



PUT ON THE
WHOLE
ARMOR OF GOD.

Ephesians 6:11, NRSV



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Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 392 Blest Is the Man, Forever Blest

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.

All: 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

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C Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



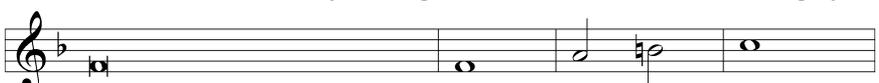
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

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

Isaiah 49:8-13

Thus says the Lord:

“In an acceptable time I have heard You,
 And in the day of salvation I have helped You;
 I will preserve You and give You
 As a covenant to the people,
 To restore the earth,
 To cause them to inherit the desolate heritages;
⁹That You may say to the prisoners, ‘Go forth,’
 To those who *are* in darkness, ‘Show yourselves.’

“They shall feed along the roads,
And their pastures *shall be* on all desolate heights.

¹⁰ They shall neither hunger nor thirst,
Neither heat nor sun shall strike them;
For He who has mercy on them will lead them,
Even by the springs of water He will guide them.

¹¹ I will make each of My mountains a road,
And My highways shall be elevated.

¹² Surely these shall come from afar;
Look! Those from the north and the west,
And these from the land of Sinim.”

¹³ Sing, O heavens!
Be joyful, O earth!
And break out in singing, O mountains!
For the Lord has comforted His people,
And will have mercy on His afflicted.

Responsive Psalm of the Day

Psalm 119 (selected verses)

P Blessed *are* the undefiled in the way, Who walk in the law of the Lord!

C **Blessed *are* those who keep His testimonies, Who seek Him with the whole heart!**

P Oh, that my ways were directed To keep Your statutes!

C **Then I would not be ashamed When I look into all Your commandments.**

P I will praise You with uprightness of heart,

C **When I learn Your righteous judgments.**

Second Reading

John 6:36-51

[Jesus said,] “But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹ This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. ⁴⁰ And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

⁴¹ The Jews then complained about Him, because He said, “I am the bread which came down from heaven.” ⁴² And they said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”

⁴³ Jesus therefore answered and said to them, “Do not murmur among

yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. ⁴⁶ Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; He has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and are dead. ⁵⁰ This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world.”

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

TLH 445 Am I a Soldier of the Cross

Sermon

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His

might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

¹⁴Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. ¹⁷And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; ¹⁸praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— ¹⁹and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

<p>Sermon Theme:</p> <p>THE ARMOR OF GOD IS THE PERFECT DEFENSE</p> <p>I: It is effective</p> <p>II: It is complete</p> <p>III: It is essential</p>
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P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Offertory

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*♪ 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. Amen. ♪*

Hymn

TLH 447 Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might

Offering

Prayer of the Church + the Lord’s Prayer

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 A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn

WS 776 *Lord 'Tis Not that I Did Choose You*

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

Thank You! – Thanks to everyone who helped host the Immanuel Tour Choir this past weekend! By all accounts, they thoroughly enjoyed their trip West this past week – possibly even as much as we enjoyed having them.

Midweek Lenten Worship – Our midweek Lenten series continues this Wednesday at 6:30pm. Bringing us the Word will be Rev. Wayne Eichstadt as we ponder our next Word from the Cross: *“I thirst!”*. We hope you’ll be able to join us!

Pastoral Visit Schedule – Don’t forget: the signup sheet for visiting with Pastor Naumann in 2025 is on the table in the entryway and there are plenty of openings in the couple of months!

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Randy Estes’ friend, **Kayleen**, who is in her twilight years and has been in ill health, appears close to receiving the crown of eternal life which Christ won for her. We pray that God might ease her passing and give her comfort and confidence through our Lord, Jesus.
- **Connie Estes**, sister-in-law to Randy Estes, was undergoing chemotherapy for kidney cancer when they recently discovered that the cancer has spread to her other kidney. We pray that, if it is His will, God might heal Connie. Above all, may the Gospel bring Connie and her family peace and comfort in the face of this disheartening news.
- Kathy Conway’s husband **Bob** recently had some tests to determine his health. May God grant clean scans and good results according to His will.
- **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.

- 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

Grace Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN, has **called** Mrs. Vanessa Wales and Mrs. Danielle Sippert to teach language arts and other courses for the 2025-2026 school year to replace Mrs. Debra Mayhew whose call will expire at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. <> Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN, has **returned** the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac, WI. <> Pastor Caleb Schaller of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, has **accepted** the call to Grace Lutheran Church, Valentine, NE, Peace Lutheran Church, Mission, SD, and St. Paul’s Ev. Lutheran Church, White River, SD. <> Christine Starland (part-time teacher) and Deb Owens (band) have **accepted** their respective calls to Berea Lutheran School of Inver Grove Heights, MN. <> Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Watertown, SD, and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD, has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO, has **received** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
3/9/25	23	\$755
3/12/25 (Midweek)	17	\$135
3/16/25	71	TBD
3/19/25 (Midweek)	15	\$440

GREETER SCHEDULE	
Next Sunday	Tom + Molly Bettinger
4/6	Jeanne Helke
4/13	Joyce Miller
4/20	Kevin Shaffer

MARCH CLEANING SCHEDULE	
North Entry	Poffenroth
Sanctuary	Kenkman
Basement	Helke

