

April 3, 2022

An Explanation of Our Communion Practice

Today we are celebrating the Lord's Supper, which is a wonderful gift from our gracious God. In his Word, God teaches that Christians need a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper before receiving it (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). He also tells us that Christians should be completely united before communing together (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we ask that only members of our fellowship (The Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and, worldwide, The Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference) commune at Trinity.

We do want everyone to commune with us. So that everything may be done decently and in good order (1 Corinthians 14:40), we ask for the opportunity to verify that we are united in our beliefs based on God's Word, and then to celebrate that unity publicly in the Sacrament. If you would like to learn more, please speak to Pastor. Thank you for your understanding of our belief and practice.





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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: Paul Jenkins

Usher: Jordon Ewers (Early), Steven Douglas (Late)

Assistant Ushers: Patrick Proksch (Early)

Keyboard Operators: Scott Mund (Early), Sandee Clay & Erika Ohlendorf (Late)

Livestream Producer: Jack Proksch
Pre-Service Music: Suey Nordberg

Today's Focus: God offers the treasure of salvation to the whole world. Those who have received it by faith will prize it and prioritize it above everything else. Our worship follows *The Common Service*.

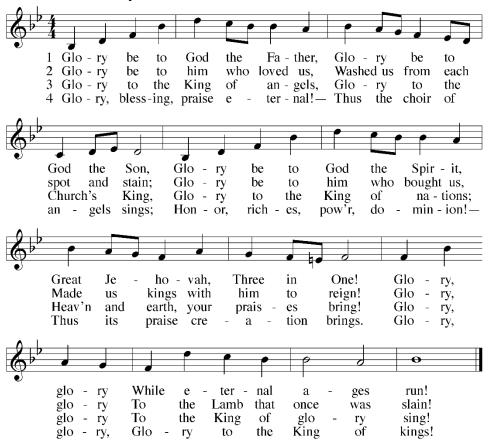
We Come into the Presence of God

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.

OPENING HYMN: 239, "Glory Be to God the Father"



Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, alt.

Tune: WORCESTER (87 87 47) Walter G. Whinfield, 1865–1919.

STAND

INVOCATION

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

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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: 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.

GLORY BE TO GOD



M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins inherit eternal 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

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:16-21

The powerful Lord, who delivered his people from slavery in Egypt and the slavery of sin, continues to offer a new life of blessings to his faithful people.

This is what the LORD says,

who makes a road through the sea and a path through mighty waters,

who brings out the chariot and the horses,

the army and the strong warrior.

They will all lie down together.

They will not get up.

They are extinguished.

Like a wick they go out.

¹⁸ Do not remember the former things. Do not keep thinking about ancient things.

Watch, I am about to do a new thing.

Now it will spring up. Don't you know about it?

Indeed I will make a road in the wilderness.

In the wasteland I will make rivers.

The wild animals, the jackals and ostriches, will honor me, because I am providing water in the wilderness, rivers in a parched wasteland,

water for my chosen people to drink.

This people that I formed for myself will declare my praise.

SECOND LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

Romans 11:11-22

So I ask, "Did they stumble in order to fall permanently?" Absolutely not! Rather, by their trespass, salvation came to the Gentiles to make the Israelites jealous. ¹² Now if their trespass meant riches for the world, and their failure meant riches for the Gentiles, how much more will their fullness mean!

¹³ I am speaking to you Gentiles. For as long as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I am going to speak highly of my ministry. ¹⁴ Perhaps I may make my own people jealous, and so save some of them. ¹⁵ For if their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, what does their acceptance mean other than the dead coming to life?

¹⁶ If the part offered as firstfruits is holy, so is the whole batch. And if the root is holy, so are the branches. ¹⁷ But if some of the branches were broken off, and you—a wild olive branch—were grafted in among them and share in the rich sap from the root of the olive tree, ¹⁸ do not boast that you are better than the branches. If you do boast, remember that you are not supporting the root, but the root is supporting you. ¹⁹ Then you will say: "Branches were broken off so that I am grafted in." ²⁰ That is true—but remember that they were broken off because of unbelief, and you remain in place by faith. Do not be conceited, but stand in awe. ²¹ For if God did not spare the natural branches, he will not spare you. ²² So take note of God's kindness and his severity: severity on those who have fallen, but God's kindness on you—if you remain in his kindness; otherwise, you also will be cut off.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Alleluia. (*Mark* 10:45)

STAND

GOSPEL

Luke 20:9-19

God continued to offer salvation to the chosen nation of Israel. As they had rejected the prophets of salvation, so they also reject and soon kill the author of their salvation, God's own Son.

M: The Gospel of St. Luke, chapter 20.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

He began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, leased it to some tenant farmers, and went away on a journey for a long time. ¹⁰ When it was the right time, he sent a servant to the tenants to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenant farmers beat the servant and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ The man went ahead and sent yet another servant, but they also beat him, treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² He then sent yet a third. They also wounded him and threw him out. ¹³ The owner of the vineyard said, 'What should I do? I will send my son, whom I love. Perhaps they will respect him.'

