



*His Baptism Makes  
Yours Real*

**January 9, 2022**



- **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:** Paul Jenkins

### **Service Volunteers:**

**Usher:** None Assigned

**Asst Ushers:** None Assigned

**Keyboard Operators:** Early Service: Bob Pett;  
Late Service: None Assigned

**Livestream Producer:** Jack Proksch

**Pre-Service Music:** Suey Nordberg

**Today's Focus:** Jesus' baptism anoints him as the Savior into whom we are baptized. In today's 11:00 service we also have the privilege of watching Mason Rowdy Michels's baptism. Our worship follows *Service of the Word*.

# We Come into the Presence of God

## MUSICAL INTRODUCTION

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

## OPENING HYMN: 234, Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -  
5 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for  
reign - ing And, as on wings of an  
made you, Health has be - stowed and, when  
fend you; Sure - ly his good - ness and  
dore him! All that has life and breath,



he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
heed - less - ly fall - ing, has stayed you.  
mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear Now to his tem - ple draw  
Have you not seen All that is need - ful has  
What need or grief Ev - er has failed of re -  
Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can  
Let the A - men Sound from his peo - ple a -



near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
been Sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
lief? Wings of his mer - cy did shade you.  
do As with his love he be - friends you.  
gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. composite.

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN (14 14 478) *Ander Theil Des Erneuerten Gesang-Buchs*, Stralsund, 1665, alt.

---

## 8:30 Service

STAND

Minister: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

### CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.

M: IN THE PEACE OF FORGIVENESS, LET US PRAISE THE LORD.

### OH, TASTE AND SEE



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -



ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -



ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*BE SEATED (CONTINUE TO PAGE 8)*

.....

## 11:00 Service

*REMAIN SEATED*

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.**

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and grants eternal salvation to all who believe.

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Mason Rowdy Michels, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

*Stand*

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Our Lord commands us to teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Mason may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

**C: Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray. Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Mason and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*Be seated*



## Both Services

### THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON

##### 1 SAMUEL 1:1-13

*Samuel anointed David to mark him as the Lord's chosen servant to save and to rule Israel. At his baptism, the Father anointed Jesus as his Servant to save us and to rule the hearts of all who believe.*

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I see a king for myself among his sons."

<sup>2</sup> Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me."

The LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' <sup>3</sup> Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will let you know what you are to do. You are to anoint for me the person that I point out to you."

<sup>4</sup> So Samuel did what the LORD had told him to do and went to Bethlehem. Trembling with fear, the elders of the city came to meet him. They said, "Do you come in peace?"

<sup>5</sup> He said, "Yes, in peace. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." He consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

<sup>6</sup> When they had come, he looked at Eliab and said, "Certainly this is the LORD's anointed."

<sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at how tall he is, because I have rejected him. For the LORD does not look at things the way man does. For man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

<sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either."

<sup>9</sup> Then Jesse had Shammah pass by. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either."

<sup>10</sup> Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel. Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." <sup>11</sup> Samuel said to Jesse, "Is that all of the young men?"

Jesse said, "There still is the youngest, but he is tending the sheep."

Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him, for we cannot sit down to eat until he comes."

<sup>12</sup> He sent for him and brought him in. David had red hair and striking eyes, and was good-looking. The LORD said, "Get up! Anoint him, because this is the one."



<sup>13</sup> So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers. The Spirit of the LORD rushed on David with power from that day forward. After that Samuel set out and returned to Ramah.

## SECOND LESSON

### TITUS 3:4-7

*Through the saving work of Jesus we are justified (declared not guilty) in God's eyes. It is in baptism that Jesus' work becomes ours through faith.*

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior toward mankind appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us—not by righteous works that we did ourselves, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and the renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs in keeping with the hope of eternal life.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia. (*Mark 1:11b*)

*STAND*

## GOSPEL AND SERMON TEXT

### Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might be the Christ. <sup>16</sup> John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But someone mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing shovel is in his hand, and he will thoroughly clean out his threshing floor. He will gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

