

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



November 26, 2017 8:00 am

2163 MAYHEW LAKE RD. NE

SAUK RAPIDS, MN 56379

Welcome

Those Serving Today

Officiating Today	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. David Hinz
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Screen Team	8:00am		Mark Voitalla
		10:30am	Jeff Zimmer
Lector	8:00am		Josh Borgerding
		10:30am	Kelly Zwick
Acolyte	8:00am		Ashley Voitalla, Riley Prow
		10:30am	Veronica Peacock
Visuals	8:00am &	10:30am	Daniel Reineke
Altar Guild			Nancy Cloeter, Evora Sorokie
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone – 5	Craig Cooper
	10:30am	Zone – 1	Barb Mingo
Greeters	8:00am	Zone – 5	Diane Haffner, Marie Mendel, Amy Schaefer
	10:30am	Zone – 1	Barb Mingo
Ushers	8:00am	Zone – 5	Luke Wendt, Jim & Kathy Stueve, Andy Behrendt, Trevor Jevne
	10:30am	Zone – 1	Mark Helgeson, Dick Mingo, Norm Greenwaldt, Bob Koroll, Dan Reberg, Russ Riehm
Lay Minister	8:00am		Jeff Snyder
		10:30am	Jon Lentz, Bob Terpstra

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and the Good Shepherd Community.*

Last Sunday of the Church Year

Divine Service Setting 1 (LSB pg 151)

November 26, 2017

8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER “To be continued . . .” Those simple words sometimes show up on the screen at the conclusion of a television show, announcing that something is yet to come to complete what has already been presented. The theme of the Last Sunday of the Church Year is that sort of message. Over the past Church Year, the history of salvation in Christ has been presented, and the work of the Holy Spirit through the Church has been celebrated. Now, the return of Christ the King is awaited, when the divine plan is unfolded. To what has been, what is now, and what will be in God’s design, we add our joyful “Amen!”

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” LSB 549

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,

C: who was and is and is to come!

P: Worthy are You, our Lord and God,

C: to receive glory and honor and power,

P: for You created all things,

C: and by Your will they existed and were created.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord, sheep of the Good Shepherd, we know of His abiding goodness and mercy. With confidence, let us come before our Lord to confess our sins and to find the forgiveness we seek.

C: Almighty God, we admit our sinfulness, both that which is within us from the beginning and that which continues to occur in our lives through our transgressions in thought, word, and deed. Forgive us, renew us, and create in us clean hearts so that we may serve You as Your redeemed people, now and forever.

P: God hears our cries for mercy, and because of the sacrifice of His beloved Son for the sins of all people, He grants forgiveness. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. May you live confidently in this life as you await the joy of life everlasting. Be at peace!

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,

C: the home of righteousness.

P: O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;

C: let me know how fleeting I am!

P: Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

C: and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

P: And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

C: My hope is in you.

P: Deliver me from all my transgressions.

C: Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

P: Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace at my tears!

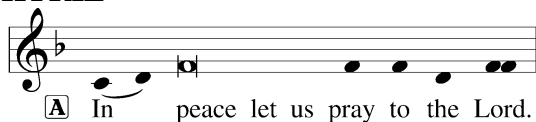
C: For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.

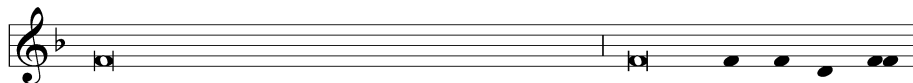
**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,

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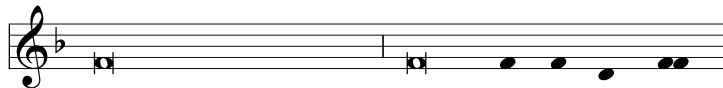
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



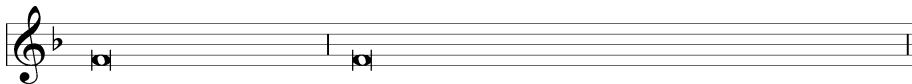
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



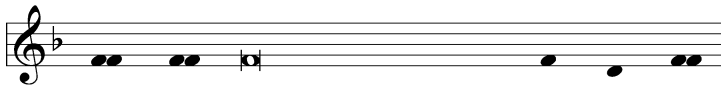
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



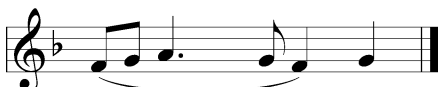
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,

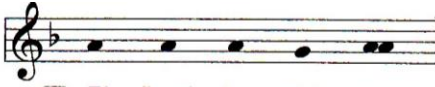


You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray... Almighty and gracious God, You have promised to care for Your people at all times. Through Jesus, our Good Shepherd, You have shown Your boundless love by bringing about our redemption from sin and its power. Keep us ever closer to You until the Last Day, when You claim us as Your own to serve You in Your glorious kingdom eternally; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

C: Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

“For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice. " Therefore this is what the Sovereign LORD says to them: See, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another. I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



 Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" LSB 851

SERMON

OFFERING

(Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew. The children are invited to bring their offerings forward at this time.)

