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Sin and Righteousness



*"With one mind and one voice we glorify God the Father."*









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## Welcome to Worship!

	<p>To the friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to the visitor we welcome you most sincerely; and to those seeking a church home we offer fellowship in Christ and the opportunity to actively join in sharing the Good News: Jesus Christ our Savior was born in Bethlehem, crucified on Calvary and risen from the grave for all people.</p> <p><i>Please sign our guest register.</i></p>
	<p>If you need to leave the service temporarily, the audio-video of the service is broadcast in the <b>Gathering Room</b>. A rest room is located in the hallway across from the elevator. As you exit the sanctuary turn to your left – go through the short hallway and turn right. The baby changer is located inside the restroom.</p> <p><i>Please note that the last four pews are reserved for parents with small children.</i></p>
	<p>Regarding <b>standing for hymns or readings</b> – At various times during the worship service the congregation is invited to stand. If this gets to be too difficult – <i>please feel free to remain seated.</i></p>
	<p>We are a member of the <b>Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS)</b>, a national church body in fellowship with the WELS. We hold to the Bible as the inspired, inerrant Word of God and that we are justified before God by grace for the sake of Jesus Christ through faith.</p>
	<p>Trinity Lutheran Congregation supports a <b>private Elementary School</b> (Preschool through Grade 8). We teach all subjects from a Christian perspective as we prepare children for life in this world and the next. If you desire more information, please contact our Principal, Mr. Chris Avila, Email at <a href="mailto:chris.avila@trinityels.org">chris.avila@trinityels.org</a> or Phone at School (262)-675-6627.</p>
	<p>In order to maintain a reverent atmosphere for worship and praise, please make sure all <b>cell phones</b> and other electronic devices are put on "silent," or, better yet, turned off.</p>

## Remember Your Offerings!

- Your offerings are important to YOU:  
*"Honor the LORD with your wealth" (Proverbs 3:9, EHV)*
  - Your offerings are important to GOD:  
*"Jesus responded, 'Were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Was no one [else] found to return and give glory to God...?'" (Luke 17:17–18, EHV)*
  - Your offerings are important to the CHURCH:  
*"On the first day of every week, each of you is to set something aside in keeping with whatever he gains, saving it up at home, so that when I come, no collections will need to be carried out." (1 Corinthians 16:2, EHV)*
- Leave your offerings in the collection areas in the entryway or Gathering Room,  
or use the link above to give digitally. ↑**



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Call to Worship •

[Psalm 25:16, 18 (EHV)]

**P**ASTOR: *Today we pray for God to fill us with Christian faith and love toward our neighbors. Though we have no righteousness naturally in us, we are confident that Christ—through Baptism—gives us His righteousness which surpasses that of the Pharisees and experts in the law.*

*"The LORD is their strength. He is a stronghold of salvation for his anointed king.*

**C**ONGREGATION: **Save your people, and bless the people that belong to you. Shepherd them, and carry them forever."**

### First Hymn • "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

[ELH 429]

1. Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His blood for me;  
 2. O the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the heav'ns a - bove,  
 5. Grant me help, my God and Lord, By Your Spir - it and Your Word!

Died that I might live on high, Lived that I might nev - er die.  
 Deep - er than the depths of sea, Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty.  
 When my wan - d'ring heart would stray, Keep me in the nar - row way;

As the branch is to the vine, I am His and He is mine.  
 Love that found me—won - drous thought!— Found me when I sought Him not.  
 Grace in time of need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

-Stand-

## Confession of Sins

**P** *Let us confess our sins to God and pray:*

*We poor sinners confess to You, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have often and in many ways offended You, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word and deed. In Your perfect justice, You should reject and condemn us for all eternity.*

**G** **Therefore we come before You with sorrowful hearts, dreading Your holy justice and terrorized by everlasting death. Our sins are a great enemy and we should hate them in every way as long as we live.**

**P** *But merciful God, You still grant us in this hour to be reminded of Your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of Your Word we run to You—our infinitely merciful God—for refuge. We pray to You for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. We beg You, dearest Father, to forgive our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts so we are fully assured of Your grace.*

**G** **We therefore pray You, O Lord, through Your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Prayer for Mercy ~ Kyrie Eleison

[Mark 10:47]

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff begins with an 'Introduction' and is followed by the lyrics 'O God the Fa-ther in heav-en, have mer-cy up-on us.' The second staff continues with 'O God the Son, Re-deem-er of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.' The third staff concludes with 'O God the Ho-ly Ghost, true Com-fort-er, have mer-cy up-on us.' The lyrics are written in a mix of German and English, with German words in italics and English words in bold. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with various note values and rests.

