



God's Word
Persists

January 30, 2022



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Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!

- Restrooms are located in the main hallway, narthex, and back classrooms.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the Fellowship Hall or the Toddler Sunday School Room (located in the back corner classroom of the building, connected to the Fellowship Hall). Both of these rooms have televisions showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

Serving the Lord and Serving Us:

Pastor: Rev. Paul Jenkins
Usher: Bruce Knox (Early)
Asst. Ushers: Mathew Mund
Sam Kovaciny

Today's Focus: Jesus reveals himself as the Prophet sent from God. When his message is rejected, God moves it to new territory to reach new hearts.

We Come into the Presence of God

PASTOR'S GREETING AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

MUSICAL INTRODUCTION

This is an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart and prepare for the joy of worshipping your God.

STAND

HYMN: 735, Speak, O Lord



1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you To re -
2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly
3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of your Ho - ly Word.
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
grasp the heights of your plans for us.



Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, That will



fash - ion us in your like - ness That the
ra - di - ance of your pur - i - ty. Cause our
e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day In our acts of
faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic
grace we'll stand on your pro - mis - es, And by faith we'll



love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, as your



fill in us All your pur - pos-es for your
nev - er fail, Let their truth pre - vail o - ver
Church is built And you fill the earth with your



glo - ry.
un - be - lief.
glo - ry.

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Stand

Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen. .

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Lord God, you know that we are surrounded by many dangers and that we often stumble and fall. Strengthen us in body and mind, and bring us safely through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

1 Kings 7:7-16

After some time the stream dried up because there had been no rain in the land. ⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him: ⁹“Get up! Go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there. I have commanded a woman there, a widow, to provide for you.”

¹⁰ So he got up and went to Zarephath. He came to the city gate, and there he saw a widow gathering sticks. He called to her and said, “Please give me a little water in a jar, so that I can have something to drink.”

¹¹ When she went to get it, he called to her, “Please bring me a piece of bread.”

¹² She said, “As surely as the Lord your God lives, I have no food except a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a pitcher. See, I am gathering a couple of sticks so that I can go and prepare it for myself and my son, so that we can eat it and then die.”

¹³ Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid. Go and do just as you said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from the flour and bring it out to me. Then go and make another for you and your son. ¹⁴For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says. The jar of flour will not run out and the pitcher of oil will not become empty until the day the Lord sends rain to water the surface of the ground.”

¹⁵ So she went and did exactly as Elijah said. He and she, as well as her household, were able to eat for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour did not run out, and the pitcher of oil did not become empty, just as the Lord had said through Elijah.

PSALM: 78:1-7

Read Responsively

M: Give ear, O my people, to my instruction.

C: Turn your ear to the words of my mouth.

M: I will open my mouth to share a lesson.

C: I will speak about puzzling problems from long ago,

M: things we have heard and known,

C: things our fathers have told us.

M: We will not hide them from our descendants.

C: We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD,

M: his power, and the wonders that he has done.

C: He set up testimony for Jacob.

M: In Israel he established the law.

C: He commended our fathers to make it known to their children.

M: Then the next generation would know it,

C: even the children not yet born.

M: They would raise up and tell their children.

C: Then they would put their confidence in God,

M: and they would not forget the deeds of God,

C: but they would keep his commands.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 10:18 – 11:6

St. Paul laments that most of his fellow Israelites have rejected the gospel of Christ. But a few – himself included – came to faith.

But I ask, did they not hear? Of course, they certainly did.

The sound of their voice went out to all the earth,
and their words to the farthest parts of the world.

¹⁹ Yet I ask, did Israel not understand? First, Moses says:

I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation;

I will make you angry with a nation that does not understand.

²⁰ And Isaiah also boldly says:

I was found by those who were not looking for me;

I became well known to those who were not asking for me.

²¹ But about Israel he says:

All day long I stretched out my hands

to a people who disobey and oppose me.

11 So I say, did God reject his people? Absolutely not! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham from the tribe of Benjamin. ² God did not reject his people whom he foreknew—or don't you know what Scripture says about Elijah, how he was pleading with God against Israel: ³ "Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars. I am the only one left, and they are trying to take my life." ⁴ But what did God's answer tell him? "I have reserved for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal."

