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God Provides for Us

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



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Welcome to Worship!



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.

Please sign our guest register.



If you need to leave the service temporarily, the audio-video of the service is broadcast in the **Gathering Room**. 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.

Please note that the last four pews are reserved for parents with small children.



Regarding standing for hymns or readings – At various times during the worship service the congregation is invited to stand. If this gets to be too difficult – please feel free to remain seated.



We are a member of the **Evangelical Lutheran Synod** (ELS), 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.



Trinity Lutheran Congregation supports a **private Elementary School** (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 chris.avila@trinityels.org or Phone at School (262)-675-6627.



In order to maintain a reverent atmosphere for worship and praise, please make sure all **cell phones** and other electronic devices are put on "silent," or, better yet, turned off.

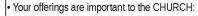
Remember Your Offerings!

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)



"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. ↑



Call to Worship · Christian Faith and Love 2

[Psalm 47:1-2 (EHV)]

PASTOR: Today we pray for God to fill us with Christian faith and love toward our neighbors.

Though we are often tempted to be greedy, anxious, and disappointed with our circumstances, may God assure us that He lovingly provides all that we need even when our circumstances seem meager.

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"All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God! Sing a loud song!

© ONGREGATION: Yes, the Lord Most High is awesome. He is the great King over all the earth!"



-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.

- 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.

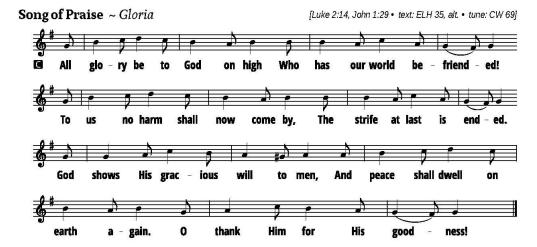


Forgiveness of Sin ~ Absolution

P 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 \oplus and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Prayer of the Day ·

P Let us pray:

Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You abundantly provided many thousands of people with food using only a few loaves of bread and fish. We ask You to graciously provide us with Your continual blessing today. Keep us from being greedy and coveting this world's treasures. Prevent us from being weighed down by this world's cares. In all things, strengthen us to see Your Fatherly providence in all things.

• 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-

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Lesson · Romans 6:19-23

Because we are God's people, He calls us to devote ourselves to Him. This kind of devotion will help us be content because we will rely on Him to provide us with all that we need—especially eternal life through Him!

(I am speaking in a human way because of the weakness of your flesh.) Indeed, just as you offered your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, resulting in more lawlessness, so now offer your members in the same way as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

²⁰For when you were slaves of sin, you were free from righteousness. ²¹So what kind of fruit did you have then? They were things of which you are now ashamed. Yes, the final result of those things is death. ²²But now, since you were set free from sin and have become slaves to God, you have your fruit resulting in sanctification—and the final result is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the undeserved gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (EHV)

P Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear:

[Matthew 13:43 (EHV)]

G The Word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation • Christian Faith and Love 2

[Psalm 47:1]

P Alleluia, alleluia. All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God! Sing a loud son



Gospel · John 6:1–15

In this bad situation where many people were going to be starving, Jesus showed His power and His loving heart by miraculously providing for them. God still provides for us in unexpected ways.

After this, Jesus crossed over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee (or Tiberias). ²A large crowd followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he was performing on those

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who were sick. ³Jesus went up on the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

⁵When Jesus looked up and saw a huge crowd coming toward him, he asked Philip, "Where can we buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶But Jesus was saying this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do.

 7 Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to have just a little."

⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹There's a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what is that for so many people?"

 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, so they sat down. There were about five thousand men.

¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves and, after giving thanks, he distributed pieces to those who were seated. He also did the same with the fish—as much as they wanted.

¹²When the people were full, he told his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over so that nothing is wasted." ¹³So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with pieces from the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

¹⁴When the people saw the miraculous sign Jesus did, they said, "This really is the Prophet who is coming into the world."

 15 When Jesus realized that they intended to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. (EHV)

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.



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Hymn · "All Praise to God Who Reigns Above"



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Sermon • *John 6:1–15*

God Provides More Than Enough

1. Because We Are	
2. Because We Have	
3. Because He Gives His	
4. Because He Works Bevond Our	

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Confession of Faith ~ Nicene Creed

- P 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.

