

August 6, 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:**

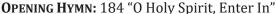
Pastor: Rev. Paul Jenkins

**Today's Focus:** Christians serve God by using all his gifts with eternity in mind. Our worship follows *The Common Service.* 

## 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.





Text: Michael Schirmer, 1606–73, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1, 3, alt.; *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, st. 2, alt.

Tune: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET (887 887 22 44 48) Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608, alt.

### INVOCATION

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

Congregation: Amen.

### CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

## GLORY BE TO GOD



M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain all the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

#### Genesis 39:1-6a

When Joseph was brought down to Egypt, Potiphar the Egyptian, who was an officer of Pharaoh and the captain of the guard, bought Joseph from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down to Egypt. <sup>2</sup> The LORD was with Joseph, and he became successful. He served in the house of his master the Egyptian. <sup>3</sup> His master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made everything that he touched a success. <sup>4</sup> Joseph found favor in his sight. Joseph served him, and he made Joseph manager of his household. He put Joseph in charge of everything.

<sup>5</sup> From the time that Potiphar made him manager of his household, in charge of everything that he had, the LORD blessed the Egyptian's household for Joseph's sake, and the blessing of the LORD rested on everything that he had, both in the house and in the fields. <sup>6</sup> So he left Joseph in charge of everything that he had. He did not concern himself with anything except the food that he ate.

### PSALM OF THE DAY: 92

Read Responsively

M: How great are your works, O LORD,

C: how profound are your thoughts!

M: The senseless man does not know,

C: fools do not understand,

M: that though the wicked spring up like grass

C: and all evildoers flourish.

M: they will be forever destroyed.

C: But you, O LORD, are exalted forever.

M: The righteous will flourish like a palm tree,

C: they will flourish in the courts of our God.

M: They will still bear fruit in old age,

C: they will stay fresh and green,

M: proclaiming, "The LORD is upright;

C: he is my rock, and there is no wickedness in him."

### SECOND LESSON

#### 1 Corinthians 10:6-13

Christians live according to God's will to preserve faith and eternal salvation; God promises to strengthen us and help us as we do. ("They" is the Israelites in the wilderness on the way to the Promised Land.)

Now these things took place as examples to warn us not to desire evil things the way they did. <sup>7</sup> Do not become idolaters like some of them—as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and got up to celebrate wildly." <sup>8</sup> And let us not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did,

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and in one day twenty-three thousand fell. <sup>9</sup> Let us not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and so were being destroyed by the serpents. <sup>10</sup> And do not grumble, as some of them grumbled, and were destroyed by the destroyer. <sup>11</sup> All these things that were happening to them had meaning as examples, and they were written down to warn us, to whom the end of the ages has come.

<sup>12</sup> So let him who thinks he stands be careful that he does not fall. <sup>13</sup> No testing has overtaken you except ordinary testing. But God is faithful. He will not allow you to be tested beyond your ability, but when he tests you, he will also bring about the outcome that you are able to bear it.

### 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

#### Luke 16:1-9

Christians are shrewd with God's gifts and use them for eternal purposes.

M: The Holy Gospel of St. Luke, chapter 16.

## C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

Jesus also said to his disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager who was accused of wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup> The rich man called him in and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you can no longer be manager.'

<sup>3</sup> "The manager said to himself, 'What will I do, since my master is taking away the management position from me? I am not strong enough to dig. I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from my position as manager, people will receive me into their houses.'

<sup>5</sup> "He called each one of his master's debtors to him. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup> He said, 'Six hundred gallons of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and write three hundred.' <sup>7</sup> Then he said to another, 'How much do you owe?' And he said, 'Six hundred bushels of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and write four hundred and eighty.'

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<sup>8</sup> "The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the children of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the children of the light are. <sup>9</sup>I tell you, make friends for yourselves with unrighteous *mammon*, so that when it runs out, they will welcome you into the eternal dwellings."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

### 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.

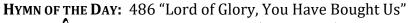
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

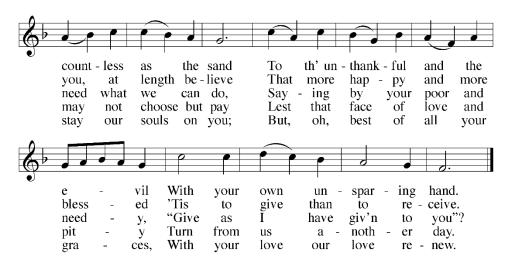
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CHILDREN'S SERMON: "God's Kind of Shrewd"





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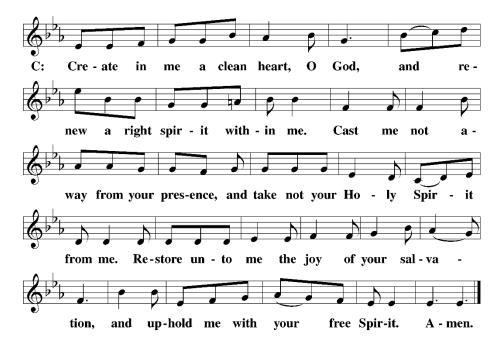
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## **SERMON**

**TEXT:** Genesis 39:1-6a **THEME:** "Think Like God"

STAND

### CREATE IN ME



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### **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: Father, for giving us life and breath, talent and energy, we thank you. For income and nourishment, for honest work and opportunities to be useful, we look gratefully to you as our provider. For safety in our travels, we rejoice in the protection your angels give. For national peace, public prosperity, and moral consciousness in all citizens, hear our prayers.

