



# Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



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

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## Welcome to Trinity!

**February 14, 2024**

**Ash Wednesday**

**Divine Service, Setting 1**

**With Communion**

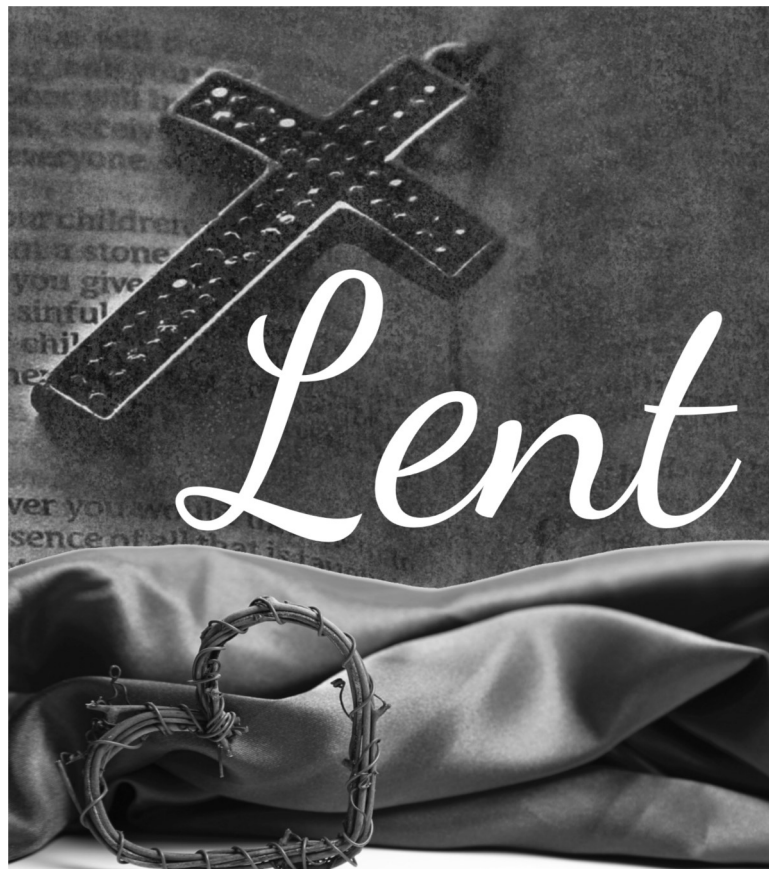
### Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Wednesdays at 10:30am and 6:30pm

### Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am



"Yet even now," declares the Lord,  
"return to me with all your heart,  
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning."

Joel 2:12, ESV

# + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

## 568 IF YOUR BELOVED SON, O GOD



1 If Your be - lov - ed Son, O God, Had not to earth de -  
2 But now I find sweet peace and rest; De - spair no more reigns  
3 I trust in Him with all my heart; Now all my sor - row  
4 All righ - teous - ness by works is vain; The Law brings con - dem -  
△ 5 My guilt, O Fa - ther, You have laid On Christ, Your Son, my



scend - ed And in our mor - tal flesh and blood Had not sin's  
o'er me. No more am I by sin op - pressed, For Christ has  
ceas - es. His words a - bid - ing peace im - part; His blood from  
na - tion. True righ - teous - ness by faith I gain; Christ's work is  
Sav - ior. Lord Je - sus, You my debt have paid And gained for



pow - er end - ed, Then this poor, wretch - ed soul of mine In  
borne sin for me. Up - on the cross for me He died That,  
guilt re - leas - es. Free grace through Him I now ob - tain; He  
my sal - va - tion. His death, that per - fect sac - ri - fice, Has  
me God's fa - vor. O Ho - ly Spir - it, Fount of grace, The



hell e - ter - nal - ly would pine Be - cause of my trans - gres - sion.  
rec - on - ciled, I might a - bide With You, my God, for - ev - er.  
wash - es me from ev - 'ry stain, And pure I stand be - fore Him.  
paid the all - suf - fi - cient price; In Him my hope is an - chored.  
good in me to You I trace; In faith and hope pre - serve me.

Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (sts. 1–4): Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; (st. 5): Neu-vermehrtes . . .  
Gesangbuch, 1661, Braunschweig

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***(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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(Kneel/Sit)*

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*(Stand)*

## **+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

*INTROIT Psalm 51:1–3, 10–12; antiphon: v. 17*

**P** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

**C** a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

**P** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

**C** according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**P** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

**C** and cleanse me from my sin!

**P** For I know my transgressions,

**C** and my sin is ever before me.

**P** Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**C** and renew a right spirit within me.

**P** Cast me not away from your presence,

**C** and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

**P** Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

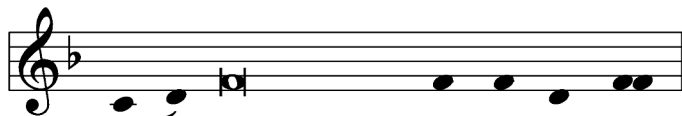
**C** and uphold me with a willing spirit.

