

Forgiven Much, Love Much

July 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: John Stedman
Assistant Ushers:

**Keyboard Operator:** Scott Mund **Livestream Producer:** Jack Proksch

Music: Suey Nordberg

**Today's Focus:** God works sorrow for sin and zeal to do his will. Our worship follows *The Common Service*, which is a version of the historic liturgy of the Western Christian Church, and became the service most commonly used by English-speaking Lutherans in America.

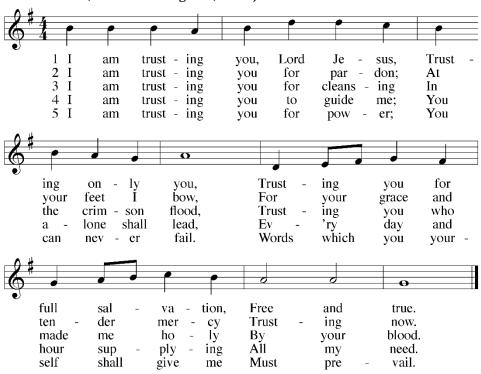
# We Come into the Presence of God

# 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:** 446, "I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus"



I am trusting you, Lord Jesus;
 Never let me fall.
 I am trusting you forever
 And for all.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79, alt.

Tune: STEPHANOS (85 83) Henry W. Baker, 1821-77.

STAND

#### INVOCATION

The name of the Triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.

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

Congregation: Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

We confess our sins to relieve our guilt and rest in Christ's forgiveness. The promise of God's pardon in Christ also leads us to worship him with light hearts and clean consciences.

- 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: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

# GLORY BE TO GOD

This canticle calls to mind the high praise of the angels on Christmas night, when God's Son arrived to remove the sin of the world and restore peace with God. "Glory Be to God" has been a Christian song of worship since at least the fourth century.





### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Prayer of the Day emphasizes the historic theme of the Sunday in the church year. Many of these prayers have deep roots in the Church, some dating as far back as the 400s. The greeting before the prayer marks the beginning of both the "Word" and "Sacrament" sections of the service.

M: The Lord be with you.

# C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray. O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things that you have prepared for us in heaven; through 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

The lessons tie together the theme for the Sunday. The first lesson typically comes from the Old Testament

### 2 Chronicles 33:1-6, 10-18

God moved Manasseh, perhaps the most wicked king in all of Israel's history, to grieve over his sin and change his course.

Manasseh was twelve years old when he became king, and he ruled as king in Jerusalem for fifty-five years.

<sup>2</sup> He did evil in the eyes of the LORD by following the disgusting practices of the nations which the LORD had driven out before the people of Israel. <sup>3</sup> He rebuilt the high places which his father Hezekiah had torn down. He erected altars to the Baals and made Asherah poles. He worshipped the whole army of the heavens and served them. <sup>4</sup> He built altars in the House of the LORD, about which the LORD had said, "In Jerusalem my Name will be forever." <sup>5</sup> He built altars for the whole army of the heavens in the two courtyards of the House of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup> He made his sons pass through the fire in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom. He practiced fortune telling and sought omens and consulted mediums and spiritists. He greatly increased the evil deeds he did in the eyes of the LORD and provoked him to anger...

The LORD spoke to Manasseh and to his people, but they paid no attention. <sup>11</sup> So the LORD brought the officials of the army of the king of Assyria against them. They led Manasseh captive with hooks. They bound him with bronze shackles and took him to Babylon.

<sup>12</sup> When he was in distress, he sought the favor of the LORD his God and humbled himself deeply before the God of his fathers. <sup>13</sup> He prayed to the LORD, and the LORD responded to his prayer and heard his plea for mercy. He brought him back to Jerusalem into his own kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD is the true God.

<sup>14</sup> Afterward he built an outer wall for the City of David in the valley, from west of the Gihon Spring up to the entrance by the Fish Gate. He encircled Ophel with it and raised it to a very great height. He also put commanders of the army in all the fortified cities in Judah.

