

Trinity Lutheran Church

“Sharing the Caring Christ with all People”

2163 Mayhew Lake Rd. NE
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

Faith Promise Sunday



November 22, 2015

8:00 a.m.

*Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association
and the Good Shepherd Community.*

WELCOME!

We pray that your time in worship will encourage
and strengthen you!

We share the greatest hope through the one
who loves you most – Jesus Christ!

Officiating Today	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Paul Cloeter
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Soundboard	8:00am		Andy Freihammer
		10:30am	Chad Ramler
Lector	8:00am		Cindy Clitty
		10:30am	Corrine Lanz
Visuals	8:00am &	10:30am	Daniel Reineke
Acolyte	8:00am		Jaden Evenson, Krystene Wiese
		10:30am	Chloe Stockinger, Amber Kutzorik
Altar Guild			Nancy Cloeter, Evora Sorokie
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone - 2	Craig Cooper
	10:30am	Zone - 3	Sue Kulzer
Greeters	8:00am	Zone - 2	Diane Gooch, Donna Esselman
	10:30am	Zone - 3	Shirley Skuza, Lori Zipp
Ushers	8:00am	Zone - 2	Dave & Bev Grose, John Sprengeler, Ken Knafla, Jim & Carol Truenow
	10:30am	Zone - 3	Wayne Smolnik, Loren Tvrdik, Fred Joesting, John Heintze, Chuck Hoese, Jon Roesch

The Last Sunday of the Church Year

Christ the King Sunday

Divine Service Setting 1 (LSB pg 151)

November 22, 2015

8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER Jesus. It's all about Him. It's only about Him. It's always about Him. Today's service helps us to focus upon the One who came once to save us and will come again to claim us as His own forever. The Last Sunday of the Church Year is a day to worship our reigning and coming King. As we will see, He is not a detached King, keeping a safe distance from His people. No, He is a King who loves to come near and show us that our righteousness and salvation are in Him alone. Jesus. It's all about Him and what He has done, is doing, and will do *for you!*

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" LSB 516

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: *We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,*

C: *the home of righteousness.*

P: O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;

C: let me know how fleeting I am!

P: Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

C: and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

P: And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

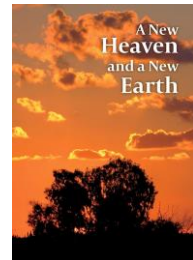
C: My hope is in you.

P: Deliver me from all my transgressions.

C: Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

P: Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;

C: hold not your peace at my tears!



**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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C: the home of righteousness.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray... Everlasting Father, You alone are the Lord of heaven and earth! Prepare our hearts for the coming of Your Son that, as we joyfully await His glorious reappearing, we may find in Him our righteousness and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

ADULT CHOIR: "I Lift My Eyes"Bill Wolaver

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 51:4-6

"Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: The law will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. *Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath;* the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. *But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN: “Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness” LSB 788

EPISTLE: Jude 20-25

But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. Be merciful to those who doubt; snatch others from the fire and save them; to others show mercy, mixed with fear--hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh. To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy-- to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

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C: Thanks be to God.



Stand

ALLELUIA VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-37

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the thirteenth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

"But in those days, following that distress," 'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' "At that time men will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens. "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out,

you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it is near, right at the door. I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with his assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. "Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back--whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!' "

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

Sit


CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord of All Good" LSB 786

SERMON: "Blest in This Place" (Psalm 118:19)

PRESENTATION OF FAITH PROMISES AND OFFERINGS Trinity members are invited to bring forward their 2016 faith promise cards and offerings to the altar. *(Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew.) The children are invited to bring their offerings forward at this time.*

OFFERING HYMN: “We Give Thee but Thine Own” LSB 781



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
 me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor ✠ and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN: “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” LSB 670 vs. 1, 2 and 4

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THE KING

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR November 22, 2015

Last Sunday of the Church Year Christ the King Sunday

TODAY Worship Z2 8:00am
 Bible Study 9:15am
 Youth Study & SS 9:15am
 New Member Class 9:15am
 Worship Z3 (HC) 10:30am
 Anyuak Worship 12:00pm
 Creative Crafts 4:00pm
 4H Kirsch Silent Auction 4:30pm

