

November 20, 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.





Christ the King

Last Sunday in End Time-November 20, 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: Rev. Paul Jenkins

Service Volunteers:

Usher: 8:30: John Stedman

11:00: Lawrence Kovaciny, Bruce Knox

Jr. Usher: 8:30: Patrick Proksch

11:00: Daniel Kovaciny

Keyboard Operator: 8:30am: Sandee Clay

11:00am: Mara Douglas

Livestream Producer: Jack Proksch

Today's Focus: Our King Jesus rules us now during our struggles and later in paradise. Our worship follows

Service of Word and Sacrament.

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: 341, "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

At 11:00, the small choir sings verses 1 and 2; the congregation joins in verses 3 and 4.



Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–94, st. 1-2, 4, abr., alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3. Tune: DIADEMATA (SM D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

INVOCATION

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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY - KYRIE

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

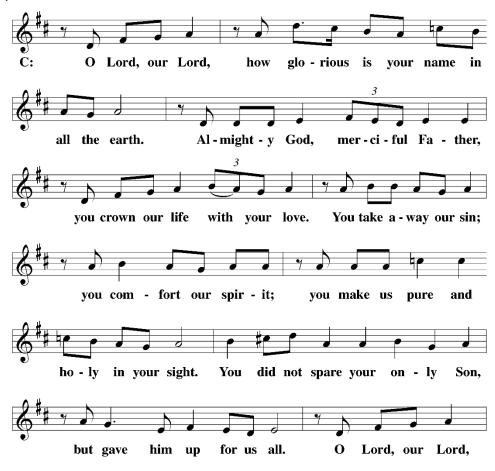
C: Lord, have mercy.

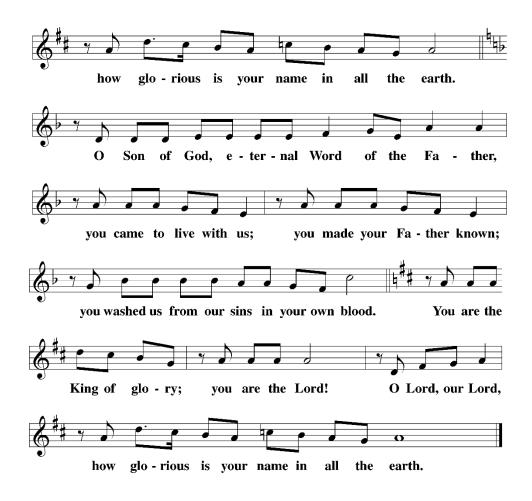
M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

- M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.
- C: Amen.
- M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 49:8-12

Just before his death, Joseph prophesied the coming of an eternal King from the line of his son Judah.

Judah, your brothers will praise you. Your hand will be on the throat of your enemies. Your father's sons will bow down to you. ⁹ Iudah is a lion's cub. You have gone up from the prey, my son. He stooped down. He crouched like a lion. He is like a lioness. Who will provoke him? ¹⁰ The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet. until the one to whom it belongs comes. He will receive the obedience of the peoples. ¹¹ He will tie his foal to the vine. his donkey's colt to the choice vine. He has washed his clothing in wine, his garments in the blood of grapes. ¹² His eyes will be darker than wine, his teeth whiter than milk.

PSALM OF THE DAY: 98

Read responsively

- M: Sing to the LORD a new song,
- C: for he has done marvelous things.
- M: The LORD has made his salvation known
- C: and revealed his righteousness to the nations.
- M: He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel;
- C: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

- M: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth,
- C: burst into jubilant song with music;
- M: make music to the LORD with the harp,
- C: with the harp and the sound of singing.
- M: Shout for joy before the LORD, the King.
- C: He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.

SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 1:13-20

The eternal King rules over the universe for the eternal good of his body, the Church.

The Father rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, things seen and unseen, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and all things hold together in him.

¹⁸ He is also the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that in all things he might have the highest rank. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile all things to himself (whether things on earth or in heaven) by making peace through the blood of his cross.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia! "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End." Alleluia! (Revelation 22:13)

Stand

GOSPEL AND SERMON TEXT

Luke 23:35-43

The people stood watching. The rulers were ridiculing him, saying, "He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, the Chosen One!"

³⁶ The soldiers also made fun of him. Coming up to him, they offered him sour wine, ³⁷ saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

³⁸ There was also an inscription written above him: "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom."

⁴³ Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: "We Will Be with Jesus in His Kingdom"

HYMN OF THE DAY: 370, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"



Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–92, st. 1-3, abr., alt.; A Selection of Hymns, London, 1787, st. 4-5, alt.

Tune: CORONATION (86 86 86) Oliver Holden, 1765–1844.

SERMON

TEXT: Luke 23:35-43

Theme: "Jesus is the King We Desire"

Stand

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

OFFERING

Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register in the pew.