<sup>15</sup> He removed the foreign gods and the idol from the House of the LORD. He removed all the altars he had built on the mountain of the House of the LORD and in Jerusalem and threw them outside of the city. <sup>16</sup> He restored the altar of the LORD and offered sacrifices of fellowship offerings and thank offerings on it. He commanded Judah to serve the LORD, the God of Israel.

 $^{17}$  Nevertheless, the people still sacrificed at the high places, but only to the LORD their God.

<sup>18</sup> You can find the rest of the acts of Manasseh, his prayer to his God, and the words of the seers who spoke to him in the name of the LORD, the God of Israel, in the annals of the kings of Israel.

#### PSALM OF THE DAY: 40

The Lord saves from sin everyone who turns to him in faith.

- M: I waited patiently for the LORD;
- C: he turned to me and heard my cry.
- M: Do not withhold your mercy from me, O LORD.
- C: may your love and your truth always protect me.
- M: For troubles without number surround me;
- C: my sins have overtaken me, and I cannot see.
- M: They are more than the hairs on my head,
- C: and my heart fails within me.
- M: Be pleased, O LORD, to save me;
- C: O LORD, come quickly to help me.
- M: I waited patiently for the LORD;
- C: he turned to me and heard my cry.
- M: He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.
- C: Many will see and hear and put their faith in the LORD.
- M: Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust,
- C: who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.
- M: Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders you have done.
- C: The things you planned for us no one can recount to you;
- M: were I to speak and tell of them,
- C: they would be too many to declare.

#### SECOND LESSON

### 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

When the Spirit brings a sinner to faith in Jesus, he washes clean all sin, sanctifies (makes holy), and justifies (declares "not guilty.")

<sup>9</sup> Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor males who have sex with males, <sup>10</sup> nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor the verbally abusive, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>11</sup> And some of you were those types of people. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

### VERSE OF THE DAY

The verse emphasizes the spiritual effect of the lessons.

M: Alleluia! May your priests be clothed with righteousness; may your saints sing for joy. Alleluia! (*Luke 24:32*)

The congregation stands and speaks words of praise to honor our Savior.

## GOSPEL AND SERMON TEXT

Luke 7:36-50

M: The Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 7

## C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

<sup>36</sup> A certain one of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him. Jesus entered the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup> Just then a sinful woman from that town learned that he was reclining in the Pharisee's house. She brought an alabaster jar of perfume, <sup>38</sup> stood behind him near his feet weeping, and began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she began to wipe them with her hair while also kissing his feet and anointing them with the perfume. <sup>39</sup> When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would realize who is touching him and what kind of woman she is, because she is a sinner."

<sup>40</sup> Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."

He said, "Teacher, say it."

<sup>41</sup> "A certain moneylender had two debtors. The one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> When they could not pay, he forgave them both. So, which of them will love him more?" <sup>43</sup> Simon answered, "I suppose the one who had the larger debt forgiven."

Then he told him, "You have judged correctly." <sup>44</sup> Turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house, but you did not give me water for my feet. Yet she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You did not give me a kiss, but she, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with perfume. <sup>47</sup> Therefore I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; that is why she loved so much. But the one who is forgiven little loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins have been forgiven."

<sup>49</sup> Those reclining at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup> He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S SERMON: "How to Anoint Jesus' Feet"

BE SEATED

# **HYMN OF THE DAY: 402**, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

The Hymn of the Day is assigned because of its rich content and connection to the day's Gospel.



Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-87.

Tune: OLIVET (664 6664) Lowell Mason, 1792-1872, alt.

### SERMON

Text: Luke 7:36-50

Theme: Forgiven Much, Love Much

STAND

### NICENE CREED

Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word. Christians composed the Nicene Creed in the fourth century to defend the Bible's teaching that both Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are true God, equal to the Father in one, undivided Trinity. This creed is typically used on Sundays when Communion is celebrated, because it is a communal creed: "We believe..."

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

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

Stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

God invites his saints, cleansed by the blood of Christ, to raise up together prayers in Jesus' name.

