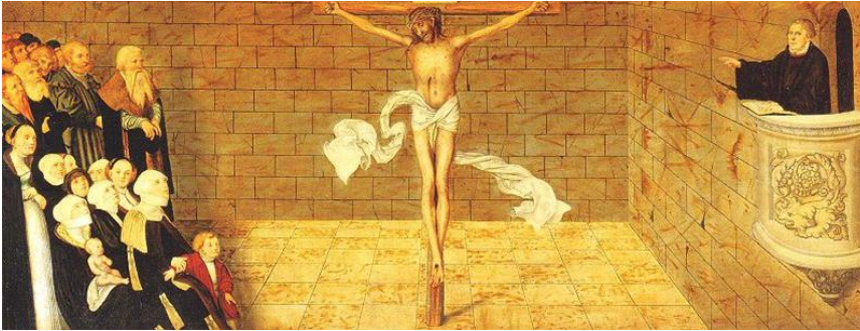


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**Welcome!** Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad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

**Service Volunteers:**

**Usher:** 8:30: Timothy Bellott

11:00: Lawrence Kovaciny & Matt Popelier

**Jr. Usher:** 8:30: Hannelore Ayala

11:00: Daniel Kovaciny

**Keyboard Operator:** 8:30 Sandee Clay

11:00: Erika Ohlendorf

**Livestream Producer:** Jack Proksch

**Today's Focus:** As we mark the 505<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation's start, we ask our loving God to keep us steadfast in his Word, where we find the eternal truths of salvation by his grace alone, through faith alone in Christ alone. We follow a special order of 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.*

*Stand*

**HYMN:** 8:30 Service: 200 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (Below)

11:00 Service: 537 "Onward, Christian Soldiers" Sung by Trinity's Sunday School Students



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A trust - y shield  
2 With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss  
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger to  
4 The Word they still shall let re - main, Nor an - y thanks



and weap - on; He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
ef - fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant one  
de - your us, We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
have for it; He's by our side up - on the plain



That has us now o'er - tak - en. The old  
Whom God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask,  
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This world's  
With his good gifts and Spir - it. And do



e - vil foe Now means dead - ly woe;  
"Who is this?" Je - sus Christ it is,  
prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
what they will— Hate, steal, hurt, or kill—

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Deep guile and great might      Are his dread arms in fight;  
The al - might - y Lord.      And there's no oth - er God;  
He can harm us none.      He's judged; the deed is done!  
Though all may be gone,      Our vic - to - ry is won;



On earth is not his e - qual.  
He holds the field for - ev - er.  
One lit - tle word can fell him.  
The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.  
Tune: EIN FESTE BURG (87 87 55 56 7) Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

## Invocation

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

C: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: FROM THE WRITINGS OF DR. LUTHER

M: If you want to engage profitably in the study of theology and Holy Scripture and do not want to run head-long into a Scripture closed and sealed, then learn, above all things, to understand sin aright.

C: **We are not sinners because we commit sin – now this one, now that one – but we commit these acts because we are sinners before we do so. That is, a bad tree and bad seed produce bad fruit, and from an evil root nothing but an evil tree can grow.**

M: Today nothing is so common as turning right into wrong and wrong into right by employing all sorts of clever expedients and strange tricks.

C: **The worst enemies we have are lodged in our own heart and in our very flesh and blood. They wake, sleep, and live with us, as an evil guest whom we have invited into our house and now cannot get rid of.**

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M: We are utterly lost; from head to foot there is nothing good in us; we must absolutely become new and different people.

**C: God alone cures this natural sin. You cannot drive it out with any law, with any punishment, though there were a thousand hells; God's grace alone, which cleanses and renews human nature, will have to sweep it away.**

M: If God's wrath is to be taken from me and I am to attain grace and forgiveness, this blessing must be earned by someone.

