



*The Found Are Left;
The Lost Are Found*



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Welcome to Holy Trinity

We're glad you came today to join us in worshipping 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 • 413, *“Come unto Me, Ye Weary”*

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| <p>1. “Come unto Me, ye weary,
And I will give you rest.”
O blessed voice of Jesus,
Which comes to hearts oppressed!
It tells of benediction,
Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending,
Of love which cannot cease.</p> | <p>3. “Come unto Me, ye fainting,
And I will give you life.”
O cheering voice of Jesus,
Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager,
The fight is fierce and long;
But Thou hast made us mighty
And stronger than the strong.</p> |
| <p>2. “Come unto Me, ye wand’ers,
And I will give you light.”
O loving voice of Jesus,
Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness,
And we had lost our way;
But Thou hast brought us gladness
And songs at break of day.</p> | <p>4. “And whosoever cometh,
I will not cast him out.”
O patient love of Jesus,
Which drives away our doubt,
Which, though we be unworthy
Of love so great and free,
Invites us very sinners
To come, dear Lord, to Thee!</p> |

-Stand-

Call to Worship

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

CONGREGATION **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 • “All Glory Be to God on High!”

[Tune: CW 152]

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| <p>1. All glory be to God on high!
Your name, O Lord, we glorify;
We praise you for your peace and grace,
Your favor toward our fallen race.</p> | <p>3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray.
You take all human sin away.
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;
From God’s right hand, your mercy share.</p> |
| <p>2. Our grateful thanks to you we bring,
For your great glory, heav’nly King,
For all, O Father, you have done
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son.</p> | <p>4. You, Christ, are holy – Lord alone;
The Father’s glory you made known.
We by your Spirit sing again:
“All glory be to God!” Amen.</p> |

Prayer of the Day

P *Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; 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 • Hosea 3:1-5

Hosea models the Lord's forgiveness as he welcomes back his unfaithful wife.

The Lord said to me, "Go again. Show love to a woman who is loved by another man, a woman who keeps committing adultery. Show love just as the Lord loves the people of Israel, even though they keep turning to other gods and loving the raisin cakes."

²So I bought her for myself for fifteen pieces of silver and nine bushels of barley.

³I said to her, "You will stay with me for many days. You must not be promiscuous. You must not be with any other man, and I will also be for you."

⁴So the people of Israel will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred memorial stones, and without the special vest or family idols. ⁵Afterward the people of Israel will return and seek the Lord their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the Lord and to his goodness in the latter days.

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 51 • 500, “O Thou that Hear’st when Sinners Cry”

[Tune: ELH 308]

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| <p>1. O Thou that hear’st when sinners cry,
Though all my crimes before Thee lie,
Behold them not with angry look,
But blot their mem’ry from Thy book.</p> <p>2. Create my nature pure within
And form my soul averse to sin;
Let Thy good Spirit ne’er depart
Nor hide Thy presence from my heart.</p> <p>3. I cannot live without Thy light,
Cast out and banished from Thy sight;
Thy holy joys, my God, restore
And guard me that I fall no more.</p> | <p>4. Though I have grieved Thy Spirit, Lord,
His help and comfort still afford
And let me now come near Thy throne
To plead the merits of Thy Son.</p> <p>5. A broken heart, my God, my King,
Is all the sacrifice I bring.
Look down, O Lord, with pitying eye
And save the soul condemned to die.</p> <p>6. O may Thy love inspire my tongue!
Salvation shall be all my song;
And all my pow’rs shall join to bless
The Lord, my Strength and Righteousness.</p> |
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Second Reading • 2 Corinthians 2:5-11

Paul encourages the Christians in Corinth to forgive a man who had sinned against them.

Now if anyone has caused sorrow, he has not done it to me, but to all of you to some extent (not to overstate it). ⁶This punishment inflicted on such a person by the majority is enough, ⁷so that instead you should rather forgive and comfort him, or else such a person could be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. ⁸For that reason, I urge you to reaffirm your love for him. ⁹In fact, this was also the purpose of my writing: I wanted to know the result of your being tested, that is, if you are obedient in all things.

¹⁰If you forgive anyone anything, I do too. To be sure, if I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven it in the presence of Christ for your sake, ¹¹so that Satan would not take advantage of us. We are certainly not unaware of his schemes.

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation*John 6:68 (EHV)*

P *Alleluia. Lord, to whom will we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.*



A Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel • Luke 15:1-10*There is rejoicing in heaven over every sinner who repents.*

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming to Jesus to hear him. ² But the Pharisees and the experts in the law were complaining, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ He told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, if you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that was lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls together his friends and his neighbors, telling them, ‘Rejoice with me, because I have found my lost sheep!’ ⁷ I tell you, in the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent.

⁸ “Or what woman who has ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, would not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says, ‘Rejoice with me, because I have found the lost coin.’ ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P *Here ends the Gospel.*

G **Thanks be to God!**

-Be seated-

Sermon Hymn • 426, 1–3, 6, 8, “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

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| <p>1. Jesus sinners doth receive;
O may all this saying ponder
Who in sin’s delusions live
And from God and heaven wander.
Here is hope for all who grieve—
Jesus sinners doth receive.</p> | <p>3. Sheep that from the fold did stray
No true shepherd e’er forsaketh;
Weary souls that lost their way
Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh
In His arms that they may live—
Jesus sinners doth receive.</p> |
| <p>2. We deserve but grief and shame,
Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim;
Here their ills have perfect healing
Who with humble hearts believe—
Jesus sinners doth receive.</p> | <p>6. O how blest it is to know,
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter Passion,
For these words I now believe—
Jesus sinners doth receive.</p> |
8. Jesus sinners doth receive.
Also I have been forgiven.
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave—
Jesus sinners doth receive.

Sermon • Luke 15:1-10

Jesus Welcomes Sinners

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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 • “Lord of All Good”

[CW 483]

1. Lord of all good, our gifts we bring you now;
Use them your holy purpose to fulfill.
Tokens of love and pledges they shall be
That our whole life is offered to your will.

3. Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows:
To you with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

-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 • 198, sts, 1, 3, 5, 6, “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

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| <p>1. O Christ, our true and only Light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Thy voice
And in Thy fold with us rejoice.</p> <p>3. O gently call those gone astray
That they may find the saving way!
Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed
In Thee find peace and heav'nly rest.</p> | <p>5. Shine on the darkened and the cold;
Recall the wand'ers to Thy fold.
Unite all those who walk apart;
Confirm the weak and doubting heart.</p> <p>6. So they with us may evermore
Such grace with wond'ring thanks adore
And endless praise to Thee be giv'n
By all Thy Church in earth and heav'n.</p> |
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

P *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.

A **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

P *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 †.*

G **Amen.**

-Be seated-

Closing Hymn • 438, *“Come, O Come, Thou Quickening Spirit”*

**Show us, Lord, the path of blessing;
When we trespass on our way,
Cast, O Lord, our sins behind Thee
And be with us day by day.
Should we stray, O Lord, recall;
Work repentance when we fall.**

**Grant our hearts in fullest measure
Wisdom, counsel, purity,
That they ever may be seeking
Only that which pleaseth Thee.
Let Thy knowledge spread and grow,
Working error’s overthrow.**