

Welcome to Trinity

#23 Part 4 The General Use of the Term Godliness includes Faith and Virtue.

In this sense, the word "godliness" summarily includes all Christian striving and all those things that are called for in a holy and God-pleasing life, which St. Peter in 2 Pet. 3:11, summarily calls a holy sojourn and a godly essence. For this, it is not sufficient for one to boast about his faith in Christ; rather, one is also to publicly indicate the same with the testimony of good works, as James states in 2:18: Show me your faith with your works. And immediately before that in v. 17: Faith itself is dead if it does not have good works. But especially these golden chains, by which true faith and all Christian strivings are inextinguishably intertwined with each other and summarily belong to the golden treasure of true godliness, are indeed beautifully and artistically channeled together by St. Peter in 2 Pet. 1:5-7. He states there: Direct all your zeal towards this and thereby obtain your faith's virtue—do not think that it is sufficient for godliness and true Christianity to boast of one's faith; rather, in such a faith, true virtue must be achieved, for true, proper, living faith is active in love (Gal. 5:6). A person ushers this in through good works and all kinds of Christian virtues (Jam. 2:18) and with virtuous humility (Confession of the true God according to His essence and will—which confession is, at the same time, the light and guide for all Christian virtue, for as usual, zeal without the knowledge of God is not acceptable [Rom. 10:2]. Thus also, virtue without knowledge and humility cannot be acceptable.) and with humble moderation (Where there is true life-giving knowledge of God, there one also will find the ἐγκράτεια, i.e., maturity, so that a person refrains from fleshly lusts which fight against the soul [1 Pet. 2:11]). (Schola Pietatus-Volume 1 by Johann Gerhard, Repristination Press, p. 11-12)

Assistants

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

No flowers during Lent
Church Cleaning – Mar 23 Weber, Mar 30/Apr 6 Webb

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Please note that our practice of closed communion with those who are in fellowship with us—members of congregations of the

ELDoNA—is not meant to offend, but is the historic practice of the Church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations may be Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42) is the central issue to the common reception of the Sacrament of the Altar. Therefore, we ask GUESTS desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service so that he may know that you are a member of a congregation in fellowship with Trinity Lutheran Church.

Weekly Calendar

TODAY -Children and Adult Bible Studies, 9 AM
-Divine Service, 10:15 AM

MONDAY -No Service St. Patrick, Bishop and Confessor
-No Elders' Meeting
TUESDAY-SATURDAY -Pr. Henson is in Georgia visiting Jonathan
WEDNESDAY -No Service St. Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary
-No Learn-by-Heart/Catechetical Service
NEXT -OCULI ("My eyes...")
SUNDAY -Children and Adult Bible Studies, 9 AM
-Divine Service, 10:15 AM

Trinity News

Corn Hole.—Sat, March 29 at 4 PM
Violet Kemp's 102nd Birthday is April 8 2025, She will be at 203 SE 2nd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34974.
Easter Flowers.—may be brought to the church beginning April 17. Please place them downstairs, as last year it got too hot in the cry room. If you would like to donate money for flowers to be purchased, speak to LeeAnn Byrne.

Divine Service

Hymn LW #230

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal

- + Invocation..... p.7
+ Confession/Absolution p.8-9
+ Introit..... (insert)
[Pastor, then congregation]
+ Kyrie... p.10
Omit Gloria in Excelsis in Lent
+ Salutation..... p.13
+ Collect of the Day... (insert)
Old Testament Reading
Epistle
+ Gradual..... (insert)
+ Holy Gospel..... p.16
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Sermon
+ Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.18
The Offerings are gathered.
+ General Prayer..... p.19-20
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+ Exhortation p.21

Lutheran Worship Hymnal

- + Preface, etc. p.144-151
Communion Psalm (by cantor)
Distribution & Hymns
#375, #389, #427
+ "Lord, now you let ..." p.152
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+ Benedicamus/Benediction.... p.154-5

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Special Prayers

- Pastoral Office:** Bishop, James Heiser, Pastor Michael D. Henson, Deacon Gary K. Harroun
- Eldona Congregations:** Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church (Peoria, IL), Pr. Benjamin Henson
- Armed forces:** Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.
- Police officers:** Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.
- Shut-ins:** Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta
- Elderly:** Violet Kemp Tom Smith
- Pregnant:** Rachel Offutt (March 17)
- Various Needs:** Anita Prochaska, Patty Kenner
-- Donna Eggemeyer (cancer, Aunt of Patty Kenner), Jennifer Denton (cancer, Shirley Webb), Don Stretch (Tony's Father), Sarah Melvin (better with possible back surgery to come), Ham Walker (mass in his lung, friend of the Harrouns), Courtney Severs (brain cancer, Oletha's daughter-in-law's sister), Heidi Bunselmeyer (breast cancer, Todd Darnstaedt's sister)
- Students:** Tom Weber (Florida State University), Sadie Henson (Concordia University, Nebraska) Jonathan Henson (University of Georgia), Jessica Gordon (SIU-C, Oletha's granddaughter).

