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Third Sunday after the Epiphany
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DEAR VISITORS: As a congregation in the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, Trinity practices **closed communion**, which means that we only commune those who are members in good standing of sister congregations and have been instructed in the Christian faith as it is summarized in Luther's Small Catechism. If you are a visitor and desire to commune at Trinity, **please speak to Pastor Preus before the service.**

The Order of Holy Communion
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Hymn of Invocation ☞ *Hail, Thou Source of Every Blessing*
Stand for final stanza

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Invocation, Confession & Absolution

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Please remain standing through the conclusion of the Collect of the Day.

Service of the Word

Introit

The heavens declare His | righteousness,*
and all the peoples see His | glory.

For You, LORD, are most high above | all the earth;*

You are exalted far a- | bove all gods (*Psalm 97:6,9*)

The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice;*

let the multitude of | isles be glad!

He preserves the souls | of His saints;*

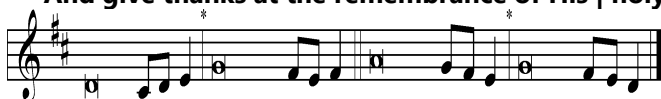
He delivers them out of the hand of the | wicked.

Light is sown for the | righteous,*

and gladness for the up- | right in heart.

Rejoice in the LORD, you | righteous,*

And give thanks at the remembrance of His | holy name. (*Psalm 97:1, 10-12*)



Salutation & Collect of the Day

Sit

Old Testament Reading ☞ *2 Kings 5:1-15a*

¹Naaman the captain of the army of the king of Aram [Syria] was a great man with his master and highly honored, because the LORD had through him given Aram victory. Although the man was an able soldier, he was a leper. ²On one of the raids the Arameans made they had brought back from the country of Israel a little captive girl, who waited on Naaman's wife. ³"I wish my master were with the prophet in Samaria," she told her mistress. "Then he would cure him of his leprosy."

⁴Naaman went and told his lord, "The girl who came from the country of Israel has said so and so."

⁵"Go there," the king of Aram said, "and I will send a letter along for the king of Israel." He left, taking with him 750 pounds of silver and 165 pounds of gold, and 10 changes of clothes. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel. It read: "And now as this letter reaches you, I'm sending my officer Naaman to you to cure him of his leprosy."

⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes. "Am I God," he asked, "that I should kill and make alive? This fellow asks me to cure a man of his leprosy. You must certainly understand and realize he's trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha, the man of God, heard how the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a messenger to the king. "Why did you tear your clothes?" he asked. "Please let him come to me and find out there's a prophet in Israel."

⁹Naaman came with his horses and his chariot and stopped at the door of Elisha's home. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him. "Go and wash seven times in the Jordan," he said, "and your flesh will be healthy again and clean."

¹¹But Naaman became angry and left. "Here I thought," he said, "he will surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy. ¹²Aren't the rivers of Damascus, Abana and Pharpar, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be clean?" So he turned around and left in a rage.

¹³But his servants came to him and talked to him: "My father, if the prophet had asked you to do something big, wouldn't you have done it? How much more when he tells you, 'Wash and be clean?' "

¹⁴So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times as the man of God told him, and his flesh became clean again like that of a little child.

¹⁵Then he and all his company returned to the man of God. He came and stood before him: "Now I know there's no god in all the world except the God of

Israel," he said. "So please, take a present from your servant."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

The nations shall fear the name | of the LORD,*
and all the kings of the earth Your | glory.

For the LORD shall build up | Zion;*

He shall appear in His | glory. (Psalm 102:15–16)



Epistle ↻ Romans 12:16-21

Live in harmony with one another. Don't be too ambitious, but go along with the humble ways of others. *Don't think you are wise.*

¹⁷ *Don't pay back evil for evil. Be concerned with things that everyone considers noble.* ¹⁸ As much as you can, live in peace with everyone. ¹⁹ Don't take revenge, dear friends, but let God punish, because the Bible says: "*I alone have the right to avenge. I will pay back,*" says the Lord. ²⁰ But, "*if your enemy is hungry, feed him. If he is thirsty, give him a drink. If you do this, you'll heap burning coals on his head.*" ²¹ Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil with good.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia Verse

Alle- | luia.*

Alle- | luia.

The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice,*

let the multitude of nations be glad! Alle- | luia. (Psalm 97:1)



Triple Hallelujah

Gospel ↻ Matthew 8:1-13

¹He went down the hill, and large crowds followed Him. ²There was a leper, who went to Him and bowed down to the ground before Him. "Lord, if You want to," he said, "You can make me clean." ³Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him. "I want to," He said. "Be clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was clean. ⁴"Be careful not to tell anyone," Jesus said to him, "but go, let the priest examine you, and offer the sacrifice Moses ordered, to show them you're well."

⁵He went to Capernaum. There a captain came to Him and begged Him: ⁶"Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home. He's suffering terribly."

⁷"I will come and make him well," Jesus said.

⁸"Lord," the captain answered, "I'm not worthy for you to come under my roof. But just say a word, and my servant will be made well. ⁹I'm only a man who has to obey others, but I have soldiers under me. I tell one of them, 'Go', and he goes. And another, 'Come', and he comes. And my servant, 'Do this', and he does it."

¹⁰Amazed to hear this, Jesus said to the people who were following Him, "I tell you the truth, not even in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I also tell you, many will come from the east and the west and will eat with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, ¹²but those who were born to be the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown out into the dark. There they will cry and grind their teeth."

