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REAL GOD. REAL PEOPLE. REAL GRACE.

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welcome to trinity

We're glad you are here! You've come to a place where you can experience a real God with real grace for your real life, a place where you can connect with our Savior and His people! If you're a guest with us today, we consider it a privilege to have you with us and hope you'll come again. Please share your name with us by signing the Connect Card in the Trinity Today in your bulletin. Please include your address, phone number, and email. If you have any questions about the service or need assistance with anything, please don't hesitate to ask one of our ushers for help!

DEAR PARENTS: Out of all the responsibilities parents have in raising their children, leading them to know and connect with Jesus is the most important. We know it can sometimes be a challenge, but we commend and thank you for what you do when you bring your kids to church. Your family—with all its noise, struggle, commotion, and joy—aren't just tolerated, but you're a vital part of the community gathered in worship. If you need it, we have "busy" bags to help keep your young children occupied during the service. The bags are located near both entrances to the sanctuary. We also have a staffed nursery for children ages 4 and under if there is a need to take your child out of the sanctuary. It is located on the front left-hand side of the sanctuary.

WIRELESS HEARING ASSIST HEADSETS are available in the back of the sanctuary so that you can hear better during worship. Feel free to ask an usher for one at any time.

FREE PARKING: Everyone is welcome to park on Sunday morning, free of charge, in the Central Parking Lot (directly across Washington Avenue from Trinity's Campus).



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Our mission: Connecting people to Christ for life.

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR (HOLY COMMUNION)

In Holy Communion (Lord's Supper), we believe and joyfully confess that, as Jesus Himself says, He gives us His true body and blood to eat and drink with the bread and wine! We call this the "Real Presence." Jesus gives this gift of Himself to us to forgive our sins, strengthen our faith and our union with Him, and strengthen our unity with one another as His Church (*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17*). Our Lord invites to His table baptized Christians who trust in Him alone for forgiveness and salvation, who trust His Words that He is present and offering forgiveness and grace in the Sacrament, who repent of all sin, who forgive others as He forgives us, and who are able to "examine" themselves (*1 Corinthians 11:28*) regarding these things.

As we share in Christ's body and blood together, the Bible says we also confess the Gospel and our unity in it (*1 Corinthians 11:26*). Because of this, we practice "Close Communion." This means that those who commune together do so with the intent of being united in the faith we confess and in our life together. We want all to partake of the Lord's Supper. Because we desire everyone who communes at Trinity to do so in the unity that our Lord intends and to receive the fullness of the gifts He offers (*1 Corinthians 11:27-30*), we lovingly ask any who have not yet been instructed in the faith of Scripture, who have doubts about the church's teachings, or who have united themselves in membership to a church that is not in fellowship with the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod to first speak with the pastor about communing.

If you are a Christian but are not receiving Communion, we invite and welcome you to the Lord's altar for a blessing. Please cross your arms to indicate you have come for a blessing.

We offer both individual and common cup. If you are unable to come to the front easily, please let the pastor or one of the ushers know. The pastor will bring the Sacrament to you at your seat. We encourage parents to bring your non-communing children for a blessing.

COVID-19 Protocol – We ask everyone to please observe social distancing. For the unvaccinated, wearing of a mask is highly recommended at all times including entering and exiting church, in common areas where contact with others takes place, and during worship. For those vaccinated, wearing of a mask is highly encouraged when entering and exiting church and in common areas with others. Masking is encouraged during worship. Please take your worship bulletins with you when you leave. Wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer regularly.

Last Sunday of the Church Year

Divine Service, Setting Three

Welcome and Announcements

Please note that during portions of the service where there are responsive speaking parts, P=Pastor, A=Assistant, and C=Congregation.

LSB = Lutheran Service Book (burgundy hymnal)

Prelude

Please stand

Opening Hymn *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* LSB 816

Invocation

Invocation comes from the Latin "to call upon." The words "In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" are spoken at the beginning of the service and remind us of our baptism.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

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

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

[Psalm 124:8]

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

[Psalm 32:5]

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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 heartily 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.

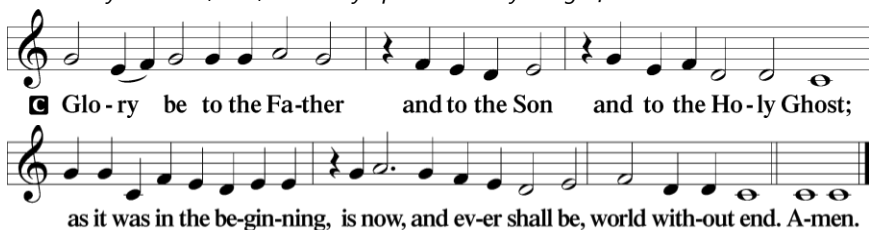
P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*


C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Gloria Patri ~ Glory to the Father

Gloria Patri is Latin for "glory to the Father." It is a response of praise to the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—usually sung after a Psalm or Introit.

