Welcome to Trinity

#2 When Depressed the devil Accuses Me of Silly Sins

To be gloomy before God is not pleasing to him, although he would permit us to be depressed before the world. He does not wish me to have a long face in his

presence, as he says, 'I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked' [Ezek. 33:11] and 'Rejoice in the Lord' [Phil. 4:4]. He desires not a servant who does not expect good things of him.

"Although I know this, I am of a different mind ten times in the course of a day. But I resist the devil, and often it is with a fart that I chase him away. When he tempts me with silly sins I say, 'Devil, yesterday I broke wind too. Have you written it down on your list?' ... **Thus I remind myself of the forgiveness of sin and of Christ** ... He often troubles me with trivialities. I don't notice this when I'm depressed, but when I feel better I recognize it easily. (Luther's Works, v. 54, p.15)

Assistants

Elder – Dan Byrne (922-3556) Altar Guild – Dan and LeeAnn Byrne Organist – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning-Dec 5 Brieschke. Dec 12/18 Blair

For Constancy.

O GOD, incomprehensible, Who doest great wonders, Who changest the waters, which once stood still in Thy sight, at later time into wine: We humbly beseech Thee to hear the voice of our crying, to bestow on us such remembrance that we may never forget Thee; livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen (Oremus, 1925, p.59-60).

Divine Service I, p.136

THE PREPARATION	
Hymn	#25
+ Invocation/Confession/Absolution	p.136-137
THE SERVICE OF THE WORD	
+ Introit	(insert)
[Pastor chants first 4 lines,	
then congregation joins in.]	
+ Kyrie	p.137
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Epistle	
+ Alleluia Verse	(insert)
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+ Preface, etc	p.144-151
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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.
- -Saint Paul Lutheran Church, UAC (Taylorsville, NC), Pr. David Carver

The nations of the world and their rulers.— Give Your blessing to our president, Joe Biden, 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 (Assisted Living at Parkway Manor), **Elderly**.- Violet Kemp

Various Needs.- Kevin Krolak (nephew of Patti Baker), Victor and Marsha Turner, Brad Turner, Gib, Howard and Stan (Jane's Brothers), Jack Plock (brother of Cecil Plock), Levi Gonzalez (nephew of Patti Baker), Jennifer (Cecil's daughter), Laura Marchetti (ECLC teacher), Grover Webb, Joyce Aukamp(Barnes after a fall, cousin of Carol Henson), and Charlie and Barb Sumner

Students.- Sarah Miller (University of Kentucky, Lexington), Sadie Henson (Concordia University, Nebraska), Jonathan Henson (Southern Illinois University) Kara Martin (University of Southern Indiana), Alexis Darnstaedt (University of Missouri, Columbia), and Benjamin Henson and Jacob Henson (St. Ignatius Seminary).

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**

Weekly Calendar

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

WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart/Catechesis Service, 6:30 PM THURSDAY -Ladies Christmas Party (Mary Brieschke's)

SATURDAY -Private Confession and Absolution, 8 PM

NEXT -THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

SUNDAY -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 Fri., December 24, 7:00 PM (NOTE: THERE IS NO LATE NIGHT SERVICE.)

CHRISTMAS MATINS

Saturday, December 25, 8:00 AM

CHRIST'S MASS DAY DIVINE SERVICE Sat., December 25, 9:00 AM

Trinity News <u>Ladies Christmas Party</u>.—Thursday, Dec. 9 at Mary Brieschke's house.

<u>Christmas Services</u>.-- This year's services will be

Friday, December 24 at 7 PM and Saturday, December 25 Matins at 8 AM and Divine Service at 9AM

Shut-In Address **Carolyn Westerman**

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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 <u>before coming</u> forward to commune.

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- --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.



The Apostle Matthew from *Das Newe Testament Deuotzsch*. The image is from Martin Luther's (1483-1546) September Testament. An initial letter D with Saint Matthew writing his gospel with his attribute, an angel. Woodcut designed by Lucas Cranach, the Elder (1472-1553), a close friend of Martin Luther.