Lord Jesus, through you we have the full rights of children of God. What love the Father has lavished on us through our relationship with you! We praise you for saving us and giving your life as a ransom for our sin. May our spirits revive in the rest and peace of your forgiveness.

Holy Spirit, through Word and sacrament restore to us the joy of your salvation. Cause the good seed of the Word to produce sturdy faith and godly attitudes and behavior in each believer.

We rejoice in the fellowship we enjoy in our congregation and our synod. Keep our parish and synodical leaders faithful to their tasks. Make them men of both courage and prayer. Preserve Christ-centered doctrine and practice in our fellowship at all times. Make each of us active in Christian service.

Special prayers

M: Hear us as we join to pray in Jesus' own words:

### 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.

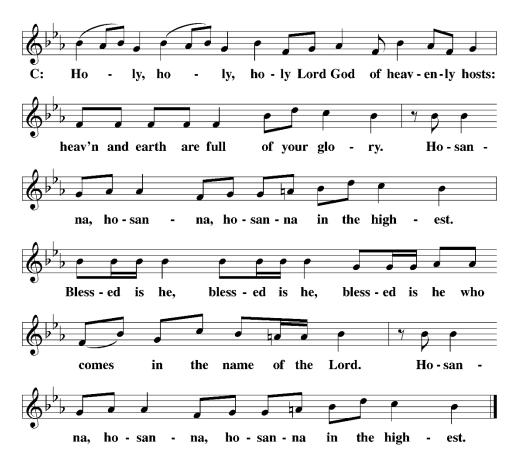
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M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

## C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

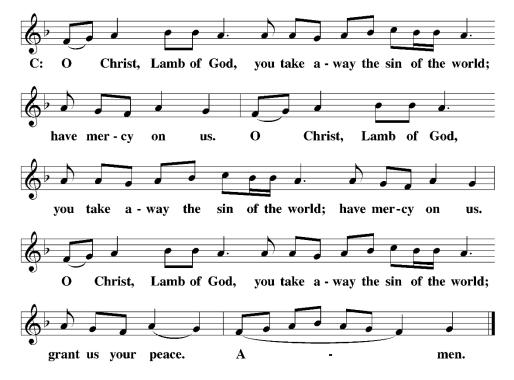
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this (+) is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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: 310 "I Come, O Savior, to Your Table"



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- 6 Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed. Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I am now your guest. Refrain
- 7 You here will find a heart most lowly 12 With you, Lord, I am now united; That feels unworthy in your sight, That duly weeps o'er sin, yet solely Your merit pleads, as it is right. Refrain
- 8 By faith I call your holy table The testament of your deep love, For by your gift I now am able To know the heart of God above. Refrain
- 9 What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base: It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain
- Unto the poor, to weak ones pow'r, To angels joy, to hell confounding, And life for me in death's dark hour. Refrain

- 11 Your body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Your blood, which you for me have shed— These are my life and strength forever; By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain
- I live in you and you in me. No sorrow fills my soul; delighted, It finds its peace on Calvary. Refrain
- 13 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is near, who justifies. No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain
- 14 Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer, For he who is of death the master With help and strength is always near. Refrain
- 10 This feast is manna, wealth abounding 15 My heart has now become your dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity. With angels I, your praises telling. Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

Text: Friedrich C. Hevder, 1677–1754, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: ICH STERBE TÄGLICH (98 98 88) Emskirchner Choralbuch, Leipzig, 1756, alt.

Stand

### SONG OF SIMEON



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

### C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of 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.

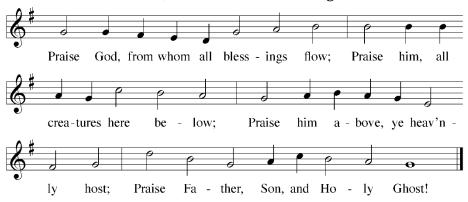
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

#### C: Amen.

Be Seated

# CLOSING HYMN: 334 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, abr.

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551.

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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 August 9, 16, 23, 30. Please speak to Pastor if you have any questions.

**Sunday Morning Bible Class and Sunday School Start September 10!** The final Sunday for the summer worship schedule is September 3.

On the following Sunday, September 10, we will move back to worship services at 8:30 and 11:00, with Bible class and Sunday School from 9:45-10:45. The first two Bible class topics of the fall will be a five or six week study of the letter of St. James, followed by "My Brother's Keeper" a five week class that offers insights and strategies for reaching out to straying Christian family members and friends.

## Wine and Word Bible Study – Thursday, Sept. 7

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.

### **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.

### **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.