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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: Steve Proksch, Matthew Mund
11:00: Lawrence Kovaciny, Bruce Knox

Jr. Usher: 8:30: Patrick Proksch
11:00: Hannelore Ayala

Keyboard Operator: 8:30 Sandee Clay
11:00: Mathew Popelier

Livestream Producer: Jack Proksch

Today's Focus: The Father reveals that his Son has the power to cleanse people from all evil; whether physical illness, the disease of sin, physical death, or spiritual death, Jesus drives it all away in the end. As the Father does this work through his Son, he often uses things that appear weak and unimpressive on the surface. But the divine power of the Triune God is behind it, cleansing and healing.

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 446, "I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus"



1 I am trust - ing you, Lord Je - sus, Trust -
2 I am trust - ing you for par - don; At
3 I am trust - ing you for cleans - ing In
4 I am trust - ing you to guide me; You
5 I am trust - ing you for pow - er; You



ing on - ly you, Trust - ing you for
your feet I bow, For your grace and
the crim - son flood, Trust - ing you who
a - lone shall lead, Ev - 'ry day and
can nev - er fail. Words which you your -



full sal - va - tion, Free and true.
ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
made me ho - ly By your blood.
hour sup - ply - ing All my need.
self shall give me Must pre - vail.

6 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

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Lord God, you know that we are surrounded by many dangers and that we often stumble and fall. Strengthen us in body and mind, and bring us safely through all temptation; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

C: **Amen.**

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

2 Kings 5:1-15a

Na'aman, the commander of the king of Aram's army, was a great man in the opinion of his master. He was highly honored because the LORD had provided victory for Aram through him. Although he was a powerful warrior, he had leprosy.

²Raiding parties had once gone out from Aram and brought back a young girl. She served Na'aman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "I wish my master stood before the prophet who is in Samaria, because he would cure him of his leprosy."

⁴So Na'aman went and told his master what the servant girl from the land of Israel had said.

⁵Then the king of Aram said, "Go there. I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So Na'aman went, and he took ten talents of silver and six thousand shekels of gold and ten sets of clothing. ⁶Then he took the letter to the king of Israel. The letter said, "Now, when you receive this letter, you will know that I am sending my officer Na'aman to you so that you can cure him of his leprosy."

⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothing and said, "Am I God that I can kill and make alive? Why is he sending a man to me for me to heal him from his leprosy? See how he is looking for a pretext to fight against me."

⁸But when Elisha, the man of God, heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king: "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel."

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⁹So Na'aman went with his horses and chariots and stopped in front of the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰But Elisha sent a messenger out to him to say, "Go and wash seven times in the Jordan. Then your flesh will be restored and you will be clean."

¹¹But Na'aman was angry and he left, saying, "Look, I said to myself, 'He will certainly come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and wave his hand over the place, and I will be cured of the leprosy!' ¹²Aren't the Abana and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went away in a burning rage.

¹³But his servants approached and spoke to him. They said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not do it? How much more when he says to you, 'Wash and be clean'?"

¹⁴So he went down and dipped in the Jordan seven times, just as the man of God had said. Then his flesh was restored like the flesh of a small child, and he was clean. ¹⁵Then he and his whole escort went back to the man of God. He stood in front of Elisha and said, "To be sure, now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

PSALM: 30

READ RESPONSIVELY

M: Sing to the LORD, you saints of his;

C: praise his holy name.

M: For his anger lasts only a moment,

C: but his favor lasts a lifetime;

M: weeping may remain for a night,

C: but rejoicing comes in the morning.

M: To you, O LORD, I called;

C: to the LORD I called for mercy.

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M: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me;

C: O LORD, be my help.

M: You turned my wailing into dancing,

C: that my heart may sing to you and not be silent.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 12:16b-21

This is the third section of a continuous reading.

Do not be arrogant, but associate with the humble. Do not think too highly of yourselves.