¹⁴ "But when the tenant farmers saw him, they talked it over with one another. They said, 'This is the heir. Let's kill him, so that the inheritance will be ours.' ¹⁵ They threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. So what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenant farmers and give the vineyard to others."

When they heard this, they said, "May it never be!"

¹⁷ But he looked at them and said, "Then what about this that is written:

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone?

 18 "Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush the one on whom it falls."

¹⁹ That very hour the chief priests and the experts in the law began looking for a way to lay hands on him, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

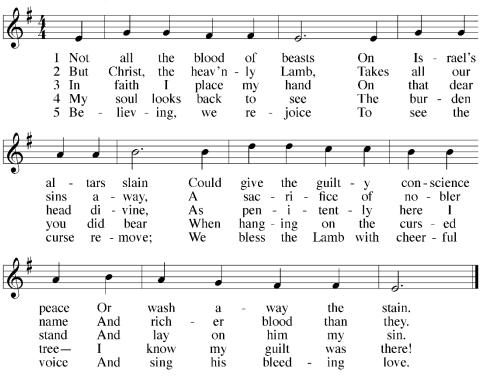
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S SERMON: "Hang on Tight to Your Treasure"

HYMN OF THE DAY: 128, "Not All the Blood of Beasts"



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

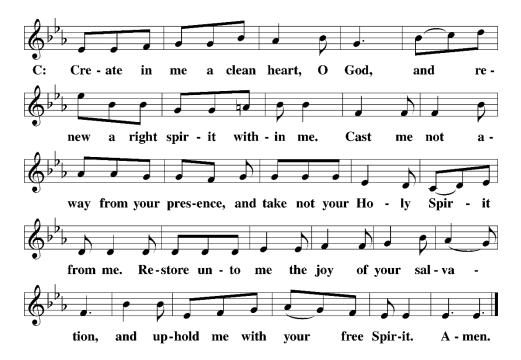
Tune: SOUTHWELL (SM) William Daman, c. 1540–91.

SERMON

Text: Romans 11:11-22 Theme: "Branch Out"

STAND

CREATE IN ME



Be seated

OFFERING

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 aifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, we praise and glorify you for the unsurpassed gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. We repent of our evil, and pray for the faith that trusts completely in the righteousness of Christ Jesus for our forgiveness.

Open our hearts to the mighty power of your Word. Teach us to depend on your holy sacrament for spiritual strength. Grant that our minds may be renewed in righteousness, that

our consciences may be stirred to choose the good, and that every thought, word, and deed be made captive to Christ.

Give to your Church ministers and teachers who have the faithfulness and courage of true prophets, so that your people may be built up in faith, abound in good works, rejoice in your love, and finally enter your eternal kingdom.

We pray for our beloved country. Give us citizens who perceive that the standard of right is not personal advancement or private favor, not public opinion or party platform, but your holy will. Lavish your grace on all families, so that each home may be a foretaste of the joy of heaven.

For all who are in any sickness, pain, anguish, or suffering, for all who are in any danger of body or soul, we pray. Teach them to turn to you and wait for your mercy. Grant them hope and joyous deliverance from all their trials.

These things we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our refuge and hope. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

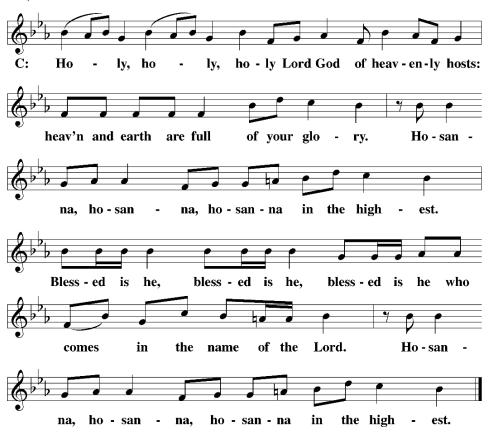
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are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

THE SACRAMENT

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- M: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY - SANCTUS



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

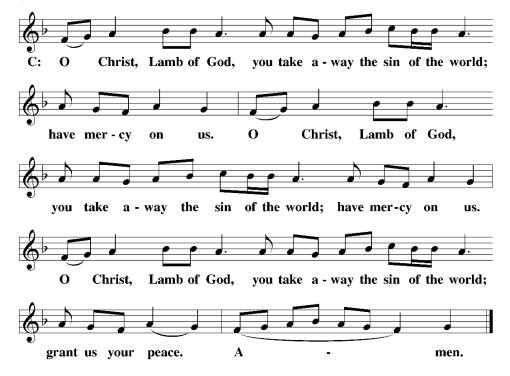
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is (+) my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is (+) my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

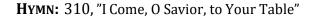
C: Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD - AGNUS DEI



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION





I live in you and you in me.

