

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday

January 18, 2015

8:30

Love God,

Love our neighbors,

Serve the World

*You are invited to stand if able

Welcome

*Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

“Here I am Lord”

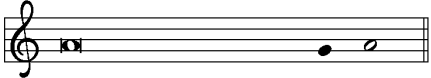
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***Greeting**


The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.


And also with you.


***Kyrie**


Cantor 
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.


Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.

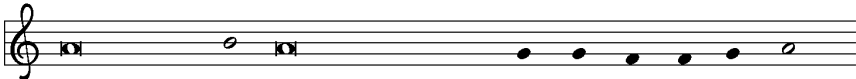
Cantor 
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.


Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.


Cantor 
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor 
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,


let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.


Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain
Assisting minister

Cantor



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All


Congregation



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain




This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the




hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Special Music

“Lord, Here Am I”

Sr. Choir

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his

house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

¹LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.

²**You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**

³You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

⁵You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

⁶**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

¹³For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹⁴**I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

¹⁵My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.**

¹⁷How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!

¹⁸**If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.

¹²All things are lawful for me, but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclama-**



***Gospel:** The holy gospel according to John, the 1st chapter.

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

Sermon

Pastor Erik Feig

Hymn of the Day

"Will you Come and Follow Me"

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***Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayers of Intercession**

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please extend a greeting of peace to those around you.)

(Please be seated.)

Offering

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

***Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

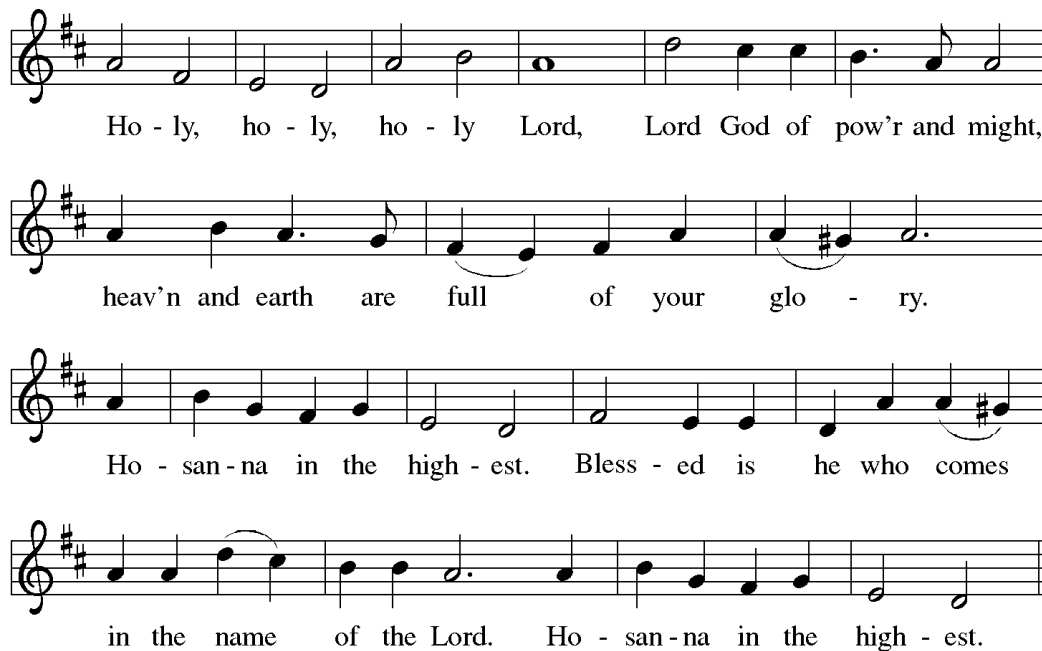
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Preface**

*Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

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

Communion Distribution

All who believe that Christ is truly present in this meal and are baptized are welcome to commune today. Communion today is served by intinction which simply means to come forward to the server to receive the wafer, hold on to it, then dip it into either wine or grape juice and consume the elements.