**C: For God cannot be kind and gracious to sin, and cannot remove punishment and wrath, unless sin has been paid for and satisfaction has been rendered.**

M: Now no one, not even an angel in heaven, was able to do away with the eternal, irreparable damage and the eternal wrath of God, which we had earned by our sins, except the eternal Person of God's Son Himself. And this he did by stepping into our place, taking our sins upon Himself, and answering for them as if He were guilty of them Himself.

**C: The Law lays my sins on me, but God takes them from me and lays them on this Lamb. There they lie well, better than on me.**

M: And God means to say: "I see that sin weighs heavily on you and that you would have to break down under the heavenly burden; but I will relieve you of it, take the sin from off your back, and out of pure grace lay it on the shoulders of this Lamb." Let this picture be precious to you: It makes Christ a Servant of sins, yes, a Bearer of sins, the lowliest, the most despised of men, who Himself destroys all sin and says: "I am come to serve others, not to let Myself be served."

**C: God says: "I forgive you your sins for nothing, without any merit of your own - not because of your sorrow or because of your work." For sin cannot be removed by us. Or, to put it this way, satisfaction for sin cannot come through our efforts; it comes through the efforts of the Son of God.**

M: Therefore as a called servant of this 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 OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and lay on the Church your saving peace; 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

#### **Jeremiah 31:31-34**

*The New Covenant of grace, signed and sealed by the blood of Jesus, forgives sin and removes its punishment. God reveals this New Covenant directly to sinners in his Word.*

Yes, the days are coming, declares the LORD,  
when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel  
and with the house of Judah.

<sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers,  
when I took them by the hand  
and led them out of the land of Egypt.  
They broke that covenant of mine,  
although I was a husband to them, declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup> But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel  
after those days,  
declares the LORD.  
I will put my law in their minds,  
and I will write it on their hearts.  
I will be their God,  
and they will be my people.

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<sup>34</sup> No longer will each one teach his neighbor,  
or each one teach his brother, saying, "Know the LORD,"  
because they will all know me,

from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD,  
for I will forgive their guilt,  
and I will remember their sins no more.

## **PSALM: 46**

*READ RESPONSIVELY*

M: God is our refuge and strength,

**C: an ever-present help in trouble.**

M: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way

**C: and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,**

M: though its waters roar and foam

**C: and the mountains quake with their surging.**

M: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

**C: the holy place where the Most High dwells.**

M: God is within her; she will not fail;

**C: God will help her at break of day.**

M: "Be still, and know that I am God;

**C: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in all the earth."**



## SECOND LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

### Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says is addressed to those who are under the law, so that every mouth will be silenced and the whole world will be subject to God's judgment. <sup>20</sup>For this reason, no one will be declared righteous in his sight by works of the law, for through the law we become aware of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, completely apart from the law, a righteousness from God has been made known. The Law and the Prophets testify to it. <sup>22</sup>This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all and over all who believe.

In fact, there is no difference, <sup>23</sup>because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God <sup>24</sup>and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God publicly displayed as the atonement seat through faith in his blood. God did this to demonstrate his justice, since, in his divine restraint, he had left the sins that were committed earlier unpunished. <sup>26</sup>He did this to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so that he would be both just and the one who justifies the person who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>What happens to boasting then? It has been eliminated. By what principle—by the principle of works? No, but by the principle of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we conclude that a person is justified by faith without the works of the law.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. "If you remain in my Word, you are really my disciples. You will also know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Alleluia. *(John 8:31-32)*

*STAND*

## GOSPEL

### John 8:31-36

*God's Word is our source of true and lasting freedom. To continue in Christ's freedom, we continue in the truth of the Word.*

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you remain in my word, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup>You will also *know* the truth, and the truth will set you free."

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33 “We are Abraham’s descendants,” they answered, “and we have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say, ‘You will be set free’?”

34 Jesus answered, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: Everyone who keeps committing sin is a slave to sin. 35 But a slave does not remain in the family forever. A son does remain forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you really will be free.”

