

April 18, 2025



- **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 this evening!
- 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

Tonight's Focus: Jesus humbles himself to the point of death on a cross so that we will live.

We Come into the Presence of God

Note: There will be no pre-service or post-service music.

PASTOR'S WELCOME

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

Congregation: Amen.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray. God Most Holy, look with mercy on this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over into the hands of the wicked, and to suffer death upon the cross. Keep us always faithful to him, our only Savior, who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

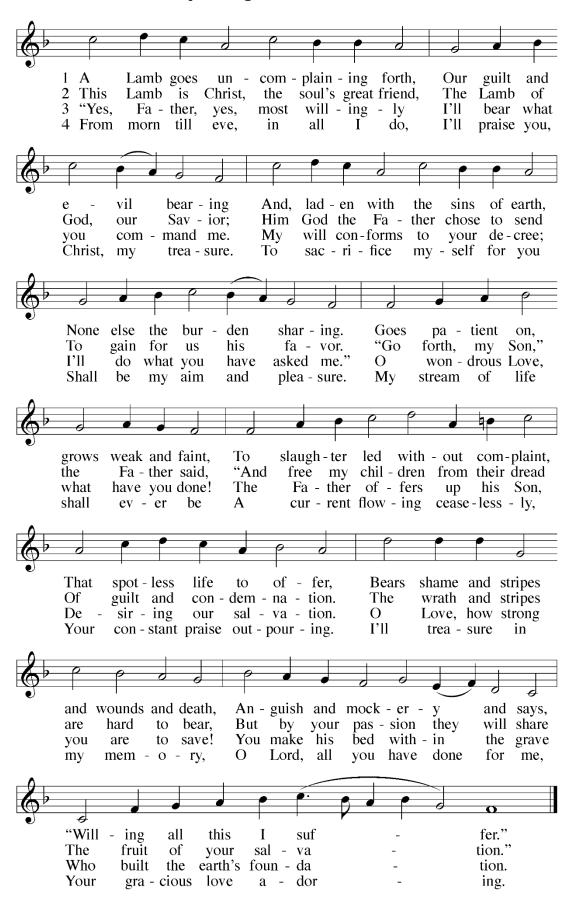
FIRST WORD:

Luke 23:33-34

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there with the criminals, one on his right and the other on his left.

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

HYMN: 100, A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: AN WASSERFLÜSSEN BABYLON (87 87 887 887) Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553.

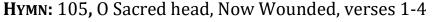
SECOND WORD:

Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"

But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise."





Second Word:

John 19:25-27

Jesus' mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene were standing near the cross.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son!" Then he said to the disciples, "Here is your mother!" And from that time this disciple took her into his own home.

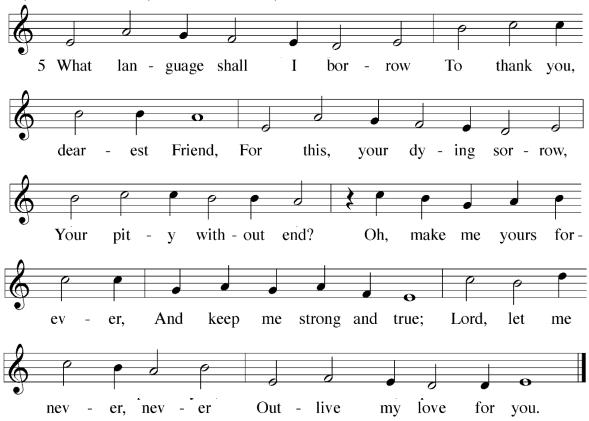
HYMN: 125 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *Sung by the choir*

FOURTH WORD:

Matthew 27:45-46

From the sixth hour until the ninth hour, there was darkness over all the land. About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lama sabacthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

HYMN: 105, O Sacred Head, Now Wounded, verses 5-7



- 6 My Savior, then be near me
 When death is at my door,
 And let your presence cheer me;
 Forsake me nevermore!
 When soul and body languish,
 Oh, leave me not alone,
 But take away my anguish
 By virtue of your own!
- 7 Lord, be my consolation, My shield when I must die; Remind me of your passion When my last hour draws nigh. My eyes will then behold you, Upon your cross will dwell; My heart will then enfold you— Who dies in faith dies well!

