Welcome to Trinity

#70 Art. IV "Justification" of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession.

But our opponents without the least hesitation trample under their feet the whole Gospel, and all the promises of grace in Christ. **Thus they teach, that we obtain the remission of sins on account of our love and works, and not through faith.** For the grace and assistance of God must be very doubtful, if they depend on our works ; because we can never be certain, when we have done enough, or whether the works are sufficiently holy and pure.

Consequently the forgiveness of sins would likewise be uncertain, and the promises of God would be destroyed, as Paul says, Rom. 4:14 : "If they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect." We, therefore, teach the heart and conscience to comfort themselves with the promises of God, which remain firm, offering grace and the forgiveness of sins for Christ's sake, and not on account of our works.

Besides, we also teach in relation to good works and the law, not that we merit the remission of sins through the law, or that we are acceptable to God on account of the law, but that God would have good works. **For we must (as Paul says, 2 Tim. 2:15) rightly divide and separate the Word of God, the law on the one side, and the promises of God on the other.** We must observe what the Scriptures say of the promises, and what of the law ; for while the Scriptures enjoin and recommend good works, they exalt the promises of God, and Christ, the real treasure, many thousand times higher. (Henkel Translation, p. 191).

Weekly Scripture Verse

Beginning this week you will find a Scripture verse or two printed in the bulletin. It can also be found in Our Family Daily Prayers(OFDP). Put it in your pocket or tape it to your bathroom mirror in order to remind yourself of it.

Weekly Scripture Verse to Memorize:
Zechariah 9:9 "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

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 -Choir practice, 8:30-9:00 AM
-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM
-Basics of Lutheran Teaching, Class #8, 12:30 PM
MONDAY **-Divine Service St. Andrew, 10:30 AM**
WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM / **Catechesis Service, 7 PM**
SATURDAY –Nikolaus Selnecker, Confessor

NEXT SUNDAY -*SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT*
-Matins, St. Nicholas, Bishop & Confessor, 8-8:30 AM
-Choir practice, 8:30-9:00 AM
-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM
-Basics of Lutheran Teaching, Class #9, 12:30 PM

Assistants

Elder – Dan Byrne (922-3556)
Organist – LeeAnn Byrne
Altar Guild – Kim Miller
Church Cleaning – Nov 29 Brieschke, Dec 6/13 Baker

Divine Service

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal
Hymn "Come Thou Bright and Morning Star"……. printed
+ Invocation.....……. p.7
+ Confession/Absolution p.8-9
+ Introit..... (insert)
[Pastor, then congregation]
+ Kyrie... p.10
Gloria in Excelsis is omitted in Advent
+ Salutation..... p.13
+ Collect of the Day... (insert)
Old Testament Reading
Epistle
+ Gradual…….. (insert)
+ Holy Gospel..... p.16
Nicene Creed…….. p.17
ASBH #1 "Savior of the Heathen, Come"
Sermon
+ Offertory: "Create in Me…" p.18
The Offerings are gathered.
+ General Prayer…… p.19-20
Hymn "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior" stanzas 1-5…. printed
+ Exhortation p.21
+ Preface, etc. .....….. p.22-32
Communion Psalm (by cantor)
Distribution & Hymns
LW #29, LW #19, LW #27
+ Nunc Dimittis "Lord, now …" p.33
+ Post-Communion Collects p.35-36
+ Benedicamus/Benediction.... p.37
Hymn ……. LW #26
Announcements

Trinity News

Class #8 on The Basics of Lutheran Teachings.—continues today(11/29) at 12:30 PM. If you might be interested in joining Trinity Lutheran Church, this is the course for you! Come and find out with the next few classes held on December 6, 13, and 20.

Pecan Fund Raiser.—The order has been placed. Thanks for your support. We will let you know when they arrive.

Ladies Christmas Party.—Thursday, Dec. 17 at Mary Brieschke's house, 5:30 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 Thursday, **December 24 at 7:00 PM** and Friday, **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.**

General Prayer p.19-20

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, Pr. Em. Douglas Handrich

--Armed forces: Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.

--Police officers: Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.

--Shut-ins: Patty Rametta, Violet Kemp, Tom Smith, Chuck & Joyce Mann

-- **Students:** Tom Weber (Florida State University), Luke Phillips (Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX), Liam Phillips, Colton Weber (John A. Logan), Jessica Gordon (SIU-C, Oletha's granddaughter), and Jennifer Mateycak(WGU)

-Pregnant: Jacob & Heidi Henson (Nov 26)

--Various Needs: Stacy Tolar (wife of Pr. Tim Tolar-Alaska), Maddie (seizures, niece of Renee Darnstaedt), Danny Fletcher (friend of Pet Wertz, stage 4 lung cancer), Anita Prochaska (broken collar bone), and Karen Melvin (broken wrist)

--For the lonely during the holidays that they put their hope in you

November 29, 2026

The First Sunday in Advent



Illustrated German Bible of 1483 (I:362 2 Kings 19:35-37) Angel of the Lord Kills; Also it records in Hebrews 11:37 that Manasseh had the Prophet Isaiah executed by being sawed in half with a wooden saw by order of King Manasseh. This also found in the Martyrdom of Isaiah, an ancient Jewish pseudepigraphal work that was widely circulated and respected in the early Church.