<sup>21</sup> When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. While he was praying, heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with you."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*BE SEATED*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** "God Has Done Something Wonderful for You"

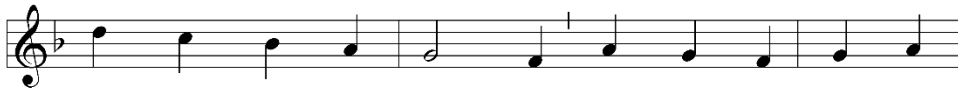
**HYMN OF THE DAY:** 294, Baptized into your Name Most Holy



1 Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O  
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me To  
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; Your  
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re -



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a  
 be hence - forth your child and heir. My faith - ful  
 prom - ise sure - ly will en - dure. Oh, cast me  
 ceive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me con -



place, though weak and low - ly, A - mong your saints, your  
 Sav - ior, there you let me The fruit of all your  
 not a - way for - ev - er If words and deeds be -  
 fess my faith sin - cere - ly And help me your own



cho - sen host, Bur - ied with Christ and dead to  
 sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it, com - fort  
 come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I come de -  
 child to be! Let noth - ing that I am or



sin. Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
 me When threat - 'ning clouds a - round I see.  
 filed; For - give, lift up, re - store your child.  
 own Serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

Text: Johann J. Rambach, 1693–1735, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
 Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE (KÖNIG) (98 98 88) Johann B. König, 1691–1758.

## SERMON

**TEXT:** Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**THEME:** Jesus' Baptism Makes Yours Real

STAND

## **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**

## **OFFERING**

*You may drop your offering in the plates either before the 8:30 or 11:00 worship services. During 8:30 service, the offering plate will be passed for those who wish to give their offering in that manner.*

*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*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

**C:** **We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**

**M:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

**C:** **We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.**

M: Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

**C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.**

M: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

**C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.**

### *Special prayers*

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

### *Silent prayer*

M: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

**C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. 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.**

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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: 297, Baptized in Water**



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,  
 2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,  
 3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,



Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
 Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
 Marked with the sign of Christ our King:



Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his prom - ise,  
 One with his ris - ing, Freed and for - giv - en,  
 Born of one Fa - ther, We are his chil - dren;



Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

**Text:** Michael Seward, b. 1932. © 1982 The Jubilate Group (admin. Hope Publishing Co., Carol Stream, IL 60188).  
 All rights reserved. Used by permission.

**Tune:** BUNESSAN (55 8 D) Gaelic melody, 19th century.

## Trinity Lutheran Church

12345 Cotton Mill Drive, Woodbridge, VA

**Pastor Paul Jenkins:** [revpauljenkins@yahoo.com](mailto:revpauljenkins@yahoo.com), (309) 433-5807

Dawn Knox Administrative Assistant: [AdminAssistant@TrinityofWoodbridge.org](mailto:AdminAssistant@TrinityofWoodbridge.org), (703) 615-9320

Find us online at [www.TrinityofWoodbridge.org](http://www.TrinityofWoodbridge.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/trinityofwoodbridge](https://www.facebook.com/trinityofwoodbridge)

### 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.

Please understand that a main reason for a "covid-conscience" service is to make in-person worship more accessible for Trinity's members and guests who have been held away for over eighteen months by covid concerns. Therefore, the rules for the second service will be enforced in the building beginning at 10:50am. Please make life easy and not burdensome for your pastor for and your brothers and sisters in Christ attending the late service; if you're still in the building at 10:50, please be wearing a mask over your nose and mouth. If you forget, you will be reminded please to mask up or please to exit. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation, and for taking these words in the kindest possible way.

### 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 Package**

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.

## **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 at 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 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?

## **In-Person Bible Study**

Our current Bible study topic on Sunday morning is prayer. This class will wrap up next week, January 16. Beginning on January 23 we will have a 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.

## **Wine and Word Bible Study**

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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays from 7-8:30pm and 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](mailto:dawn.f.knox@gmail.com) to RSVP.

## **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](mailto:revpauljenkins@yahoo.com) with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work.

**It is the mission of**

**trinity**



LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

**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.