

July 9, 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: Rev. Paul Jenkins

**Today's Focus:** Because of his grace, the Lord calls us to believe in Jesus and receive his salvation. At the same time, the Lord also calls us to follow Jesus and work for him with our words and our works. 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:** 250 "From All that Dwell below the Skies"



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN (888 888 with Alleluias) Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Köln, 1623, alt.

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.

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.

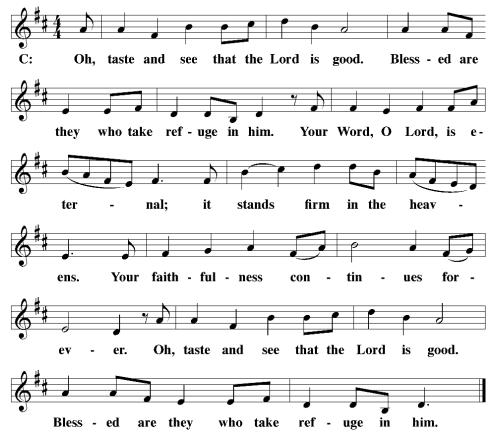
M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

# **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

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

## OH, TASTE AND SEE



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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

#### **IEREMIAH 1:4-10**

The Lord solemnly charges Jeremiah to go where the Lord tells him to go and to say the words the Lord gives him to say. This will lead to much trouble for Jeremiah, so he must trust the Lord's promise that the Word is going to achieve what the Lord desires.

The word of the LORD came to me.

<sup>5</sup> Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born, I set you apart. I appointed you to be a prophet to the nations.

<sup>6</sup> But I said, "Ah, LORD God! I really do not know how to speak! I am only a child!"

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a child.' You must go to everyone to whom I send you and say whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them, because I am with you, and I will rescue you, declares the LORD."

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD stretched out his hand and touched my mouth. The LORD said to me:

There! I have now placed my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup> Look, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms

to uproot and to tear down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant.

# PSALM OF THE DAY: 67

Read Responsively

M: May God be gracious to us and bless us

C: and make his face shine upon us;

M: may your ways be known on the earth,

C: your salvation among all nations.

M: May the nations be glad and sing for joy,

C: for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.

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- M: Then the land will yield its harvest,
- C: and God, our God, will bless us.
- M: God will bless us,
- C: and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

### SECOND LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

#### 2 Peter 3:8-15

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another. Show sympathy, brotherly love, compassion, and humility. <sup>9</sup> Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. Instead, speak a blessing, because you were called for the purpose of inheriting a blessing. <sup>10</sup> Indeed:

Let the one who wants to love life and to see good days keep his tongue from evil and his lips from saying anything deceitful.

11 Let him turn from evil and do what is good. Let him seek peace and pursue it.

12 For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their requests.

But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

<sup>13</sup> Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you should happen to suffer because of righteousness, you are blessed. Do not be afraid of what they fear, and do not be troubled. <sup>15</sup> But regard the Lord, the Christ, as holy in your hearts. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that is in you.

### VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia! "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Alleluia! (Mark 8:34b)

Stand

#### GOSPEL

#### Luke 5:1-11

Jesus calls his first disciples to leave their lives as they know them behind and to follow him in everything.

One time, while the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. <sup>2</sup> He saw two boats there along the lakeshore. The fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> Jesus got into one of the boats, which belonged to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. He sat down and began teaching the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water, and let down your nets for a catch."

<sup>5</sup> Simon answered him, "Master, we worked hard all through the night and caught nothing. But at your word I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their nets were about to tear apart. <sup>7</sup> They signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. They came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, because I am a sinful man, Lord." <sup>9</sup> For Peter and all those with him were amazed at the number of fish they had caught, <sup>10</sup> and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Have no fear. From now on you will be catching people."

<sup>11</sup> After they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S SERMON: "Be Ready!"

## HYMN OF THE DAY: 473, "Savior, I Follow On"



Text: Charles S. Robinson, 1829-99, alt.

Tune: WINTERTON (64 64 6664) Joseph Barnby, 1838-96.

### SERMON

**TEXT:** 1 Peter 3:8-15

THEME: "We Follow Christ in Our Works - and Our Words"

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.

Re 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: Almighty God, we praise and honor your holy name for your numerous acts of love and mercy on behalf of your people. We especially thank you for the gift of your one and only Son, who has ascended into heaven and sits at your right hand. We rejoice in the knowledge that he is our advocate before your throne and that he intercedes for us in all our needs.

Send your Holy Spirit to enlighten our minds with understanding and knowledge of your heavenly truths. Give to all who serve in your holy Church a full measure of your grace, so that Christ may be confessed, his cross uplifted, and his gospel declared as the only way to eternal life.

Bless all parents to be wholesome examples for their children. May they teach their children to love you, to practice virtue, to pursue instruction in your Word, and to serve your Church and all people.

Hear the prayers of all who are afflicted. In the quiet hour of the night, when they are weighed down with pain, loneliness, and anxiety, bring them strength and hope by assuring them that your love endures, your power overcomes, and your presence remains constant.

Special prayers

M: As we leave this hour of worship, we give all glory to Jesus. To him be praise and honor and glory and power 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: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, 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: 469 "Take My Life and Let It Be"



6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79.

Tune: PATMOS (77 77) William H. Havergal, 1793-1870.

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### Fellowship Opportunities This Summer: "Chosen" Nights

On most Wednesday nights this summer, everyone is welcome to potluck suppers that will start at 6. Beverages and tableware will be provided; please bring a dish to pass if you can. After supper we will watch an episode of the acclaimed series, "The Chosen," which tells the story of Jesus through the eyes of those who followed him. A little discussion time will follow the show.

The remaining "Chosen" nights are July 12 and 26; August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30. Please speak to Pastor if you have any questions.

## Wine and Word Bible Study – Thursday, July 20

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 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 Dates to Remember & Registration Information**

Saturday, July 8: Volunteer training meeting at 10:00 am for all VBS volunteers

**Sunday, July 16:** Anyone who can hang around after worship and help set up for VBS will be much appreciated!

**July 17-21:** VBS runs daily from 9:00-11:30 am. Children age 3 (and potty trained) to those entering 6th grade may **sign up here: www.trinityofwoodbridge.org/VBS** If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Erika Ohlendorf (erika.ohlendorf@gmail.com, 617-821-3126).

**Friday, July 21**: Starting at 6pm, all VBS families and members of Trinity are invited to Family Night. We will hear the kids sing VBS songs and get to know their families. A BBQ meal will be provided; there will be a bouncy house for the kids. Everyone is welcome!

**Sunday, July 23:** Anyone who can stay after worship and help us take down decorations will be much appreciated! Thank you!

## **June Worship Attendance**

June 4: 65 June 11: 53

June 18: 47 June 25: 53

#### **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, 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 <a href="mailto:revpauljenkins@yahoo.com">revpauljenkins@yahoo.com</a> 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.