

# Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

February 19, 2017

# **Trinity Lutheran Church and School**

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# **Mission Statement**

Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve, and share Jesus.

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#### Welcome

Faithfulness is the condition of being filled with faith. People filled with faith in God's faithfulness can do amazing things. They can love their neighbors as themselves. They can forgive their enemies. They can find delight in following the pathway of the Lord's Commandments. They can even discover reasons for hope and joy in adversity. The ultimate compliment Jesus mentions in the parable of the talents is when the master says to his worker, "Well done, good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:23). It doesn't get any better than that!

# **Holy Communion**

We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. (Gluten free wafers are available.) If you have any questions, please speak to one of our pastors at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the "Fellowship Pad" in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Thank you!

#### **GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SHARING OF THE PEACE + We encourage you to leave your pew and greet new people! +

PRELUDE "Isaiah, Mighty Seer In Days of Old" - Zachow

Please stand and face the cross during the procession to the altar.

**HYMN** "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" LSB 909

#### CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen. [Matthew 28:19b]

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

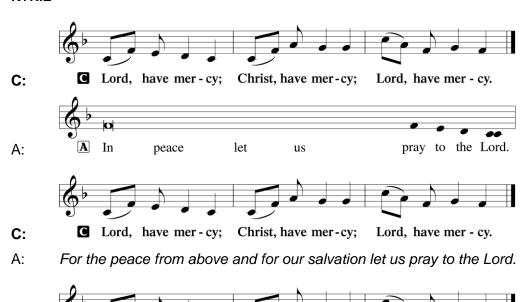
C: who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. [Psalm 130:3-4]

- P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
  - + Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination +
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### **KYRIE**



- Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.
- C: Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; 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; Christ, have mer-cy; 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; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

A: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C: Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

# HYMN OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;

3 For You a-lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You,

C: mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity:

P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (9:00)

FIRST READING Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the Lord your God.

"You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the Lord.

"You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you all night until the morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the Lord.

"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a

grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 1 Corinthians 3:10-23

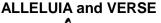
According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.







These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that





GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 5:38-48

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**HYMN** "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" LSB 848

SERMON Pastor Gregory Dwyer

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come

again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

**OFFERING** 

+ Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

TRINITY CHOIR (9:00)

"You Are Holy"

- arr. Helgen

You are holy, you are whole. You are always, evermore than we ever understand. You are always at hand. Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to you church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present. Let the cosmos praise you, Lord! Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus

Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Choir: Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old,

The Lord of all in spirit did behold

High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright,

With robes that filled the temple courts with light.

Above the throne were flaming seraphim;

Six wings had they, these messengers of Him.

With two they veiled their faces as was right,

With two they humbly hid their feet from sight,

And with the other two aloft they soared;

One to the other called and praised the Lord:



ALL:

"Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth!





Sab-a-oth! His glo-ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!"

Choir:

The beams and lintels trembled at the cry,

And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.

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#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

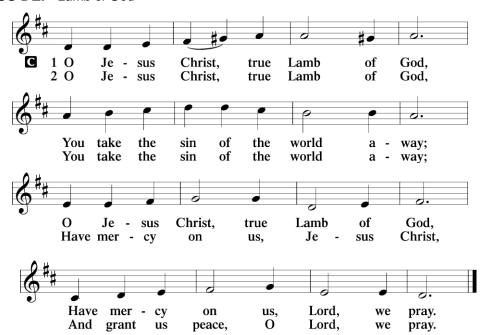
# **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

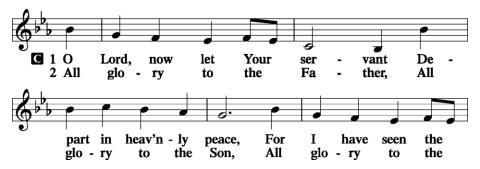
### AGNUS DEI Lamb of God

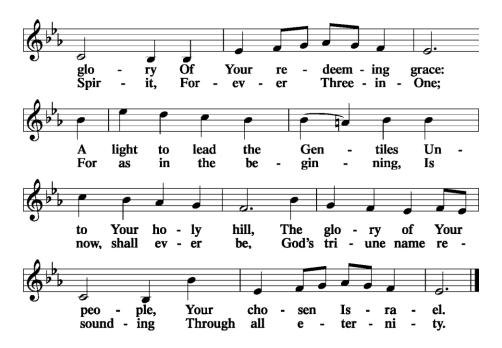


### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"O God, My Faithful God" LSB 696
"Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ" LSB 769

# **NUNC DIMITTIS** Song of Simeon





#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

We give thanks, heavenly Father, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament, and we pray that, strengthened thereby, we will exhibit the fruit of the Spirit in all that we do in our daily living; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: 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: Amen.

Please stand and face the cross during the recession from the altar.

**HYMN** "The Church's One Foundation" LSB 644

#### **DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

### **UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES**

<u>s</u>	aturday/Sunday	February 25/26	
6:30 PM 9:00 AM 10:45 AM	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion		
	Ash Wednesday	March 1	
7:15 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion		
	Saturday/Sunday	March 4/5	
6:30 PM 9:00 AM 10:45 AM	Traditional Worsh	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion	