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Our *Introit* comes from Psalm 18, written by David in response to God saving him from all his enemies. While he was being attacked by his enemies, the Lord was his support. The Lord is his fortress. The Lord is his salvation. But it wasn't as if God simply let David off the hook or merely got him out of a few binds. He humbled him. And he taught him. As David says in Psalm 119:71, "It was good that I was afflicted, that I might learn your Word." When God saves us he also teaches us. He teaches the humble. But those who are haughty don't think they need any instruction. This is why people avoid the preaching of the Word. It isn't because God's Word isn't relevant enough to them. It isn't because the church isn't entertaining them enough or patting them on the back enough. Those churches that pander to the masses by constantly affirming, winking, and nodding at them, are churches that do not teach. They might say, "The Lord! The Lord! Savior! Savior! Jesus! Jesus!" But they don't teach who this God is. They don't teach the humble. Instead, they feed the proud. They therefore offer no salvation. Their supper is filled with junkfood.

But God's supper is filled with wisdom and understanding. Those who fear the Lord and are humbled before him are those who know that they need God's Word. They know that their natural understanding and will is completely corrupted by sin. They know that God's wrath justly burns against such sin. So they are eager to learn how this God has shown them mercy. They aren't simply eager to get off the hook. But they thirst for understanding. When God saves us from sin and wrath through the death and resurrection of his Son, he also teaches us. He teaches us what Jesus did. He teaches us that our baptism saves us. He teaches us that the body and blood of Jesus, which he places on our lips, give to repentant hearts the peace of forgiveness of sins. He teaches us how this Word is proven in our daily lives as we do the duties to which God has called us. He therefore teaches us to give thanks.

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 Matins *TLH p. 32*

Hymn of Invocation Stand for final stanza Stand for final stanza

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Opening Versicles

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Gloria Patri See Glory be to the Father **Venite** See O Come, Let Us Sing

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Service of the Word



Introit

The LORD was | my support.*
In the day of my ca- | lamity

He brought me out into a | broad place;*
He delivered me because He delight- | ed in me. (Psalm 18:18-19)

I will love You, O | LORD, my strength.*
The LORD is my rock and my | fortress.

For You will save the humble | people,*
but will bring down | haughty looks.

As for God, His way is | perfect;*
the word of the LORD is | proven;

I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the | Gentiles,* and sing praises | to Your name. (Psalm 18:1-2, 27, 30, 49)

Old Testament Reading Sp. Proverbs 9:1-10

- ¹Wisdom has built her house. She has carved out her seven pillars.
- ² She has butchered her meat, mixed her wine, and spread her table.
- ³ She has sent away her maids and calls from the highest spots in the city:
- ⁴ "If you're untaught, turn in here."

 If you don't have understanding, she tells you,
- ⁵ "Come, eat my bread, and drink the wine I mix.
- ⁶ Leave ignorant people and begin to live; walk the road that leads to understanding."
- If you correct a scoffer, you get insulted.
 If you criticize a wicked person, you get hurt.
- ⁸ Don't correct a scoffer or he will hate you;

correct a wise person and he will love you.

- ⁹ Give advice to a wise person and he'll be wiser still. Teach a righteous man and he will learn more.
- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.
- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



Gradual

In my distress I cried / to the LORD,* and He / heard me.

Deliver my soul, O LORD, from / lying lips* and from a de- / ceitful tongue. (Psalm 120:1-2)

Epistle 9- 1 John 3:13-18

Don't be surprised, fellow Christians, if the world hates you.

¹⁴ We know we have come from death into life, because we love our fellow Christians. Anyone who doesn't love stays dead. ¹⁵ Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has everlasting life remaining in him.

¹⁶ This is how we learned what love is: He gave His life for us. We, too, should give our lives for our fellow Christians. ¹⁷ If anyone has this world's goods and sees his fellow Christian is in need but shuts his heart against him, how can he still be loving God? ¹⁸ Children, let us not love only in words or in talk, but let us put our love into action and make it real.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to Thee, O Lord

Stand

Alle- / luia.*

Alle- / luia.

I will praise the LORD according to His / righteousness,* and will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High. Alle- / luia. (Psalm 7:17)



Triple Hallelujah

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.
- C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁶Jesus said to him: "A man once gave a big dinner and invited many. ¹⁷When it was time for the dinner, he sent his slave to tell those who were invited, 'Come, it's ready now!' ¹⁸"Then they all alike began to excuse themselves. 'I bought a field,' the first told him, 'and I have to go out and see it. Please excuse me.' ¹⁹Another said, 'I bought five teams of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.' ²⁰And another said, 'I just got married, and that's why I can't come.'

²¹"The slave went back and reported this to his master. Then the master of the house became angry. 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the city,' he told his slave, 'and bring in here the poor, crippled, blind, and lame.'

