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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of Christians saved by God's grace to proclaim the good news to our community and to the world by word and action.

The Service
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
November 22, 2026

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude ***"Rejoice, The Lord Is King!"*** - setting by David Schack

*The Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, **(+)** one God, who forgives all our sin whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection. (We kneel.)

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of **(+)** Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**
(we stand)

*Hymn ***"Crown Him With Many Crowns"*** **Hymn #855**

*The Greeting
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*The Kyrie (sung responsively)
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

*Hymn of Praise (sung by all) page 121
(Refrain)
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. (Refrain)

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Refrain)

*The Prayer of the Day
O God of power and might, Your Son shows us the way of service, and in Him we inherit the riches of Your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world You have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

The Children's Sermon

The First Lesson (Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24) Bulletin Cover

Psalm 95 Bulletin Inside Cover

The Second Lesson (Ephesians 1:15-23) Bulletin Cover

*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

Alleluia. ***Blessed is the one who comes in the name ' of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an 'cestor David.*** **Alleluia.**

The gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, 25th chapter.
Glory to You, O Lord.

*The Holy Gospel (Matthew 25:31-46) Bulletin Cover

After the reading: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon **"SURPRISE! SURPRISE!"**

*The Hymn of the Day ***"Jesus Shall Reign"*** **HYMN #434**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Apostles' Creed**
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

*The Peace Is Shared
The Offering is Received

The Offertory Anthem
8:45 a.m. ***"There Is A Redeemer"*** - Keith Green

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son and sending Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.
When I stand in glory, I will see His face; there I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son and sending Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son and sending Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

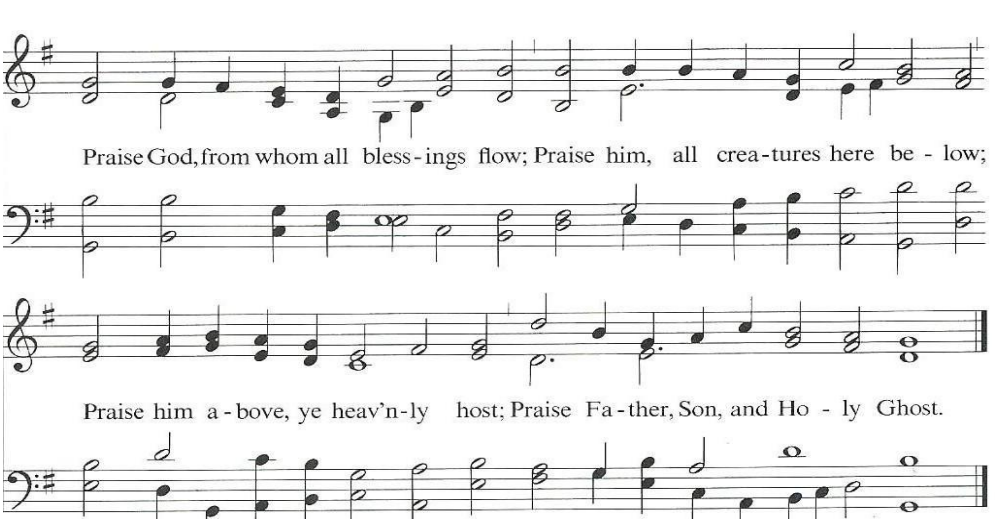
11:00 a.m. ***" Let The Song Go Round The Earth"*** - Buryl Red

Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is Lord! Sound His praise,
tell His worth, be His name adored;
Ev'ry clime and ev'ry tongue join the grand, the glorious song!
Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is Lord!

Let the song go round the earth, where the summer smiles;
let the notes of holy mirth break from distant isles;
Inland forests, dark and dim, icebound coasts give back the hymn.
Let the song go round the earth, where the summer smiles.

Let the song go round the earth Jesus Christ is King!
With the story of His worth let the whole earth ring;
Him creation all adore evermore and evermore,
Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is King! Jesus Christ is King!

*The Offertory Hymn ***"Praise God From Who All Blessings Flow"***



The Prayers of Intercession
With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of
God's creation. (We kneel.)
The Minister concludes each petition with "Lord In Your Mercy," and the response is, ***"Hear our Prayer."***

The Lord's Prayer
Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
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.

SENDING

*The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. Amen.

*The Recessional Hymn ***"Now Thank We All Our God"*** Hymn #840

(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)

The Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Postlude ***"Christ Is King!"***

(*) Indicates congregation to stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Phil & Jane Cahaly to the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of his father, Charly, and his four brothers, Edward, Faris, Fox B. and George Cahaly.

ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES are now available in the Sound Room. Please see an usher to inquire about their use.

MAGNIFYING TABLETS

For those who might benefit using a larger print on Sunday mornings, we now have available rechargeable 5X Magnifying Tablets to assist in reading. These are large bright full-page magnifiers with LED dimmable lights. Please see an usher to borrow one of these on Sunday mornings. There are also 3X magnifying rulers in the back pocket of each ELW (red hymnal). These may be used as needed during worship. Please return them to the back pocket of the hymnal at the end of the service.