¹⁷ Do not pay anyone back evil for evil. Focus on those things that everyone considers noble. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, maintain peace with everyone. ¹⁹ Do not take revenge, dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath. For it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay," says the Lord. ²⁰ But:

If your enemy is hungry, feed him;
if he is thirsty, give him a drink.
For by doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.

²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

SEASONAL SENTENCE

M: Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is on me; he has anointed me to preach good news. Alleluia!
(Luke 4:18a)

STAND

GOSPEL

Matthew 8:1-13

As Jesus cleanses the leper and the centurion's servant from physical disease, he also cleanses all those who will gather from east and west to recline in his kingdom. His life and death cure us from our sin so that we will enter that kingdom; his resurrection cures the curse of all physical disease and death in the end.

M: The Gospel of St. Matthew, chapter 8.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

When Jesus came down from the mountain, large crowds followed him. ²Just then, a leper came to him and bowed down to him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."

³Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean." Immediately he was healed of his leprosy. ⁴Jesus said to him, "See that you tell no one. Instead, go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

⁵When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him and pleaded with him, ⁶"Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed and suffering terribly."

⁷Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him."

⁸The centurion answered, "Lord, I am not worthy for you to come under my roof. But only say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I am also a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

¹⁰When Jesus heard this, he marveled. He said to those who were following him, "Amen I tell you: I have not found such great faith in anyone in Israel. ¹¹I tell you that many will come from the east and the west and will recline at the table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. ¹²But the children of the kingdom will be thrown out into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

¹³Jesus said to the centurion, "Go. Let it be done for you as you have believed." And his servant was healed at that very hour.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S SERMON: "Jesus Cures Us"

HYMN OF THE DAY: 358, "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole And
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My
4 By you my prayers ac - cept - ance gain Al -
5 O Je - sus, Shep - herd, Guard - ian, Friend, My



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'Tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place, My nev - er - fail - ing
though with sin de - filed; Sa - tan ac - cus - es
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my



heals our wounds, And drives a - way all fear.
hun - gry soul And to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury filled With bound - less stores of grace.
me in vain For God calls me his child.
Way, my End, Ac - cept the praise I bring.

- 6 I praise in weakness from afar—
How cold my warmest thought!
But when I see you as you are,
I'll praise you as I ought.
- 7 Till then I would your love proclaim
With ev'ry fleeting breath;
And may the music of your name
Refresh my soul in death.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.
Tune: ST. PETER (CM) Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799–1877.

SERMON

Text: 2 Kings 5:1-15a
Theme: Look Deeper

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 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: Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

C: Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

M: Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

C: Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

M: The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

C: Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

M: Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

C: Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

M: Hold in your care those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they love.

C: Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help them when we can.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

M: Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

C: Hear us for Jesus' sake. 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.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

**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: 320, "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of five staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady rhythm. The lyrics are: "On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace, That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Have no pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion."

On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus,
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pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be:
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da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703, abr.; tr. Peer O. Strømme, 1856–1921, alt.
Tune: FREU DICH SEHR (87 87 77 88) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551, alt.

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Sunday School Service Project

Through Sunday, February 26, Trinity's Sunday school students are collecting baby items for Birthright of Woodbridge. These will help new moms facing difficult situations or with little support from their own families and friends. Items needed are:

- + Baby clothing sizes newborn to 12mo (onesies and separates)
- +Baby toiletries (baby shampoo, diaper cream, baby lotion, baby soap, baby powder)
- +Baby socks
- +Baby towels
- +Bibs and burp cloths

Please place all donations in the bin provided in the narthex between now and February 26.

Wine and Word Bible Study - Thursday, February 2nd

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 book of Revelation 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.

VBS Planning Meeting – Saturday, February 25 at 10 am

It's time to begin planning for this summer's Vacation Bible School! At this meeting we will set the VBS dates and choose our curriculum. If you cannot attend the meeting, but would like to learn more, please contact Erika Ohlendorf at erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com or 617-821-3126

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.

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.

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

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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.