

Welcome to Trinity

#1 Art. IV “Justification” of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession.

The adversaries condemn the doctrine taught in the forth, fifth, sixth, and twentieth articles of our Confession, that believers obtain the remission of their sins through Christ, by faith alone, without any merit of their own; and insolently reject these **two tenets**; first, that we deny that man can obtain remission of his sins through his own merit; and secondly, that we hold, teach, and confess that no one is reconciled to God, or obtains remission of his sins, but through faith in Christ alone.

Now, since this controversy concerns **the principal and most important article of the whole Christian doctrine**, and as much indeed depends upon this article, which contributes especially to a clear, correct apprehension of all the holy Scriptures, and which alone shows the way to the unspeakable treasure and the true knowledge of Christ; yea, which is the only key to the whole Bible, and without which the poor conscience can have no true, invariable, fixed hope, nor conceive the riches of the grace of Christ;—we therefore pray your Imperial Majesty, graciously to hear us concerning these great, momentous, and all-important subjects, as the nature of the case demands. For, as our adversaries do not understand or know, what is meant in the Scriptures by remission of sin, by faith, grace and righteousness, they have miserably defiled this noble, indispensable, and leading article, without which no one can know Christ; they have entirely suppressed the invaluable treasure of the knowledge of Christ, of his kingdom, and of his grace; and robbed our poor consciences of this noble and great treasure and of this eternal comfort, so valuable and important to them.

But in order to confirm our Confession, and to refute what our adversaries have adducted, we shall, in the first place, show **the foundation and reasons** upon which both doctrines rest, so that each may be more clearly understood. (This text is from The Henkel Translation of the Book of Concord, which is the only English translation based on the authoritative German Dresden Edition of 1580, p. 156-157).

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

WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM / **Catechesis Service, 7 PM**

NEXT -*SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT*

SUNDAY -**Matins, St. Ambrose, Bishop, 8 AM**
-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord’s Supper, 10:15 AM

Assistants

Elder – Dan Byrne (922-3556)
Organist – LeeAnn Byrne
Altar Guild – Kim Miller
Church Cleaning – Dec 7/14 Darnstaedt, Dec 21/28 Byrne

Divine Service

Hymn LW #16

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal

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Trinity News

Ladies Christmas Party.—Sunday, Dec. 14 at Mary Brieschke's house, 4 PM.

Addresses of Military and Students for Bulletins.—Please give pastor the addresses of those soldiers, which we are including in our prayers.

Christmas Services.—This year's services will be Tuesday, **December 24 at 7:00 PM** and Wednesday, **December 25 Matins at 8 AM**, and **Divine Service at 9:00 AM**.

Collect for Beginning of the Church Year

Almighty Lord God, Who by Thy grace hast this day permitted us to enter into a new Church Year, we beseech Thee to pour upon Thy Church Thy Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edification of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve Thee and in the confession of Thy Name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

In the back of this edition of **The Our Family Daily Prayers** are morning and evening prayers for each day of the week.

