



God Gives the Water of Life to Sinners



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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!

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the "Guest" cards in the pews and give them to the ushers or pastor. If you want to find out more about what we teach, or are curious about church membership, please talk to our pastor.

A Parents' Room is located at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily leave to calm a child. Inside the Parents' Room you can still see, hear and participate in the worship service.

Wheelchair accommodations are found on the organ side of the church. If you do not use a wheelchair, be careful to leave space in these wheelchair accessible pews for the benefit of those who need them and their families.

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.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER

Hymn • 306, “What Wondrous Love Is This”

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| <p>1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul,
for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?</p> | <p>3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will
sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing,
I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.</p> |
| <p>2. When I was sinking down, sinking down,
sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down
Beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul,
for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown, for my soul.</p> | <p>4. And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing
on, I’ll sing on;
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing
on;
And when from death I’m free,
I’ll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing
on;
And through eternity I’ll sing on.</p> |

-Stand-

Call to Worship

☞ASTOR *In the Name of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we call on
You, dear heavenly Father:*

☞ONGREGATION **Almighty Lord God, we stand in Your presence to hear Your Holy Word
and to worship You with thanksgiving and prayer.**

Confession and Forgiveness

P *Rise up, O Lord! Save me, my God!*

C **For the sake of Your name, O Lord, preserve my life.**

P *Do not hide Your face from me. You have been my help.*

C **Do not reject me or forsake me, O God who saves me.**

P *O Lord, open my lips;*

C **And my mouth will declare Your praise.**

P *Hear us as we pray, O Lord:*

A **LL** **Almighty God, heavenly Father: I have sinned against You through my own fault, in thought, word, and deed. For the sake of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon me, forgive me all my sin, and bring me to everlasting life.**

P *Lift up your hearts! For the sake of the suffering, death, and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ, God has had mercy upon you, forgiven you all your sin, and brought you to everlasting life.*

Peace † be with you.

Song of Praise • “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

[CW93 340 sts. 1,5-6]

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| <p>1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer’s praise,
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of his grace!</p> | <p>5. See all your sins on Jesus laid;
 The Lamb of God was slain.
 His life was once an off’ring made
 That you might live again.</p> |
| <p>6. Glory to God and praise and love
 Be ever, ever giv’n
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heav’n.</p> | |

Prayer of the Day

P *O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

A **Amen.**

-Be seated-

First Reading • Exodus 17:1-7 *The Lord provides water for his people in the wilderness.*

The entire Israelite community set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin as the Lord had commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² So the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.”

Moses said to them, “Why are you quarreling with me? Why are you testing the Lord?”

³ But the people were thirsty for water there, so they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you ever bring us up out of Egypt to let us, our children, and our livestock die of thirst?”

⁴ Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me!”

⁵ The Lord said to Moses, “Go in front of the people, and take the elders of Israel with you. Also take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ Watch me. I will stand there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. You are to strike the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will drink.” Moses did that in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He named the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled, and because they tested the Lord by saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm • *Psalm 95, “Come, Let Us Praise the Lord”*

[CW Psalter 95C; Tune: CW93 322]

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| <p>1. Come, let us praise the Lord,
with joy our God acclaim,
his greatness tell abroad
and bless his saving name.
Lift high your songs
before his throne to whom alone
all praise belongs.</p> <p>2. Our God of matchless worth,
our King beyond compare,
the deepest bounds of earth,
the hills, are in his care.
He all decrees,
who by his hand prepared the land
and formed the seas.</p> | <p>3. In worship bow the knee,
our glorious God confess;
the great Creator, he,
the Lord our Righteousness.
He reigns unseen:
his flock he feeds and gently leads
in pastures green.</p> <p>4. Come, hear his voice today,
receive what love imparts;
his holy will obey
and harden not your hearts.
His ways are best
and lead at last, all troubles past,
to perfect rest.</p> |
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Second Reading • *Romans 5:1-8**While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we also have obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. And we rejoice confidently on the basis of our hope for the glory of God.

³Not only this, but we also rejoice confidently in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces patient endurance, ⁴and patient endurance produces tested character, and tested character produces hope. ⁵And hope will not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who was given to us.