Communion Hymns: 471, 477, 532

Prayer after Communion

Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

***Blessing**

God the Father, light-creator; God the Son, Light from Light; and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer, bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn**

“Christ Be Our Light”

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***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Worship

News & Announcements

Worship Music

Do you have a gift of music? Would you like to share that gift? If you play an instrument or love to sing and would like to share that gift, we are looking for you!! The Saturday evening service and/or the 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays for the 8:30 service is a great time to play or sing to the LORD! To sign up please call Laurie Hamilton at 608-518-0911. Thank you for considering sharing your musical talent with Trinity.

Service

News & Announcements

Mondays at Trinity

We have a lot of great stuff happening here on Mondays. Come and check it out and give a hand!

The **Northside Kids' Clothes Closet** is open Mondays from 4-7.

Monday Meals are served from 5-6 every Monday.

From the Heart food pantry has new and expanded hours. They will now be open every Monday from 6-8. From the Heart is also open the 4th Saturday of the month from 10-1.

Children & Youth

News & Announcements

Confirmation Schedule

Jan 21: Instruction
Jan 28: Service
Feb 4: Instruction
Feb 11: Fellowship



Youth Lock-in

Ever wish you could stay up with some friends all night to play games, watch movies and just hang out? All youth grades 6-12 are invited to join us 2/6-2/7 for just that purpose. Come with your friends or meet new ones. We will provide dinner, snacks, breakfast and activities. You provide yourself and \$6 to cover food and any supplies. The evening begins at 6:30 Friday evening in the Hanson Fellowship Hall (basement) and will be ready to leave by 8am Saturday morning. Please contact Laura Cunliffe (784-9134) with any questions.

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etc.

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Giving Envelopes Update

For those of you that requested giving envelopes, they have been ordered and should be arriving this coming week. They will be available in the narthex for you to pick up as soon as we get them. You may also give by writing a check or by using the pew envelopes and writing your name on them.

Giving Statements

Giving statements for 2014 are available for you to pick up in the narthex.

Brunch

Today is the first Sunday Brunch of the New Year immediately following the 8:30 service. Come down and enjoy fellowship and GOOD food. Meet the people who sit near you every week OR meet those who don't sit near you! VISITORS WELCOME TOO!!

Sugar Creek Bible Camp

The 2015 Sugar Creek Summer Camp and Retreat Brochures are available on the counter in the narthex. Pick one up and see the exciting things that are available from this camp that Trinity supports.

Trinity Receives Award

Trinity has been presented with an award from WKTY radio station. "Presented to Trinity Lutheran Church—WKTY's appreciation of 60 years of broadcasting radio fellowship in the La Crosse area. 1955-2015"

10:30 Service

Worship this week

Ever been lost? Ever had to ask for directions? Sometimes it happens when we're traveling and the GPS needs an update, sometimes it's when our lives get off track and we're not where we ever expected to be. Moses was one of those guys, whose story has him lost in a variety of ways, yet somehow always gets back on track—with God's help! Come and hear how his story and our story intersect as we enter into the great God story of Moses this weekend!

Next week

Mary

Next Week in Worship

Third weekend after Epiphany

Next week's Readings

Jonah 3:1-5,10

Psalm 62:5-12

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

The bulletin for the 8:30 radio worship service and the monthly newsletter are available on our website: trinitylutheranlax.org

The newsletter is also available on our website!

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Mike Sanding, Hilda Melde, & Military Member Austin Bekkum

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

The Annual Meeting for our congregation will be held Sunday, January 25, 2015, immediately following the 8:30 am worship service. All voting members are invited to attend.

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30-4:30

Bulletin deadline: Noon at Wed.

Service Times

Saturdays 5:30pm

Sundays 8:30 & 10:30

Radio Broadcast Sunday morning at

8:30 WKTY 580 AM

This Week at Trinity

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

No JOLT

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

9a TOPS

5-6p Monday's Meals

6-8P From the Heart food pantry

6:30p Women's Bible Study

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

1:30p Staff Meeting

7p Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

6:45p Confirmation

7p Choir

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23