



# Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"

## Welcome to Trinity!

February 11, 2024

Transfiguration Sunday

Divine Service, Setting 4

### Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

### Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am



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# Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: LSB 416 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Kneel/Sit*

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

Introit

*Psalm 99:1–5; antiphon: v. 9*

**P** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

**C** **for the LORD our God is holy!**

**P** The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

**C** **He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

**P** The LORD is great in Zion;

**C** **he is exalted over all the peoples.**

**P** Let them praise your great and awesome name!

**C** **Holy is he!**

**P** The King in his might loves justice.

**C** **You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

**P** Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!

**C** **Holy is he!**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

**C** **for the LORD our God is holy!**

## Kyrie

LSB 204



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 2:1–12

<sup>1</sup>When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>And Elijah said to Elisha, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he said, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, “Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you.” And Elisha said, “Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.” <sup>10</sup>And he said, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so.” <sup>11</sup>And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>And Elisha saw it and he cried, “My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” And he saw him no more.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

2 Corinthians 3:12–18; 4:1–6

<sup>12</sup>Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup>Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup>But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God’s word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. <sup>6</sup>For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>2</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." <sup>8</sup>And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. <sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will 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.

## Sermon Hymn: LSB 567 Not What These Hands Have Done

### Sermon

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church** *We respond with Amen. Prayer requests: the family of Eugene Bubolz, Michael Winter, Connie Hansen, Todd Bender, Marie Rietbrock, Lori (Kober) Badtke, Jerry Barts, Judd Baumann, Ken Korb, the family of Phyllis Barts, Joshua Martin, the family of Diane LeClair, and our shut-ins.*  
*Sit*

**Offering**—Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.  
**Lord's Prayer**

**C** 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.

### Benedicamus

*LSB 212*

**P** Let us bless the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**Closing Hymn: LSB 414 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here**

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### Trinity Messenger

**Thank you** to Anne Middleton and Sarah Jabs for playing the organ for us today. We greatly appreciate your time and talents!

**Birthday Blessings to:** Christopher Liermann, Steven Endreas, Betty Butler, and Sophie Reiss.

**Lost and Found:** Please check the usher stand at the back of church if you're missing an earring or a child's pair of glasses.

**Lent** begins February 14th. We will be having our usual church services at 10:30AM and 6:30PM. A soup and salad lunch will be held after the 10:30AM service and before the 6:30PM service.

**Altar Guild News:** For the time being, if you'd like flowers on the altar or pedestal, please sign up in the book and bring your own flowers or plant. You will be responsible for paying for your flowers, putting them on the altar, and taking them home. **Please continue to write on the calendar chart what occasion you are celebrating** so Mary can add that information to the bulletin. If you need any assistance, please check the Altar Guild schedule and call whoever is on for that week. The Altar Guild/Connie Bitter will continue to be responsible for holiday flowers such as Easter and Christmas. Any questions or problems please call Robie Scharinger, Susie Sixel, or Connie Bitter.

**The Youth Group Lock-In** is at Trinity Lutheran Church on February 23-24 The lock-in will begin Friday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and ends on Saturday, February 24th at 7:00 a.m. The Youth Ministry Team from Concordia University Mequon will be leading this event. Each student needs to bring **\$3** plus a snack to share. The students can bring a friend if they wish. Pizza and beverages will be served throughout the evening. **PERMISSION SLIPS ARE REQUIRED FROM EACH ATTENDEE, including guests of our students.** Please complete the permission slip and return to the church office by **Wednesday, February 21st. Extra permission slips are on the table in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office.**

**Chaperones are needed.** There are 3 shifts and 4 chaperones per shift are needed. The shifts are: 6:30pm-11pm, 11pm-3am, and 3am-7:30am. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

**Preschool Open House:** February 29 from 4:00PM-6:30PM for anyone interested in enrolling for the 2024-2025 school year. Feel free to pick up a brochure in the narthex or church office for more information to help spread the word.

**Love INC** received approval to serve as the local agency for refugee resettlement in Sheboygan County! Welcoming refugees aligns with the Love INC values of compassion, empathy, and service to offer a helping hand to those who are struggling in our community, regardless of their background, religious affiliation, or circumstances. Love INC intends to help people thrive in our community, not just survive. Our existing ministries mirror the refugee resettlement program that is funded through the U S government. We are excited to work with Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) on this ministry. If you would like to help, please call Love INC, 920-783-6701 or speak with Barbara Wolfert CMC for Love INC.

**Love Inc/The Family Radio Network** is holding a hygiene drive. You can help ease the financial strain on local crisis centers. Please place your items in the gray bin in the narthex. Some of the most needed items are: bathroom tissue, cleaning supplies, dental care, deodorant, diapers/baby care, face/bath soap, feminine care, hair care, laundry soap, paper towels, razors, and trash bags.

**St. Mark Men's Club Brat Fry** TODAY 10:30am-1:30pm. Menu includes: brats, hamburgers, German potato salad, beans and desserts. The food will be served in the fellowship hall or can take out! 1019 N 7th Street Sheboygan, WI, United States, Wisconsin 53081

**Save the Date: Saturday, April 13th, beginning at 4:30 pm for Lutheran High School's CRUSADE FOR BIDS DINNER AUCTION.** Start rounding up your table! Reservations are required and will be available online soon.

<u>Monday</u> February 12	<u>Tuesday</u> February 13	<u>Wednesday</u> February 14	<u>Thursday</u> February 15	<u>Friday</u> February 16	<u>Saturday</u> February 17	<u>Sunday</u> February 18
8:30am Preschool 1:00pm Quilting 6:30pm CWF/ Women's Bible Study	8:30am Preschool	8:30am Preschool 10:30am Ash Wednesday Service with Communion 11:30am Soup/Sandwich Meal 4:00pm Confirmation 5:00pm Soup/Sandwich Meal 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service with Communion	8:30am Preschool 7:15pm Dartball Tigers @ Lightning			8:00am Worship with Communion 9:15am Bible Class/ Sunday School 10:30am Worship with Communion

<u>February 4, 2024 Offering</u>	
General	\$7,141.00
Special Offering: Sheboygan LHS	\$140.00
Boiler Replacement Fund	\$310.00
Kitchen Remodel	\$10.00
Church Improvement	\$100.00

<u>Attendance</u> <u>February 4, 2024</u>
8:00am: 82
10:30am: 61
Total: 143

<u>February</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
8:00am	Team 1	Peter Franz
10:30am	Team 6	Mark Plocar
February 14	Team 6	

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
Jan 29-Feb 11	Margie Born, Liz Haag, and Anne McCraw
Feb 12-Feb 25	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>
Feb 11	8:00am	Emmet Kunze and Cooper Schmidt	Rich Boje	Craig Lallensack
	10:30am	Rylan Bahr and Carson Grunewald	Dale and Linda Hopf	
Feb 14 Ash Wednesday	10:30am		Peter and Kathy Franz	
	6:30pm	Macey Schueler and Emily Harris	Judy Luecke	
Feb 18	8:00am	Brody Timm and Owen Timm	Scott and Linda Plocar	Mark Schorer
	10:30am	Emily Harris and Avery Sachse	Mark and Karen Plocar	
Feb 21	10:30am		Dick and Sherry Horness	
	6:30pm	Rylan Bahr and Cooper Schmidt	Dave and Robie Scharinger	