- That those who suffer from various temptations and wrestle with recurring (besetting) sins, that our God and refuge would hear their cries of faith for His mercy and grant them deliverance and peace in our Savior Christ Jesus who was crucified for our iniquities and raised again for our justification.

In the back of the Lent/Easter edition of **The Our Family Daily Prayers**, there are a second set of morning and evening prayers for each day of the week.

Evening Prayer for Sunday:

101. Lord Jesus, I confess my guilt, that I have not lived this whole day unto Thy praise and glory. I have lacked in gratitude toward Thee, and have not taken to heart Thy bitter sufferings and death as I should. O Lord, so many sins *(Here think what sins and omissions you have especially to lament and confess.) have I this day committed against Thy law. I have neglected so much †(Think upon the things which you have especially neglected to do.) and have not improved myself. Gracious Redeemer, forgive me for the sake of Thy blood which Thou didst shed for me. Defend me this night against all harm and sin. Let my heart find rest and awake again in Thee, unto Thy praise. This day and at all times I commit and commend unto Thee my body, soul, spirit, honor, possessions, and living, to do with me according to Thy good pleasure. When matters go contrary to my pleasure, grant me grace and patience. Let me realize how this life is a vale of sorrow, and have desire only for the blessed fatherland, that I may joyfully contemplate death and praise Thee at last, with all the elect in everlasting life, world without end. Amen. (Pages 172)

Reminiscere Sunday



Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (III:58b)
Jesus Arrested in Luke 22:47-53

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Isaiah 40:20-25

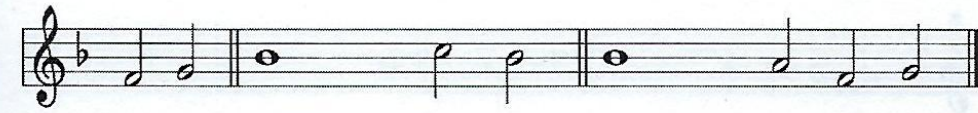
²⁰ Whoever *is* too impoverished for *such* a contribution Chooses a tree *that* will not rot; He seeks for himself a skillful workman To prepare a carved image *that* will not totter. ²¹ Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²² *It is* He who sits above the circle of the earth, And its inhabitants *are* like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, And spreads them out like a tent to dwell in. ²³ He brings the princes to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth useless. ²⁴ Scarcely shall they be planted, Scarcely shall they be sown, Scarcely shall their stock take root in the earth, When He will also blow on them, And they will wither, And the whirlwind will take them away like stubble. ²⁵ “To whom then will you liken Me, Or *to whom* shall I be equal?” says the Holy One.

1 Thessalonians 4:1-7

¹ Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God; ² for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus. ³ For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; ⁴ that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, ⁵ not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; ⁶ that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord *is* the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. ⁷ For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness.

St. Matthew 15:21-28

²¹ Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed.” ²³ But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, “Send her away, for she cries out after us.” ²⁴ But He answered and said, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵ Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, “Lord, help me!” ²⁶ But He answered and said, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw *it* to the little dogs.” ²⁷ And she said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered and said to her, “O woman, great *is* your faith! Let it be to you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed from that very hour.



Introit.

Ant. RE-MEM- || ber O LORD, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving- | *kind-ness-* | es:

for they have been ev- | er | of | old.

|| Let not mine enemies triumph over | me | - :

God of Israel, deliver us out of all | our | trou- | bles.

Psalm. || Unto Thee, O LORD, do I lift up my | soul | - :

O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be | a- | sham- | ed.

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 God, who seest that of ourselves we have no strength: Keep us both outwardly and inwardly; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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: 1 Thessalonians 4:1–7 **Gospel:** Matthew 15:21–28

Additional reading: Isaiah 40:20–25

Gradual.

|| The troubles of my heart are | en- | larged:

O bring Thou me out of my | dis- | tress- | es.

|| Look upon mine affliction and | my | pain:

and forgive | all | my | sins.

