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Welcome to Holy Trinity

We're glad you came today to join us in worshiping the one true God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. He has graciously created us, mercifully redeemed us, and freely gives us all the treasures of heaven through His Word and Sacraments!

HOLY TRINITY is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS), a national church body headquartered in Mankato, Minnesota. We confess that we are saved by Grace Alone (Eph. 2:8) through Faith Alone (Acts 16:31) revealed in Scripture Alone (John 5:24). Though we are totally sinful from birth, Jesus Christ paid for our sins on the cross and gives us eternal life in heaven. We subscribe to the Lutheran Confessions (the Book of Concord, 1580) because they are a faithful and accurate summary of this Biblical doctrine. The ELS has been in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) since 1872.

If you are a visitor with us today and want to find out more about what we teach, or are curious about church membership, please talk to our pastor. Please be sure to provide us with your contact information in our friendship register that is passed around before or after the service.

Restrooms are located on the north end of the fellowship hall through the doors to the Learning Center. Additional restrooms with changing tables are located to the left of the entrance to the fellowship hall, through the doors to the Learning Center, then to the left.

Parents who need to leave the service to have quiet time with their child are welcome to use any of our classrooms in the Learning Center.

A Note to All Our Guests Regarding the Lord's Supper:

During this service, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. Since this sacrament is the Lord's Supper and not ours, we are careful to follow our Lord's instructions. In particular, we take to heart these important truths:

1. In the Lord's Supper, Jesus truly gives us His body and blood together with the bread and the wine. Jesus says, "Take and eat; this is my body...Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood" (Matthew 26:26-28).
2. In the Lord's Supper, we express a unity of faith with one another. "Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (1 Corinthians 10:17).
3. Our Lord urges us to practice this unity with great love and care. "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27,29).

Because we take these truths seriously, we invite all communicant members of our congregation or of a sister congregation in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) or the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) to commune with us today. However, we ask that those who are not members of a sister congregation refrain from taking the Lord's Supper with us at this time. In doing this, we are not judging anyone's faith. Out of love for our Lord and all people, we simply desire to discuss the Bible's teachings with our guests before communing together. We want all who commune to receive the Lord's Supper for their benefit and in a way that follows our Lord's instructions. If you have any questions about this or any other teaching of the Bible—or if you would like information about how to join our congregation—please feel free to speak to our pastor.

THE DIVINE SERVICE

RITE TWO

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Hymn • “Praise the Almighty; My Soul Adore Him”

[CW93 235]

1. **Praise the Almighty; my soul, adore him!**
Yes, I will laud him until death.
With songs and anthems I'll come before him
As long as he allows me breath.
From him my life and all things came;
Bless, O my soul, his holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. **Trust not in princes, they are but mortal;**
Earthborn they are and soon decay.
Vain are their counsels at life's last portal
When the dark grave will claim its prey.
Since, then, no one can help afford,
Trust only Christ, our God and Lord.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
4. **Praise, all you people, the name so holy**
Of him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise him solely,
With happy heart its Amen sings!
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. **Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,**
Pardon and peace from him obtain;
Ever the wants of the poor supplying,
Their faithful God he will remain.
He helps his children in distress,
The widows and the fatherless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

— Stand —

Invocation

¶ASTOR *In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

A - men.

Confession and Absolution

¶ *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to 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.*

A musical staff in treble clef. It features a dotted half note, a solid quarter note, a solid eighth note, a blank measure, a dotted half note, and a double bar line.

C Who made heav'n and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;

A musical staff in G clef. It contains a whole note on the 4th line, a half note on the 3rd line, a quarter note on the 2nd line, a eighth note on the 1st line, a eighth note on the 2nd line, a eighth note on the 1st line, and a half note on the 3rd line. The staff ends with a double bar line.

C And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

ALL O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to 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.

¶ Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to 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 \ddagger and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm • 1

P Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked

C or stand in the way of sinners.

P *But his delight is in the law of the Lord,*

C and on his law he meditates day and night.

P *He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season*

C and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

¶ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

C nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

P For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,

C but the way of the wicked will perish.

Gloria Patri



C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was

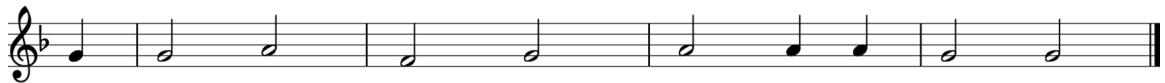


in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, for - ev-er-more. A - men.

Kyrie Eleison



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



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

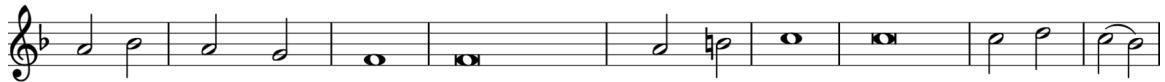
Gloria in Excelsis Deo



A Glory be to God on high and on earth peace good will toward men.



We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to



You for Your 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, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on



us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



You are seated at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up - on us.



For You only are holy. You on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with your spir - it.

Prayer of The Day

P Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, look with mercy on our weaknesses, and in all our dangers and needs stretch out the right hand of your majesty to help and defend us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



-Be seated-

First Reading • *Zephaniah 2:3,3:11-13*

| The Lord promises that those who trust in him will not be put to shame. |

Seek the LORD, all you humble people of the earth who have carried out his commands. Seek righteousness. Seek humility. Maybe then you will be sheltered in the day of the LORD's anger.