¹³"Go," Jesus told the captain. "Let it be as you believed." And the servant was made well in that hour.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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Sit

Hymn of the Day *↪ O Christ, Our True and Only Light*

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory

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Sit

Gathering of the Offering

Stand to sing as the offerings are brought forward

*We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

Please complete the
Record of Fellowship in the
folder in your pew.

General Prayer

Service of the Sacrament

Preface & Proper Preface

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Sanctus *↪ Holy, Holy, Holy*

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Lord's Prayer

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Words of Institution

Pax Domini *↪ Peace of the Lord*

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Agnus Dei *↪ Lamb of God*

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Sit – Guests are asked to please speak with the pastor before communing.

Hymns during Distribution

- ☞ *O Living Bread from Heaven*
 - ☞ *Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me*
 - ☞ *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*
- Stand after the distribution*

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Nunc Dimittis ☞ *Song of Simeon*

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Thanksgiving & Collect

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Salutation & Benedicamus

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Benediction

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Sit

Hymn to Depart ☞ *Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion*

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Silent Prayer

Ushers for today: Peter Otten, Jonathan Finck, Trevor Blankenship, Andrew Rethemeyer

Next week: Jeff Hoerstkamp, Luke Otten, Corey Swann (5th Sunday)

Greeter for today:

Next Week:

Acolyte today: Alton Swann

Next Week: Evan Scheer

Flower and Altar Care: January/February: Kerri Otten

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Mackenzie Krull, 23rd

Prayer and Petitions: Homebound and Care Center Residents: Barb Sunfield, Diane Scheer, Wilma Niewald and Paul & Sue Laune; Missionaries: Rev. James May (missionary to Africa); Rev. David Preus (missionary to the Dominican Republic); Michael & Naomi Erslund, Lutheran Bible Translators, Ghana.

Confirmation Retreat January 28th and 29th for **grades 5-8** at Camp Trinity overnight Friday @5:00 p.m. to Saturday @ 2:00 p.m.

VBS 2022 Planning Meeting January 30 at 11:30 a.m. Planning will begin for VBS 2022 to be held June 1-3. We would love to have your input. We will be meeting at the Shepherd's Hall at Camp Trinity. If you can't make the meeting, but would like to be involved or you have any input please let Ruth Rethemeyer know. Help us spread the GOOD NEWS of Salvation to the area children.

Confirmation Classes – Wednesday 3:00-5:00 - Pastor Preus will lead chapel and teach grades 6-8 while Ruth Rethemeyer and Pat Swann will teach the children in grade 5 and below. Children may arrive at church at 3:00 for fellowship, games and snacks until 3:45. Chapel will begin at 3:45 and class at 4:00, concluding at 5:00.

Adult Bible Study - Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Study of Acts. All are invited to attend.

A Week-long devotion series by Pastor Preus is downloaded to website. Copies are also available on the Usher's stand. Music for the hymn has been added to website.

Please send any **announcements** to office@trinitynewhaven.com. **Prayer requests** can also be sent to the office email or directly to Pastor Preus.

Bulletins, sermons, and devotions posted each week at
www.trinitynewhaven.com.

A WORD FROM THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS

The Augsburg Confession

The Confession of Faith which was submitted to His Imperial Majesty Charles V at the Diet of Augsburg in the year 1530 by certain princes and cities

I will speak of thy testimonies before kings, and will not be put to shame. –
Psalm 119:46

Article XXVII. Of Monastic Vows

⁴³For also these who ascribe justification to vows ascribe to their own works that which properly belongs to the glory of Christ.

⁴⁴Nor can it be denied, indeed, that the monks have taught that, by their vows and observances, they were justified, and merited forgiveness of sins, yea, they invented still greater absurdities, saying

⁴⁵that they could give others a share in their works. If any one should be inclined to enlarge on these things with evil intent, how many things could he bring together whereof even the monks are now ashamed!

⁴⁶Over and above this, they persuaded men that services of man's making were a state of Christian perfection.

⁴⁷And is not this assigning justification to works?

⁴⁸It is no light offense in the Church to set forth to the people a service devised by men, without the commandment of God, and to teach that such service justifies men. For the righteousness of faith, which chiefly ought to be taught in the Church, is obscured when these wonderful angelic forms of worship, with their show of poverty, humility, and celibacy, are cast before the eyes of men.

⁴⁹Furthermore, the precepts of God and the true service of God are obscured when men hear that only monks are in a state of perfection. For Christian perfection is to fear God from the heart, and yet to conceive great faith, and to trust that for Christ's sake we have a God who has been reconciled, to ask of God, and assuredly to expect His aid in all things that, according to our calling, are to be done; and meanwhile, to be diligent in outward good works,

⁵⁰and to serve our calling. In these things consist the true perfection and the true service of God. It does not consist in celibacy, or in begging, or in vile apparel.

⁵¹But the people conceive many pernicious opinions from the false commendations of monastic life.

⁵²They hear celibacy praised above measure; therefore they lead their married life with offense to their consciences.

⁵³They hear that only beggars are perfect; therefore they keep their possessions and do business with offense to their consciences.

⁵⁴They hear that it is an evangelical counsel not to seek revenge; therefore some in private life are not afraid to take revenge, for they hear that it is but a counsel, and