⁶For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. ⁸But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

☞ *This is the Word of the Lord.*

☞ **Thanks be to God!**

-Stand-

Gospel Acclamation

John 4:13,14

☐ *Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I will give him will never be thirsty ever again."*

Gospel • John 4:5-26

Jesus brings the water of life to a Samaritan woman.

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the piece of land Jacob gave to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there. Then Jesus, being tired from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷ A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."
⁸ (His disciples had gone into town to buy food.)

⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."

¹¹ "Sir," she said, "you don't even have a bucket, and the well is deep. So where do you get this living water?" ¹² You are not greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave us this well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his animals."

¹³ Jesus answered her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I will give him will never be thirsty ever again. Rather, the water I will give him will become in him a spring of water, bubbling up to eternal life."

¹⁵ "Sir, give me this water," the woman said to him, "so I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus told her, "Go, call your husband, and come back here."

¹⁷ "I have no husband," the woman answered.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say, 'I have no husband.' ¹⁸ In fact, you have had five husbands, and the man you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true."

¹⁹ "Sir," the woman replied, "I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you Jews insist that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

²¹ Jesus said to her, “Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will not worship the Father on this mountain or in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know. We worship what we do know, because salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But a time is coming and now is here when the real worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for those are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.”

²⁵ The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (the one called Christ). “When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

²⁶ Jesus said to her, “I, the one speaking to you, am he.”

Ⓟ *Here ends the Gospel.*

🗨️ **Thanks be to God!**

-Be seated-

Sermon Hymn • “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

CW93 338J

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon my breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place, And he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one; Stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in him.
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s light.
Look unto me; your morn shall rise And all your day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I’ll walk Till trav’ling days are done.

Sermon • John 4:5-26

Only Jesus Can Quench Our Spiritual Thirst

-Stand-

Apostles Creed

☩ 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He shall 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.

-Be seated-

Offering

Offering Hymn • *“Savior, Thy Dying Love”*

[CW93 488, sts. 1, 4]

1. Savior, thy dying love Thou gavest me;
Nor should I aught withhold, Dear Lord, from thee.
In love my soul would bow, My heart fulfill its vow,
Some off'ring bring thee now, Something for thee.

4. All that I am and have, Thy gifts so free,
in joy, in grief, through life, Dear Lord for thee!
And when thy face I see, My ransomed soul shall be
Through all eternity something for thee.

-Stand-

Prayer of the Church

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.

-Be seated-

Hymn • 286, “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

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| <p>1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood
From Thy riven side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure:
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.</p> <p>2. Not the labors of my hands
Can fulfill Thy Law’s demands.
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.</p> | <p>3. Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress,
Helpless, look to Thee for grace.
Foul, I to the fountain fly—
Wash me, Savior, or I die!</p> <p>4. While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eye-lids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee!</p> |
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– Stand –

Prayer of Thanksgiving

☞ *We give thanks to You, Lord God the Father, that You have given us Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

We give thanks to You, Lord Jesus Christ, that You have borne in Your sacred body all our sins, and by Your blood have blotted out all our transgressions.

We give thanks to You, Lord the Holy Spirit, that You have created in our hearts true faith, that we know of nothing to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

☞ O God, grant us Your grace to remain in this saving faith until we see You face to face in life eternal. We ask it all in Christ’s name. Amen.

Blessing

☞ *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 ☩.

☞ Amen.

-Be seated-

Closing Hymn • 412, *“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”*

1. **Come to Calv’ry’s holy mountain,
Sinners, ruined by the fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain
Flows to you, to me, to all,
In a full, perpetual tide,
Opened when our Savior died.**
2. **Come in poverty and meanness,
Come defiled, without, within;
From infection and uncleanness,
From the leprosy of sin,
Wash your robes and make them white;
Ye shall walk with God in light.**
3. **Come in sorrow and contrition,
Wounded, paralyzed, and blind;
Here the guilty, free remission,
Here the troubled, peace may find.
Health this fountain will restore;
He that drinks shall thirst no more.**
4. **He that drinks shall live forever;
’Tis a soul-renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never
Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died,
Sealed when He was glorified.**