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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

Prayer of the Church

- P Heavenly Father, may Your will be done in this world.
- **G** May the governments You have established run well for the benefit of Your people.
- P 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.
- P Keep us, who are gathered here, in the true faith.
- **G** 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-
- P Hear us, Lord, as we give You our private petitions.
 - -Silence for private prayer-
- P We ask this all in the name of Jesus Christ.
- **G** 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.

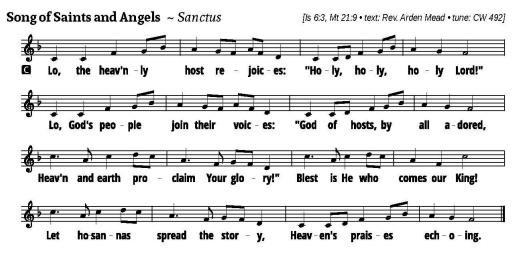
FOR OUR GUESTS: Please note that Trinity practices "Close Communion" (or "Membership Communion"). This means we only Commune with people who believe and teach the same doctrine which we do (ELS or WELS). This is necessary because Christ commands us to be unified as a congregation (Ephesians 4:3; 1 Corinthians 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.

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Great Thanksgiving

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

- P The Lord be with you, His people.
- And with your spirit as you minister to us.
- P Lift up your hearts in joy.
- **G** We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good and right... evermore singing Your praise:



Lord's Prayer [Lk 11:2–4; Mt 6:9–13]

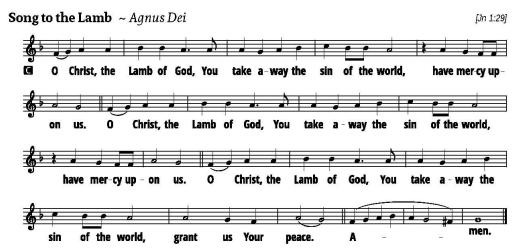
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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

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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.]

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



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Distribution

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



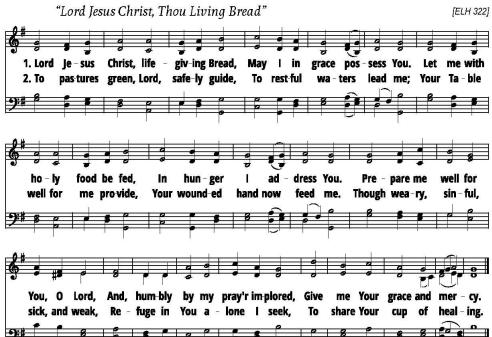
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3. A heart that has repented
And mourns for sin with bitter sighs—
You, Lord, are well contented
With this my only sacrifice.
Though sin does still enchant me
You will despise me not,
But lovingly will grant me
The blessing I have sought;
Yes, You will hear with favor
The song that now I raise,
For it is right that ever
I should now sing Your praise.

- 4. Grant what I have partaken
 May by Your grace work in me through,
 That sin should be forsaken
 And I may cling alone to You
 And all my soul be heedful
 How I Your love may know;
 For this alone is needful
 Your love should in me glow.
 Then let no beauty ever,
 No joy, allure my heart,
 But what is Yours, my Savior,
 What You now here impart.
- 5. It's good for me that, strengthened
 With heav'nly food and comfort here,
 Howe'er my course be lengthened,
 I now may serve You free from fear!
 Away, then, earthly pleasure!
 All earthly gifts are vain;
 I seek a heav'nly treasure,
 My home I long to gain,
 My God, where I'll be praising,
 Where none my peace destroy,
 And where my soul is raising
 Glad songs in endless joy.





- 3. O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight,
 For full and free remission
 I come with prayer before Your sight
 In sorrow and contrition.
 Your righteousness, Lord, cover me
 That I receive You worthily,
 Assured of Your full pardon.
- 4. I do not merit favor, Lord, My weight of sin would break me; In all my guilty heart's discord, O Lord, do not forsake me. In my distress this comforts me That You receive me graciously, O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

P 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]

 ${f P}$ The Lord bless you and keep you... and give you peace \pm .

Amen.

Closing Hymn · "Wide Open Are Your Hands"

[text: ELH 265 • tune: ELH 60]



-Be seated-