SEXAGESIMA (About 60 days)

## Welcome to Trinity

### #16 Wherever God Builds a Church, Satan builds a **Chapel Next to It**

Christ worried about this, and not only worried, but also predicted that it would happen. The world refuses to be changed, even if we preached ourselves to death. Wherever the Gospel arises, therefore, the factions and sects must follow, to spoil it and put it down. The reason is that the devil must sow his seed among the good seed (Matt. 13:25); and wherever God builds a church, he builds his chapel or tabernacle next to it.<sup>2</sup> Satan always wants to be in the midst of the children of God, as Scripture says (Job 1:6). Christ intends this as a warning to His apostles and loyal preachers. They must maintain a diligent watch against this vice and be careful not to let it intrude itself and cause schisms and dissension, especially in doctrine. It is as if He were to say: "If you want to be My disciples, let your understanding and your ideas in doctrine all be the same. Let no one claim to be the master who knows something new or better, judging or condemning the others. Concentrate on what I command you to preach, not on who is to do the preaching. And preserve harmony among yourselves, so that one does not despise the other or start something new." (Luther's Works, v. 21, pages 212).

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**Next LMS** is Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM.

Ash Wednesday is February 22.

News Trinity Finances.—See insert explanation.

Seminary Tuition.— Benjamin and Jacob Henson each owe \$500 for the Winter 2022 Quarter, which is coming to a close. Spring 2023 Tuition will be \$750.

Game Night donations of \$2,285 were sent to St. Patrick LC (Chipley, FL) A Course on The Basics of Lutheran Teachings.-begins today Sunday, February 12 (apx 12:30-1:30 PM) following a provided lunch. If you might be interested in joining Trinity Lutheran Church, this is the course for you! Come and find out with the first four classes being held February 12, 19, 26, and March 5.

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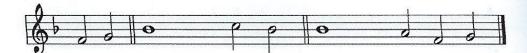
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February 12, 2023

Sexagesima Sunday (Violet)

**PSALM 24/25** 



#### Introit.

Ant. A- WAKE, || why sleepest Thou, O | Lord | -: arise, cast us not off | for- | ev- | er.
|| Wherefore hidest Thou Thy | face | -: and forgettest our | af- | flic- | tion?
Our Soul is bowed down to the | dust | -: arise for our help and | re- | deem | us.
Psalm. || We have heard with our ears, O | God | -: our fathers have told us what work Thou didst | in | their | days.
GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | -: and to the | Ho- | ly | Ghost:
AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be: world without | end. | A- | men. (Ant. Repeated.)

### Collect.

O Lord God, Who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do: Mercifully grant that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen*.

Epistle. 2 Corinthians 11:19–12:9 Additional reading: Isaiah 55:10–13

Gospel. Luke 8:4–15

#### Gradual.

|| Let the nations know that Thy Name is Je- | ho- | vah: Thou alone art the Most High over | all | the | earth.
|| O My God, make them like a | wheel | -: and like chaff be- | fore | the | wind.

Tract. || Thou hast given a banner to them that fear | Thee | -: that it may be displayed because | of | the | truth.

## Weekly Calendar

TODAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM -Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM -Basics of Lutheran Teaching, Class #1, 12:30 PM

MONDAY -Board of Education, 6:00 PM WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM -Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY -Ladies Missionary Society(LMS) at Karin Henson's, 6:00 PM.

SATURDAY -Vespers on Martin Luther, 7:00 PM -Private Confession and Absolution, 8 PM

NEXT -QUINQUAGESIMA

SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM -Divine Service, 10:15 AM

-Basics of Lutheran Teaching, Class #2, 12:30 PM

#### Isaiah 55:10-13

<sup>10</sup> "For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven. And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup> So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please. And it shall prosper *in the* thing for which I sent it.<sup>12</sup> "For you shall go out with joy, And be led out with peace; The mountains and the hills Shall break forth into singing before you, And all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands. <sup>13</sup> Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree, And instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: And it shall be to the LORD for a name, For an everlasting sign *that* shall not be cut off."

#### 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9

<sup>19</sup>For you put up with fools gladly, since you *yourselves* are wise! <sup>20</sup>For you put up with it if one brings you into bondage, if one devours *vou*, if one takes from you, if one exalts himself, if one strikes you on the face. <sup>21</sup>To *our* shame. I say that we were too weak for that! But in whatever anyone is bold—I speak foolishly—I am bold also. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So *am* I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? So *am* I. <sup>23</sup>Are they ministers of Christ?—I speak as a fool—I am more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently,

in deaths often. <sup>24</sup>From the Jews five times I received forty stripes minus one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; <sup>26</sup>in journeys often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils of my own countrymen, *in* perils of the Gentiles, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness. *in* perils in the sea. *in* perils among false brethren; <sup>27</sup>in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness—<sup>28</sup>besides the other things, what comes upon me daily: my deep concern for all the churches. <sup>29</sup>Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to stumble. and I do not burn with indignation? <sup>30</sup>If I must boast, I will boast in the things which concern my infirmity. <sup>31</sup>The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. <sup>32</sup>In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; <sup>33</sup>but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands.