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153, abr.; German version, Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*,

St. Louis, 1941, alt.

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FIFTH WORD:

John 19:28

After this, knowing that everything had now been finished, and to fulfill the Scripture, Jesus said, "I thirst."

OFFERING

Please take a moment to sign 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Let us pray for the whole Church, that our gracious Father would defend her from the Devil and keep her faithful to the Lord.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have revealed your saving name to the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Protect us from the assaults of the Evil One, and help us remain faithful to your Word so that in every adversity we may stand firm in our faith and give ourselves fully to our Savior's work, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: Let us pray for those who serve in the public ministry and for all the people of God.

Almighty and everlasting God, you rule over all things for the good of your people. Preserve us from divisive spirits and false teachers. Give your servants the grace to proclaim Christ joyfully in word and deed so that all who hear them may come to know their Savior better and be strengthened for their lives of service, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: Let us pray for those who are being instructed in the Word, that they remain firm in the simple faith of Baptism.

Almighty and everlasting God, you make us your own dear children by the washing of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit. Give strength to all who are buried with Christ in Baptism, that each day they may die to sin and rise again to live new and holy lives, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: Let us pray for our earthly government, our rulers, and all who are in authority.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have established earthly government to keep a measure of order in this dying world and to protect us from the disorder of sin. Give to all rulers the wisdom to govern well and to all citizens the desire to obey them, so that we may live peaceful lives in all godliness and holiness, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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M: Let us pray that our gracious Father would protect us and our communities from the many earthly calamities that threaten us.

Almighty and everlasting God, on all sides we are surrounded by danger from wars and famine, from disease and pestilence, with the Devil begrudging us every minute of our lives. Protect us from all these miseries so that your name may still be glorified in them and so that we may safely pass through them to your heavenly kingdom, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask in the words he himself taught us:

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.

SIXTH WORD

John 19:30

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished!" Then, bowing his head, he gave up his spirit.

PSALM: 22

Read Responsively

M: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

C: Why are you so far from saving me?

M: I am a worm and not a man,

C: scorned by men and despised by the people.

M: All who see me mock me;

C: they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

M: "He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him.

C: Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

M: My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;

C: you lay me in the dust of death.

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M: A band of evil men has encircled me,

C: they have pierced my hands and feet.

M: They divide my garments among them

C: and cast lots for my clothing.

M: But you, O LORD, be not far off;

C: O my strength, come quickly to help me.

SEVENTH WORD

Luke 23:44-46

It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun was darkened. Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit spirit!" When he had said this, he breathed his last.

The minister exits the chancel after a moment of silence.

The congregation may remain for prayer and meditation before departing in silence.

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Easter Service

On Easter Sunday, worship will be at the usual times of 8:30 and 11:00. Between services there will be a potluck breakfast and Easter egg hunt for kids; there will be no Bible class or Sunday School on Easter.

Wine and Word Bible Study - May 1st

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 7-8:30 pm. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and a 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.

Get ready for our church-wide yard sale! Ready to make some space in your home? Start gathering up things you no longer want or need! After Sunday school (11am) on Sunday, April 27, drop off your donations in the big classroom beside Pastor's office. You can bring us all of your unwanted clothing, shoes, toys, small housewares, books, games, etc. (Please, NO large items such as furniture or appliances.) If you have questions, contact Rachel Kovaciny or Erika Ohlendorf. All proceeds from this yard sale will go straight into the Sunday School's mission offering!

Join our Trinity Book Club on Saturday, April 26 at 9:30am at Cuppi Coffee in Dumfries! We will discuss *Before the King* by Heather Kaufman and decide what to read next.

Trinity's Little Free Library is one of our church's most effective tools for reaching out to our neighborhood. Many families in the area around Trinity regularly visit our LFL for books and shelf-stable food items, especially those who are experiencing food scarcity. Particularly useful are canned or boxed foods that do not require additional ingredients besides water to prepare. Books are always welcome, too, of course! If the shelves happen to be full, there is a donation bin for overflow items in the Fellowship Hall beside the door to the hallway.

Small Choir

Trinity's choir sings about 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 Andy Lutz. If you have any questions or are not getting the emails for Sign-Up Genius, please email worship@trinityofwoodbridge.org. You can also scan this code to sign up:



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 revpauljenkins@yahoo.com 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.