Holy Trinity celebrates the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays of the month and all major festivals of the church.

WARM GREETINGS AND LOVE IN CHRIST are extended to all members and visitors. We trust that you will experience the warmth of Christian fellowship and the inspiration of God's presence here today. Prayer Request Cards (yellow cards) are located in the pews. Please place these in the offering plate. Names will be listed in next week's bulletin.

Choir Christmas Party

(Bruce & Jill Helgeson's Home)

December 19

6:30 p.m.

(Heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts)

PRAYER LIST	SPONSORS
11/15 Kim Hale	Jill Helgeson
11/15 Ann Marie Armstrong	Suzie Bannister
11/15 Karen Cromer	Suzie Bannister
11/15 Betty Smith	Jim & Donna Dancik
11/1 Ann West	Brenda McGowan
11/1 Pat Cheek	Chris & Anna Caldwell
10/24 Todd Heuskin	Mary Heuskin
10/24 The Family of Miriam Moody	Congregation
10/18 Gael Johnson	Diana James
10/11 Sid Richardson	Diane Richardson
10/11 The Family of Don Simon	Congregation
10/11 Lauren Dyer	Susan Straup
10/11 Christee Williams	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
10/4 Beth Passow	Randy Passow
10/4 The Family of Tim Taylor	Jill Helgeson
10/4 The Family of Whitney Capps	Mike & Bobbi Metz
9/27 The Family of Josh Webber	Jill Helgeson
9/27 The Family of Selena Darnell	Jill Helgeson
9/27 Dr. Meredith Blackwell	Rette Stokes
9/27 The Family of Betty Mann	Mike & Leslie Cox
9/27 Brenda Hucks	Congregation
9/27 Trey Bowman	Bob Vinson
9/20 The Family of Sherri Bryant	Robert & Vicki Allen
9/20 Sid Richardson	Diane Richardson
9/20 The Family of Jan House	Congregation
9/13 The Family of Greg Johnson	Diana James & Carter Boucher
9/6 Warren Vircks	Jane Potter
9/6 Chris Dafoe	Bill Dafoe
8/30 Carter Boucher	Diana James
8/30 The Family of Marjorie Elwell	Amy Goodson
8/16 Ken Earp	Pat Earp
8/16 Ruth Cromer	Jill Helgeson
8/16 Rev. Stephen Roehrs	Anita Roehrs
8/16 Michael Askew	Susan Askew
8/16 Jim Dancik	Donna Dancik
8/9 Susan Straup	Bob Straup
8/9 The Family of Mike Matney	Rynde Dial
8/2 Dan Hunnicutt	Johnnie Hunnicutt
8/2 The Family of Jim Gilliland	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
7/26 Sadie Spoores	Richard & Jody Yardumian
7/26 Anna Courie	Ben & Bonnie Emanuel

7/26 Nick Temple-Smith Ben & Bonnie Emanuel

Names listed for the dates of 7/26 thru 9/20 will be removed from the prayer list next week. If a name from this date is being removed that you would like to stay on, please resubmit it.

LONG TERM PRAYERS	SPONSORS
Scott Heuskin	Todd Heuskin
Penny Moudrianokis	Diana James
Tim Medlin	Jane Potter
Sherry Partain	Suzie Bannister
Travis & Family	Suzie Bannister
Lamar Cromer	Jill Helgeson
Trey & Maggie Hagerty	Jill Helgeson
Nick Korn	Dave & Nancy Korn
Marysue Rivers	Phyllis Barnette
Pat Kennedy	Jeff Kennedy
Ben & Mary Ann Blanks	Bob Vinson
Ron McDowell	Beth Cribbe
Tom Weeks	Congregation
Ashley Booker Addison	Jill Helgeson
Katrina Sellars	Jill Helgeson
Jaron Thompson	Kati Smith
Phillip Roehrs	Rev. Stephen & Anita Roehrs
Betty Williams	Connie Adams
Ben Taylor	Jill Helgeson
Robert Cahaly	Phil & Jane Cahaly
Edmond Pop	The Fischer Family
Ed Hartshorn	Pat Ross
Elanor Dean	The Stokes Family
Mike Borron	Paul Wagner
Henri Holmes Adair Baker	The Stokes Family
Gabrielle Godfrey	Brenda McGowan
Carolyn Culbreath	The Stokes Family
Buddy & Lesley Taylor	Marisa Adrian
Willy E. Johnson	The Stokes Family
Susan Socha	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
Danny Rouse	Brenda McGowan
Nina & Larry Sherman	Jill Helgeson
Gretchen Fant	Jill Helgeson

ADVENT SCHEDULE

Advent Meals – 6:00 p.m.

December 2 Luther's Ladies – host Meal Group A - Beth Fischer
December 9 Luther's Ladies – host Meal Group B - Beth Cribbe
December 16 The Lutheran Men In Mission – host

There will be a free will offering received.