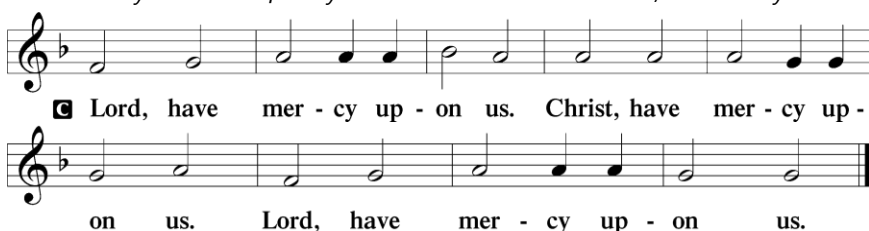



 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47

The Kyrie is Greek for "Kyrie eleison" which means "Lord, have mercy".



 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis ~ Glory to God in the Highest

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

The Gloria in Excelsis is Latin for "glory in the highest," words joyfully spoken by angels at the announcement of Jesus' birth.



 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

The Collect is a brief prayer that is connected to a theme in the Scripture readings for the day.

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with your spirit.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading

Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

*As I looked,
 thrones were placed,
 and the Ancient of days took his seat;
 his clothing was white as snow,
 and the hair of his head like pure wool;*

*his throne was fiery flames;
 its wheels were burning fire.
 A stream of fire issued
 and came out from before him;
 a thousand thousands served him,
 and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;
 the court sat in judgment,
 and the books were opened. . . .
 I saw in the night visions,
 and behold, with the clouds of heaven
 there came one like a son of man,
 and he came to the Ancient of Days
 and was presented before him.
 And to him was given dominion
 and glory and a kingdom,
 that all peoples, nations, and languages
 should serve him;
 his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
 which shall not pass away,
 and his kingdom one
 that shall not be destroyed.*

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Revelation 1:4b–8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel

John 18:33–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighteenth chapter.

C Glory be to You, O Lord.

Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

This is one of the Christian Church's ancient statements of faith, dating all the way back to the 4th Century A.D. The faith we confess in the Creed connects us to one another and Christians past and present.

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 Spirit 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 at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and
the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
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 in 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.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day *Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle* LSB 454

Sermon

Rev. Michael Croom

Tithes and Offerings

At this time, rather than passing the offering plates, we ask that you bring your tithes and offerings and place them in one of the two plates at the front of the sanctuary, the plate held by the usher at the back of the sanctuary, or the plate held by the usher in the transept area.

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the Holy Church, that God would give us grace to serve Him with reverence and awe, granting us faith to endure to the end, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the pastors in our circuit, district and Synod, that God would give them the words to testify to His love in Christ Jesus and the hope that is in them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the troubled in mind and spirit, that God would give them strength to cast every care on Him and give them quietness of heart through a firm trust in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the lonely, that God would place them into the family of His Church to find peace in Christ and fulfillment through loving service to their neighbors, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the leaders of our nation, that they may walk in the way of justice and truth, using the power vested in them to protect the weak and innocent, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all threatened by natural disasters, wars, famines and troubles of any kind, that God would fill all hearts with repentance and humility to trust Him in every circumstance, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the hungry, that they would be filled with good things; for the poor and unemployed, that they may find gainful employment; for the sick that they may be healed; for those who mourn, [*especially ...*], that they may be comforted; and for those who travel, that God would watch over them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For each communicant, that with a repentant heart and faith they would be worthy to receive Christ's body and blood this day, not to their judgment but for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In thanksgiving for all who have departed this life in faith, that as we see the signs of our Lord's second coming, we would not lose heart, but remain faithful unto death and receive the crown of life, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to read the statement regarding the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion) on page two of this bulletin and in Spanish on page thirteen.

Preface and Proper Preface

The Preface and Proper Preface are the opening words to the Communion portion of the service. They express greeting in the Lord and great thanksgiving and praise to God.

P The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

C **And with your spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

C **It is good and right so to do.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from

the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

The Sanctus is Latin for "holy." It is a hymn of praise.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

**All: 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

Pax Domini ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

Pax Domini is Latin for "the peace of the Lord."

[P] The peace of the Lord be with you always.

[C] Amen.

Please be seated

Communion Distribution

Distribution Hymns

<i>Glory Be to God the Father</i>	<i>LSB 506</i>
<i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i>	<i>LSB 905</i>
<i>Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise</i>	<i>LSB 680</i>
<i>Lord of Our Life</i>	<i>LSB 659</i>

Please stand

Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

C Amen.

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endures forever.

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus

Benedicamus is Latin for "bless we [the Lord]."

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with your spirit.