General Prayer p.18-19

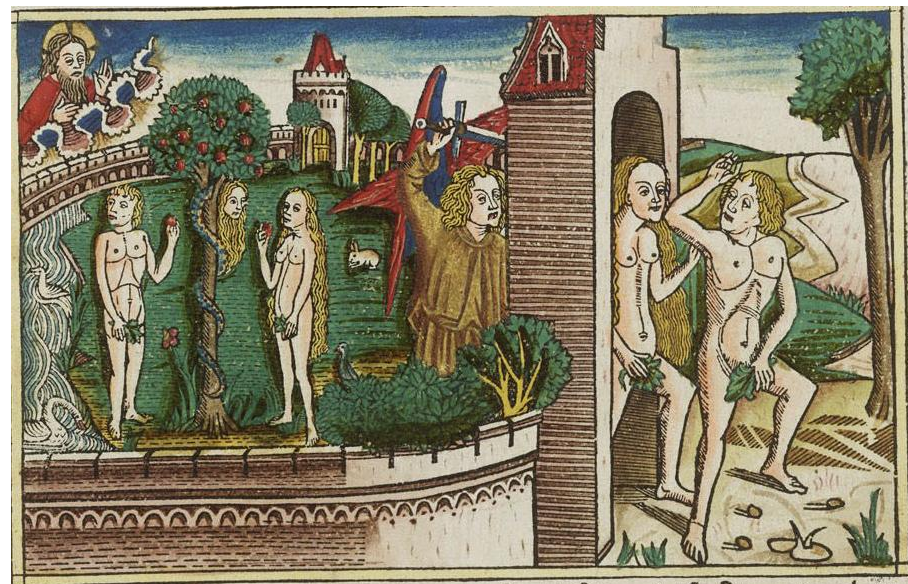
Special Prayers

- Pastoral Office:** Bishop, James Heiser, Pastor Michael D. Henson, Deacon Gary K. Harroun
- Eldona Congregations:** Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church (Harrison, AR) and Emmanuel Luth. Mission (Conway, AR) Pr. Eric J. Stefanski
- Armed forces:** Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.
- Police officers:** Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.
- Shut-ins:** Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta, Violet Kemp, Tom Smith (Liberty Village of Carbondale-Manor Court, Room 411a)
- Students:** Tom Weber (Florida State University), Luke Phillips (John A. Logan), Colton Weber (John A. Logan), Jonathan Henson (University of Georgia), and Jessica Gordon (SIU-C, Oletha's granddaughter)
- Various Needs:** Sarah Melvin (back), Heidi Bunselmeyer (cancer, Todd Darnstaedt's sister), Anita Prochaska (home), Belinda Poe (cancer treatment, Shirley's cousin), Adrienne Geidel (Preeclampsia at 27 weeks, mother and baby, Karin's niece)
- Rehab:** David Henson (Herrin Hospital, Room 235)
- For the lonely during the holidays that they put their hope in you

Collect for the Season of Advent

Lord, we beseech Thee, give ear to our prayers and lighten the darkness of our hearts by Thy gracious visitation; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

The First Sunday in Advent



Illustrated German Bible of 1483 (I:13, Genesis 3)
The Fall of Adam and Eve and their Expulsion from the Garden.

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Jeremiah 33:14-18

¹⁴‘Behold, the days are coming,’ says the LORD, ‘that I will perform that good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah: ¹⁵‘In those days and at that time I will cause to grow up to David A Branch of righteousness; He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved, And Jerusalem will dwell safely. And this *is the name* by which she will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.’ ¹⁷‘For thus says the LORD: ‘David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; ¹⁸‘nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually.’”

Romans 13:11-14

¹¹And *do* this, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation *is* nearer than when we *first* believed. ¹²The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfill its* lusts.

Matthew 21:1-9

¹Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose *them* and bring *them* to Me. ³“And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.” ⁴All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by

the prophet, saying: ⁵“Tell the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.’” ⁶So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set *Him* on them. ⁸And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread *them* on the road. ⁹Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: “Hosanna to the Son of David! ‘Blessed *is* He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ Hosanna in the highest!”

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* The Lord shall show loving-kindness: and our land shall yield her increase (Ps. 85:12). **Psalm 85:7-11,13**



Introit

Ant. UN-TO || Thee, O Lord, do I lift | up | my | soul:
O my God, | I | trust | in | Thee;
|| Let me not be | a- | sham- | ed:
let not mine enemies tri- | umph | o- | ver | me;
|| Yea, let none that | wait | on | Thee:
be | — | a- | sham- | ed.
Psalm. || Show me Thy | ways, | O | Lord:
teach | — | me | Thy | paths.
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 ev- | er | shall | be:
world with | out | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. repeated.*)

Collect

Stir up, we beseech Thee, Thy power, O Lord, and come, that by Thy protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins, and saved by Thy mighty deliverance; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Epistle: Romans 13:11–14 **Gospel:** Matthew 21:1–9
Additional reading: Jeremiah 33:14–18

