

Welcome to Trinity

#7 Art. III “Righteousness” Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration.

Since, however, as we have stated above, it is the obedience of the whole person, it is also a perfect satisfaction and expiation for the human race, by which satisfaction was made unto the eternal, immutable justice of God, which is revealed in the law. And this obedience is our righteousness which avails in the sight of God, which is revealed unto us in the Gospel, upon which our faith rests before God, and which he imputes to faith, as it is written, Rom. 5:19: “For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners; so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.” And 1 John 1:7: “The blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanseth us from all sin.” Again, Rom. 1:17; Habak. 2:4: “The just shall live by faith.”

In this manner neither the divine nor the human nature of Christ by itself is imputed unto us for righteousness, but the obedience of the person alone, who is at the same time God and man. And thus, faith looks upon the person of Christ, as the same was made under the law for us, bore our sins, and when proceeding to the Father, rendered entire and perfect obedience to the heavenly Father, for us poor sinners, **from his holy birth** unto his death; and thereby covered all our disobedience, which inheres in our nature, in its thoughts, words, and deeds; so that it is no more imputed to us unto condemnation, but is pardoned and remitted through pure grace, for the sake of Christ alone. (Pages 640-641)

Assistants

- Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064)
- Organist – LeeAnn Byrne
- Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne
- Church Cleaning – Dec 28 Byrne, Jan 4/11 Brieschke
- Altar Flowers – In memory of Linda Plock’s mother and in honor of Cecil’s birthday

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.

Weekly Calendar

- TODAY -Christmas Dawn Matins, 8:00 AM
- Christ’s Mass Day **Divine Service, 9 AM**

- FRIDAY -St. Stephen, First Martyr, no service
- SATURDAY -**Vespers on St. John, Apostle, 7:00 PM**
- NEXT -*1st SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS/HOLY INNOCENTS*
- SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
- Divine Service-Lord’s Supper, 10:15 AM**
- NEXT WEDNESDAY – **Divine Service on Eve of the Name of Jesus, 7:00 PM**

Divine Service Hymn “It Is A Time of Joy Today” ASBH Insert

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal

- + Invocation..... p.7
- + Confession/Absolution p.8-9
- + Introit..... (insert)
- [Pastor, then congregation]*
- + Kyrie... p.10
- + Gloria in Excelsis p.11-13
- + Salutation..... p.13
- + Collect of the Day... (insert)
- Old Testament Reading
- Epistle
- + Gradual..... (insert)
- + Holy Gospel..... p.16
- Nicene Creed..... p.17
- ASBH #66 “Of The Father’s Love Begotten”**
- Sermon
- + Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.18
- The Offerings are gathered.*
- + General Prayer..... (back)
- Hymn..... **LW #241**
- + Exhortation p.21

Lutheran Worship Hymnal

- + Preface, etc. p.144-151
- Communion Psalm (by cantor)
- Distribution & Hymns**
- #48, #64, #47**
- + “Lord, now you let ...” p.152
- + Post-Communion Collects p.153
- + Benedicamus/Benediction.... p.154-5
- + **Hymn..... #53**
- Announcements*

General Prayer of the Church

This day we will be using a prayer from “Prayers for Feasts, Festivals, and Holidays” from The Lutheran Liturgy (p.331-332).

O THOU GREAT AND GLORIOUS REDEEMER, who art Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace, we praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, Lamb of God, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Emmanuel, God with us! For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord; Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father.

But chiefly at this time we adore Thee for leaving the glory which Thou hadst with the Father before the world began. We know Thy grace, O Lord Jesus Christ, that, though Thou was rich, yet for our sakes Thou didst become poor, that we, through Thy poverty, might be made rich. We beseech Thee, by the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation and Nativity, good Lord, deliver us.

