



Sunday, November 13, 2022

Saints Triumphant

Theme of the Day:

A day of terror for all those who troubled God's people.

OPENING HYMN

730 – “Blessed Are They”

(The “Amen” is sung after the last hymn only.)

Please stand.

P: The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven lines of music. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A short musical phrase consisting of four notes: D4, E4, F#4, and G4, all beamed together. The notes are written on a treble clef staff in the key of D major.

C: A - men.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON – Revelation 21:1-6

The Apostle John is allowed to see the home of the saints triumphant.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ²I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” ⁵He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give drink without cost from the spring of the water of life.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 150

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Spoken responsively. Pastor will speak the first lines, the congregation the indented lines.

SECOND LESSON – Hebrews 11:32-40

For countless saints, their Christian faith was the cause of pain and even death. They faced persecution and death with courage because they knew God had planned something better.

²And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received back their dead, raised to life again. Others who were tortured and refused to be released so that they might gain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Some faced jeers and flogging, while still others were chained and put in prison. ³⁷ They were stoned; they were sawed in two; they were put to death by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— ³⁸ the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and in holes in the ground. ³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. ⁴⁰ Since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple.
Alleluia. (Revelation 7:15a)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand.

GOSPEL – Luke 6:20-23

Jesus teaches that the blessedness of being God's saint is currently hidden from sight. Yet, one day, that blessedness will be revealed.

Looking at his disciples, he said, "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²²Blessed are you when men hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

214 – "Jerusalem the Golden"

SERMON Text: Revelation 21:1-6

Theme: Jesus Refreshes Everything for his Saints

Please stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.

Please be seated.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

FRIENDSHIP REGISTRATION

Guests: Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

Members: Please fill out name and any new information.

Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.

P: You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.

P: Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

P: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocation, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

P: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please be seated.

HYMN

554 – “Oh, How Blest They Are”

Please stand.

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**BLESSING**

P: 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.

**CLOSING HYMN**

219 – “Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See”

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

Revelation 21:4

Announcements

WELS Connection will be shown after each service today.

TRINITY STUDENTS K-8 are sharing their wonderful singing voices at Immanuel this morning.

THANK YOU to Julia Lisanti for sharing her musical gift with the church this morning by playing piano for the services. We appreciate you beautifying the service with the talent God has given you!

CALL MEETING will take place **today, November 13**, at 1:00pm. The Church Council approved a recommendation to call a 7th & 8th grade teacher and a church music coordinator. All voters are asked to attend. Non-voters and the women of the church are also encouraged to voice their opinions.

NO TEEN BIBLE CLASS today. Teens are welcome to join the adult Bible Class in the Sanctuary as they talk about the 10 Commandments. Also, because most of our children are singing at Immanuel, all Sunday school classes will meet in the preschool classroom in the school.

LUTHER SOCIETY will be collecting items for the annual Thanksgiving display. Please have your items in the church basement by **Sunday, November 20th**. *(Please note deadline extension of one week)* The display will be set up after late service that day. Display items might include fruits or vegetables of the season, home-canned goods, etc. Items that are not reclaimed will be given to the called workers.

LUTHER SOCIETY: DATE CHANGE! Thanksgiving display set-up has been changed to **next** Sunday, November 20th. Teens will meet immediately after second service to discuss Christmas party ideas.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE: This Thanksgiving Day, we will thank God for His goodness that follows us wherever we go. We will use the new Christian Worship hymnal and sing the hymns that have been familiar staples of previous Thanksgiving services and also receive comfort and encouragement from James 1. Come join us for Thanksgiving worship at 9:30 am.

PRACTICE. PRACTICE. PRACTICE.

~*Cheerleading* practice begins again this Tuesday and Thursday, November 15 & 17, 3:30-4:45. Next week practice will be held on Monday and Tuesday, same time.

~*Basketball* practice begins next Monday and Tuesday, November 21st and 22nd, 5-7:00pm.

PRESCHOOL PLAYTIME: Do your kids need a place to get some energy out? Join us for a FREE open gym for all preschool aged children (infants, toddlers, and preschoolers) in the school gym on Monday, November 14 from 10:00-11:00 AM. We will have balls to play with, ride-on toys, mats to crawl/roll around on, a mini-trampoline, infant toys, and lots of space to run around and play. Grab a snack for your ride home!

FALL HARVEST TIME: Celebrate Thanksgiving and Fall at our next Mornings with Mommy on Monday, November 21 (at 9:30 or 11:00) and Tuesday November 22 (at 9:30). Bring your children/grandchildren to play with corn, leaves, pumpkins, and gourds in our sensory bins, rake leaves, pick apples, and make an apple cinnamon painting. The program costs \$5 per family. Register online at tlcjenera.org or call 262-391-7994.