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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.[16]In 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

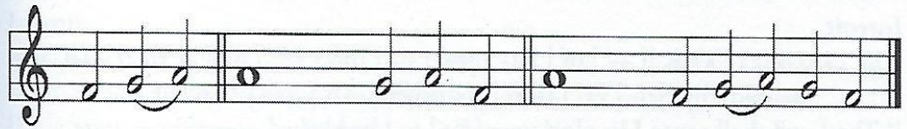
[11]And *do* this, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation *is* nearer than when we *first* believed. [12]The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. [13]Let us walk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

Matthew 21:1-9

[1]Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, [2]saying 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." [4]All 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.'" [6]So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. [7]They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set *Him* on them. [8]And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread *them* on the road. [9]Then 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**

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT (VIOLET) PSALMS 1 (MATINS)/143 (VESPERS)



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.

ASBH Full Service begins November 29!

Next week will begin using the entire Divine Service from the **Augustana Service Book & Hymnal (ASBH)**.

Most parts will be familiar, with slightly different music. If you have difficultly following along sit by a member, who already has been using ASBH at our minor festivals.

In order to make the transition easier, we will continue to print some hymns in the bulletin. The only time you will need the blue hymnal is for communion hymns and possibly the departing hymn.

One difference: Following the General Prayer the congregation speaks **the Lord's Prayer** in unison (page 20). However, in the Communion Liturgy (page 29), the pastor alone will chant the Lord's Prayer by himself with the congregation joining him at "For Thine is the kingdom…,.

History—In November of 2022, we began using the ASBH 2022 Supplement with limited hymns (the final copy will have 330 hymns). In June of 2024, after several issues, we settled in to our present practice of using the ASBH for the Service of the Word, and Lutheran Worship(LW) for the Service of Holy Communion. When the full hymnal arrives (probably in 2027), we want to have the liturgy of The Common Service learned very well. It's time to push forward. **If you purchased a copy of the ASBH, please bring it for service as we only have about 50 copies.**

1st Sunday in Advent

1. Savior of the Heathen, Come

From the Latin of Ambrosius
Dr. Martin Luther, 1524 ab

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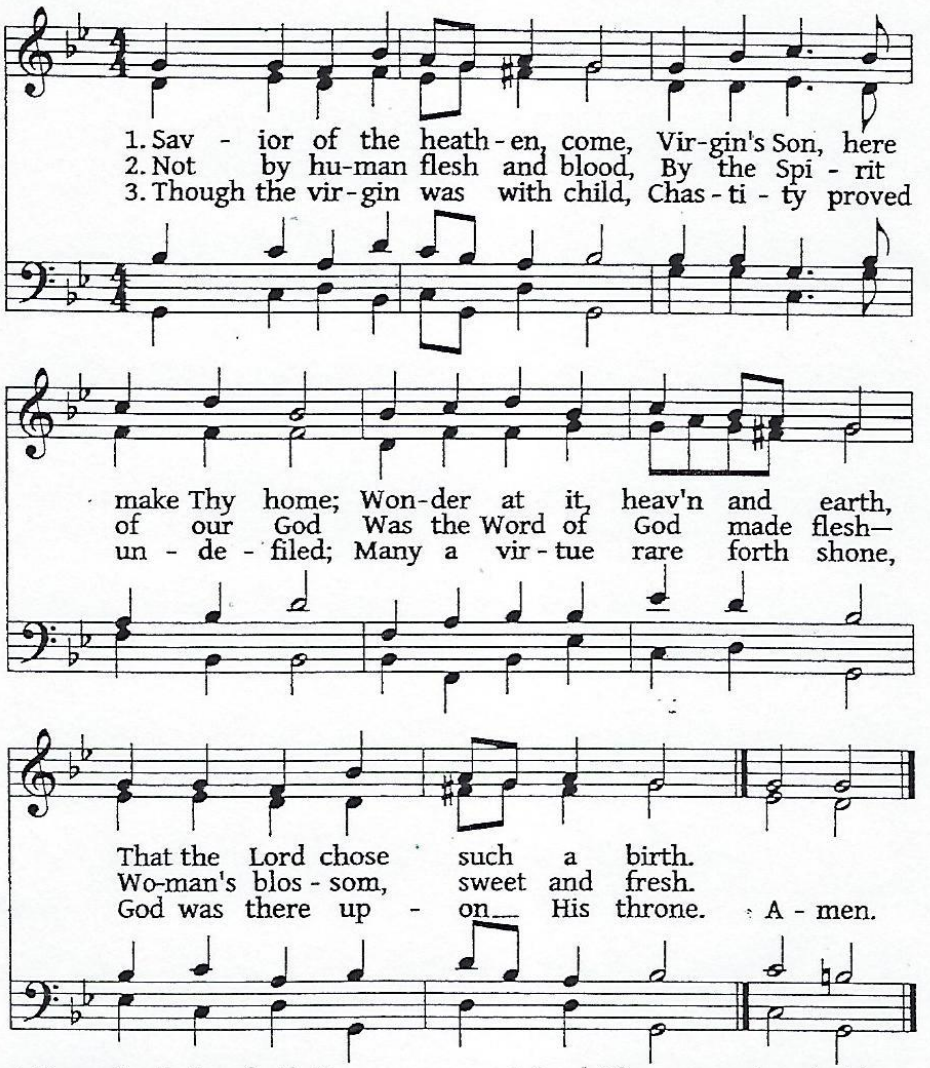
Erfurt Enchiridion, 1524



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.

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.

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

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

Invocation Hymn