## Forgiveness of Sin ~ Absolution

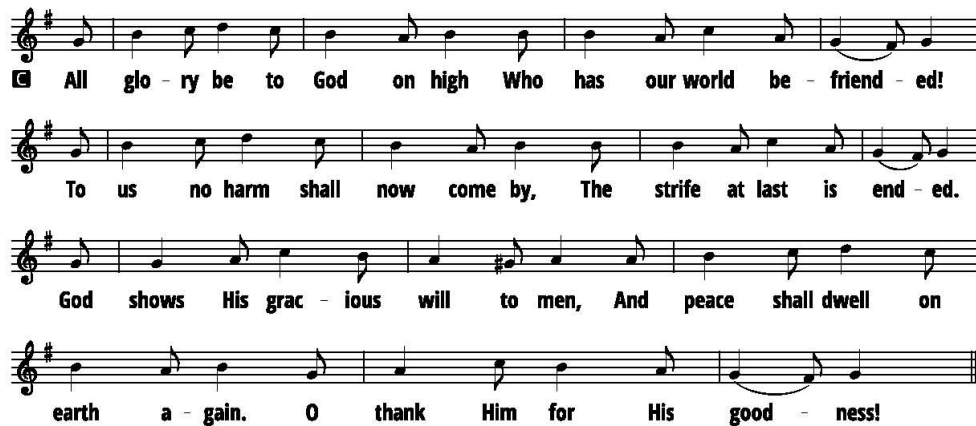
☞ Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord:

He says, "Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." "For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." Indeed, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved."

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Song of Praise ~ Gloria

[Luke 2:14, John 1:29 • text: ELH 35, alt. • tune: CW 69]



☞ All glo - ry be to God on high Who has our world be - friend - ed!

To us no harm shall now come by, The strife at last is end - ed.

God shows His grac - ious will to men, And peace shall dwell on

earth a - gain. O thank Him for His good - ness!

## Prayer of the Day •

☞ The Lord be with you, His people.

☞ And with your spirit as you minister to us.

☞ Let us pray:

Lord God, heavenly Father, we confess that because of our sinful flesh, we never have a moment in this life without sinful lusts and desires. There is nothing naturally good in us. Therefore we ask You, dear Father, to strengthen us in the new life You gave us at Baptism,

*comfort us with Christ's righteousness which surpasses that of the Pharisees and experts in the law, and finally bring us to Your heavenly kingdom through Your grace alone.*

🔊 *We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our living Lord, who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.*

-Be seated-

### Lesson • Romans 6:3–11



We are sinners, even though we are Christians. The only way we can have the pure righteousness that God demands is if Jesus gives us the credit for it through the sacrament of Baptism.

Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were therefore buried with him by this baptism into his death, so that just as he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too would also walk in a new life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be united with him in the likeness of his resurrection.

<sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him, to make our sinful body powerless, so that we would not continue to serve sin. <sup>7</sup>For the person who has died has been declared free from sin. <sup>8</sup>And since we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that since Christ has been raised from the dead, he will never die again. Death no longer has control over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died, he died to sin once and for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>In the same way also consider yourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. (EHV)

🔊 *Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear:*

[Matthew 13:43 (EHV)]

### 🔊 The Word of the Lord.

-Stand-

**Gospel Acclamation •**

[Psalm 31:1 (EHV)]

☞ *Alleluia, alleluia. In you, LORD, I have taken refuge. Let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver me. Alleluia.*

**Gospel • Matthew 5:20–26**

God calls us to live in His perfect righteousness. A very important and practical way this Baptismal righteousness will show itself in our lives is by living peacefully with our brothers. There is no room for hatred, grudges, and anger in a Christian's heart.