<sup>1</sup>It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: <sup>2</sup>I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. <sup>3</sup>And I know such a manwhether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— <sup>4</sup>how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. <sup>5</sup>Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. <sup>6</sup>For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me *to be* or hears from me.

<sup>7</sup>And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. <sup>8</sup>Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. <sup>9</sup>And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

#### St. Luke 8:4-15

<sup>4</sup>And when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Him from every city, He spoke by a parable: <sup>5</sup>"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. <sup>6</sup>"Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. <sup>7</sup>"And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup>"But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

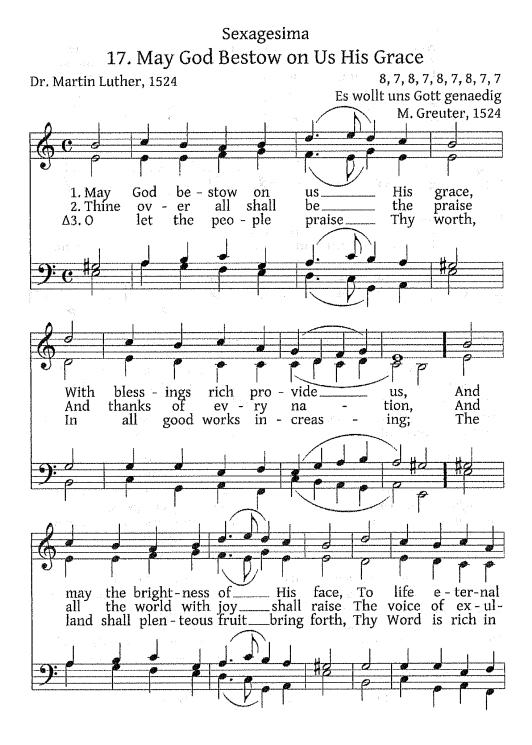
<sup>9</sup>Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?" <sup>10</sup>And He said, "To you it has been given to know the

> mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest *it is given* in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not

understand.' <sup>11</sup>"Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

<sup>12</sup>"Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

<sup>13</sup>"But the ones on the rock *are* those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. <sup>14</sup>"Now the ones *that* fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. <sup>15</sup>"But the ones *that* fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep *it* and bear fruit with patience.





## **Prayer for the Church**

- **Thanksgiving**. —For our Heavenly Father's will and good pleasure, so that through His teaching we are given ears to hear so that we receive that Word with faith and persevere unto death.
- The Church and her servants.--Break down the hardness of heart of those who are like the seed on the path so that God's Word might not be taken from them, but that they might come to faith and believe.
- --Bring to repentance the members of Trinity, who do not continue to hear, retain and persevere in God's Word. Show those who trust in their confirmation (or past learning) and will no longer be taught God's Word, that they are simply like plants without roots, so that when testing comes they will fall away.
- --Show those who have allowed life's worries, riches and pleasure to keep them from the many opportunities of God's Word that they have choked out faith in Christ and will not reach the goal of eternal life.
- --Bless our bishop, James Heiser, and our pastors, Gary K Harroun and Michael D. Henson and all pastors so that they are diligent and generous in the opportunities they provide to sow the seed of God's Word.
- --St. Michael and All Angels Evangelical-Lutheran Mission (Augusta, GA), Pr. Jerry Dulas --Send your Holy Spirit upon our Director, Keely Gelso, our teachers, and staff so that the children are comforted by the Gospel message.
- <u>The nations of the world and their rulers</u>.— Lord, You created and now preserve and govern the whole universe. To the leaders of the nations, give hearts that love peace and work toward the common good. To our president, Joe Biden, our governor, J.B. Pritzker and our mayor, Steve Frattini, federal and state legislators, county commissioners, city officials and all our judges give wisdom and willingness to be fair, just, and caring.
- --For our military personnel-- especially Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt, as well as our police officers, especially Alex Byrne and Daniel Byrne, and those who attend to us in times of emergency, and all public servants give commitment to duty, and, in all times of danger, keep them safe.

Particular local needs.-

Shut-ins.- Carolyn Westerman; Elderly.- Violet Kemp, Tom Smith

- Various Needs.- Kevin Krolak (nephew of Patti Baker), Stan (Jane's brother), Jack Plock (brother of Cecil Plock), Levi Gonzalez (nephew of Patti Baker), Victor and Marsha Turner, Anita Prochaska (recovery), Paul Vargo (Leukemia, son of Jeannette), Larry Vancil and wife, Deb (he is to be incarcerated for 18 months, friends of Melvins)
- 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), Cameron Offnet(Southern Illinois University), and Benjamin Henson & Jacob Henson (St. Ignatius Seminary).

**Communion Psalm:** *Ant.* I will go to the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness. (Ps 43:4). **Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 5.** 

Assistants

Elder – Tony Stretch (995-1379) Organist – LeeAnn Byrne Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning – Feb 12 Brieschke, Feb 19/26 Baker

## For the Holy Ghost 2

MAY the outpouring of the Holy Ghost, O Lord, cleanse our hearts and make them fruitful with His plenteous dew; 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.26).

# 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> <b>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.



**The Luther Bible 1534:** Judges 16:1-3 – Samson with The Gates of Gaza, #350