⁵ So in the same way at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. ⁶ Now if it is by grace, then it is not the result of works—otherwise grace would no longer be grace.

STAND

GOSPEL

Luke 4:20-32

When Jesus proclaims himself to be the Messiah, his own hometown rejects him.

He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began to tell them, "Today, this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

²² They all spoke well of him and were impressed by the words of grace that came from his mouth. And they kept saying, "Isn't this Joseph's son?"

²³ He told them, “Certainly you will quote this proverb to me, ‘Physician, heal yourself!’ Do here in your hometown everything we heard you did in Capernaum.” ²⁴ And he said, “Amen I tell you: No prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ But truly I tell you: There were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the sky was shut for three years and six months, while a great famine came over all the land. ²⁶ Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow of Zarephath, in Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was healed except Naaman the Syrian.”

²⁸ All those who were in the synagogue were filled with rage when they heard these things. ²⁹ They got up and drove him out of the town. They led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the middle of them and went on his way.

³¹ He went down to Capernaum, a town of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbath. ³² They were amazed by his teaching, because his message had authority.

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BE SEATED

CHILDREN’S SERMON: “Let’s Honor Jesus”

HYMN OF THE DAY: 353, "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a
 2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren With a
 3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who



lib - er - a - ting light; Praise the one who frees the
 strong, yet gen - tle, word; Praise the one who drove out
 suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic -



pris - 'ners, Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
 de - mons With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
 to - rious That we may know God by grace.



Praise the one who preached the gos - pel, Heal - ing
 Praise the one who brings cool wa - ter To the
 Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, See - ing



ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing storms and feed - ing
 des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this well comes liv - ing
 what our God has done; Let us praise the true Re -



thou - sands With the Fa - ther's word of peace.
 wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 deem - er, Praise the one who makes us one.

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SERMON

Text: 1 Kings 17:7-16

Theme: God's Word Persists

Stand (11:00)

OFFERING

The offering will be collected at the door. You may drop off your offering in the plates either before or after the worship service.

The members of Trinity make joyful offerings to support this church's ministry. A portion of our offerings is also used for the training of future pastors and teachers, and the worldwide mission work carried out by our fellowship, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Our guests are under no obligation to give, but any gifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom.

Stand (8:30)

M: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

M: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

M: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

M: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

C: Give them wisdom to promote justice and hinder evil.

M: Let your blessing rest on our planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

M: Comfort all who are in need or sorrow, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

M: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who mourn or live with sadness.

C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

M: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN: 332, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"



1 Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing,
 2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en,
 3 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished,
 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you



Nev - er a - lone. Wak - ing, sleep - ing,
 At peace and pure. Here you learned how
 Clos - er to me; Grow in love and
 And give you peace; I the Lord will



I am with you; You are my own.
 much I love you, What I can cure.
 love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free.
 smile up - on you And give you peace;



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; Here you
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here his
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior,



made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,
 touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,
 ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,
 Com - fort - er, and Broth - er. Go, my chil - dren;



with my bless - ing— You are my own.
 sins for - giv - en, At peace and pure.
 fed and nour - ished, Joy - ful and free.
 I will keep you And give you peace.

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Women’s Book Club Meeting – TODAY!

Trinity Women’s Book Club will be meeting during late service Today. *Loving Isaac* by Heather Kaufman is the book we will be discussing. We look forward to seeing you all there! Contact Rachel Kovaciny if you are interested in more for information about Trinity’s Book Club!

Bible Basics Class Starting in February

“Bible Basics” is a five week class designed for those with little or no prior Bible knowledge. It is not a membership class, but can lead to one for interested students. Each class will be offered online on Tuesday nights at 7, as well as in-person at noon on the following Saturday at Trinity, with lunch provided. There is no need to sign up for the online sessions. The links will be available on Trinity’s website, Facebook page, and weekly email blasts. If you plan on attending the in-person Saturday classes, please let pastor know so he can have enough food and beverages on hand.

If you have friends or family who have expressed interest in Christianity, this could be a nice, low-pressure introduction to the faith. Here are the dates, times, and topics for the classes, which last about thirty minutes:

February 8 (online at 7) and 12 (in person at noon): Who is Jesus Christ? Why should I care?