It finds its peace on Calvary.

Refrain

No sorrow fills my soul; delighted,

Verses 8, 9, 10, 13, 14 & 15 on Next Page

Refrain

That feels unworthy in your sight,

Your merit pleads, as it is right.

That duly weeps o'er sin, yet solely

- 8 By faith I call your holy table The testament of your deep love, For by your gift I now am able To know the heart of God above. Refrain
- 9 What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base; It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain
- Unto the poor, to weak ones pow'r, To angels joy, to hell confounding, And life for me in death's dark hour. Refrain

- 13 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is near, who justifies. No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain
- 14 Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer, For he who is of death the master With help and strength is always near. Refrain
- 10 This feast is manna, wealth abounding 15 My heart has now become your dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity. With angels I, your praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

Text: Friedrich C. Heyder, 1677-1754, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: ICH STERBE TÄGLICH (98 98 88) Emskirchner Choralbuch, Leipzig, 1756, alt.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON



THANKSGIVING

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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: 323, "Almighty Father, Bless the Word"



Text: Scandinavian hymn; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnary*, Decorah, 1913, alt. Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

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Final Lenten Supper - April 6

We will enjoy this season's final Lenten meal this Wednesday night in the Fellowship Hall. Doors open at 5:30 for set up and supper's served at 6:00; a brief devotion will follow at 6:45. Some beverages and tableware will be provided; please bring a dish to pass if you're able.

April Worship Notes

On Palm Sunday (April 10) Madison Wheatley and Daniel Kovaciny will be confirmed in the Christian faith at the 8:30 service.

Worship with Communion will be held on Maundy Thursday (April 14) at 7pm. Good Friday (April 15) worship will also be at 7pm. Easter Sunday (April 17) worship will be at the usual times of 8:30 and 11:00. In between services we'll enjoy an Egg Hunt for kids and an Easter breakfast potluck for all. There will be no Sunday School or Bible class on Easter.

In April the Lord's Supper will be celebrated today and the 10th, as well as Maundy Thursday.

Wine and Word Bible Study – meeting Thursday, 4/7

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. 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.

Egg Hunt for Kids April 9!

Trinity will be holding our annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9th at 2pm. There will be two sections: one for children 4 and under and another for children 5 and up. Bring baskets to collect eggs!

We are now collecting donations of little plastic eggs and candy that can fit inside the eggs. Donations are welcome all the way up to the date of the hunt. Please leave your donation on the table in the back of the Fellowship Hall.

While this event doesn't require a lot of volunteer help, it would be good to have a couple people on hand besides pastor to hand out invitations to VBS, to collect contact information from those interested in learning more about Trinity, and to attempt to maintain order as well as it can be maintained at an Easter

Egg Hunt. If you're available and can help out, please let pastor know. Two or three helpers is all we should need.

It's Time to Register for VBS!



It's time to register for this year's VBS, which will be held here at Trinity July 18th-22nd. Come join us as we learn how Jesus' power pulls us through anything! We're looking forward to sharing God's Word, making crafts, playing games, and of course, having some awesome snacks together.

Please register now, as we will open registration to the public at the Easter Egg Hunt on April 9th. There is also an online form to register as a volunteer and we need you! Here is the link:

https://vbspro.events/p/events/trinity2022

Special Door Offering for Ukrainian Lutheran Church on Easter

Trinity will be holding a special door offering for our brothers and sisters in the Ukrainian Lutheran Church on Easter Sunday, April 17. There will be an offering plate and display in the narthex. If you give via check, please make it out to Trinity Lutheran Church.

LWMS Rally Coming Soon

The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Spring Rally will be held on Saturday, April 30 at St. John's Lutheran in Newark, DE. Mission pastors Tim Bourman and Tim Walsh, both from New York, will be the speakers. Registration with a light breakfast starts at 9am. Please contact me or Lynnette Hupman for more information, including carpooling options. Offering envelopes for the rally are on the bulletin table in the narthex.

Pastor out of Town

Pastor will be in Savannah, GA from Sunday afternoon, April 24, through Thursday, April 28, to attend the WELS Military Contact Pastors' Conference. He will also be out of town from May 3-4 to attend Pastors' Conference in Huntersville, NC. You are more than welcome to contact him by phone or email during these times. If you require in-person spiritual attention, please contact Scott Mund, Trinity's worship elder.

District Convention Delegate Needed

A lay delegate from Trinity is needed to attend the North Atlantic District Convention from June 7-8 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Chesapeake. The delegate should be a voting member. All costs are covered. Please speak to pastor if you are eligible, available, and want to do this.

Small Choir

Trinity's small choir sings 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.

In-Person Bible Study

This morning we are beginning a brand-new Bible study on the book of Zechariah. Other topics to follow through the spring and fall of 2022 will include Mark's Gospel and Lutheran Worship.

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 sent via email through Sign-up Genius and is also 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.

It is the mission of



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.