Stand

OFFERTORY



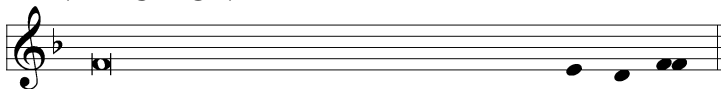
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a
right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION



[P] The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



[C] A - men.

CLOSING HYMN: “Crown Him With Many Crowns” LSB 525

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Calendar for the Week

Last Sunday of the Church Year

Angel Tree Sunday

TODAY 8:00am Worship Z5
 9:15am SS & Bible Classes
 9:15am New Member Class
 10:30am Worship Z1 (HC)
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship

MONDAY 9:30am Parish workers NL
 6:00pm Bev's CC
 5-8pm Dine to Donate at Pizza Ranch

TUESDAY 7:00pm Friends in Harmony

WEDNESDAY 7:00am Men's Bible Study@GS
 6:00pm Confirmation Classes

THURSDAY
 6:00pm Worship Team Rehearsal
 6:00pm Brownie Troop Mtg.

FRIDAY 9:00am Parish Workers
 4:00pm Private Event
 6:00pm Narcotics Anon.

SATURDAY
 9:00am Altar Guild Tree Decorating
 6:45pm Traditional Worship Practice

First Sunday in Advent

8:00am Worship Z2 (HC)
 9:15am SS & Bible Classes
 9:15am New Member Class
 10:30am Worship Z3
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship

Scripture Lessons:

Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37



Church Office Hours:

M-F 8:30am-2:30pm
 Open during the noon hour.
 Church Office Phone 252-3670

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE	OFFERINGS	
11/19/17	8:00am	152	General Fund Offerings	\$6,391.73
11/19/17	10:30am	142	Building Debt Offerings	\$433.00
	Total	294	Total	\$6,824.73
Missions this Week		\$189.00	Weekly Need:	\$11,938.00
Received to-date		\$21,312.25		
Annual Funds Promised		\$27,500.00	Challenge Fund (Including match)	\$109,286.60



Sharing the Caring Christ with All People Matthew 25:31-46: The parable of the

sheep and the goats does not put an emphasis on works, but instead, it puts them in their proper perspective. Here is the greatest perk for serving the Lord. With every task and every deed and with every person, we have the opportunity to meet Christ in that person and through that deed. So, how do we wait for Judgment Day? With certainty in His pronouncement of our sins forgiven, with certainty of receiving inheritance that our compassionate Judge has prepared us for eternity, and with certainty that every day, every task, every vocation has significance to God and to us, because unbelieving souls are saved through the power of the Holy Spirit and believing souls meet Christ as they wait.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by John and Janet Kardell and family and by Robert and Nancy Michael in loving memory of Robert and Elizabeth Kiekow. We thank them for their generosity. We have openings in February. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. Forms are available in the church office. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins, as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at www.800wval.com.

Sunday Morning Fellowship In November our hosts are Gail Reginek and Carol Wendt. Members who have last names beginning with the letters "T, U & V" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.



Thank you! Many deep felt thanks to each of you, our brothers and sisters in Christ here at our new church home, for all the warmth, caring, prayers, well-wishes, and gifts you have bestowed upon us over the last few weeks as well as the kind reception and welcome at my Installation and between services that first "official" Sunday. It is an honor to be here and you have made our arrival special and the beginning of our integration a wonderful experience. Because many gifts were given under the title "Trinity Family", we offer this open yet very personally felt thank you to each of you who gave in such a way. God's blessings to you and Christ's Spirit unite us as "Trinity Family".

Sincerely from our family, Pastor and Jen, Ben, Asher, and Lydia Hinz



Christmas Bake Sale Looking for Volunteers to make cookies, candies, etc. for a Homemade Bake Sale. 9:00am to 1:00pm on December 10th. Price is \$5.00 per Dozen or as priced. Any number of cookies would be appreciated. Proceeds will be divided between Social Ministry, Prince of Peace and the Trinity Sunday School. See the signup sheet on the kiosk for instructions.

Advent has long been a time of preparation, preparation for the celebration of Christmas. Yet the road to Christmas is anything but easy. In our culture, people prepare for Christmas either by an escape from life or by an excess of it. Even for the believer, preparations for Christmas twists and turns, and we meet many strange figures along the way. Prophets cry out in visions. John the Baptizer preaches in the desert. Angels appear whether you are asleep or awake. The voices are varied, the places are strange, but one thing is certain: in each encounter, God is preparing us for the celebration of the greatest encounter of all, the birth of Jesus, His Son, our Savior, the Redeemer of the world. Come join us each Wednesday evening at 6:00pm to hear the voices on the edge and prepare your lives for the single greatest encounter of your life. ***Wednesdays, Dec. 6, 13 and 20 at 6:00pm, with a meal to precede at 5:00pm, and Confirmation Classes to follow from 6:45—7:45 pm***



Our Youth Group Needs Leaders! Please prayerfully consider helping to guide our youth as they maneuver through their teen years. This is a critical time for young people to remember their Savior is with them!