MONDAY Bev's CC 6:00pm
 Narcotics Anonymous 6:45pm

TUESDAY Bible Class 10:30am
 Sandwichers CC 6:30pm
 Friends in Harmony 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY Men's Bible Study @ GS 7:00am
 Parish Workers 9:30am
 Thanksgiving Worship Z4 (HC) 6:00pm
 Pie Fest 7:00pm

THURSDAY Thanksgiving Worship Z5 (HC)
 9:00am

OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY **OFFICE CLOSED**

SATURDAY Altar Guild Decorating 9:00am
 Traditional Music Rehearsal 6:45pm

IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK First Sunday in Advent

8:00am Worship Z1
 9:15am Bible Study
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
 9:15am Youth Study
 10:30am Worship Z2
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship

Scripture Lessons:
*Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13;
 Luke 21:25-36*


Church Office Hours:

M-F 8:30am-2:30pm
 Open during the noon hour.
Church Office Phone 252-3670

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE	OFFERINGS	
11/15/15	8:00am	109	General Fund Offerings	\$9,691.73
11/15/15	10:30am	144	Building Debt Offerings	\$985.00
	TOTAL	253	Total	\$10,676.73
<u>Missions</u>				
Missions this Week		\$545.00	<i>Weekly Budget Needs</i>	\$11,371.00
Received to-date		\$25,348.27		
Annual Funds Promised		\$27,500.00		

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Carl and Lena Lovitz by Don Zwick. We thank him for making today's broadcast possible. We have sponsorship openings in January and February. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. Forms are available in the church office. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins, as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at www.800wval.com.



 **Sunday Morning Fellowship** Our servers for November are Gail Reginek and Carol Wendt. Members who have last names beginning with the letter "T,U & V" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time during the month. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Silent Auction Benefit for Mette Kirsch daughter-in-law of Rev. Don Kirsch, today, November 22 here at Trinity at 5:45pm. Mette has been battling cancer for many years, and has recently had a bone marrow transplant. Proceeds will go to help cover medical bills and other ongoing expenses. Benton Co 4H is sponsoring this event.

Our Stewardship focus in November is enhanced by daily Devotions posted on the Trinity Website. Please visit there and click on the daily devotion link. You will find this week's selection there. If you do not have a computer, there are hard copies available in the back of the sanctuary.

Do You Know Someone in Need of Food or Fellowship on Thanksgiving? Join us on Nov. 26th from 11:30am to 12:45pm at 400 Hwy 10South St. Cloud for dinner, and be thankful! ☺



PIE FEST: Stay after the Thanksgiving Eve service on November 25 for some yummy pie & great fellowship. Look for the donation sign-up sheet in the gathering area for pie & kitchen help. *Hope to see you there!*

Voters Assembly Meeting: There will be a Voter's Assembly Meeting on Sunday, December 6, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Meeting Items will include: Approving the 2016 Budget and Election of Leadership Officers for the 2016-2018 term. A copy of the proposed budget can be found in the Church Office if you would like to review it. Also, if you would like to nominate someone to serve on the Leadership Team, please submit the name/position to the Church Office. Blessings, The Leadership Team

Altar Guild is Ordering Poinsettias for Christmas. They will be 6" red for \$10.45. We will be printing a "Memorial/in Honor of" folder this season. Please order **TODAY**. Place checks and Memorials in the offering or office made out to Altar Guild and your info in the memo. Thank you! Any questions call Sue Kulzer @ 248-9783

Five Ways ChristCare Groups are a Blessing



ChristCare Groups...

- invite and challenge each of us to become more actively involved with our Lord and with one another.
- provide a sense of Christian community for people in and around our congregation.
- provide a place where each member of our congregation fits in and feels comfortable.
- keep our members involved and active in the church and cut down on back-door losses.
- can be an ideal starting point for many people who don't have a church home.

We have 6 ChristCare Groups here at Trinity. If you'd like to learn more about ChristCare Small Group Ministry contact one of our ChristCare Equippers: Connie Mooney, 563-508-1295 or Craig Cooper, 237-5507.

It's Turkey Time!!! Remember to bring in your turkey stamps (we need the whole receipt) and cards, even if they are only partially filled. We will use this resource to supplement our food shelf during the holidays. *Thank you so much for your help! Please bring your cards to the church by Sunday, November 29th.*



National Youth Gathering Meeting Any youth interested in attending next summer's annual Youth Gathering in New Orleans need to sign up by December 2nd! Any questions please contact Brett & Leah Anderson (320-828-4238) or Terry Kurash (320-267-9050).

MSYG on DECEMBER 5th Red Kettle Bell Ringing at Sauk Rapids Coborns 11am-1pm. We are in need of adults and youth for this event.

LCEF Update We are 4 investors away from meeting our next tier! Thank you to all of those who have been participating in this great opportunity. If you haven't opened up an account yet or want to open up another one, there is a new investment that offers 3.5% for 35 months. If you're interested or have any questions please stop by the table in the narthex or contact Lori Wendt at 320-420-4368.

Altar Guild Members: We will gather on Saturday, Nov. 28th at 9:00am to Decorate for the Christmas season. All help is appreciated. See you there!



Thank you to all who purchased crafts and baked goods in October and November from the Sewing Guild. We will be making donations to Social Ministry, Prince of Peace School, Trinity Youth Groups, Christmas Stocking Project and Radio Ministry.



Hark the Glad Sound will be the theme for our family-oriented Advent worship services each Wednesday beginning December 2nd at 6:00pm. These informal worship opportunities provide a great way for you to stay Christ-centered through this busy time of year as we prepare to celebrate our Savior's birth. Come for God's Grub at 5:00pm and then stay for the Advent worship at 6:00pm.



Christmas Stocking Project It is a little over one month away when we fill the

Christmas stockings for my Christmas Stockings for Kids mission. Again, I am asking if you would be willing and able to donate items for them. Each stocking is approximately 16-17". Items we fill them with are: candy, gum, school supplies, socks, small toys, books(non-violent), combs, brushes, toothbrushes, travel size toothpaste, lotions, lip balm, crayons & coloring books, books, winter hats, gloves, scarves, basically anything you can think of that a child in need could use. We also fill stockings for the women in the shelters with the children. Again, books, socks, hat, gloves, makeup, soaps, shampoos, small craft kits. If you have any used backpacks, we fill these for the street people. The biggest need is socks. If you are able to donate even one small thing, we praise God for you!

Angel Tree The time of the year has come again where we at Trinity are given the opportunity to reach out to help others in need through the prison fellowship's program, Angel Tree. This program allows us to reach out and help children at Christmas time who may have one more parents incarcerated. With your help these children are able to receive Christmas gifts, purchased by you, Trinity members. Simply choose an Angel Tree tag from the tree, sign it out with the coordinator, shop and purchase the requested gift item on the tag (\$20-\$25) and return the wrapped gift under the tree. Gifts will then be delivered by volunteers. Angel Tree tags will be available beginning Sunday, November 29th, following the 8am and 10:30am services in the Narthex. Wrapped gifts will be due back under the tree by December 13th. Monetary gifts are always welcome as well to help purchase larger items. If you are interested in volunteering to deliver gifts, or have any questions, please contact Jennifer Kranz at 320-290-3498. Thank you so much for your continued support of the program!

Thank You! I want to thank everyone for your support and encouragement at my ordination. I also thank you for the cards and gifts. God Bless You, Pastor John Bakou and Family



PLEASE SAVE THE DATE for the Prince of Peace Legacy Benefit Dinner and

Auction. It will be held on Sunday, April 24 at Prince of Peace. This year's theme is "Embracing God's Children" and will offer you the opportunity to support our Christian Day School ministry in many special ways.

The Prince of Peace Lutheran School Kindergarten Open House will be Thursday, January 21, from 6:30 to 7:30pm. at Prince of Peace. Parents will have the opportunity to meet with Mrs. Sheryl Gray (our Kindergarten teacher) and Pastor Dave to learn more about the Kindergarten program and to register their children for the 2016/2017 school year while their children spend supervised time becoming acquainted with all of the fun things to do in the Kindergarten classroom. Those who register their children that night or by the next day will receive \$50 off of their registration fee.
