

# **Trinity Lutheran Church**

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304 E. Ferris St. Galesburg, IL 61401

"the welcome place"

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# + + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

#### Welcome

(Stand)

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism as, the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

whose voice is upon the waters,

whose mercy is poured out upon all people,

whose goodness cascades over all creation.

# Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God. Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sinour own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen. How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away

and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace. **Amen.** 

(Stand)

# Gathering Song ELW #715

#### Long - ing dark - ness. Long - ing for light, in for we wait 1 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for 3 Long - ing food, hun - gry. Long - ing for man - y for are 4 Long - ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long - ing for Man - y man - y 5 the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, the truth, Make us your we turn to you. own, de Your lone hope, man - y spair. word а wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make bread, us your warmth, man - y cold. Make build - ing, are us your hearts that yearn to be -Let be ser - vants long. us light for your ho - ly peo - ple, the world to see. has pow'r to Make us save us. liv - ing voice. your bro - ken shared un - til fed. for oth - ers, all are shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone. to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

# Christ, Be Our Light



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### 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.** 

Hymn of Praise Glory to God WOV p. 29







# **Prayer of the Day**

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

(Sit)

## + + WORD + + +

# First Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

<sup>21</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? <sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain. and spreads them like a tent to live in: <sup>23</sup>who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. <sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. <sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. <sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? <sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint,

and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup>Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup>but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. Psalm: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c Read responsively by whole verse. <sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God! How pleasant it is to honor | God with praise! <sup>2</sup>The LORD re- | builds Jerusalem, and gathers the ex- | iles of Israel. <sup>3</sup>The LORD heals the | brokenhearted and binds | up their wounds. <sup>4</sup>The LORD counts the number | of the stars and calls them all | by their names. R <sup>5</sup>Great is our LORD and might- | y in power; there is no limit | to God's wisdom. <sup>6</sup>The LORD lifts | up the lowly, but casts the wicked | to the ground. <sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving: make music upon the harp | to our God, <sup>8</sup>who covers the heav- | ens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow up- | on the mountains. R <sup>9</sup>God provides food | for the cattle and for the young ravens | when they cry. <sup>10</sup>God is not impressed by the might | of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed | of a runner, <sup>11</sup>but finds pleasure in those who | fear the LORD, in those who await God's steadfast love. <sup>20c</sup>| Hallelujah! R

# Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**. *(Stand)* 

# **Gospel Acclamation**

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# Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

The Gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>29</sup>As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his

companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

(Sit)

Sermon ...... Pastor Carrie Carnes

# Hymn of the Day ELW 617



#### We Come to You for Healing, Lord

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764-1824

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# **Apostles' Creed**

We confess our faith in the words of the Apostle' 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.

# Installation of Leaders in the Congregation

The following people have been *elected* [by the congregation] to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these siblings will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

The offices and names of those who are to be installed are read by a representative of the congregation.

A reading from First Corinthians: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been *elected* to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified.

You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

The presiding minister addresses those being installed.

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you: Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been *elected*? *Response:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

# The assembly stands. Those being installed face the assembly. The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your *elected* leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized? **We will, and we ask God to help us.** 

Those being installed face the presiding minister, who addresses them.
I now declare you installed as officers / council members of this congregation.
Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.
Amen.

# **Prayers of Intercession**

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church: for ministries of healing and wholeness, for hospital, hospice, and military chaplains, for those serving in prison ministry, for all who proclaim freedom and release in the name of Christ, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.** 

For creation: for insects in the grass, clouds on the mountaintops, for cattle and the rainwater they drink, for the humility to take our place among all creatures of the earth, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For the nations: for all who lead in cities and towns, states and countries; for community organizers, school officials, and CEOs; for international health organizations, that in times of trial, fear, or hopelessness, they find freedom in service to those most in need, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For all wearied by life's burdens: for those who are poor, for those lacking supportive relationships, for those crushed by debt, for those struggling with chronic pain or other sickness, for those exhausted from overwork or stress, and for all who cry out to you *especially*, Will, Lester, Gene, LaMae and Donna let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For this congregation: for outreach and social ministries centered here *especially*; for parish nurses and visitors; for ministries of companionship and support, for the young people in this place who open us to new understandings, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.** 

# Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed, including Susan's mother Joyce who was called by name and now rest from their labors, that their lives serve as a witness to the goodness of God, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.** 

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

# Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

# And also with you.

(Sit)

Let the Vineyards......WOV p. 35





# **Offering Prayer**

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. **Amen.** 

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### **Sanctus**

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Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God. Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

# Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks be to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.** 

# The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us. 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

# Invitation to communion

Beloved: here is bread; here is wine. Here is Jesus.

Come and be fed.

(Sit)

# Lamb of God

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# **Distribution of Communion**

Come, Let Us Eat This Train is Bound for Glory Youth Handbell Choir (Stand)

# **Post Communion Blessing**

Christ Jesus, at this table we have feasted on your very life and are strengthened for our journey. Send us forth from this banquet nourished in body and in spirit to proclaim your good news and serve others in your name. Amen.

# + + + SENDING + + +

# Announcements

(Stand)

# **Blessing**

God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace. Amen.

# Sending Song ELW 886

# Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Azmon, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

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### Dismissal

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude......How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

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