February 15 (online at 7) and 19 (in person at noon): What does God want from me?

February 22 (online at 7) and 26 (in person at noon): How could a loving God be running such an evil world?

March 1 (online at 7) and 5 (in person at noon): With so many ideas about God, how can I know what to believe?

March 8 (online at 7) and 12 (in person at noon): Why would I ever want to join a church?

Trinity Women’s Bible Study - Feb. 12

Looking for an opportunity to grow in God’s Word and for fellowship with other women? We’d love to have you join our next women’s Bible study on Saturday, February 12 at 9:00 am at Trinity. We will discuss chapter five, "Anna" of “Waiting: A Bible Study on Patience, Hope, and Trust” by Sharla Fritz. If you’d like to join the Bible study, please email Erika at erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com for a copy of the book.

Wine and Word Bible Study – Next meeting is February 17

The Wine and Word Bible Study meets at the home of Bruce and Dawn Knox. Their home is located just 5 minutes from the church in Old Bridge Estates. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 7-8:30pm; however we will NOT meet on February 3rd. We are journeying through the book of Genesis with Larry Kovaciny as our guide. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and small bite appetizer. Come and join us whether you drink wine or not! Contact Dawn at 703-615-9320 or dawn.f.knox@gmail.com to RSVP.

Small Choir

Trinity is forming a small choir to sing once a month during Worship. Anyone is welcome to join! We'll sing hymns from our hymnal, Christian Worship. If you are interested in joining, please let John or Erika Ohlendorf know.

Help Needed with New Mover Welcome Packages

Each month Trinity delivers welcome care packages to new residents in our nearby neighborhood. We have a dedicated but small crew undertaking this project. If you would like to help, either providing care packages or delivering them, please speak to pastor. We are trying to make friends, inviting contact with as many new neighbors as possible, but need more help. Thank you for considering.

Worship Schedule

The first service is at 8:30. At this service:

- masks are optional
- offering plates will be passed
- Communion will be distributed hand-to-hand, with the chalice available to those who want it
- children will be invited to come forward for the children's sermon

The second service is at 11:00. At this service:

- masks are required
- offerings will be placed in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary
- Communion will be distributed from distance
- children will remain in their pews for the children's sermon

Bible class and Sunday School begins at 9:45. Masks are optional during Bible study. Sunday School will continue following Prince William County's Public Schools' guidance on masking. Adult Bible class will continue to be repeated online each Wednesday night (Thursdays during Lent) at 7pm for those unable to attend in person on Sunday morning.

In-Person Bible Study

This morning we're beginning a new study on Friendship Evangelism. Other topics to follow through the spring and fall of 2022 will include: Mark's Gospel, Lutheran worship, and the prophet Zechariah.

The same sessions are repeated each Wednesday night (Thursdays during Lent and Advent) at 7pm online, for those who teach Sunday school, are out of town on Sunday, or otherwise unable to attend in person. These classes will be on Zoom, with the links provided in pastor's weekly email.

Ushers and Usher Assistants Needed

A sign up sheet is available in the Narthex. You are welcome to fill in as many Sundays as you are available. If you would like to become part of the regular rotation of ushers, or even just fill in once in a while when needed, please speak to Worship Elder Scott Mund.

Our Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library always welcomes donations of books and food! If the library outside is full, you can place donations in the white plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall right beside the door to the hallway.

Lord's Supper Available to All Members

If you are a confirmed member of Trinity and waiting to return to the sanctuary for worship, Pastor would be happy to commune you at home, or anywhere else you would like to meet. Just contact him at (309) 433-5807 or revpauljenkins@yahoo.com with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work.

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to glorify God

by growing in His Word and by going with His Word

to Woodbridge and to the world.



Trinity Lutheran Church is part of a group of nearly 1,300 churches called the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod or WELS. The WELS is a world-wide church with congregations serving in all fifty of the United States, as well as in Mexico and Canada. The WELS also serves over 26 foreign countries through world mission work. We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the WELS as well as the members of the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference, consisting of 21 confessional Lutheran church bodies throughout the world.