- M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.
- C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.
- M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Iesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.
- M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.
- C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.
- M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.
- C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.
- M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.
- C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.
- M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.
- C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.
- M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare:

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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

## **PREFACE**

The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are the oldest in the Christian liturgy.

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, heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. 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

Based on Isaiah 6:3 and Matthew 21:9, this canticle was in use as early as the second century.





## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death.

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."

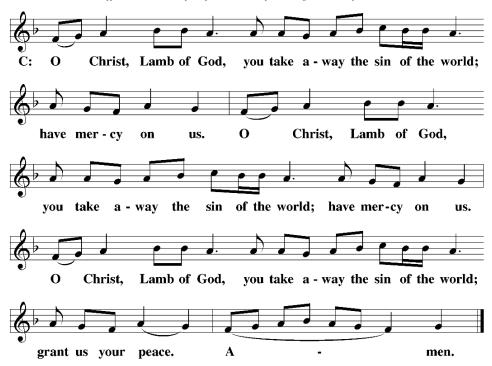
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is (+) my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

C: Amen.

# O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD - AGNUS DEI

Jesus is God's Lamb who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all. (John 1:29)



BE SEATED

### **DISTRIBUTION**

Scripture teaches that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ as we receive his body and blood with the bread and wine. It also connects us to other Christians with a common confession of faith.

HYMN: 309, "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"



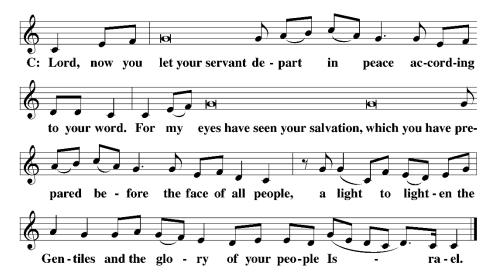
Text: Latin hymn, 7th century, abr.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-66, alt.

Tune: OLD 124TH (10 10 10 10) Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551, alt.

STAND

### SONG OF SIMEON

Through God's Word and sacrament, we have seen Jesus Christ. Like Simeon we find divine peace and comfort through faith in him. (Luke 2:29-32)



#### **THANKSGIVING**

- M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
- C: And his mercy endures forever. (Psalm 107:1-3)
- M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

## **BLESSING**

The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So they will put my name on them, and I will bless them." (Numbers 6:24-26)

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.

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# CLOSING HYMN: 441, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Verses 1 -4



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## Welcome, Hailu Family!

We welcome into communicant membership Eyu and Nadeu Hailu, along with their baptized daughter, Hallelujah. We thank God for these gifts to our congregation!

#### **VBS Dates to Remember**

**Sunday, July 17:** Anyone who can hang around after worship and help set up will be much appreciated! **Friday, July 22:** Starting at 6pm we will welcome all VBS families **and all friends and members of Trinity** to a free cookout, where we will get to know the families who sent their kids to VBS, and listen to the kids sing some of the songs they learned during the week. Please join us!

**Sunday, July 24:** Anyone who can hand around after worship and help us take down will be much appreciated!

## **VBS Donation Board**

There is a board in the narthex listing items we need to make this year's VBS a success! Some items are *loans* and will be returned after VBS, and some items are *donations* that will be used up and not returned. Please take the sticky note for any item you wish to contribute. All donations and loans must be dropped off in the big classroom by July 10th.

# Women's Bible Study: Please help choose our next book

The Trinity Women's Bible Study will be taking a break over the summer. We'll start back up with a new book in September. If you'd like to help us choose our next book, please vote here: <a href="https://forms.gle/fGshSYLRjTzFjZGx7">https://forms.gle/fGshSYLRjTzFjZGx7</a> or Scan the QR Code (use your phone's camera):



The Bible Study meets on the second Saturday of the month September through May. For questions, please contact Erika Ohlendorf at <a href="mailto:erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com">erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com</a> or 617-821-3126.

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

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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## 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 registration opened 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

### 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.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:revpauljenkins@yahoo.com">revpauljenkins@yahoo.com</a> 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.