Thou who didst come that we might have life and was called Jesus that Thou mightest save Thy people from their sins, be gracious unto us and save us. And grant that we, being born again and made the children of God by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, and follow the steps of Thy most holy life; ever remembering that Thou gavest Thyself for us, to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify unto Thyself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Let the glad tidings which we commemorate this day be made known to all people. May the Root which hath sprung out of Jesse send forth

branches on the right hand and on the left. And as at Thy first coming Thou didst send Thy messengers to announce Thine advent and to prepare Thy way before Thee, we beseech Thee to grant that the ministers and stewards of Thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready Thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at Thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in Thy sight.

Here special Supplications, Intercessions, and Prayers may be made.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.

Christmas Day



Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (II:67a)
Jesus Lying in a Manger in Luke 2

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Isaiah 7:10-14

10Moreover the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying, 11“Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; ask it either in the depth or in the height above.” 12But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!” 13Then he said, “Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will you weary my God also? 14“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Hebrews 1:1-12

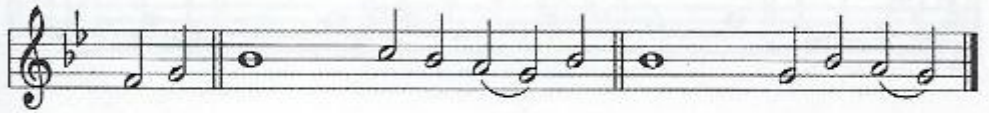
1God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. 5For to which of the angels did He ever say: “You are My Son, Today I have begotten You”? And again: “I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son”? 6But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: “Let all the angels of God worship Him.” 7And of the angels He says: “Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire.” 8But to the Son He says: “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom. 9You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.” 10And: “You, LORD, in the

beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. 11They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment;12Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail.”

St. John 1:1-14

1In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2He was in the beginning with God. 3All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. 8He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. 10He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. 12But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: 13who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. 14And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth”

THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD (DECEMBER 25) (WHITE) PSALM 19, 45, 85, 89, 110, 132



Introit.

Ant. UN-TO, || us a Child is born, unto us a | Son | is | giv- | en:
and the government shall be upon | His | should- | er.
|| And I His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, | The | Might- | y | God:
The Everlasting Father, The | Prince | of | **Peace.**
Psalm. || O Sing unto the | LORD | a | **new** | song:
for He hath done mar- | vel- | lous | **things.**
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 without | end. | A- | **men.** (*Ant. repeated.*)

Collect.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the new Birth of Thine Only-Begotten Son in the flesh may set us free who are held in the old bondage under the yoke of sin; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. Titus 2:11–14 **Gospel.** Luke 2:1–14
Additional reading: Isaiah 7:10–14

Gradual.

|| All the ends of the earth have seen the salva- | tion | of | **our** | God:
make a joyful noise unto the LORD, | all | the | **earth.**
|| The LORD hath made known | His | sal- | va- | tion:
His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of | the | hea- | **then.**
|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O come, let us sing | un- | to | **the** | LORD:
let us worship and bow down before Him. Hal- | le- | lu- | **jah.**

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* All the ends of the world: have seen the salvation of our God (Psalm 98:4). **Psalm 98**

