

See what love the  
Father has given us,  
that we should be  
called children of God.

1 John 3:1, NRSV



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# Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church

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## Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

*LSB 915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us*

Confession and Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** (spoken) Amen.

**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,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shipped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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 20:27-40*

Then some of the Sadducees, who deny that there is a resurrection, came to Him and asked Him, 28 saying: "Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife, and he dies without children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers. And the first took a wife, and died without children. 30 And the

second took her as wife, and he died childless. 31 Then the third took her, and in like manner the seven also; and they left no children, and died. 32 Last of all the woman died also. 33 Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife does she become? For all seven had her as wife.”

34 Jesus answered and said to them, “The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage. 35 But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; 36 nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. 37 But even Moses showed in the burning bush passage that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord ‘the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ 38 For He is not the God of the dead but of the living, for all live to Him.”

39 Then some of the scribes answered and said, “Teacher, You have spoken well.” 40 But after that they dared not question Him anymore.

### Psalm of the Day

*Psalm 45:1, 7*

**P** My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my composition concerning the King;

**C** **My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.**

**P** Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

**C** **A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.**

**P** You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

**C** **Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.**

### Second Reading

*1 John 3:1-9*

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. 5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. 6 Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.

7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. 8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 9 Whoever has

been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

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

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music in C major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature 'C'. The lyrics are 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The second staff continues with 'These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that'. The third staff continues with 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.'. The fourth staff concludes with '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 149 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain*

## Sermon Text

2 Kings 5:8-17

So it was, when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Please let him come to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel."

9 Then Naaman went with his horses and chariot, and he stood at the door of Elisha's house. 10 And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and you shall be clean." 11 But Naaman became furious, and went away and said, "Indeed, I said to myself, 'He will surely come out to me, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy.' 12 Are not the Abanah and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. 13 And his servants came near and spoke to him, and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do something great, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" 14 So he went down and dipped seven times in the Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

15 And he returned to the man of God, he and all his aides, and came and stood before him; and he said, "Indeed, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel; now therefore, please take a gift from your servant."

16 But he said, "As the Lord lives, before whom I stand, I will receive nothing." And he urged him to take it, but he refused.

17 So Naaman said, "Then, if not, please let your servant be given two mule-loads of earth; for your servant will no longer offer either burnt offering or sacrifice to other gods, but to the Lord."

Sermon Theme:

## The LORD's Washing is "As Advertised"

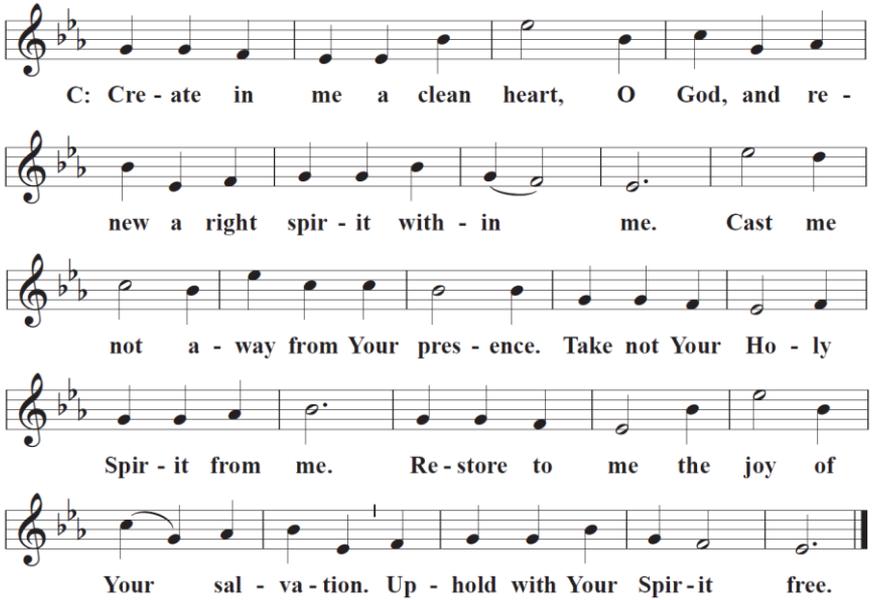
**I: It is not extravagant**

**II: It is not exaggerated**

**III: It is not expensive**

**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

*TLH 391 Blessed Are the Sons of God*

Offering

General Prayer + The Lord's Prayer

**P** . . . in whose Name we also 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.

**Closing Hymn**

*WS 751 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

**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

**Darlene Absalonson Victory Service** – A graveside service for Darlene Absalonson is scheduled for 2:30pm this Saturday (9/21) at Fairmount Cemetery. The congregation is invited to attend as we give thanks to the LORD for His gift of eternal life which Darlene now enjoys.