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

- M: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!
- C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.
- M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they have their being.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

C: Help us live as royal priests.

M: We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.

M: We give thanks to you, Lord God almighty, because you have taken up your great power and begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

C: Strengthen our confidence that your kingdom will never be destroyed.

M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers

- M: Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.
- C: The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! 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 to the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- M: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us the confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy. Now have the come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



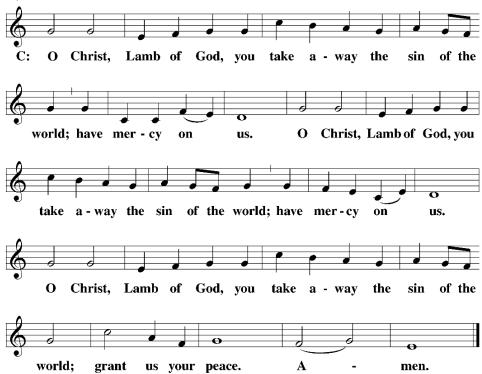
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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



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DISTRIBUTION

HYMN: 385, "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"



Text: William McComb, 1793-c. 1870, alt.

Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that they eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, 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.

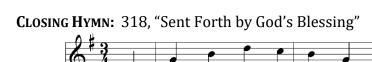
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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



1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing, To God ev - er -



fess - ing, The peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take liv - ing, The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will



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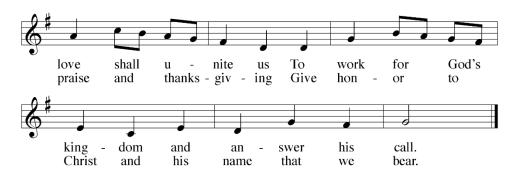


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Tune: The Ash Grove (66 11 66 11 D) Welsh folk tune.

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Sunday School's Warm in Woodbridge

From November 6 to December 11, Trinity's Sunday School is holding its annual "Warm in Woodbridge" drive! We are gathering winter hats, scarves, gloves, and socks to share with homeless people in Woodbridge via the HUGS (Help Us Grow Strong) organization. Please contribute if you can, remembering that what we do for others we do for our Savior. There will be a collection box for these items in the narthex through December 11.

Readers of Trinity!

You are invited to join the Trinity Book Club on December 3 for a fun bookish event at Rachel Kovaciny's house. We'll meet at 9:30am to discuss the book "All is Calm, All is Bright" by Colleen Coble while enjoying a hot cocoa and coffee bar and festive treats. Please let Rachel know by December 1 if you plan to attend so there will be enough snacks for everyone!

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, December 1

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 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 to RSVP.

Thanksgiving Worship

Trinity will celebrate Thanksgiving worship on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday November 23, at 7pm.

No Catechism or Sunday School November 27

Adult Bible class will meet between worship on Sunday, November 27, but there will be no Sunday School or Catechism instruction on that date, due to many families being on the road.

Midweek Advent Suppers

On Wednesdays November 30, December 7, and 14, Trinty will enjoy midweek Advent suppers. Doors will open at 5:30, and supper will be served at 6:00. Please bring a dish to pass, if you're able. If you're not able to bring food, don't worry! Please come anyway! Beverages, plates, silverware and napkins are provided. A brief Advent devotion will follow supper at 6:30.

Christmas for Kids – Saturday, December 10

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. 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.

Children's Christmas Worship Service

The children of Trinity's Sunday School will lead our 11:00 worship on Sunday, December 11, by telling us the story of Jesus' birth with word, song and action. The 8:30 service on that Sunday will be a "normal" Advent liturgical service led by pastor. Both services will be livestreamed, and of course you are welcome to attend both if you'd like.

Sunday School, Bible Class, and Catechism Break

Sunday School, Bible class, and Catechism class will not meet on Sundays December 18, and 25, and January 1. All classes will resume on Sunday, January 8.

Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day Worship

Candlelight Christmas Eve worship will be held at 5 and 7. This year, Christmas Day and New Year's Day both fall on Sundays. The normal Sunday morning worship schedule (8:30 and 11:00) will remain in place on both Sundays.

Youth Activities Coming This Summer

Camp Chi Rho will take place July 24-28, 2023. The location is moving from Elk Neck, MD to Shenandoah River State Park. This new location is more centralized and has more comfortable accommodations (A/C cabin rooms) while still maintaining the possibility to tent camp. And, who can pass up the world class finishing in the Shenandoah River? The cost will be roughly \$25 a night. Camp Chi Rho is for kids finishing grades 4-8. Kids finishing grades 9-12 can attend as "counselors." For more information, please visit campchirho.org.

The next regional youth rally, for students finishing grades 8-12, is planned for July 10-13, 2023 at Slippery Rock University (50 minutes north of Pittsburgh). The overall theme will center on relationships (with God, with others, and with ourselves). More detailed information will be available in the coming months.

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

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.