MIDWEEK ADVENT Services start November 30: Do you ever wonder what it was like to be a believer before Jesus came to earth as a child in Bethlehem? We will hear God's promise given to his Old Testament people and study the history behind the promises that God gave to his people. Join us for Midweek Advent Services on November 30 and December 7, as we answer the question: "Where was the Prophecy Foretold?" Choir practice will be after midweek Advent services.

LIMA FOOD BANK: Women's Ministry is volunteering again at the West Ohio Food Bank in Lima on Wednesday, November 30 from 1:00-3:00 PM. We will be packing boxes for seniors or bags for children's backpacks. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to help. We will meet in the church parking lot at 12:20 if you want to drive together. The address is 1380 Kibby St. Lima, OH 45802. Questions? Contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT: Women's Ministry is hosting an Advent by Candlelight entitled "Songs of the Season" on Sunday, December 4 at 6:30 PM. This is an opportunity to focus your heart and mind on the birth of our Savior during the Advent season. Join us for Christmas cookies and fellowship in the church basement afterwards. Sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to bring Christmas cookies or treats to share. We will also be putting together plates of cookies for shut-ins and residents of the Hope House in Findlay.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY is hosting the Advent supper on Wednesday, December 7 starting at 5:30. We will be serving soup and homemade bread. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to bring food or help serve the meal. Bring food to the church basement by 5:00 PM and hot food no later than 5:30 PM.

SAVE THE DATE: Christmas for Kids is scheduled for Saturday, December 17 from 12:30 - 3:00. Look for more information coming soon!

ADVENT MEALS: We are blessed again this year to have volunteers providing meals before our midweek Advent Services. The Siefker family is hosting on November 30th with a spaghetti dinner. Look for the sign-up sheet for items to donate. December 7th is Women's Ministry (*see announcement above*) and the 7th and 8th grade classes will be serving sliders on the 14th. They will be accepting donations to help offset the cost of their class trip in the spring.

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE: Under God's blessing, our ministry to our preschool-aged children has grown over the past couple of years. This year our preschool children will tell us about the promises that God has made to you. Join us for our Preschool Christmas Service on December 14 at 7 pm and stay for fellowship afterwards

WOULD YOU LIKE to own a piece of Trinity History? On Sunday, November 20th, after second service, you are welcome to take home the red hymnals. If you want more than one, that's ok, too! Join us on Thanksgiving morning as we begin a new era at Trinity when we begin using the new Christian Worship hymnals.

TIGER GEAR! TLS clothing is being offered for sale again this year. If you are interested in purchasing, please contact the school office for an order form. **Deadline to order is November 22nd.** Also available are short-sleeved T-shirts under separate order for \$10 each. All proceeds of these t-shirts will off-set the annual 7th & 8th grade class trip. Please contact the school office if you would like to purchase one. Make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran.

MISSING YEARBOOKS: We are currently trying to update some school records. In doing so, it has been discovered that some old yearbooks are missing from our records, and we need these to help fill in record gaps. If you have any of the yearbooks listed, please consider allowing us to borrow them. You can bring yearbooks to the school office Monday through Friday 9am to 3pm. Missing Yearbooks: Anything prior to 1977, 1981-82, 1991-92, and 2006-07. Thanks!

OPEN GYM: Looking for a volunteer or volunteers to supervise open gym at the school on Sunday afternoons. Hours would be according to the volunteer's availability. Please contact the school office at tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org if you are interested in helping out.



SAVE THE DATE: Church decorating for the upcoming Christmas Season will take place on Friday, December 2nd. Please join our Decorating Committee as they prepare our beautiful church for the birth of our Savior!

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (week of November 6, 2022)

Total Worship Attendance: 252 ; Early: 131; Late: 121; Adult BC: 27; SS 39; Teen BC: 7, Mornings with Mommy: 64. On-line worship service views for October 30 were 49.

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through November 19 are the members of James Rausch's Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, November 20, will be the members of Mark Boehm's Undershepherd group.

GREETERS today are: Joe & Jean Spaeth – Early Service
Richard & Cheryl Kretz – Late Service
Next Sunday: Dwight & Norma Rader – Early Service
Warren & Marilyn Pratt – Late Service

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (November 13 through November 20)

TODAY Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30; K-8 Sing at Immanuel; Adult Bible Study, Sunday School; Outreach meeting 12:00; **CALL MEETING 1:00.**

MON Preschool Playtime 10:00.

WED Choir 7:00.

SUN **Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30:** Communion; Adult Bible Study; Sunday school; Teen Bible Class 9:20 Luther Society.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TUE Cheer Practice 3:30-4:45.

WED Chapel 8:20.

THU Cheer Practice 3:30-4:45.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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