



February 12, 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, Matthew Mund

11:00: David McKeown

Jr. Usher: 8:30: Patrick Proksch

11:00: Hannelore Ayala

Keyboard: 8:30: Sandee Clay

11:00 Erika Ohlendorf

Livestream Producer: Jack Proksch

Today’s Focus: In Christ, God brings us to work humbly and faithfully in his service. 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: 735, "Speak, O Lord"



1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you To re -
2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly
3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of your Ho - ly Word.
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
grasp the heights of your plans for us.



Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, That will



fash - ion us in your like - ness That the
ra - di - ance of your pur - i - ty. Cause our
e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day In our acts of
faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic
grace we'll stand on your pro - mis - es, And by faith we'll

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love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, as your



fill in us All your pur - pos - es for your
nev - er fail, Let their truth pre - vail o - ver
Church is built And you fill the earth with your



glo - ry.
un - be - lief.
glo - ry.

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Stand

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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

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C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Lord God, in mercy receive the prayer of your people. Grant them the wisdom to know the things that please you and the grace and power always to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

EXODUS 34:5-10

The LORD came down in the cloud. He took his stand there with Moses and proclaimed the name of the Lord. ⁶The LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed: "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, and overflowing with mercy and truth, ⁷ maintaining mercy for thousands, forgiving guilt and rebellion and sin. He will by no means clear the guilty. He calls their children and their children's children to account for the guilt of the fathers, even to the third and the fourth generation."

⁸ Moses quickly bowed to the ground and worshipped. ⁹ He said, "If I have now found favor in your sight, Lord, please let the Lord go along with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our guilt and our sin, and accept us as your possession."

¹⁰ The LORD said,

See, I am making a covenant. In the presence of all your people I will do marvelous things such as have never been created anywhere on earth or in any nation. So all the people who are around you will see the work of the LORD. For it is an awe-inspiring thing that I will do for you.

PSALM OF THE DAY: 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 fall;

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

M: “Be still, and know that I am God;

C: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted on the earth.”

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5

The goodness of God calls his people to serve him with full effort, faithfulness, and humility.

Do you not know that when runners compete in the stadium, they all run, but only one receives the prize? Run like that—to win. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable victor’s wreath, but we do it for an imperishable one. ²⁶ That is why there is nothing aimless about the way I run. There is no pummeling of the air in the way I box. ²⁷ Instead I hit my body hard and make it my slave so that, after preaching to others, I myself will not be rejected.

10 For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, ² and they were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. ³ They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them—and that rock was Christ! ⁵ Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them. He had them die in the wilderness.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia! (*John 6:68*)

STAND

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

It is in pure grace that God calls all his people – some earlier, some later – to work for him in faith. So his people work for him in humility and with gratitude for all those he has called. (“The third hour” is 9am, “the sixth hour” is noon, and so on.)

“Indeed the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing to pay the workers a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³He also went out about the third hour and saw others standing unemployed in the marketplace. ⁴To these he said, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will give you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour and did the same thing. ⁶When he went out about the eleventh hour, he found others standing unemployed. He said to them, ‘Why have you stood here all day unemployed?’

⁷“They said to him, ‘Because no one hired us.’

“He told them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When it was evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last group and ending with the first.’

⁹“When those who were hired around the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius. ¹⁰When those who were hired first came, they thought they would receive more. But they each received a denarius too. ¹¹After they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner: ¹²“Those who were last worked one hour, and you made them equal to us who have endured the burden of the day and the scorching heat!’

¹³“But he answered one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not make an agreement with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what is yours and go. I want to give to the last one hired the same as I also gave to you. ¹⁵Can’t I do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶In the same way, the last will be first, and the first, last.”

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Children's Sermon: "Work for God"

HYMN OF THE DAY: 459, "O God, My Faithful God"



1 O God, my faith - ful God, O Foun-tain ev - er
2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and
3 Keep me from say - ing things That lat - er need re -
4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and



flow - ing, Who good and per - fect gifts In mer -
will - ing What - ev - er you com - mand, My call -
call - ing; Grant that no i - dle words May from
ac - tions, And let me find good friends For coun -



cy are be - stow - ing, Give me a health - y
ing here ful - fill - ing, That I do what I
my lips be fall - ing, But then, when in my
sel and cor - rec - tion. Help me, as you have



frame, And may I have with - in A con -
should While trust - ing you to bless The out -
place I must and ought to speak, My words
taught, To love both great and small And by



science free from blame, A soul un - hurt by sin.
come for my good, For you must give suc - cess.
grant pow'r and grace Lest I of - fend the weak.
your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585-1647, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.

Tune: O GOTT, DU FROMMER GOTT (II) (67 67 66 66) *Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch*, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693, alt.

SERMON

TEXT: Exodus 34:5-10

THEME: "We Work with Good Reason"

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 Lord God, we thank you for the wondrous gift of Jesus Christ, your Son, and for the promised graces we have received through him. We thank you that through his perfect life and his obedience to death on the cross, we have been granted cleansing and pardon for all our sins. We thank you that through his resurrection we have the promise of everlasting life, and that in his ascension to the right hand of your majesty, we have the assurance that he is always interceding for us.

Help us believe and trust in him, love and serve him, so that in all our thoughts, words, and actions, we may display his spirit. Rebuke our selfishness, and subdue our self-indulgence. Deepen our sympathies, strengthen our hope, and confirm us in our faith.

Dwell in our homes, O Lord, and let the trust of our families be centered in you alone, so that no difficulty, trial, or adversity can rob us of the conviction that you are our helper in every time of need. Relieve the afflictions of the weary and the sick, and dry the tears of the troubled and sorrowful. Lead them to look to you as the unfailing spring of healing and hope.

Special prayers

All these things we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior and 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.

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the 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: 471, "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"



1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin; From all im -
3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
4 Grant that I on - ly you may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
pure - ness make me clean. Oh, grant me pow'r and
I o - bey your Word. Oh, let your will be
things which are a - bove Till I be - hold you



light of grace That is - sues from your ho - ly face.
strength, my God, To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.
my de - sire And with new life my soul in - spire.
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

Text: Johann F. Ruopp, 1672–1708, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.

Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, 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.

Ash Wednesday Worship and Lenten Suppers

Trinity will worship at 7:00pm on Ash Wednesday, February 22.

Through the following five Wednesdays of Lent (March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29), we will have potluck suppers. Doors will open at 5:30, with supper at 6:00 and a brief Lent devotion at 6:30. Beverages, tableware and silverware will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass if you can. But even if you can't, please come anyway!

Trinity's 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Trinity's Easter Egg Hunt outreach event for our neighborhood will be on Saturday, April 1, at 2pm.

Besides showing kindness, the Egg Hunt also gives us the chance to invite families from around Trinity to Holy Week worship and Vacation Bible School.

Here's how you can help: Throughout the month of March, bring donations of small, individually wrapped Easter candy and plastic eggs to the Fellowship Hall. If you'd rather give a cash donation to pastor and have him buy stuff on your behalf, that works too.

Also, on the day of the hunt a little volunteer help is needed to staff the Welcome Table where VBS and Easter worship invitations will be distributed; also a little help laying out the eggs (around noon) and cleaning up afterward (around 2:30) would be great. If you can help, please speak to pastor. Thank you!

Wine and Word Bible Study - Thursday, February 16th

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

January Attendance

January 1: 20 + 28 = 48

January 8: 26 + 40 = 66; Bible class = 22

January 15: 29 + 39 = 68; Bible class = 31

January 22: 31 + 41 = 72; Bible class = 25

January 29: 35 + 30 = 65; Bible class = 23

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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