**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** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

**C** a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

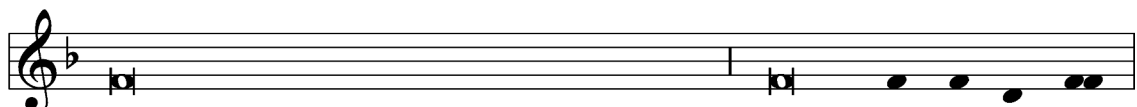
*KYRIE LSB 152*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.




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



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



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



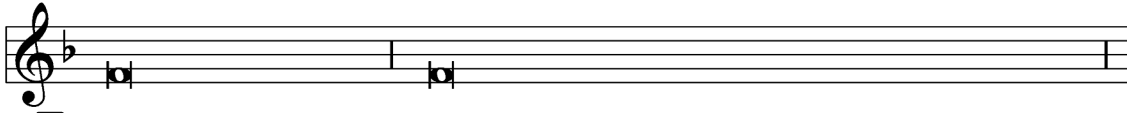
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



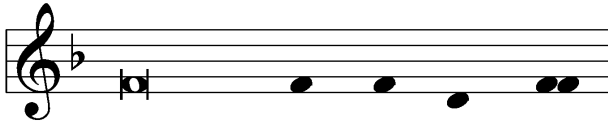
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



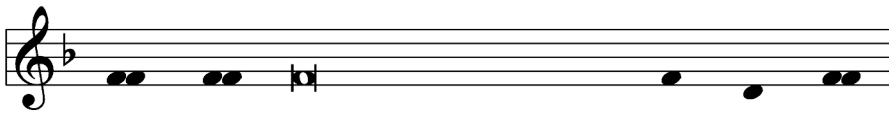
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## *SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY*

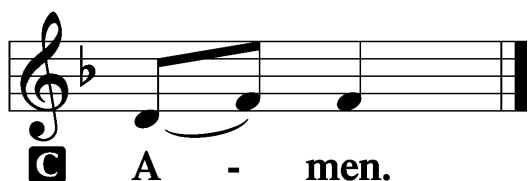
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God,  
You despise nothing You have made and  
forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create  
in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting

our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**(Sit)**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**     *Joel 2:12–19*

<sup>12</sup>“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <sup>13</sup>and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

<sup>14</sup>Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? <sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; <sup>16</sup>gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the

children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. <sup>17</sup>Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, “Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’” <sup>18</sup>Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. <sup>19</sup>The LORD answered and said to his people, “Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*EPISTLE*                      *2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10*

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. <sup>1</sup>Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, “In



a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.<sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry,<sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities,<sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger;<sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love;<sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left;<sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true;<sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed;<sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

***(Stand)***

## HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.



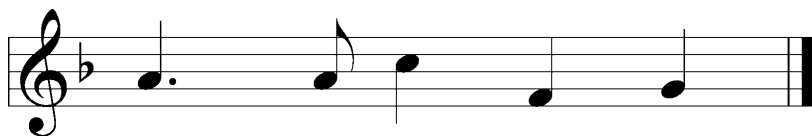
**G** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. <sup>2</sup>“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>5</sup>“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in

secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .<sup>16</sup>“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.<sup>17</sup> But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face,<sup>18</sup> that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>19</sup>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal,<sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.<sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

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



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

**(Sit)**

# 729 I AM TRUSTING THEE, LORD JESUS



1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;  
2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,  
3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;  
4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.  
For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.  
Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.  
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

5 I am trusting Thee for power;  
Thine can never fail.  
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me  
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;  
Never let me fall.  
I am trusting Thee forever  
And for all.

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## SERMON

**(Stand)**

## *NICENE CREED*

**☩ 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 sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will 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 in 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.**

*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.*

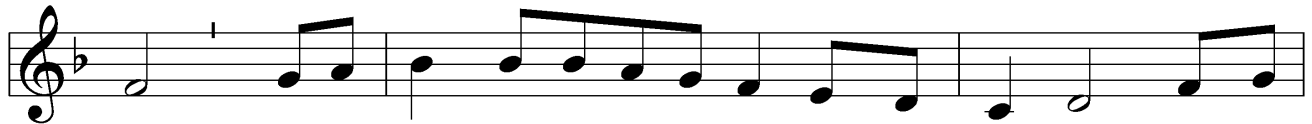
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*OFFERING—Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.*

