

# Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday  
November 22, 2015  
8:30

Love God,

Love our neighbors,

Serve the World

\*You are invited to stand if able

## Welcome

### \*Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, clothed in majesty ever since the world began, who loves us and frees us from our sins, who leads us with all the saints to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God.

God our maker and redeemer,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We come for refuge to your infinite mercy. You have given your only Son to die for us; have mercy on us, and for his sake, forgive us all our sin. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and your will, and true obedience to your word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God has had mercy on us, and God's only Son has been given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sin. Believing in Jesus' name, you have received power to become the children of God; you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

\*Gathering Hymn

"Lift High The Cross"

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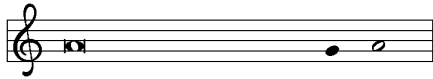
## \*Greeting

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,



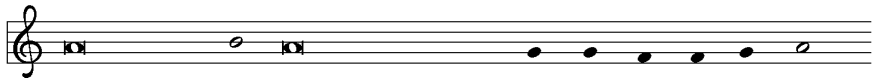
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

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

Cantor 

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Congregation 

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

**Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

(Please be seated.)

**First Reading:** Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

*To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One who is judge will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.*

<sup>9</sup>As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire.<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

<sup>13</sup>As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup>To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm:** Psalm 93

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

<sup>2</sup>**Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.**

<sup>3</sup>The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

<sup>4</sup>**Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

<sup>5</sup>Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for evermore.

**Second Reading:** Revelation 1:4b-8

*The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.*

<sup>4b</sup>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, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## \*\*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Gospel:** The holy gospel according to John, the 18th chapter.

*In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.*

<sup>33</sup>Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup>Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.)

**Sermon**

Pastor Erik Feig

**Hymn of the Day**

"Beautiful Savior"

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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**

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

### **\*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

### **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.**

## **Announcements**

### **\*Blessing**

The love of God who created you, the mercy of Jesus Christ who died for you, and the power of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you, keep you at one with all the faithful, living and departed, and remain with you now and forever. **Amen.**

### **\*Sending Hymn**

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

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### **\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**



# Worship

## News & Announcements

Trinity Choir and Bell Choir will have their Christmas program on Saturday, Dec 12th at the 5:30 service and Sunday Dec 13th at the 8:30 service.

# Service

## News & Announcements

**To Our Knitters:** If you took yarn from the table in the narthex to knit for the needy, please put your finished items in the green tote by the elevator. Hats, scarves, lap robes, blankets, mittens and slippers are greatly needed and much appreciated.

### **Grocery Challenge**

Have you noticed the grocery carts in the Narthex with **From the Heart Food Pantry** signs on them? We are in a “friendly challenge” with Faith United Methodist Church from the Southside of La Crosse to see who can bring in the most food between Thanksgiving and Christmas to support our food pantry. They have been supporting our pantry for a couple years now, and are very good at it. But I have confidence that we can do even better. Let’s take up the challenge and give extra generously during these holidays to benefit those with less than we enjoy in our cupboards. Are we up to the challenge? I believe we can do it. Let’s fill those carts every weekend!!! Our pantry guests thank you.

The **Love Thy Neighbor** jar for November is for **Trinity Lutheran Church** general fund in gratitude for all our church offers. This is a unique giving opportunity provided at each weekend worship service. Children from the congregation gather money during the worship service and put in the jar up by the altar. The money is given to a different ministry outside of the church each month.

*Etc.*

*News & Announcements*

**Strengthening Trinity Family Ties**

The healthiest families love and care for one another. If you or a family member would appreciate a visit from your Trinity family you may call the church office to arrange to have one of your Trinity family members come visit you, whether you are at home, in the hospital, or in another care facility. Due to strict HIPAA laws, the church is no longer informed when a member is admitted to a hospital or care facility, so letting the church office know is necessary. A person from the newly forming visitation team will gladly come and share the love of Christ with you and help you feel a part of your Trinity family.

If you would like to be a part of this visitation team, please contact Joan Hendrick at 784-2899. Pastor Erik will provide training and support as we all work together to strengthen the Trinity family ties.

**Thank you**

We our like to send a truly heartfelt "Thank You" to all those who donated butter, coffee and all the amazing deserts for our dinner! For all the volunteers that made our dinner a special event for our congregation and guests, and for all the work the Social Ministry and Congressional Life Committees did - Julie Thoftne and Bonnie Jeranek your teams are amazing!

Thank you to our Confirmation students and their families - for working the dinning area and for all the outside help from Kwik Trip and King Street Kitchens!  
Thank you as well to those who attended our dinner or were able to enjoy it at home - we hope your belly's were full!

It takes a village - and we sure had a strong community this past week! Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of your support!

# Children & Youth

## News & Announcements

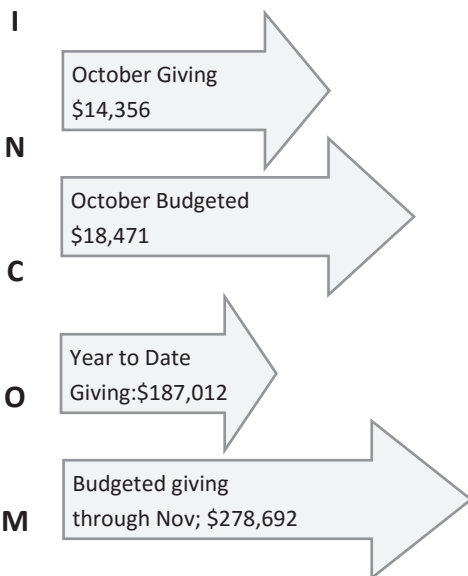


### Attention C.I.A.!

There will be NO CIA on Nov. 25th. We would like to give all families time to spend together for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### Christmas Program

Mark your calendars! The Christmas program this year will be on Wednesday Dec.16th during the Advent service at 7:00 p.m.



The bulletin for the 8:30 radio worship service and the monthly newsletter are available on our website: [trinitylutheranlax.org](http://trinitylutheranlax.org)

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### Memorials

#### General Fund:

In memory of Evelyn Olson, given by Ruth Schultz  
In memory of Evelyn Olson, given by Julie Smith  
In memory of Evelyn Olson, given by Patricia Thill



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### **Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday 8:30-4:30

Bulletin deadline: Noon at Wednesday

### **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, NOVEMBER 22**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

**9a TOPS**

**4p Kids' Clothes Closet**

**5-6p Monday Meals**

**5:30-7:30p From the Heart Food Pantry**

**6:30p Bell Choir**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**6:30p Boy Scouts**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

**NO C.I.A.**

**NO Confirmation**

**7p Choir**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28**