*BE SEATED*

## CHILDREN’S SERMON: BE FREE

### HYMN OF THE DAY: 376 “Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness”



1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness My beau - ty  
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day— Who can a  
3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, Which at the  
4 Lord, I be - lieve were sin - ners more Than sands up -  
5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my



are, my glo - rious dress; Mid flam - ing worlds, in  
word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly through you ab -  
ver - y throne of God For - ev - er will for  
on the o - cean shore, You have for all a  
man - sion in the skies, E'en then this shall be



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.  
solved I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.  
sin - ners plead, For me— e'en for my soul— was shed.  
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.  
all my plea: Je - sus has lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!  
Your boundless mercy has for me,  
For me and all your hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, abr.: tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt.  
Tune: ST. CRISPIN (LM) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

## SERMON

Text: Romans 3:19-28

Theme: Righteousness Comes from God through Faith

*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.**

*BE SEATED*

## OFFERING

*Please take a moment to fill in the friendship book located in the pew at this time.*

*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 - REFORMATION

M: Lord, our refuge and strength, we gather to worship and praise you for your ongoing work of reformation in your Church.

**C: Lord, to you alone be glory.**

M: God of grace, in unfathomable love you pitied us sinners and sent your Son as our substitute to deliver us from sin, guilt, death, darkness and despair.

**C: For your grace, Lord, to you alone be glory.**

M: By your grace you sent your Spirit to call us to repentance. Your powerful gospel rescued us from rebellion and fills us with faith in you, the true and living God.

**C: For saving faith, Lord, to you alone be glory.**

M: By your grace we are heirs of your eternal Word and trustees of the inspired Scriptures, through which you proclaim your saving truth to every generation. By the Scriptures you overthrow the darkness of those who corrupt your teachings and restore to your church the message of salvation by grace alone.

**C: For the Holy Scriptures, Lord, to you alone be glory.**

M: In these last days, Lord Jesus Christ, protect your little flock. We are like sheep living among fierce wolves. Satan stalks us like a roaring lion. Defend us from false teachers who twist your Word to satisfy the latest trends.

**C: Never in the history of the world has your Word been more accessible. Give us the zeal to treasure your Word with lives of faithful Bible study.**

M: As we celebrate the Reformation, we also celebrate our common confession of the pure gospel in Word and Sacrament.

**C: For this unity of faith, we give you thanks, O Lord.**

M: We remember the faithful confessors of this and former generations, who have passed down to us your Word of truth.

**C: For these faithful servants, we give you thanks, O Lord.**

*Special prayers*

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M: In thanksgiving for the many and amazing blessings restored to your Church through the Reformation, we now commit ourselves to your care.

**C: Be our mighty fortress, our trusty shield and weapon, O Lord. 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.**

### **LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER**

**C: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

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

**C: Amen.**

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## Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

Adult Bible class & Sunday School meet between services. The adult Bible Class is focusing on St. Mark's Gospel. Other topics through the spring of 2023 will include "My Brother's Keeper" (Biblical strategies for Christians to reach out to family and friends straying from their Savior) and "The Armor of God."

## Wine and Word Bible Study - Thursday, Nov 3

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 studying "The Ten Commandments of Bible Interpretation" 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.

## Trinity Women's Bible Study - Saturday, Nov. 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, November 12 at 9:00 am at Trinity. We will discuss Chapter 3 of "Coffee with the Savior" by Kristen Myers. You may join the Bible Study anytime; each chapter stands on its own. Copies of the book can be found in the narthex.

## Christmas for Kids

Trinity will be hosting its first Christmas for Kids program on Saturday, December 10, from 10-11:30. One or two more adult volunteers would be wonderful; if you could help out, please speak to Pastor. A link to register is now available on Trinity's website, [www.TrinityofWoodbridge.org](http://www.TrinityofWoodbridge.org). Please pray that this first-time event will work to bring the love of Jesus to the forty children we hope to welcome that morning. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with Christmas for Kids, and to God for the opportunity to spread his love in Christ.

## 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. 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 Matt Popelier. If you are not getting the emails for Sign-Up Genius, please email [admin@trinityofwoodbridge.org](mailto:admin@trinityofwoodbridge.org)

## **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



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