



January 8, 2023



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: 8:30: Steve Proksch

11:00: Bruce Knox

Jr. Usher: 8:30: Patrick Proksch

11:00:

Keyboard: 8:30: Sandee Clay

11:00 Erika Ohlendorf

Livestream Producer: Jack Proksch

Today’s Focus: At Jesus’ baptism, the Father anoints him as the perfect Savior, the Son of God who pleases the Father. Our baptism makes Jesus’ saving work our own! Our worship follows *Service of the Word*.

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: 294, "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy"



1 Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O
2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me To
3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; Your
4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re -



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a
be hence - forth your child and heir. My faith - ful
prom - ise sure - ly will en - dure. Oh, cast me
ceive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me con -



place, though weak and low - ly, A - mong your saints, your
Sav - ior, there you let me The fruit of all your
not a - way for - ev - er If words and deeds be -
fess my faith sin - cere - ly And help me your own



cho - sen host, Bur - ied with Christ and dead to
sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it, com - fort
come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I come de -
child to be! Let noth - ing that I am or



sin. Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
me When threat - 'ning clouds a - round I see.
filed; For - give, lift up, re - store your child.
own Serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

Text: Johann J. Rambach, 1693–1735, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE (KÖNIG) (98 98 88) Johann B. König, 1691–1758.

STAND

INVOCATION

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

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. (John 3:5 and 6)

M: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us. (*Psalm 51:5*)

C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. (1 Corinthians 6:11)

M: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have sinned against 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: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless (*Ephesians 5:25-27*). 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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 42:1-14

Isaiah pictures the Messiah's freeing and saving work for all people. At Jesus' baptism, the Father proclaims Jesus is the One to carry out this work.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen one in whom I delight.
I am placing my Spirit on him.
He will announce a just verdict for the nations.

² He will not cry out.
He will not raise his voice.
He will not make his voice heard in the street.

³ A bent reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not snuff out.
He will faithfully bring forth a just verdict.

⁴ He will not burn out, and he will not be broken
until he establishes justice on the earth.
The coastlands will wait for his law.

⁵ This is what the true God says,
the LORD who creates the heavens and stretches them out,
who spreads out the earth
and everything that it produces,
who gives breath to the people on it
and life to those who walk on it.

⁶ I am the LORD.
I have called you in righteousness.
I will hold on to your hand,
and I will guard you.
I will appoint you to be a covenant for the people,
to be a light for the nations,

⁷ to open the eyes of the blind,
to bring the prisoners out from the dungeon,
and to bring those who sit in darkness out of prison.

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8 I am the LORD; that is my name.
I will not give my glory to another,
nor my praise to idols.
9 Look, the former things have taken place,
and I am declaring new things.
I am making them known to you before they spring forth.

10 Sing to the LORD a new song.
Sing his praise from the end of the earth,
you people who go down to the sea
and everything that fills it,
you coastlands and those who inhabit them.

11 Let the wilderness and its towns lift up their voice,
along with the settlements where Kedar lives.
Let the inhabitants of Sela sing for joy.
Let them shout from the mountain tops.

12 Let them give glory to the LORD,
and let them declare his praise among the coastlands.

13 The LORD will set out like a hero.
Like a warrior, he will work himself into a frenzy.
He will shout. Yes, he will raise a war cry.
He will be heroic against his enemies.

14 I have been silent for a long time.
I have kept still. I have restrained myself.
But now, like a woman giving birth, I will scream.
I will gasp and pant.

PSALM OF THE DAY: 89

Read Responsively

M: I will sing of the LORD's great love forever;

C: I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

M: I will declare that your love stands firm forever,

C: that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

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M: The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,

C: your faithfulness, too, in the assembly of holy ones.

M: O LORD God Almighty, who is like you?

C: You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

M: Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,

C: who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.

M: They rejoice in your name all day long;

C: they exult in your righteousness.

SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-48

Jesus used the power of God's anointing to carry out his saving ministry for all people.

Then Peter began to speak: "Now I really am beginning to understand that God does not show favoritism,³⁵ but in every nation, anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.³⁶ He sent his word to the people of Israel, proclaiming the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

³⁷"You know what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached.³⁸ God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the Devil, because God was with him.

