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#2 Despite Persecution, Greatly Gladdened by the Word's Small Successes

Therefore I could not refrain from visiting you in the spirit with this letter to tell you of my joy. For I can

truthfully boast that the condemnation and persecution of the pope and all the world do not offend and sadden me as much as I am strengthened and delighted when I hear that a person grasps and praises the tender truth. How much more it comforts me when I discovered and daily do discover that this truth has been recognized so zealously by you and others of your class, and is openly confessed. God mercifully permits me to see that his Word does not go forth in vain, as he declares in Isaiah 44 [55:11], in order to comfort me so that my faith will grow stronger and so that I will not have only sadness. He also informs me that all the world opposes this, as he says in Matthew 24 [:9], "You must be hateful to all nations for my name's sake." (Luther's Works, v.43, p.61-62)

Assistants

Welcome

to Trinity

Elder – Dan Byrne (922-3556) Acolytes – Dylan Dunaway Altar Guild – Dan and LeeAnn Byrne

Organist – LeeAnn Byrne Church Cleaning – Dec 6/13 Stretch, Dec 20/27 Smith

Before Reading Holy Scripture 2

ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, Lord, Heavenly Father, Whose Word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our way: Open and enlighten my mind that I may understand Thy Word purely, clearly and devoutly, and fashion my life according to it, in order that I may never displease Thy Majesty; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.27).

Divine Service I, p.136

THE PREPARATION	
Hymn	#12
+ Invocation/Confession/Absolution	
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THE SERVICE OF THE WORD	(:
+ Introit	(insert)
[Pastor chants first 4 lines,	
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Epistle	
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Propers for the Second Sunday in Advent

(Populus Zion)

Introit



Daughter of / Zion,*

behold, surely your salvation is / coming.

The Lord will cause His glorious voice / to be heard,* and you shall have glad- / ness of heart.

Give ear, O Shepherd of / Israel,*

You who lead Jacob / like a flock.

Restore / us, O God;*

cause Your face to shine, and we / shall be saved!

Return, we beseech You, O / God of Hosts,*

look down from heav-/en and see.

Let Your hand be upon the Man of Your / right hand,*

upon the Son of Man whom You made strong / for Yourself.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son*

and to the Holy / Spirit

as it was in the be / ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Daughter of / Zion,*

behold, surely your salvation is / coming.

The Lord will cause His glorious voice / to be heard,*

and you shall have glad- / ness of heart.

(Antiphon, Is 62:11, Ps 30:29,30; Psalm 80:1,3,14,17)

Collect

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son that by His coming we may be given to serve You with cleansed minds; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

Malachi 4:1-6

The day of the Lord

Gradual

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God / will shine forth:* our / God shall come.



Gather My saints together / unto Me,*

those who have made a covenant with Me by / sacrifice.

(Ps 50:2-3a, 5)

Romans 15:4-13

The God of Patience

Verse

Alle- | luia.* Alle- | luia.

The powers of | heaven*
will be | shaken.

Then they will see the Son of Man coming | in a cloud*
with power and great glory. Alle- | luia. (Luke 21:26–27)

St. Luke 21:25-36

Be Always on the Watch

Followed by The Nicene Creed, p. 141

Prayer for the Church

<u>Thanksgiving</u>. –Jesus Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, the Root of Jesse, and the Son of Man coming in the clouds, we give you thanks that we need not fear your coming but may lift up our heads in the confident hope of eternal life.

The Church and her servants.—Heavenly Father, we ask that your church might not be caught lazily sleeping in her sinfulness, but would be restored so that she would hear your glorious voice with a glad heart and gives herself over to the rejoicing voice of prayer.

- --may all pastors in Christ, including our bishop, James Heiser, and our pastors, Gary K. Harroun and Michael D. Henson, preach that the kingdom of God is near and thus turn the hearts of your people to the coming Lord.
- --bless the Word taught to the children in our Learning Center that trusting in your eternal Word they will never be ashamed. For our Director, Keely Gelso, and the rest of our staff that by the teaching of your Word, both adults and children would have hope.

<u>The nations of the world and their rulers</u>.— Give Your blessing to our president, Donald Trump, our governor, J.B. Pritzker, and to all in authority over us and grant them Your grace and guidance.

Grant protection to our military who risk their lives for the common good, especially Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt. and our police officers, especially Daniel Byrne and Alex Byrne.

--Almighty and everlasting God, the consolation of the sorrowful and the strength of the weak, look upon the tribulation and distress of those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world. Comfort those who have lost loved ones, provide care for those infected and calm the worries of the timid, so that in their necessities they may observe and receive your manifold help and comfort.

