

Welcome to Trinity

#4 Pray the Catechism Every Day for Joy

In short, it does not occur to man that **God is Father**. If it did, man could not live for a single moment. Accordingly in this infirm flesh we must have faith, for if we were capable of fully believing, heaven would already be here. There is therefore no reason to fear, in so far as the object of fear is concerned, and yet we cannot understand and are compelled on account of the weakness of our flesh to suffer assaults of fear and desperation. Thus **the catechism remains lord**, and there is nobody who understands it. **I am accordingly compelled to pray it every day**, even aloud, and whenever I happen to be prevented by the press of duties from observing my hour of prayer, the entire day is bad for me. Prayer helps us very much and gives us a cheerful heart, not on account of any merit in the work, but because we have spoken with God and found everything to be in order. (Luther's Works, v. 54, p.15)

Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064)
Altar Guild – Dan and LeeAnn Byrne
Organist – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning– Dec 19 Blair, Dec 26/Jan 2 Baker

For Forgiveness 3.
HEAR us when we call, O Lord Jesus Christ, Who art our Righteousness; that as Thou didst for the wicked undergo all miseries, so Thou wouldest on the penitent bestow all mercies; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.61).

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
Gloria in Excelsis is omitted in Advent
+ Salutation/Collect of the Day..... p.139
Old Testament Reading
Gradual (insert)
Epistle
+ Alleluia Verse..... (insert)
+ Holy Gospel..... p.140-141
Nicene Creed..... p.141
Hymn..... #19
Sermon
Offering plates are in the back.
+ Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.143
+ Prayer of the Church..... p.144

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

+ Preface, etc. p.144-151
Distribution & Hymns
Communion Psalm (by cantor)
#20, #239, #31, #28
+ "Lord, now you let ..." p.152
+ Post-Communion Collects p.153
+ Benedicamus/Benediction..... p.154ff

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Propers for the Fourth Sunday in Advent

(*Rorate Coeli*)

Introit

Rain down, you heavens, /
from above,*



and let the skies pour down the / Righteous One;
Let the earth o- / pen her womb,*
and bring forth Sal- / vation.

The heavens declare the glo- / ry of God;*
and the firmament shows His / handiwork.
Their voice is gone out into / all the earth,*
and their words to the end / of the world.*
In the heavens He has set a tabernacle / for the sun,*
which is like a Bridegroom coming out of His / chamber.
His going forth is from the end of the / heaven,*
and his circuit unto the / end of it.
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.
Rain down, you heavens, / from above,*
and let the skies pour down the / Righteous One;
Let the earth o- / pen her womb,*
and bring forth Sal- / vation.

(*Antiphon, Is 45:8; Ps 19:1, 4-6*)

Collect

Stir up your power, O Lord, we implore You, and come among us, that by Your grace whatever is hindered by our sins may yet be speedily accomplished through Your mercy and satisfaction; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN

Deuteronomy 18:15-19

A Prophet like Moses

Gradual

The Lord is near to all who call
up- / on Him,*



to all who call upon / Him in truth.

My mouth shall speak the praise / of the Lord,*

and all flesh shall bless His / holy name. (*Psalms 145:18, 21*)

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Verse

Alle- | luia.*

Alle- | luia.

You are my help and my de- | liverer;*

do not delay, O my God. Alle- | luia. (*Ps.40:17*)

St. John 1:19-28

Make Straight the Way of the Lord

Followed by The Nicene Creed, p. 141

Prayer for the Church

Thanksgiving. – Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

Lord God, the promised Prophet from among the brothers, and the Christ, we give you thanks that you have granted us eternal life so that we hear your voice in the person of your Son and listen to him.

The Church and her servants.—Give your people an abundance of joy and peace. Give them hearts which desire to attend your services and rejoice in all circumstances with prayer, petition, thanksgiving and praise. Give them the peace which transcends all understanding so that their hearts and minds will not be led astray but guarded unto eternal life.

--give all pastors in Christ, including our bishop, James Heiser and our pastors Gary K. Harroun and Michael D. Henson, the humility of St. John the Baptist so that they do not regard their person, but only concern themselves with being a voice, which agrees with God's Holy Word.

--the children of our Learning Center so that they celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ come in the flesh. Uphold our Director, Keely Gelso, and all our staff.

--Sts. Peter and Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, UAC
(Simpsonville, SC) and All Saints Lutheran Mission (Myrtle
Beach, SC), Pr. Jerry Dulas

The nations of the world and their rulers.— Grant that our president,
Joe Biden, our governor, J.B. Pritzker, our mayor, Steve Frattini,
and all our leaders that they may be dedicated to their callings,
grow daily in wisdom, and have a genuine concern for the people
God has placed in their care.

-Bless our police officers, especially Daniel Byrne and Alex Byrne,
and the members of our armed forces, especially Danny Cobin,
Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt, and others who must be
separated from their families during the holy days around
Christmas, that they may be kept in safety until they are reunited.