³⁹"Indeed, we are witnesses of all the things he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem, yet they killed him by hanging him on a cross.⁴⁰ But God raised him on the third day and caused him to be seen,⁴¹ not by all the people, but by the witnesses God had already chosen—by us, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify solemnly that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that, through his name, everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins."

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⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who were listening to the message. ⁴⁵ All the circumcised believers who had come with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out, even on the Gentiles. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in other languages and praising God.

Then Peter responded, ⁴⁷ “Certainly no one can refuse water for baptizing these people! They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.” ⁴⁸ He gave directions that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay for a few days.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia! “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.” Alleluia! (*Mark 1:11b*)

STAND

GOSPEL AND SERMON TEXT

Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to be baptized by John at the Jordan. ¹⁴ But John tried to stop him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?”

¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, because it is proper for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John let him. ¹⁶ After Jesus was baptized, he immediately went up out of the water. Suddenly, the heavens were opened for him! He saw the Spirit of God, descending like a dove and landing on him, ¹⁷ and a voice out of the heavens said, “This is my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with him.”

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

Children’s Sermon: “What Amazing Things God Does!”

HYMN OF THE DAY: 89, "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The
 2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The
 3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And
 4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came
 5 The Fa - ther's word, the Spir - it's flight A -



Christ, whom heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The
 Son of God in flesh dis - guised— To
 John bap - tized the Lamb of God, The
 God's own voice with words pro - found: "This
 noint - ed Christ in glo - rious sight As



God from God, the Light from Light, The
 stand be - neath the Fa - ther's will And
 Ho - ly Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, De -
 is my Son," was his de - cree, "The
 God's own choice, from A - dam's fall To



Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.
 all his prom - is - es ful - fill.
 scend - ed on him from a - bove.
 one I love, who pleas - es me."
 save the world and free us all.

6 Now rise, faint hearts: be resolute!
 This man in Christ, our substitute!
 He was baptized in Jordan's stream,
 Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt.

SERMON

TEXT: Matthew 3:13-17

THEME: "He is Well-Pleased with You, Too"

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 sign the friendship register found in your 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: O heavenly Father, we come before you this day in thanksgiving and praise. We thank you for revealing yourself at the baptism of Jesus. There you declared the one born at Bethlehem and adored by the Magi to be your dearly loved Son in whom you are well pleased. Enable us to find in him our hope and salvation.

As you anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit, so pour out that same Spirit on us so that we may serve you in the world. Take from us all fear and doubt, overcome our laziness and indecision, and drive the ugliness of sin from our lives. Open our eyes to the glorious truth that as baptized children we are also your priests in this world.

Grant your strength and blessing to all pastors, teachers, and missionaries. May they proclaim your Word with fervor and diligence and so bring light to those who sit in darkness.

In your mercy bring help and healing to the sick and the afflicted. By your grace enable them to cast their care on you, knowing that you care for them.

Special prayers

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: May we all together rejoice in your Son, whom we worship with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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.

M: O Lord God, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C: Amen.

BLESSING

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

CLOSING HYMN: 332, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"



1 Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing,
 2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en,
 3 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished,
 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you



Nev - er a - lone. Wak - ing, sleep - ing,
 At peace and pure. Here you learned how
 Clos - er to me; Grow in love and
 And give you peace; I the Lord will



I am with you; You are my own.
 much I love you, What I can cure.
 love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free.
 smile up - on you And give you peace;



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; Here you
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here his
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior,



made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,
 touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,
 ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,
 Com - fort - er, and Broth - er. Go, my chil - dren;



with my bless - ing— You are my own.
 sins for - giv - en, At peace and pure.
 fed and nour - ished, Joy - ful and free.
 I will keep you And give you peace.

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 Tune: AR HYD Y NOS (84 84 88 84) Welsh melody, 18th century.

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Women's Bible Study - This Saturday

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, January 14 at 9:00 am at Trinity. We will discuss Chapter 4 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.

Wine and Word Bible Study - Thursday, January 19

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.

December Attendance Figures

December 4: 30 + 30 = 60; Bible class = 22

December 11: 24 + 76 = 100; Bible class = 17

December 18: 19 + 23 = 42

Christmas Eve: 37 + 26 = 63

Christmas Day: 19 + 18 = 37

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

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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.