



**If we live, we live to
the Lord, and if we die,
we die to the Lord;
so then, whether we
live or whether we die,
we are the Lord's.**

Romans 14:8, NRSV



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Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn *TLH 19 All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above (vv. 1-4)*

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 - shiped 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

John 5:1-15

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well

of whatever disease he had. 5 Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

7 The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me."

8 Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." 9 And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked.

And that day was the Sabbath. 10 The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed."

11 He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.' "

12 Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" 13 But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you."

15 The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

Responsive Psalm of the Day

Psalm 124 (selected verses)

- P** "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us,
C **Then they would have swallowed us alive, when their wrath was kindled against us;**
P Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, the stream would have gone over our soul;
C **Then the swollen waters would have gone over our soul."**
P Blessed be the Lord,
C **Who has not given us as prey to their teeth.**
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **Who made heaven and earth.**

Second Reading

Romans 14:4-12

Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

5 One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day

alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. 6 He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and gives God thanks. 7 For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. 8 For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. 9 For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living. 10 But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. 11 For it is written:

“As I live, says the Lord,
 Every knee shall bow to Me,
 And every tongue shall confess to God.”

12 So then each of us shall give account of himself to God. 13 Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way.

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.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



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



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 437 Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode

Sermon

Daniel 3:19-30

Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated. 20 And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, and cast them into the burning fiery furnace. 21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. 22 Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. 23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king."

25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

26 Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here." Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego came from the midst of the fire. 27 And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king's counselors gathered together, and

they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them.

28 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, “Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him, and they have frustrated the king’s word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God! 29 Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; because there is no other God who can deliver like this.” 30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon.

Sermon Theme:
IN THE FLAMES, WE FIND A FRIEND
I: The world’s heat
II: The Christian’s hope

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



Hymn

LSB 753 All for Christ I Have Forsaken (bulletin pg. 8)

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.

Closing Hymn

TLH 472 Rise, Ye Children of Salvation

Silent Prayer

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LSB 753 – All for Christ I Have Forsaken



1 All for Christ I have for - sak - en And have
 2 Who is sweet - er than Christ Je - sus? No good
 3 Gone the past, un - known the fu - ture— Grace sup -
 4 When God takes me home to heav - en, Should this dark
 5 Though the road a - head be thorn - y, Though dark



tak - en up my cross; World - ly joy, its
 thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at
 plies my dai - ly breath; Strong in Christ through
 be the day I die, God will keep my
 clouds all light ob - scure, Though my cross - shaped



fame and for - tune, Now I count as worth-less dross.
 peace I fol - low Where He leads me . . . why look back?
 death's dark val - ley, Firm and faith - ful un - to death.
 spouse and chil - dren As the ap - ple of His eye.
 path grows steep - er, With the Lord, I am se - cure.

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RESTORATION

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Phil. 3:7–14; Matt. 10:38–39; Luke 9:62; Rev. 2:10

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 + Women's Circle – The Church Council and Women's Circle will meet today after worship.

2025 CLC Mission Helper Trip - Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 Mission Helper Trip to Nepal. Space is limited for this trip, so please apply early. Find more information at: <https://mht.lutheranmissions.org/>

Bible Class – Sunday morning Bible class has resumed (9:15am Sundays) and our Tuesday afternoon Bible class continues (2pm Tuesdays). Please join us to take comfort and encouragement in our work as Christ's ambassadors in the world!

Fellowship Hour Refreshments – A refreshment sign-up is on the table in the entryway. Please consider helping to furnish some light snacks for our time together after communion worship. **Nothing fancy required!** A few pans of brownies, a box of donuts, cheese and crackers or perhaps some small sandwiches are all that we're hoping for – the fellowship time is what's important.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- **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 finished his chemotherapy/radiation regimen to treat the cancer that was discovered two months ago. As he continues to recover and awaits results to see if the treatment was effective, may the LORD uphold Stan with His Word of truth and all His promises of help, comfort, and salvation.

- **Tom Steger**, a friend of the congregation, continues to recover at home from spinal surgery to remove a tumor and has begun hormone therapy to treat his cancer. May God bless his recovery and treatment.
- **Pastor Timothy Wheaton**, who serves Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Loveland, Colorado, has been 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 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 Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX has returned the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA. <> Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA is considering the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. <> Pastor Sam Rodebaugh will be installed at St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN on November 10, 2024.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
9/22/24	64	\$1,590
9/29/24	20	\$1,185
10/6/24	21	\$1,485
10/20/24	26	\$2,085

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Laurie White
11/3	Tom & Molly Bettinger
11/10	Joyce Miller
11/17	Jeanne Helke

OCTOBER CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	Lux
Sanctuary	Thornton
Basement	Naumann