Tract. || O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is | good | -:

for His mercy endureth | for- | ev- | er.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* Consider my meditation: O hearken unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God: for unto You will I make my prayer, O my God.” **Ps 97:1-6, 11-12.**

Congregations served by Pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA)

ALASKA - St. Luke Lutheran Church (Kenai/Nikiski, AK) and Homer Ev. Lutheran Mission (Homer, AK), Pr. Tim H. Tolar

ARKANSAS – Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church (Harrison, AR) and Emmanuel Luth. Mission (Conway, AR) Pr. Eric J. Stefanski

ARKANSAS – Lamb of God Ev. (Rogers, AR), Pr. Martin Jackson

FLORIDA – St. Patrick Lutheran Church (Chipley, FL), Pr. Brandon Warr

FLORIDA – St. Bartholomew Ev. Lutheran Mission (Fort Myers, FL) and St. Luke Ev. Lutheran Mission (Ormond Beach, FL) Pr. Jerry Dulas

GEORGIA – St. Michael & All Angels Lutheran Mission (Martinez, GA), Pr. Jerald Dulas

ILLINOIS - Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church (Peoria, IL), Pr. Benjamin Henson, Pr. Em. Douglas Handrich

ILLINOIS - Trinity Lutheran Church (Herrin, IL), Pr. Michael D. Henson, Dcn. Gary K. Harroun

MICHIGAN - Saint Boniface Evangelical Lutheran Church (Niles, MI), Pr. John Rutowicz

MICHIGAN – Peace Lutheran Mission (Ironwood, MI), Pr. Jeffrey Ahonen

MINNESOTA - Redeemer Lutheran Church (Cambridge, MN), Pr. Mark Mueller

MISSOURI - Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church (Richmond, MO), Pr. Josiah Scheck

SOUTH CAROLINA – Sts. Peter and Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, UAC (Simpsonville, SC) Pr. Jerry Dulas

SOUTH CAROLINA – All Saints Lutheran Mission (Myrtle Beach, SC) Pr. Jerald Dulas

TENNESSEE – St. James the Elder Ev. Lutheran Mission (Knoxville, TN), Deacon Floyd Smithey

TEXAS - Salem Lutheran Church (Malone, TX), Pr. James D. Heiser* and Bishop of ELDoNA, Dcn. Anthony Oncken

TEXAS – Charity Lutheran Church (Burleson, TX), Pr. Kent Heimbigner

WISCONSIN – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, (Tony, WI), Pure Blessings Lutheran Church (Brandon, WI), and Apologia Lutheran Mission (Deer Park, WI) Pr. Jeffrey Ahonen, Dcn. Jacob Henson

*PHILLIPINES, St. Mary’s Evangelical Lutheran Church (Navotas) and

*SINGAPORE, Annunciation Evangelical Lutheran Mission(Singapore), both served by Pr. Lorenz Alvarez Fillmore

*COLUMBIA, Iglesia Confesional de Colombia (Medellin), Pr. Carlos Mario Marin

Pastor Emeriti Douglas Handrich, Rev. Daniel Mensing (no assigned parish)

Exact location and service times can be found at www.Eldona.org.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 19, 7:00 to 10:00 PM

Make plans now to attend the Great Easter Vigil on the Saturday evening before Easter.

✠ **The Service of Light.**—The congregation

begins outside the church, is gathered around a fire where the Paschal candle is prepared, and then processes with candles burning.

✠ **The Service of Readings** (from which we get the name “vigil”)—12 readings each followed by the chanting of a psalm and a prayer.

✠ **The Service of the Remembrance of Holy Baptism**

✠ **The Service of Holy Communion** – lights are turned on, bells are rung, the Alleluia returns with abundance.

Though a longer service than we are accustomed, not nearly the all night vigils of the early Christians (Acts 20:7-12). Come and relax. Without rushing we will recall the history of God’s people and rejoice in the fulfillment of all Scripture in Christ Jesus and His resurrection.

Reminiscere - 2nd Sunday in Lent
 21. O Faithful God, We Worship Thee

Nik. Selnecker, 1587

L. M.

Wen wir in hoechsten Noethen sein

J. Gerard, 1555

1. O faith - ful God, we wor - ship Thee!
 2. Thou, through Thy ser - vant, say'st to me:
 3. O Lord, we bless Thy gra - cious heart,
 4. Give us Thy Spi - rit, peace af - ford

Thou par - don'st our in - i - qui - ty,
 "Thy sins are all for - giv - en thee,
 For Thou Thy - self dost heal our smart,
 Now and for - ev - er, gra - cious Lord!

Thou grant - est help in sin's dis - tress,
 De - part in peace; but sin no more,
 Through Christ our Sa - vior's pre - cious blood,
 Thy Word and ho - ly Sa - cra - ment

And soul and bo - dy Thou dost bless.
 And e'er My par-d'ning grace a - dore."
 Which for the sake of sin - ners flowed.
 Pre - serve to us, till life is spent. A - men.