²²"And the slave said, 'Master, it's done as you ordered, and there's still room.'

 23 "Then the master told the slave, 'Go out to the roads and stone fences, and make them come in! I want my house to be full. 24 I tell you, none of those men who were invited will taste my dinner.' "

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day *Sophiation Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion*Sermon

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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.

Canticle

Stand

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| The Te Deum Laudamus 🧇 | We Praise Thee, O God | pg. 35 |
| Prayer | | |
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| Collect for Grace | | pg. 40 |

After each collect:

C Amen.

Sit

Hymn to Depart ⋄ O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee Silent Prayer

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Ushers for today:Jeff Hoerstkamp, Luke Otten, Corey SwannNext week:John Otten, Matthew Otten, David Otten

Greeter for today: Luke Otten

Next Week: Andrew Rethemeyer

Acolyte today: Oscar Otten
Next Week: Jacob Preus

Flower and Altar Care: July: Devin Eads & Claire Swann

Organist: Andrew Finck

Prayer and Petitions: Ken Altemeyer, health issues; Rachel Preus (breast cancer); Wayne Scheer and Sue Eads, health concerns. Homebound: Virginia Behrens, Ray & LeeAnn Rohling, Diana Scheer, Paul & Sue Laune; Missionaries: Brandt Klawitter, mission work in Norway; Pastor James May (missionary to Africa); Rev. David Preus (missionary to Romania); Michael & Naomi Ersland, Lutheran Bible Translators. Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington; Camp Trinity; Luther Classical College; Christ the King Lutheran High School.

Birthdays and Annivers: Lee Ann Rohling, 29th, Cephas Preus, 30th, Gail Helling, 4th, Lisa Scheer, 5th, Matthew Otten, 5th, Ray and Lee Ann Rohling 5th (*Please email office@trinitynewhaven.com if your birthday or anniversary has not been listed or was incorrectly listed, so the records can be updated with correct information)*

Ladies Aid Reminder: Ladies Aid members who volunteered to make cakes for the New Haven Care Center need to drop them off at the Care Center on July 7 by noon.

Regular Quarterly Voter's Meeting: **July 20th** after the Divine Service (downstairs). **Ladies Aid: July 21st** after the Divine Service (conference room).

Grass cutting signup sheet is on the bulletin board. Please take a turn if you are able.

NEW SELECTION of Greeting Cards from Hymns in My Heart are available for sale in the narthex, by Trinity Ladies Aid. Check out the NEW EASTER greeting cards recently added to the collection of Encouragement, Babies, Thank You, Graduation and Confirmation Cards. The cards are \$2.00 per card. Please deposit money in money slot.

The Augsburg Confession

Article XXIII. Of the Marriage of Priests.

1 There has been common complaint concerning the examples of priests who were not chaste. 2 For that reason also Pope Pius is reported to have said that there were certain causes why marriage was taken away from priests, but that there were far weightier ones why it ought to be given back; for so Platina writes. 3 Since, therefore, our priests were desirous to avoid these open scandals, they married wives, and taught that it was lawful for them to contract matrimony. First, because 4 Paul says, 1 Cor. 7:2,9: To avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife. Also: It is better to marry than to burn. Secondly 5 Christ says, Matt. 19:11: All men cannot receive this saying, where He teaches that not all men are fit to lead a single life; for God created man for procreation, Gen. 1:28. 6 Nor is it in man's power, without a singular gift and work of God, to alter this creation. [For it is manifest, and many have confessed that no good, honest, chaste life, no Christian, sincere, upright conduct has resulted (from the attempt), but a horrible, fearful unrest and torment of conscience has been felt by many until the end.] Therefore, 7 those who are not fit to lead a single life ought to 8 contract matrimony. For no man's law, no vow, can annul the commandment and ordinance of God. For these reasons 9 the priests teach that it is lawful for them to marry wives.

10 It is also evident that in the ancient Church priests were married men. 11 For Paul says, 1 Tim. 3:2, that a bishop should be chosen who is the husband of one wife. 12 And in Germany, four hundred years ago for the first time, the priests were violently compelled to lead a single life, who indeed offered such resistance that the Archbishop of Mayence, when about to publish the Pope's decree concerning this matter, was almost killed in the tumult raised by the enraged priests. 13 And so harsh was the dealing in the matter that not only were marriages forbidden for the future, but also existing marriages were torn asunder, contrary to all laws, divine and human, contrary even to the Canons themselves, made not only by the Popes, but by most celebrated Synods. [Moreover, many God-fearing and intelligent people in high station are known frequently to have expressed misgivings that such enforced celibacy and depriving men of marriage (which God Himself has instituted and left free to men) has never produced any good results, but has brought on many great and evil vices and much iniquity.]

(continued next week)