--For the lonely during the holidays that they put their hope in you.

--Provide for all those who have been displaced from their homes and
suffered damage caused by the recent tornadoes. Open the hearts
and hands of Your holy people to share from their bounty to
provide shelter, clothing, and food to all those in need. Sustain
the aid workers to provide comfort and assistance to all those with
needs.

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), and Joyce Aukamp(cousin of
Carol Henson).

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).

Asleep in Jesus.- For the family of Garland Tomkins, who was laid to rest on
Friday, Dec 17.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and
bear a Son: and his name shall be called Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:14).

Psalm 19:1-6

**Weekly
Calendar**

TODAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM
-Christmas Caroling 1 PM

-Learn-by-Heart Recitation of the Lord's Prayer

TUESDAY **-Divine Service on St. Thomas, Apostle, 10:30 AM**

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

-Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

FRIDAY **-CHRIST'S MASS EVE SERVICE, 7:00 PM**

-Note: There is no 11 PM service

SATURDAY **-FULL MATINS ON CHRISTMAS DAY, 8:00 AM**

-CHRIST'S MASS DAY SERVICE, 9:00 AM

SUNDAY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM

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

-Learn-by-Heart Certificate for the Lord's Prayer

Addresses of those in the military

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Trinity News

2021 Pecan Fundraiser for ECLC.—We have some extra bags of pecans downstairs to sell. There are 13 of the plain pecans (extra-large halves) at \$11.00. There are 13 cinnamon glazed and 13 glazed for \$9.00/bag.

ECLC Closed Dec 23, 2021 through January 2, 2022.

Seminarian Tuition.—Due to generous donations, the Fall 2021 tuition has been paid for both seminarians. And in addition, \$185 has been applied to each of their Winter 2021-22 tuition, leaving \$565 left for each.

Operation Kentucky Relief will be collecting items on Monday and Tuesday of this week. See attached half-page flyer.

2022 ELDONA Family Camp is set for July 25 -29, 2022. Our host will be St. Patrick Ev. Lutheran Church (Chipley, FL) at Surfside Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach. Their website is surfsideretreat.org for more information. The cost for the entire week will be \$156 per person plus \$30 for food per person. A \$100 non-refundable deposit to reserve a spot at camp is due by March 5th. Trinity's youth fund will pay for our trip.



OPERATION KENTUCKY RELIEF:

Our Neighbors in KY Need Our Help!

Christian Life Church will be collecting items to take to Kentucky for the relief efforts happening after the recent tornadoes. A truck will be set up at Kroger in Herrin, IL for those in our community who would like to donate. We will be collecting on

Monday, December 20th and Tuesday, December 21st, 10 am – 6 pm.

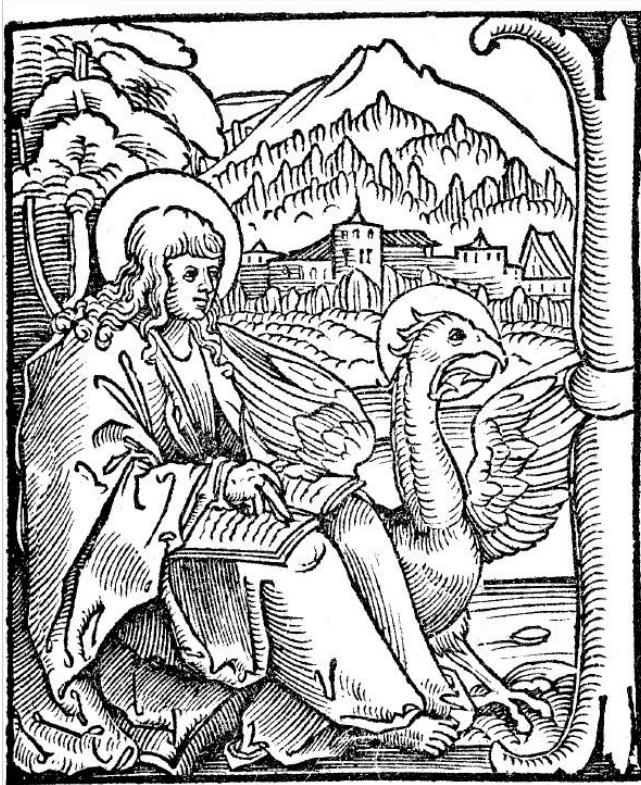
Drivers will then deliver the items to Kentucky on Wednesday, Dec 22.

Items that we are accepting:

- Cases of bottled water
- Personal care products
- Cleaning supplies
- Paper products
- Baby and infant supplies
- First-aid items

(Please no clothing at this time)

For more information, please contact us (618) 942-7369 or info@clcherrin.com.



The Apostle John

from *Das Neue Testament Deutzsch*. The image is from Martin Luther's (1483-1546) September Testament. John writes the book of Revelation with his attribute the eagle nearby. Woodcut designed by Lucas Cranach, the Elder (1472-1553), a close friend of Martin Luther.

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.