Invocation Hymn

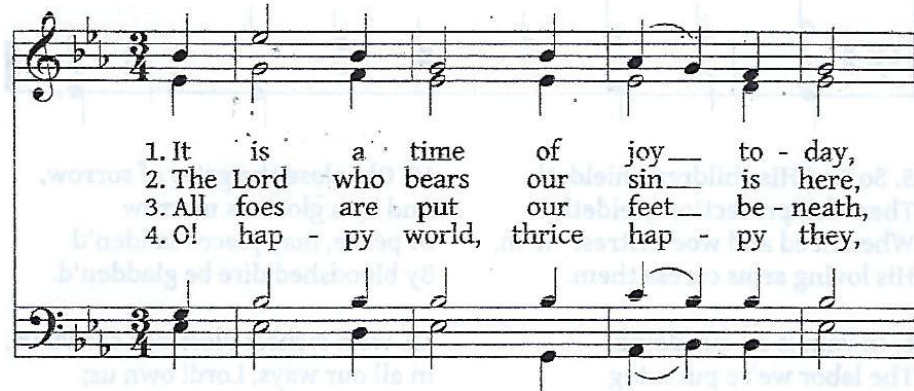
##. It Is A Time of Joy Today

Paul Gerhardt, 1667

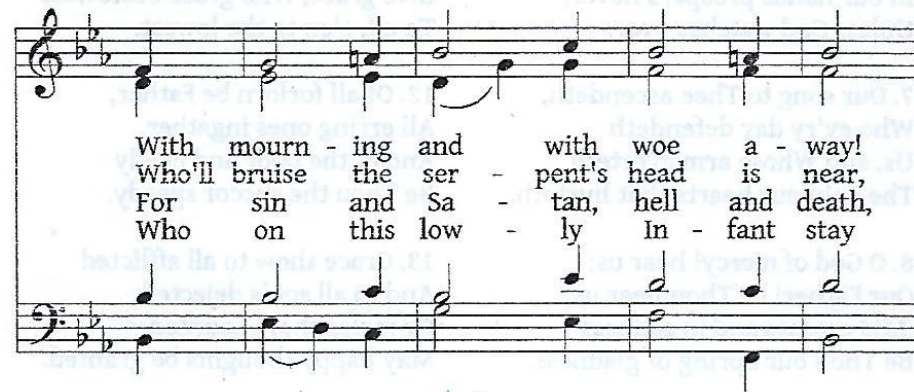
Tr., John Kelly, 1867

Gerhardt

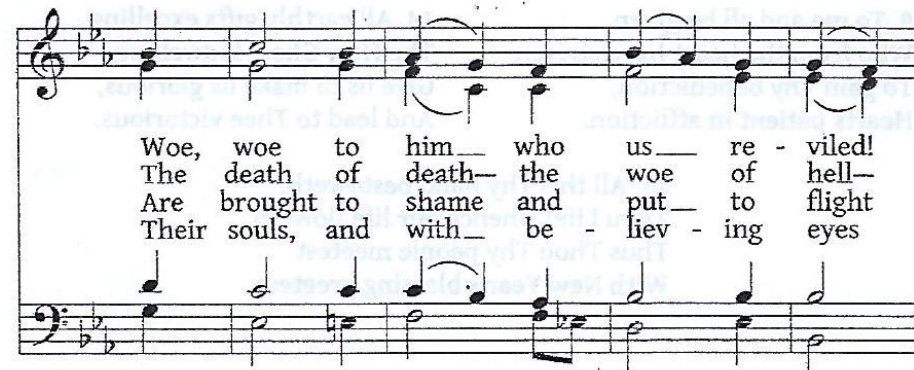
From "Best's Eighty Chorales"



1. It is a time of joy — to — day,
2. The Lord who bears our sin — is here,
3. All foes are put our feet — be — neath,
4. O! hap — py world, thrice hap — py they,



With mourn — ing and with woe a — way!
Who'll bruise the ser — pent's head is near,
For sin and Sa — tan, hell and death,
Who on this low — ly In — fant stay



Woe, woe to him — who us — re — viled!
The death of death — the woe of hell —
Are brought to shame and put — to flight
Their souls, and with — be — liev — ing eyes



God's seen in flesh, we're re — con — ciled.
The Lord of Life with us doth dwell.
Up — on this great, this won — drous night.
In Him their Sav — ior re — cog — nize. A — men.

5. Now praise the Lord, whoe'er can praise—
Who, from their low estate to raise
His enemies, from His high throne
Sent down His loved, His only Son.

6. Up! join the angel host and cry,
Now glory be to God most high;
Let peace prevail the world around,
Good-will to men and joy abound.