*[Jesus says:]* I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and experts in the law, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be subject to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I tell you that everyone who is angry with his brother without a cause will be subject to judgment, and whoever says to his brother, ‘Raca,’ will have to answer to the Sanhedrin. But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of hell fire.

<sup>23</sup>“So if you are about to offer your gift at the altar, and there you remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there in front of the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother. Then come and offer your gift.

<sup>25</sup>“If someone accuses you, reach an agreement with him quickly, while you are with him on the way. Otherwise your accuser may bring you to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup>Amen I tell you: You will never get out until you have paid the last penny. (EHV)

☞ *This is the Gospel of our Lord.*



-Be seated-

## Sermon Hymn • "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall"

[CW 378]



1. All man-kind fell in A - dam's fall; One com-mon  
 2. Through all our pow'rs cor - rup - tion creeps And us in  
 4. But Christ, the sec - ond A - dam, came To bear our  
 6. We thank You, Christ; new life is ours, New light, new

sin in - fects us all. From one to all the curse de - scends,  
 dread - ful bond - age keeps; In guilt we draw our in - fant breath  
 sin and woe and shame, To be our life, our light, our way,  
 hope, new strength, new pow'rs; This grace our ev - 'ry way at - tend

And o - ver all God's wrath im - pends.  
 And reap its fruits of woe and death.  
 Our on - ly hope, our on - ly stay.  
 Un - til we reach our jour - ey's end.

## Sermon • Matthew 5:20–26

## How Can I Be Better Than The Experts?

1. Acknowledge Your \_\_\_\_\_
2. Seek \_\_\_\_\_
3. Turn to the \_\_\_\_\_



## Confession of Faith ~ Nicene Creed

☞ *Having heard the Word of God, we confess our holy faith using the words of the Nicene Creed:*

☞ **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Reception of Offerings and Prayer



Offerings are brought by those who are thankful to God for saving them through Jesus. Before the service starts we collect the offering in the designated areas in the entryway and Gathering Room. For those who wish to give digitally, please use the link to our digital giving platform to the left, or consult our Church Website: [www.trinityels.org](http://www.trinityels.org)

## Prayer of the Church

☞ *Heavenly Father, may Your will be done in this world.*

☞ **May the governments You have established run well for the benefit of Your people.**

☞ *May Your pure Word which is taught by Your holy Church be preserved in every place.*

☞ **May many more people enter into Your kingdom by faith.**

☞ *Keep us, who are gathered here, in the true faith.*

☞ **As You re-created us in our Baptisms, we pray that You continue to enlighten us through Your Word, and strengthen us through Your holy Supper.**

-Special prayers may be offered here-

☞ *Hear us, Lord, as we give You our private petitions.*

-Silence for private prayer-

☞ *We ask this all in the name of Jesus Christ.*

☞ **Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer. Amen.**

### PART 3: THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Questions and prayers for preparing for the Lord's Supper are found in the black hymnal pp. 38–40.



**FOR OUR GUESTS:** Please note that Trinity practices "Close Communion" (or "Membership Communion"). This means we only Commune with people who believe and teach the same doctrine which we do (ELS or WELS). This is necessary because Christ commands us to be unified as a congregation (Ephesians 4:3; 1 Corinthians 10:16–17). He warns that—much like abusing a powerful medicine—those who improperly receive Holy Communion receive Divine judgment rather than blessing (1 Corinthians 11:27, 29). And, contrary to the way many congregations practice today, "Close Communion" is the ancient practice of the Christian church (Acts 2:42). Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, please speak with the pastor BEFORE the service to find out how our "Close Communion" practice affects you.

