

Divine Service I, p.136**Welcome
to Trinity****#3 With Christ, We Have No Reason to Fear His Wrath**

"Well, then, our furious foe has done us much harm. I know that I shall see him and his flaming missiles in the last day. **As long as we have pure teaching he will not harm**

us, but if the teaching is wrong we are done for. But praise be to God, who gave us the Word and also allowed his only Son to die for us! He did not do this in vain. Accordingly we should entertain the hope that we are saints, that we are saved, and that this will be manifest when it is revealed. Since Christ accepted the thief on the cross just as he was and received Paul after all his blasphemies and persecutions, we have no reason to despair. As a matter of fact, all of us must be saved just as the thief and Paul were. **Good God, what do you think it means that he has given his only Son?** It means that he also offers whatever else he possesses. We have no reason, therefore, to fear his wrath, although we must continue to fear on account of the old Adam, who is still unable to understand this as it ought to be understood. If we had only the first three words of the Creed,³⁹ 'I believe in God the Father,' they would still be far beyond our understanding and reason. (Luther's Works, v. 54, p.15)

For Forgiveness 2.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord God, to hide Thy face from our sins, and to forgive all our misdeeds, and as the publican who stood afar off was heard for the sake of his humility, so hear us for the merits of our humility, of Him, Who being co-equal with Thee, His Father, yet for our sakes vouchsafed to take upon Him the form of a servant, even our Lord Jesus Christ; Who liveth and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.61).

THE PREPARATION

"A Shoot Shall Come Forth" (choir)

+ 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..... #25

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)

#18, #238, #82, #34, #72

+ "Lord, now you let ..." p.152

+ Post-Communion Collects p.153

+ Benedicamus/Benediction..... p.154ff

Trinity Lutheran Church & Early Childhood Learning Center

1000 North Park Avenue, Herrin, IL 62948 Church 942-3401, Learning Center 942-4750 www.trinityh.org

Pastor Michael D. Henson • Deacon Gary K. Harroun

Pr. Henson and Dcn. Harroun are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (Eldona.org)

Propers for the Third Sunday in Advent

(Gaudete)

Introit

Rejoice in the Lord /
always.*



Again will I / say, rejoice!

Let your gentleness be known to / all men.*

The Lord / is at hand.

Lord, You have been favourable / to Your land;*

You have brought back the captivity of / Jacob.

You have forgiven the iniquity of Your / people;*

You have covered / all their sin.

Will You not revive / us again,*

that Your people may re- / joice in You?

I will hear what God the / Lord will speak,*

for He will speak peace to His / people.

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.

Rejoice in the Lord / always.*

Again will I / say, rejoice!

Let your gentleness be known to / all men.*

The Lord / is at hand. (*Antiphon, Phil 4:4-5; Ps 85:1-2,6, 8*)

Collect

Lord, we implore You, give ear to our prayers and lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You now live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN

Isaiah 40:1-11

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Gradual

You who dwell between the
cherubim, / shine forth!*



Stir up Your / strength and come!

Give ear, O Shepherd of / Israel,*

You who lead Joseph / like a flock. (*Psalm 80:1-2*)

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

He Who Judges is the Lord

Verse

Alle- | luia.*

Alle- | luia.

Stir | up Your strength,*

and come and save us! Alle- | luia. (*Psalm 80:2*)

St. Matthew 11:2-11

Greater than John

Followed by The Nicene Creed, p. 141

Prayer for the Church

Thanksgiving. – Lord God, O Shepherd of Israel, and One who is to come, we give you thanks that you sent us prophets and holy men of old—the greatest being John the Baptist--to prepare the way for your coming so that we might receive your forgiveness with repentance.

The Church and her servants.—Heavenly Father, we ask that your church through the preaching of Your Word would continue to proclaim the fulfilled prophesies about Christ's works and comfort restless hearts. May all pastors in Christ, including our bishop, James Heiser and our pastors Gary K. Harroun and Michael D. Henson, not be reeds swayed by the winds of change and public opinion, but faithful stewards of the mysteries of God, so that God's people might be made ready through Jesus Christ's overflowing forgiveness to rejoice in the Lord always.

--Gather the little lambs attending our Learning Center and carry them close to your heart. Uphold our Director, Keely Gelso, and all our staff.

--Faith Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR) Pastor Daniel Mensing

The nations of the world and their rulers.— Give Your blessing to Joe Biden, the President of the United States and John G. Roberts, Jr.,

our chief justice, and all who make, administer and judge our laws for the common good, that they reward those who do well, punish those who do evil, maintain morality, protect the unborn and the weak, and command the forces of our nation with wisdom.

--extend Your gracious rule over all the nations of the earth so that wars may cease, prisoners of conscience may be released, and enemies may once again live together in peace. Defend the soldiers, airmen, sailors, and marines who risk their lives in service to their country and sustain them during their days of service— especially Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt and our police officers, especially Daniel Byrne and Alex Byrne.

--Provide for those who are hungry, homeless, and unemployed, so that filled with the Lord's hope through His means of grace and helped through the hands, ears, and mouths of God's faithful people, they may receive all that they need to support this body and life.

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(cousin of Carol Henson), and Charlie 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).

Hospitalized.- Garland Tomkins (Herrin Hospital)

Asleep in Jesus.- For Charlie and the family of Barb Sumner, who was laid to rest on Saturday, Dec 11.

Communion Psalm: Ant. Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not; behold your God will come and save you (Isaiah 35:4). **Isaiah 55:6-11**

**Weekly
Calendar**

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

WEDNESDAY **-Full Matins for Ember Wednesday, 7:00 AM**

-Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM

-Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

FRIDAY **-Full Matins for Ember Friday, 7:00 AM**

SATURDAY **-Ember Saturday Vespers, 7:00 PM**

NEXT **-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

SUNDAY **-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM**

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

-Christmas Caroling, 1:00 PM

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

Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064)

Altar Guild – Dan and LeeAnn Byrne

Organist – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning– Dec 12/18 Blair, Dec 26/Jan 2 Baker

Altar Flowers - given by Walt and Mary Brieschke in thanksgiving for the birth of her youngest son, Matthew Hackett on Dec. 8.

Addresses of those in the military

Jason Melvin, Capt.

340 Cobalt Lane

Miramar Beach FL 32550

Wife: Lindsay

Blake Darnstaedt

7389 McAuliffe Way, unit B

Fort Campbell, TN 42223

Wife: Danielle

Addresses of Shut-In

Carolyn Westerman

3116 Williamson Cty Pkwy, Apt. 508, Marion, IL 62959

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.

Trinity News

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.



St. Luke

from *Das Neue Testament*

Deutzsch. The image is from Martin Luther's (1483-1546)

September Testament.

Luke writes his gospel with his attribute the bull nearby. Woodcut designed by Lucas Cranach, the Elder (1472-1553), a close friend of Martin Luther.