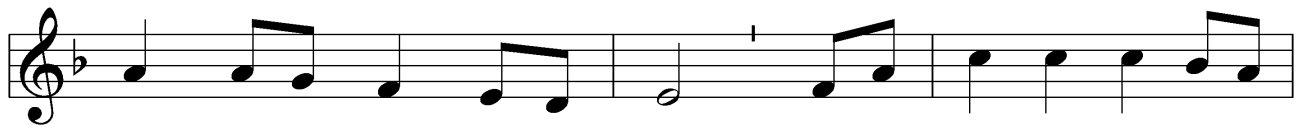
**OFFERTORY      LSB 159**



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



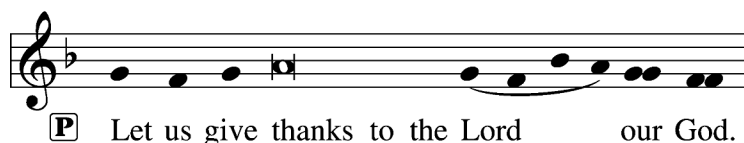
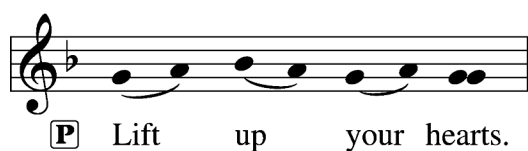
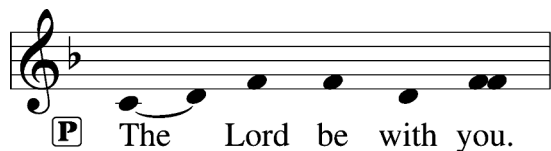
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

# + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

## *PREFACE*      *LSB 160*



**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in

sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## *SANCTUS LSB 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## *THE WORDS OF OUR LORD*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in



remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## 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.

*PAX DOMINI LSB 163*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

*AGNUS DEI LSB 163*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the

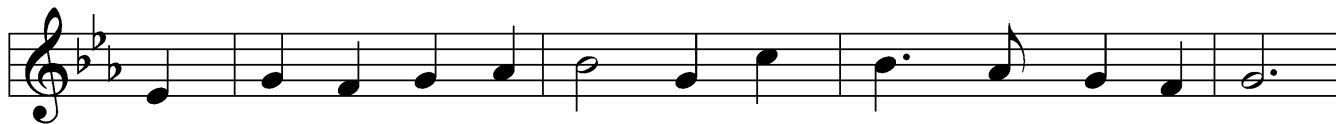


sin of the world; grant us peace.

**(Sit)**

# DISTRIBUTION

## 742 FOR ME TO LIVE IS JESUS



1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;  
2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim  
3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;  
4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.  
My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.

5 In my last hour, O grant me  
A slumber soft and still,  
No doubts to vex or haunt me,  
Safe anchored in Thy will;

6 And so to Thee still cleaving  
When death shall come to me,  
I fall asleep believing  
And wake in heav'n with Thee!

Text: Ein schön geistlich Gesangbuch, 1609, Jena; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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# 732 ALL DEPENDS ON OUR POSSESSING



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant  
2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y  
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles  
4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.  
joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.  
and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.  
heart will quick - en; All my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en By their God are  
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly  
I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me  
To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der Soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.  
guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.  
last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.  
I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.

5 Well He knows what best to grant me;  
All the longing hopes that haunt me,  
Joy and sorrow, have their day.  
I shall doubt His wisdom never;  
As God wills, so be it ever;  
I commit to Him my way.

6 If my days on earth He lengthen,  
God my weary soul will strengthen;  
All my trust in Him I place.  
Earthly wealth is not abiding,  
Like a stream away is gliding;  
Safe I anchor in His grace.

Text: Andächtige Haus-Kirche, 1676, Nürnberg; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.  
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**(Stand)**

## *POST-COMMUNION COLLECT*

**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# BENEDICTION LSB 166

**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.



**♩** A - men.

**(Sit)**

## 621 LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and  
2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on  
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard  
4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,  
on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing  
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -  
In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the  
From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to  
As with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.  
faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

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## **Trinity Messenger**

Thank you to Paulette Krueger for playing for us today. We appreciate your time and talents.

**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** has now begun. 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.

**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.

(cont. from **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 29th 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/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.



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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
<b>Feb 12-Feb 25</b>	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel
<b>Feb 26-Mar 10</b>	Rita Winter and Robie Scharinger

<u>February</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
<b>8:00am</b>	Team 1	Peter Franz
<b>10:30am</b>	Team 6	Mark Plocar
<b>February 14</b>	Team 6	
<b>February 21</b>	Team 5	