Festival of St. Nicholas

66. Of the Father's Love Begotten

Aurelius C. Prudentius, †413, cento
Tr., John M. Neale, 1854, and
Henry W. Baker, 1861


Divinum mysterium
Plain-song tune, 12th century



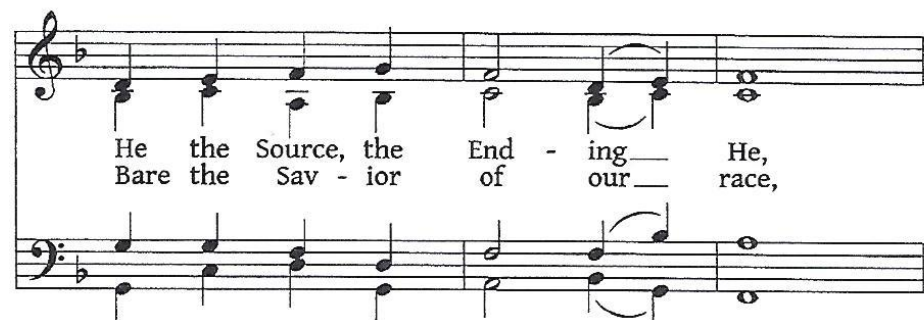
1. Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten
2. Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed



Ere the worlds be - gan to be,
When the Vir - gin, full of grace,



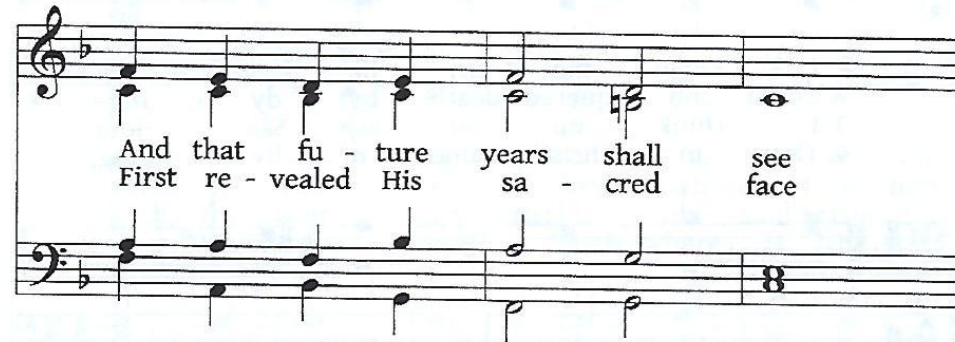
He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,



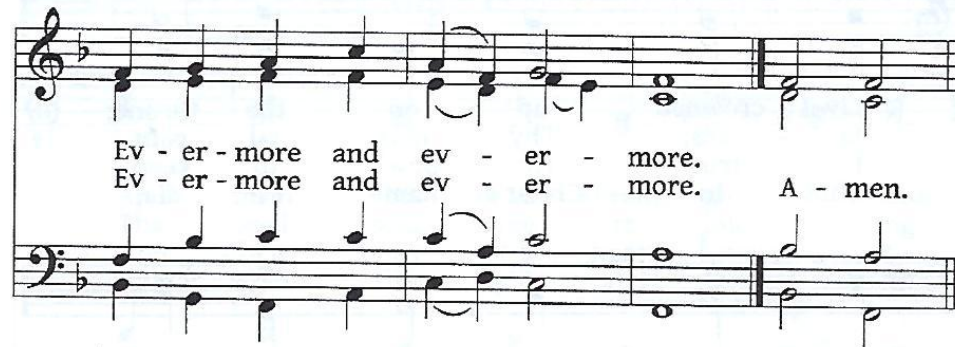
He the Source, the End - ing He,
Bare the Sav - ior of our race,



Of the things that are, that have been,
And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er,



And that fu - ture years shall see
First re - vealed His sa - cred face



Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. A - men.

3. O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing;
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him
And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Ev'ry voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.

4. This is He whom Heav'n-taught singers
Sang of old with one accord;
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word.
Now He shines, the Long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.

Δ5. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
And unending praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory
Evermore and evermore.