LCEF Shared Blessings We are currently in the 2nd tier of the Shared Blessings program. We need at least 7 more investors to get back to the 3rd tier. Every month we remain in the 2nd tier we lose \$200 in rebates. There is still money available for the Young Investors. If you have questions please talk to Lori Wendt or email her at loriannwendt@gmail.com.

SISTER ACT January 3rd is our trip to see SISTER ACT at the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre. Shepherd charter tours are open to the public and with 19 available seats left we have room for you! Makes a great gift to give or receive! All details are in the brochure on the kiosk. Please join our fun! Janette, Shepherd Tours, 320-258-9365

POP HOLIDAY BAZAAR Looking for just the right holiday gift? Shop the Prince of Peace Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, December 9th from 9am-1pm at the school. Shop with 20+ vendors and crafters, including bake sale and made-to-order specialty coffee bar. Spread the word and bring your friends. There is still room for additional vendors. If you or someone you know would like to have a booth please contact Bobbi Trisko at [320-267-0504](tel:320-267-0504) or bobbi31gifts@hotmail.com. Vendor deadline is Dec 1st.

Altar Flowers Today are given in celebration of Bob and Mary Neumann's 40th wedding anniversary, Praise the Lord for the blessing of Christian marriage!



Hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. The time of year to reach out and help others through the Angel Tree Program is upon us once again. Our Church is pleased to continue to participate in Angel Tree, a Prison Fellowship program that provides a pathway for incarcerated parents to restore and strengthen relationships with their children. Volunteers like you help make this possible by giving Christmas gifts and the Good News of God's love to children in the name of mother's and father's behind bars. Angle Tree Sunday will be on Sunday, November 26th, names of children and gift ideas will be available in the Narthex on the tree. Please be sure to sign your Gift tag name out at the desk that will be located next to the tree. Gifts will need to be returned wrapped and under the tree by Sunday, December 10th. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to deliver gifts please contact me Jennifer Kranz @ 320-290-3498. Thank you for helping make this Christmas special for these children.

Prayer Shawl Ministry If anyone is interested in crocheting or knitting prayer shawls to be given to shut-ins, the ill, or anyone who needs comforting, please feel free to call the office 252-3670. You can then get information on a few that meet to do this, generally on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00am. or just donate a shawl to be given. You may also give a monetary donation which will go toward purchasing yarns to make shawls. It is a great blessing to you and the receiver!

Help needed with the December Trinity Tidings. We meet Monday morning at 9:30am and finish by 11:00am. Please join us!

POP SCRIP Have you started your Christmas shopping? Do you know what to buy for that one family member you can never find the right gift for? How about a gift card for iTunes, Groupon, Shutterfly, Marcus Theatres, Ulta Beauty or a \$5 stocking stuffer to Barnes & Noble, Panera or Starbucks. We also have \$10 cards for multiple places around town like Target, Walmart/Sam's, Pizza Hut, and Caribou, Chipotle to name a few. SCRIP will be at Trinity on Sunday December 17th. If you are worried we won't have the card you need, place an order by December 10th and we can ensure you have it on December 17th. Questions - call, text or chat with Jenny Sprengeler (320-309-5952). Thank you for supporting our school!!

Adult Choir Notes We do not rehearse this week, however, we will meet again on Dec. 6th at 7:15pm. We will begin to work on the music for Christmas Eve. Join us to praise our Newborn King!



Have you wondered about the candles in the Advent wreath? What they mean, what the colors represent? Here is some information!

1. Hope — *expectation of what is to come and sometimes prophecy*
2. Love — *sometimes called the Bethlehem Candle*
3. Joy — *this rose candle is often called Mary's Candle*
4. Peace — *it can often be called the Angel's Candle*

May our journey through this season be an opportunity to reflect on all our Savior did for us when He came to earth as a little child.

New Member Reception & Congregational Pot Luck Lunch We will receive new members at the 10:30am worship on Sunday, December 10th. Following the service (approximately noon) we will have our congregational pot-luck lunch. You are invited to bring a dish to share. Bring food as indicated according to the first letter of your last name; A-K Hotdish, L-R Salad, S-Z Dessert.

WE WELCOME FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! If there is a time during the Worship Service that you feel your child (or you) needs a “time out,” please feel free to leave the service. If you leave the service, you can go to the **lobby** or use the **large conference room** across from the church office. The conference room has speakers and one-way glass so you can still participate in Worship. During the Sunday school hour, (9:15am – 10:15am) and during the 10:30am worship service the **nursery** is staffed for children 0-3 years old. The nursery is in the preschool on the north end of the building. It is the first classroom on the left as you enter the preschool parent lounge area. There are also speakers in the nursery so you can listen to the service.



Activity bags for young children to use are in the plastic tub outside the church office.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE OFFER THESE AND OTHER SERVICES: **Large Print Editions** of our bulletins are available from our ushers by request. **If you need further information**, ask any usher or church member. Also be sure to stop by the Information Desk in the lobby. Your needs are important to us!

Bible Study for Adults on Sundays: we start at 9:15am in the fellowship hall.

Coffee & Fellowship – after the 8:00am service, come by the kitchen, have a cookie, coffee and time for fellowship. Come and meet old friends and make new friends!