^{3:11} In that day you will no longer bear the shame of your rebellions against me. Then I will remove the proud boasters from among you, and you will never again be arrogant on my holy hill. ¹² But I will leave among you the people who are humble and weak. They will seek refuge in the name of the LORD. ¹³ The Israelites who remain will no longer act unjustly. They will not lie, and a deceitful tongue will not be found in their mouth. Instead, they will graze peacefully like sheep and lie down. No one will terrify them.

Second Reading • *1 Corinthians 1:26-31*

| God changes how we view ourselves by connecting us to Christ Jesus. |

For example, consider your call, brothers. Not many of you were wise from a human point of view, not many were powerful, and not many were born with high status. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to put to shame those who are wise. God chose the weak things of the world to put to shame the things that are strong, ²⁸ and God chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things, and the things that are not, to do away with the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before God.

³⁰But because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us the wisdom from God, namely, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹God did this so that, just as it is written, “Let the one who boasts boast in the LORD.”

-Stand-

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

P *Alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.*



A Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel • Matthew 5:1-12

P *The holy Gospel is written in the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, beginning at the first verse.*



C Glo - ry be to You, O Lord!

| In the Beatitudes, our Savior turns the ideas of the world upside down. |

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up onto a mountain. When he sat down, his disciples came to him.² He opened his mouth and began to teach them. He said these things:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn,
because they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the gentle,
because they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
because they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful,
because they will receive mercy.

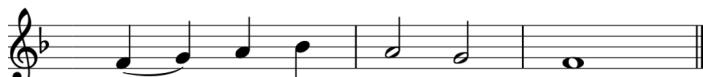
⁸Blessed are the pure in heart,
because they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers,
because they will be called sons of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven. In fact, that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

¶ Here ends the Gospel.



C Praise be to You, O Christ!

Confession of Faith ~ *Nicene Creed*

A 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall 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 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.

-Be seated-

Chief Hymn • “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

[CW93 125]

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God.
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Sermon • 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

If You Must Boast, Boast in the Lord

I. He alone made you his.

II. In Christ alone, he has made you wise.

-Stand-

Offertory Psalm



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 presence and take not Your
 Ho-ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of Your sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Your free Spir-it. A - men.

-Be seated-

Offering

Prayer of the Church

-Stand-

Preface

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with your spir - it.

P *Lift up your hearts.*



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P *Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.*



C It is good and right so to do.

Preface for the Season

P *It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:*

Sanctus



A Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth; Heav'n and

earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the high-est. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high-est.

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 pow'r and the glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er A - men.

Words of Institution

¶ Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My \ddagger body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My \ddagger blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - - men.

Agnus Dei



A O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world,



have mercy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You



take a-way the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. A - men.

-Be seated-

Distribution

Guests, please read and take note of the explanation of our Communion practice on page 2 in this service folder.

Hymn • “Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”

[CW93 309]

1. Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Offered was he for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and himself the priest.

2. He that his saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,
With heav'ly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.
3. Come forward, then, with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
Before your altar, Lord, your servants bow;
In this your feast of love be with us now.

Hymn • “In Christ Alone”

[CW21 510]

1. In Christ alone my hope is found.
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.
2. In Christ alone – who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe;
this gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
for ev'ry sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.
3. There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am his and he is mine,
bought with the precious blood of Christ.
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Hymn • "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

[CW93 382]

1. My hope is built on nothing less
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
 I dare to make no other claim
 But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
 On Christ the solid rock, I stand;
 All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils his lovely face,
 I rest on his unchanging grace;
 In ev'ry high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil.
 On Christ the solid rock, I stand;
 All other ground is sinking sand.

3. His oath, his covenant and blood
 Support me in the raging flood;
 When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
 He then is all my hope and stay.
 On Christ the solid rock, I stand;
 All other ground is sinking sand.

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
 Oh, may I then in him be found,
 Clothed in his righteousness alone,
 Faultless to stand before his throne.
 On Christ the solid rock, I stand;
 All other ground is sinking sand.

-Stand-

Nunc Dimittis


A Lord, now You let Your servant de - part in peace ac - cord-ing to Your word. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, A light to light - en the Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry

be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it

was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, for - ev-er more. A - men.

Communion Verse

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

A musical staff in treble clef. It starts with a dotted half note. This is followed by a measure containing two pairs of eighth notes, separated by a vertical bar line. The measure ends with a dotted half note.

C And His mercy endures for ever.

Collect of Thanksgiving

¶ O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness 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. 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. We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Benediction

¶ *The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace †.*



¶ A - men, a - men, a - men.

-Be seated-

Closing Hymn • “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

[CW93 439]

1. **Lord, take my hand and lead me**
Upon life's way;
Direct, protect and feed me
From day to day.
Without your grace and favor
I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior,
And lead the way.
2. **Lord, when the tempest rages,**
I need not fear;
For you, the Rock of Ages,
Are always near.
Close by your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
For when your hand is guiding,
In peace I go.
3. **Lord, when the shadows lengthen**
And night has come,
I know that you will strengthen
My steps toward home,
And nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend!
So take my hand and lead me
Unto the end.

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