P Bless we the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The Benediction is a blessing from the Lord, spoken by the pastor at the end of the service.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

The Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

✠ Go in Peace, Serve the Lord ✠

The altar flowers for today are given by Lee Monger in gratitude to God and in loving memory of his wife, Rose.

Readings for Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8:1–10

Epistle: Philippians 4:6–20

Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11–19

Readings for Sunday, November 28, 2021

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:14–16

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

Holy Gospel: Luke 19:28–40

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EL SACRAMENTO DEL ALTAR (SANTA COMUNIÓN)

Amorosamente le invitamos, a que hablen primero con el pastor acerca de la comunión antes de pasar. Si deseas recibir la bendición puedes pasar con tus brazos cruzados sobre el pecho en señal de bendición, es una alegría para nosotros compartir la bendición contigo e invitarte a estudiar para participar de este don celestial.

En la Santa Cena (Cena del Señor), creemos y confesamos con alegría que, como Jesús mismo dice, ¡Él nos da Su verdadero cuerpo y sangre para comer y beber *con el pan y el vino! Llamamos a esto la "Presencia Real."* Jesús nos da *este don* de sí mismo para perdonar nuestros pecados, fortalecer nuestra fe y nuestra unión con Él, y fortalecer nuestra unidad unos con otros como Su Iglesia (Mateo 26:26-28; Marcos 14:22-24; Lucas 22:19-20; 1 Corintios 11:17-34; 1 Corintios 10:16-17). Nuestro Señor invita a Su mesa a los cristianos bautizados que confían sólo en Él para el perdón y la salvación, que confían en Sus Palabras, que Él está presente y ofrece perdón y gracia en el Sacramento, que se arrepienten de todo pecado, que perdonan a los demás como Él nos perdona, y que son capaces de "examinarse" ellos mismos (1 Corintios 11:28) con respecto a estas cosas.

Al compartir el cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo juntos, la Biblia dice que también confesamos el Evangelio y nuestra unidad en él (1 Corintios 11:26). Debido a esto, practicamos la "Comunión Cerrada." Esto significa que aquellos que comulgan juntos lo hacen con la intención de estar unidos en la fe que confesamos y en nuestra vida, juntos. Queremos que todos compartamos de la Cena del Señor. Porque deseamos que todos los que comulgan en la iglesia Trinity lo hagan en la unidad que nuestro Señor enseña y reciban la plenitud de los dones que Él ofrece (1 Corintios 11:27-30), amorosamente le pedimos a cualquiera que aún no ha sido instruido en la fe de las Escrituras, que tiene dudas sobre las enseñanzas de la iglesia, o que tiene su membresía en una iglesia que no está en comunión con la Iglesia Luterana-Sínodo de Missouri LCMS, que hable primero con el pastor acerca de la comunión.

Ofrecemos tanto copa común como copas individuales. Si usted es cristiano pero no está recibiendo la Comunión, lo invitamos y le damos la bienvenida al altar del Señor para una bendición. Por favor, crucen los brazos sobre su pecho para indicar que han venido para una bendición.

Actualmente, sólo ofrecemos una copa individual. Si no puede ir hasta el frente fácilmente, por favor hágaselo saber al pastor o a uno de los ujieres. El pastor les traerá el Sacramento a usted en su asiento. Animamos a los padres a traer a sus hijos no comulgantes para una bendición.

Protocolo de COVID-19 - Pedimos a todos que mantengan el distanciamiento social. Para los no vacunados, se recomienda encarecidamente el uso de una máscara en todo momento, incluso al entrar y salir de la iglesia, en las áreas comunes donde tiene lugar el contacto con otras personas y durante el servicio de adoración. Para los vacunados, se recomienda el uso de una máscara al entrar y salir de la iglesia y en áreas comunes con otras personas. Se fomenta el uso de mascarillas durante el Servicio de Adoración. Por favor, lleve sus boletines de adoración cuando se vaya. Lávese las manos y / o use desinfectante para manos con regularidad.

SPECIAL SERVICES AND EVENTS THESE
ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASONS

**TRINITY SERVING AS SPECTATOR SPOT AND
CHEER STATION FOR ST. JUDE RUN**

Saturday, December 4, 2021, 6:00 11:00 am.

YOUTH AND ADULT CHRISTMAS CAROLING

(Congregation Invited)

Saturday, December 11, 2021, 3:00 pm.

MID-WEEK ADVENT SERVICES

Services at 7:00 pm

Dinner prior to each service at 6:00 pm

“WAIT UPON THE LORD”

“WAIT UPON THE LORD WITH FAITH”

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

“WAIT UPON THE LORD WITH HOPE”

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

“WAIT UPON THE LORD WITH REJOICING”

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

“WAIT UPON THE LORD WITH GRATITUDE”

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT TRINITY

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 1, 2021, 10:30 am

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE WITH
COMMUNION**

Friday, December 24, 2021, 6:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

Saturday, December 25, 2021, 10:00 am