mercy



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis - Glory to God in the Highest



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

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

1 Samuel 17:42-51

And when the Philistine looked about and saw David, he disdained him; for he was only a youth, ruddy and good-looking. 43 So the Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 And the Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field!"

45 Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. 47 Then all this assembly shall know that the Lord does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's, and He will give you into our hands."

48 So it was, when the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, that David hurried and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. 49 Then David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone; and he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead, so that the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the earth. 50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. But there was no sword in the hand of David. 51 Therefore David ran and stood over the Philistine, took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 125:1-2

P Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,

C Which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

P As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds His people

C From this time forth and forever.

Second Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" 14 So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

20 Then He commanded His disciples that they should tell no one that He was Jesus the Christ.

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



Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

TLH 346 Jesus, and Shall It Ever Be

Sermon

Acts 16:24-35

Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and

fastened their feet in the stocks. 25 But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. 27 And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. 28 But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here."

29 Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

31 So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." 32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. 33 And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized. 34 Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the officers, saying, "Let those men go."

Proper Conditions for Preaching Christ

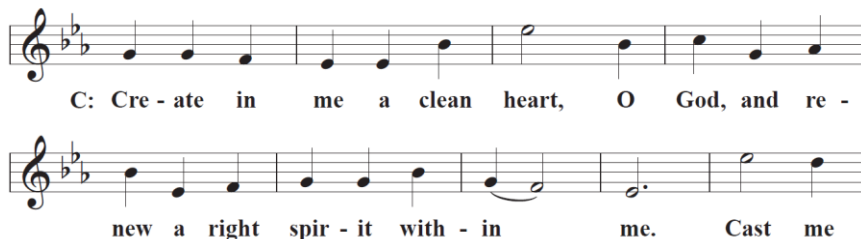
I: Unreasonable opposition

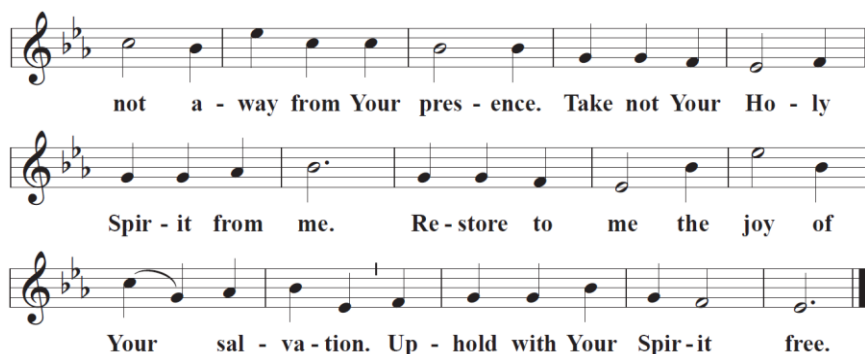
II: Uncertain outcome

III: Unbridled optimism

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

OFFERTORY





Hymn

WS 780 Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

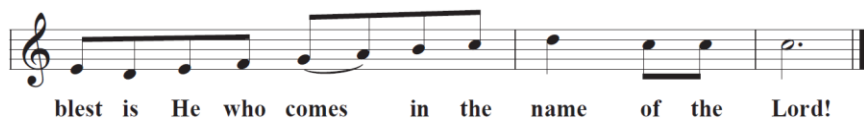
P Lift up your hearts!

C We lift them up to the LORD!

P It is truly proper and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. For you have sent messengers to proclaim to us the Word of Salvation, and now equip us to carry this Word to the world. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *Sanctus*





Words of Institution

P ... and the peace of the Lord be with you always.

Agnus Dei - *Lamb of God*

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT COMMUNION: All CLC churches practice "close communion." ***We ask that only those who are members of our church or another congregation in the CLC come forward to receive the Sacrament.*** This is NOT a judgment on your faith! Rather, it is an expression of our own faith and unity. If you would like more information, or are interested in becoming a member, please speak to the pastor.

P We continue with the singing of the Nunc Dimittis

O LORD, NOW LET YOUR SERVANT *Nunc Dimittis*

C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



Thanksgiving + Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray:

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this beneficial gift, and we pray that You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another. We ask this in Jesus' Name, 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.

☐ (spoken) Amen.

Closing Hymn *TLH 243 Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices (vv. 1, 3, 5)*

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

CHURCH COUNCIL OFFICES – The church council met last week to determine who will serve in what role over the coming year. Those designations are as follows – President: Dennis Lux // Treasurer: Stan White // Secretary: Randy Estes // Financial Secretary: Larry Graham // Financial Secretary's Assistant: Ben Reim.

PASTORAL CONFERENCE – Trinity has decided to house the visiting pastors of the Spring 2024 Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference (April 23rd-25th) in an Airbnb rental. While this means we won't be looking for volunteers to host, there will still be many opportunities to assist in other ways. We will begin organizing after Easter, so stay tuned!

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES – We begin our midweek Lenten services a week from this Wednesday (2/14) with our Ash Wednesday service at 6:30pm. We will be participating in a pulpit exchange with Pastors Wayne Eichstadt (Gethsemane, Spokane Valley) and Dave Naumann (St. John's, Clarkston & Peace, Orofino ID). Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Wednesday evenings as we follow our Lenten theme: Landmarks of the Passion!

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- **Donna Zarling** suffered a minor stroke two weeks ago and is now recovering at home. We thank God for protecting Donna from more serious harm and pray that he would restore her to strength according to His will.
- **Lorraine Poetter** was hospitalized after having a seizure and has now been moved to St. Luke's for rehabilitation. We thank God for blessing her recovery and ask Him to continue to visit her with His grace.

- 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 David Baker has accepted the call from Resurrection Lutheran in Corpus Christi, TX. <> Pastor Tim Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Hecla, South Dakota has returned the call from Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN to be their second pastor. <> Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran School in Phoenix, AZ is still considering the call from Gethsemane Lutheran School in Saginaw, MI. <> Mr. Dan Roehl has returned the call to be the new professor at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Paul Krause of Zion Lutheran in Hidewood and Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD has received the calls from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter's Lutheran of Iron River, MI. <> Teacher Amy Osbourne of Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC, has been called to teach at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
1/7/24	26	\$1,795
1/14/24	24	\$928
1/21/24	Cancelled (Ice)	---
1/28/24	23	\$990

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Jeanne Helke
2/18	Dennis & Linda Lux
2/25	Randy & Lynne Estes

FEBRUARY CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	White
Sanctuary	Estes
Basement	Naumann