### Great Thanksgiving

[2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136]

☞ *The Lord be with you, His people.*

☞ **And with your spirit as you minister to us.**

☞ *Lift up your hearts in joy.*

☞ **We lift them up to the Lord.**

☞ *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

☞ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

☐ *It is truly good and right... evermore singing Your praise:*

### Song of Saints and Angels ~ Sanctus

[Is 6:3, Mt 21:9 • text: Rev. Arden Mead • tune: CW 492]



Lo, the heav'n - ly host re - joic - es: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"

Lo, God's peo - ple join their voic - es: "God of hosts, by all a - dored,

Heav'n and earth pro - claim Your glo - ry!" Blest is He who comes our King!

Let ho-san - nas spread the stor - y, Heav - en's prais - es ech - o - ing.

### Lord's Prayer

[Lk 11:2-4; Mt 6:9-13]

☐ Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### Words of Institution

[Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25;  
Through these words, the presence of Our Lord's Body and Blood is effected in our midst.]

☐ *Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night... in remembrance of me.*

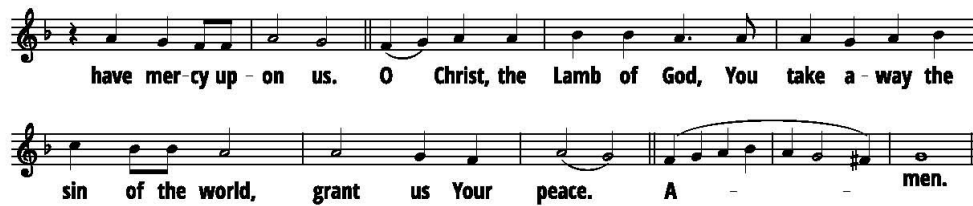
### Song to the Lamb ~ Agnus Dei

[Jn 1:29]



O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world,



-Be seated-

## Distribution

[Communicants come forward at the direction of the ushers.  
During the Distribution, the congregation sings the following hymn(s)]

### "Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness"

[text: ELH 432 • tune: ELH 403]



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| 3. The holy, gentle, spotless Lamb,<br>Who from our gracious Father came,<br>Who died for me and did atone,<br>Now I am His, and His alone.       | 5. Lord, I believe that though there are<br>More sinners than the sands on shore,<br>Yet, You have every ransom paid,<br>For all a full atonement made. |
| 4. Lord, I believe Your precious blood,<br>Which at the mercy seat of God<br>Forever does for sinners plead,<br>For me—yes! for my soul—was shed. | 6. When from the dust of death I rise<br>To claim my mansion in the skies,<br>Then this shall be my only plea:<br>"Jesus has lived, and died, for me."  |

7. So Abraham, the friend of God,  
So all the saints bought with His blood,  
So chief of sinners, whom I am,  
Let us all Christ our Lord proclaim.

8. Jesus, to You let praises be,  
Whose boundless mercy has for me,  
For me, and all Your hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.

9. O, give to all, Almighty Lord,  
With pow'r to speak Your gracious Word,  
That all who to Your wounds will flee  
May rise to live eternally.

10. O God of pow'r, O God of love,  
Send now Your mercy from above!  
Let Your Word over all prevail!  
For You have won o'er death and hell.

11. O let the dead now hear Your voice!  
Now may Your sleeping ones rejoice!  
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,  
Jesus, Your blood and righteousness.

-Stand-

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

☞ *Let us give thanks and pray:*

*We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Supper. We pray that through it, You would mercifully strengthen us in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another.*

☞ **We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

### God's Final Blessing ~ Benediction

[Num 6:24–26]

☞ *The Lord bless you and keep you... and give you peace ☩ .*

☞ **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn • “God Bless Our Native Land”**

[ELH 602]

1. God bless our na - tive land! Firm may she ev - er stand Through storm and  
 2. For her our prayer shall rise To God a - bove the skies; On Him we  
 night! When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of wind and wave,  
 wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with watch - ful eye,  
 Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
 To Thee a - loud we cry, God save the State!

-Be seated-

**Worship Notes**

- Preacher: Pastor Daniel Hartwig
- Organist: Donna Moll
- Ushers: Thursday - Group 7  
Sunday – Group 1
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**Remember Our Active Military Members**

- Justin & Sadie Kannenberg – Air Force
- Andrew Wolff – Air Force (stationed in Kuwait)
- Gabby Culbert in the Army.