Advent Worship Services to follow at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 2: "God's Christmas Greeting"
Wednesday, December 9: "The Baby Who Changes Everything"
Wednesday, December 16: "Christmas Preparations We Often Forget"

Mark your calendars:
Christmas Pageant – December 13
Annual Christmas Pageant during the 11:00 a.m. Service
Choir Gathering – December 19
Helgeson Home – 6:30 p.m.
Chili and Caroling – December 20
Congregational Christmas Caroling and Chili 5:00 p.m.

ANGEL TREE

Holy Trinity is again sponsoring an Angel Tree for our community. Families have been chosen by AIM and given to us for Christmas giving. In addition to selecting names from the Angel Tree in-person like we usually do, you also will have the option of making a donation and someone from WELCA will do the shopping for you. All gifts should **NOT** be wrapped. The deadline to drop off all items is December 6. Simply make out a check to Holy Trinity with "Angel Tree" in the memo or contact Nancy Scalf or Beth Fischer.

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT will be on Sunday, December 13th, during the Late Service. All ages are needed to participate in this year's program. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this delightful Christmas tradition! We will again be using an original script created by Brenda McGowan.

Practices will be determined later.

A full dress-rehearsal will take place on Saturday morning, December 12th. Our final rehearsal will be Sunday, December 13th following the Early Service.

SERVING YOU TODAY – November 22, 2026

Minister.....Rev. J. Chris Fischer
Organist……..……...Sharon Christmas
Acolytes.....(E) Ken Earp (L) Brady West
Lectors… .....E) Phyllis Barnett (L) Mike Metz
Video/IT Engineer… ..... Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Kevin Lockhart/Connor Caldwell
Tabulators……..……..…. Mike Cox & Leslie Cox
Ushers: (E) Mike Cox-Captain, Leslie Cox, Robert Allen, Tom Adrian
(L) Mike Oates-Captain, Sandi Jordan, Kristie Evans, Chad Evans
Church Secretary… .....Pat Ross
President .....Rynde Dial
Vice-President… .....Mary Ann Hobbs
Treasurer…..... Diane Richardson
Council Secretary… .....Lauren Sayers

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK
November 22 – November 28

TODAY
8:45 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) **CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**
Choir Practice
10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m. Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m. The Whole Story Adult Sunday School Class (Pairs and Spares)
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) **CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**

MON.
6:00 p.m. Lutheran Men In Mission Supper Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

WED.
10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

THURS.
HAPPY THANKSGIVING (OFFICE CLOSED)

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP

November 29

ONE - COMBINED WORSHIP 10:00 a.m.
(NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES)
FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK MEAL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.
NOTE: THE MEAT and BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED. PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE.

LOOKING AHEAD

Worship Assistants
November 29, 2026
ONE - COMBINED WORSHIP
10:00 a.m.

Acolyte	Claude Calloway
Lector	Jane Potter

November 29	**ONE-COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE** (Pot Luck Meal to follow in Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
December 2	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spare Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Advent Meal (Fellowship Hall) – host Meal Group A- Beth Fischer	6:00 p.m.
	Advent Service	7:00 p.m.
	Choir Practice	7:40 p.m.
December 3	Dining Divas (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
December 6	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	The Whole Story Adult Sunday School Class (Pairs and Spares)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
	Chrismon Tree will be placed in the Sanctuary after Late service	

ATTENDANCE
Worship Services – November 15 – 8:45 a.m. (45) 11:00 a.m. (36)

OFFERINGS RECEIVED – November 15 – Operating Fund $2,423.00, Endowment Fund $75.00, Utilities Fund $70.00, Angel Tree Donations $50.00, Use of Facility Fund $50.00, Poinsettia Fund $42.00

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

Supper Meeting
November 23
6:00 p.m.
In
Fellowship Hall

DINING DIVAS

Thursday, December 3,
at 6:00
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall
Please RSVP
Beth Cribbe
(call or text 864-617-6216)

Psalm 95

(sung responsively)

Come, let us sing | to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.
[2]**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving**
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.
[3]For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.
[4]**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;**
the heights of the hills are | also yours.
[5]The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.
[6]**Come, let us worship | and bow down,**
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.
[7a]For the LORD | is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture
and the sheep | of God's hand.

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*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)
Alleluia. ***Blessed is the one who comes in the name ' of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an 'cestor David.*** **Alleluia.**

DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WE ARE COLLECTING NEEDED ITEMS FOR A.I.M. ITEMS INCLUDE: Peanut Butter, rice, dried beans, pasta, canned meat, canned fruit, canned soup, oatmeal, grits, flour, sugar, cereal, cooking oil—cleaning/personal hygiene list: bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, laundry soap, bleach, cleaning solutions (Lysol, Mr. Clean for example). Please note: perishables are not included.

We thank Sharon Christmas for being our organist today.