Gradual

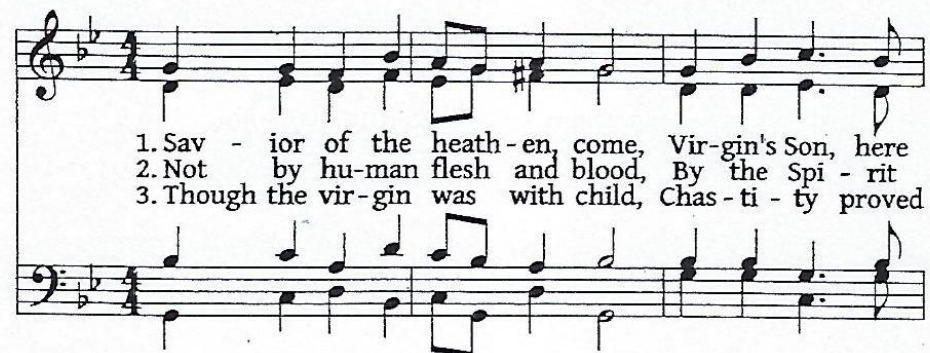
|| All they that | wait | for | Thee:
shall not be | a- | shamed, - | O | Lord.
|| Show me Thy | ways, | O | LORD:
teach | — | me- | Thy | paths.
|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Show us Thy mer- | cy, | O | LORD: *
and grant us Thy salvation. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

1st Sunday in Advent

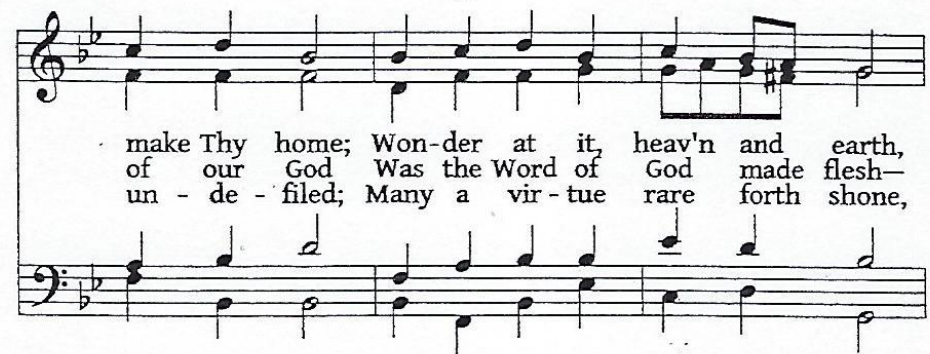
1. Savior of the Heathen, Come

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Dr. Martin Luther, 1524 ab

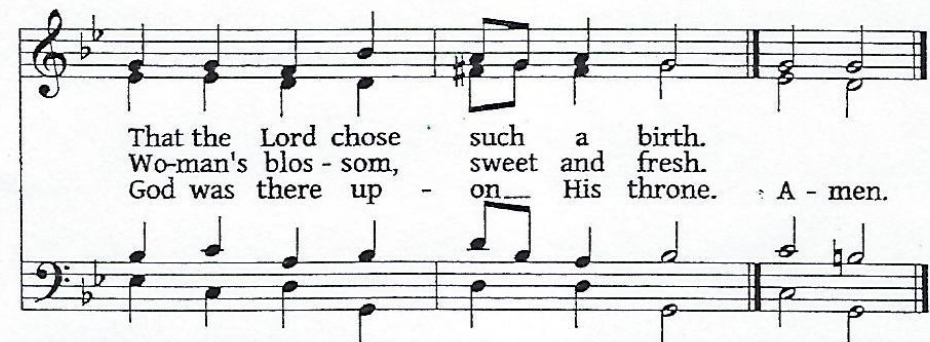
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Erfurt Enchiridion, 1524



1. Sav - ior of the heath-en, come, Vir-gin's Son, here
2. Not by hu-man flesh and blood, By the Spi - rit
3. Though the vir-gin was with child, Chas-ti - ty proved



make Thy home; Won-der at it, heav'n and earth,
of our God Was the Word of God made flesh—
un - de - filed; Many a vir - tue rare forth shone,



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wo-man's blos - som, sweet and fresh.
God was there up - on His throne. A - men.

4. From the Father forth He came,
And returned unto the same,
Down to hell He went alone,
And again to God's high throne.

6. Lord, Thy manger is so bright,
Night sends forth a novel light;
Darkness must not enter there,
Faith abides in light fore'er.

5. Thou, the Father's equal, win
Victory in the flesh o'er sin,
By Thy strength divine, O Lord,
Help to our frail flesh afford.

Δ7. Praise to God the Father sing,
Praise to God the Son, our King,
Praise to God the Spirit be
Ever and eternally.