**No 10:30am Worship Next Week** – After considering feedback from the congregation, the church council has decided that next Sunday, September 22nd, there will be no morning worship at 10:30am. Our Anniversary worship service at 3pm will be our only service that Sunday. Please share this information with anyone you know who does not receive our emails, follow our Facebook page, or who may be otherwise unaware of the change in schedule.

**80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** – After 80 years of God’s grace at the corner of Wall and Wellesley, we will be celebrating Trinity’s anniversary with a commemorative worship service at 3pm next Sunday, September 22nd. Bringing us the Word for this thankful occasion will be Rev. Terrel Kesterson. All are invited to join us as we praise the Lord for His countless blessings on our flock in years past and as we ask for His continued grace in the years to come.

**Pastor Naumann Call** – Your pastor has received the divine call to serve St. Stephen Lutheran Church of Mountain View CA as their full-time pastor. Please keep him in your prayers as he deliberates where the LORD may best use him for the building up of Christ’s Church on earth. Any questions or input you may have are certainly welcome!

**Anniversary Refreshments** – There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the entryway for volunteers to provide refreshments after our anniversary service. Please take a look and see if you might be able to help!

**DISSOLUTION OF CONGREGATION** – St. Stephen-West (Mountain View) and East Bay (Hayward) are effectively now a combined congregation. St. Stephen Lutheran Church of the East Bay has resolved to dissolve the congregation on 12/31/24. The members of the congregation have been encouraged to transfer their membership to St. Stephen-West in Mountain View prior to the dissolution date, which most of the East Bay members have done already. Sunday worship services in Hayward will be maintained through the end of Pastor Bernthal's service in October. The hope is that in the near future a preaching station in the East Bay region (Oakland area) will be established, along with our current preaching stations in Stockton and Sacramento.

### PRAYERS REQUESTED

- **Steffie Cunningham** gave birth two weeks ago to twins, Elianna Roslyn and Emerson Truett. Praise God from whom all blessings flow for keeping mother and children safe in delivery! Their baptism is being tentatively scheduled for the end of October.
- **Missionary Peter Evensen** continues to recover from his knee surgery and other possible health complications here in Spokane. Please keep Peter in your prayers that God would grant him swift recovery according to His will.
- **Stan White** has now been officially diagnosed with cancer and began chemotherapy and radiation treatment. We thank God for a clear direction in Stan's treatment and pray that He would bless, strengthen, and heal Stan according to His will.
- **Tom Steger**, a friend of the congregation, continues to recover at home from spinal surgery to remove a tumor. Please keep Tom and his wife, Jackie, in your prayers as Tom recovers from surgery and looks ahead to further treatment.
- **Pastor Timothy Wheaton**, who serves Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Loveland, Colorado, was recently diagnosed with a rare form of inoperable and highly aggressive stage-4 thyroid cancer. As his time on earth appears to be drawing to a close, may God give grace a comfort to Pastor Wheaton, his family, and our brothers and sisters at Prince of Peace during this difficult time.
- Molly Bettinger's friend, **Jeanne** (pronounced "Genie"), who has been

suffering from glioblastoma had an MRI recently that shows a more enhanced brain tumor. Please continue to pray for Jeanne that she may be healed if it is God's will. Above all, may the joyful hope of the Gospel comfort her and her family no matter what the future holds.

- 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 Zachary Sippert of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD and Zion Ev. Lutheran Church Ipswich, SD has accepted the call to Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN. <> Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh has accepted the call to St. John’s Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN following Pastor James Albrecht’s retirement at the end of the year. <> Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA has considering the call to St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA. <> Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO has announced his retirement from the ministry on September 29, 2024.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
8/18/24	29	\$1,045
8/25/24	22	\$516
9/1/24	32	\$2,247
9/8/24	21	\$369

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Jeanne Helke
9/29	Dennis & Linda Lux
10/6	Randy & Lynne Estes
10/13	Travis Maguire

SEPTEMBER CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	Kenkman
Sanctuary	Poffenroth
Basement	Naumann

**MOWING SCHEDULE**

<b>This week</b>	<b>Maguire</b>
<b>9/28</b>	<b>Naumann</b>

**WASH AWAY**  
*all my iniquity and*  
**CLEANSE ME**  
*from my sin.*

**PSALM 51:2, NIV**

