



# 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 25, 2024**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**Divine Service, Setting 1**

### Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Wednesdays at 10:30am and 6:30pm

### Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am

“**I AM  
GOD  
ALMIGHTY;  
WALK  
BEFORE ME  
FAITHFULLY AND  
BE BLAMELESS.**”

**GENESIS 17:1, NIV**

# Confession and Absolution

## Opening Hymn: LSB 594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

*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 ✠ 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 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6*

**P** Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,

**C** **for they have been from of old.**

**P** You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!

**C** **He is their help and their shield.**

**P** The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us;

**C** **he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron;**

**P** he will bless those who fear the LORD,

**C** **both the small and the great.**

**P** We will bless the LORD

**C** **from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!**

**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** Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,

**C** **for they have been from of old.**

# Kyrie

**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. O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16*

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, <sup>2</sup>that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

<sup>15</sup>And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Romans 5:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

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



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

<sup>27</sup>And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” <sup>30</sup>And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

<sup>31</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? <sup>37</sup>For what can a man give in return for his life? <sup>38</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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



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

*Sit*

Sermon Hymn: LSB 580 The Gospel Shows the Father’s Grace

Sermon

*Stand*

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.

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

*Sit*  
**Offering—8:00am Service: Men’s Club will sing LSB 861 “Christ Be My Leader”**  
*Stand*  
**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.

**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.

**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.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*  
**Closing Hymn: LSB 680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise**

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## **Trinity Messenger**

Thank you to Anne Middleton and Sarah Jabs for playing for us today. We appreciate your time and talents.

**Birthday Blessings to:** Monique Brandt, Ellie Schueler, Luna Polzin, and Daniel Horness.

**Flowers** on the altar are from Dan and Connie Bitter for Kyle's Birthday.

**IT IS TIME TO ORDER FLOWERS FOR EASTER—Orders are due** no later than Sunday, March 3, 2024. Beautiful spring flowers can be purchased through the church and can be picked up on Easter following the 10:30am worship service. We again will have choices of Lilies (white), Tulips (red or pink), Hyacinth (purple or white), Daffodils (yellow) and new this year—Martha Washington Geraniums (pink or purple). The cost is \$11.00 for each flower. There are order forms on the table in the narthex. Please put your form and payment in Connie (Dan) Bitter's mailbox. You may also email her at [connie.bitter@yahoo.com](mailto:connie.bitter@yahoo.com). You will need to order no later than Sunday, March 3rd. If you would like to recognize a loved one, we will list this in the bulletin. Please make sure you print clearly.

**The Youth Group Lock-In** Thank you parents, volunteers, and students for helping us have another successful lock-in. Thank you Concordia, WI for leading the lock-in.

**A special thank you goes to Dan Duessing at the Lakeside Bottling Company for the pop and water donation.**

**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 through March 3rd. 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.

**Fireside Trip** We have 48 tickets to the Fireside for Saturday, November 2nd. A sign up sheet and a flyer will be on the table in the narthex this weekend. All the information you need is on the flyer. This year's show is Miracle in 34th Street. There's also a dinner choice sheet. Please choose the meal you would like. If you have any questions, please text or call Toni at (920) 912-4061 or [jtpost11@yahoo.com](mailto:jtpost11@yahoo.com)

**St. Paul Lutheran Church,** Sheboygan Falls is having a Souper Sunday Cook Off. This event takes place March 3, 10:45am-1:00pm (or until the Nescos are empty.) Cost is \$12 per person 13 and up, \$5 for children 4-12 years old, and FREE for children 3 and under. All proceeds go to The Gathering Place and Memory Matters day programs for adults with memory loss.

**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.**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>
<b>Feb 25</b>	8:00am	Andie Koenig and Macey Schueler	Jan and Deb Grunewald	Scott Timm
	10:30am	Bryce Peter and Ethan Fenn	Mark and Karen Plocar	
<b>Feb 28</b>	10:30am		Dale and Donna Bitter	
	6:30pm	Brody Timm and Owen Timm	Dick and Lee Schoessow	
<b>Mar 3</b>	8:00am	Cooper Schmidt and Emmet Kunze	Betty Butler	Josh Schorer
	10:30am	Rylan Bahr and Carson Grunewald	Nathan and Jennie Cassity	
<b>Mar 6</b>	10:30am		Al Bramstedt	
	6:30pm	Avery Sachse and Andie Koenig	Kathy Schmid	

<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 28</b>	Team 4	

<u>March</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
<b>8:00am</b>	Team 3	Tom Weber
<b>10:30am</b>	Team 2	Jim Post
<b>March 6</b>	Team 5	

<u>2/14 Attendance</u>
10:30am: 46
6:30pm: 53
Total: 99

<u>2/18 Attendance</u>
8:00am: 92
10:30am: 68
Total: 160
Sunday School: 18

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

<u>2/14 and 2/18 Offering</u>	
Ash Wednesday 2/14	\$1,318.50
Lenten Meal Free Will Offering	\$159.00
General for 2/18	\$3,970.00
Boiler Fund-CWF	\$80.80
Boiler Fund	\$350.00
Church Improvement	\$405.00
Sunday School	\$5.00