Particular local needs.—

Shut-ins.- Carolyn Westerman(Liberty Village)

Elderly.- Violet Kemp, Verdelle Thies(Patty Kenner's mother)

Various Needs.- Priscilla Kreuzer, Katelyn Guetersloh(MS), Jade Warden(Lee Dunaway's step dad's daughter, cancer), Kevin Krolak (nephew of Patti Baker), Linda Plock, Rebekah Roethe (cancer, friend of Turners), Victor and Marsha Turner, Tony Prochaska, Gib (Jane's Brother), and Patty Kenner(Positive for Covid on 12/2)

Students.- Kara Martin at University of Tennessee at Martin (1710 East Stotlar, Herrin, IL 62948)

Andrew Miller at SIU-E (1144 University Drive, Edwardsville, IL 62025)

Eric Henson at SIU-E (605 Indian Hill Drive, Herrin, IL 62948)

Jonathan Henson at SIU-C (605 Indian Hill Drive, Herrin, IL 62948)

Kiersten Jolly at University of Tennessee at Martin

Alexis Darnstaedt at University of Missouri, Columbia

Sarah Miller at University of Kentucky, Lexington (2076 S. McGeesville Road, Carbondale, IL 62902)

Benjamin Henson at St. Ignatius Seminary (100 Highland St. Apt. 107, Hillsboro TX 76645)

Jacob Henson at St. Ignatius Seminary (400 Old Brandon Rd. Apt. 302, Hillsboro TX 76645)

Ashleigh Byrne at Colorado State University-Global (4513 Brookridge Rd. Chesterfield, VA 23832)

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* Jerusalem, hasten, and stand on high; and behold the joy and gladness that comes unto you from God your Savior (Baruch 5:5, 4:36). **Psalm 147:12-20**

Box Tops For Education

If you still have or find box tops, clip them out and bring them to us. But as these are phased out, follow the steps below:





- 1. Download app at BFTE.com
- 2. Scan Receipt
- 3. That's it.

(Several people have volunteered to scan receipts for those who don't have a smart phone. Speak to Patty Kenner, if you need someone.)

Weekly Calendar TODAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM

WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM

-Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY -Ladies Christmas Party (Patti Baker's) SATURDAY -Private Confession and Absolution, 8 PM

NEXT -THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

SUNDAY -Matins on St. Lucy, Martyr, 8:00 AM

-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM

-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SERVICES

CHRIST'S MASS EVE, DIVINE SERVICE Thu., December 24, 7:00 PM
CHRISTMAS MATINS
Friday, December 25, 8:00 AM
CHRIST'S MASS DAY DIVINE SERVICE
Fri., December 25, 9:00 AM

Addresses of those in the military

Danny Cobin, USAF

Blake Darnstaedt

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(nephew of Victor & Marsha)

Jason Melvin, Capt.

Wife: Stephanie

201 Estates Drive Centerville, OH 45459

Wife: Lindsay

Addresses of Shut-Ins

Carolyn Westerman

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Trinity News

<u>Ladies Christmas Party</u>.—Thursday, Dec. 10 at Patti Baker's house.

The Lord's Supper

Trinity Lutheran Church observes the Scriptural practice (*Eph 4:3, 2 John 1:10-11*) of communing only with those for whom their public profession of faith (congregational

membership) is in agreement with God's Word and the correct exposition of Holy Scripture as found in the Book of Concord (1580). All who desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins are asked to speak with Pastor Henson before coming forward to commune.

Trinity Lutheran Church is served by pastors who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America(Eldona.org).

- --Those who are members of Eldona-affiliated congregations are welcome to commune after announcing to Pastor Henson.
- --Those who are not members of Eldona-affiliated congregations will need to set up an appointment with Pastor Henson to discuss their public church membership.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Trinity Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but **His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.** Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Those who are not yet invited to receive the Sacrament are encouraged to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when our divisions will have ceased.



At the top of the etching, a dove is hovering with seven rays extending down to the seven branches of the lampstand. Above the dove are the words, "The Spirit of God is yours/for you.'

Each of the seven rays is designated with the words:

To receive eternal life (Romans 5:16)

To strengthen (Ephesians 3:16)

To satisfy (Romans 14:7)

To comfort (Romans 15:12)

To sanctify (Romans 1:4)

To enlighten (1 Corinthians 12)

To ignite (Romans 12:11)