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Trinity

Divine Service

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Holy Communion is celebrated this Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church in the glad confidence that our Lord, as His Words say, gives not only bread and wine, but also His true Body and Blood for us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. Our Lord invites to His table those who believe He is truly present, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive as He forgives us. Because Saint Paul reminds us that we can receive the Lord's Supper to our judgment, we are very careful to administer the Sacrament only to those who are properly prepared. When we receive Holy Communion, we publicly declare our agreement with the teachings of the church from which we receive it. *Therefore, if you are not yet a member of this congregation, a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and if you have not previously spoken to the Pastor about Holy Communion, please refrain from coming forward to receive Communion until you have first spoken with the Pastor.* If you cannot receive the Lord's Supper but desire a blessing, please join us at the Communion rail and cross your arms over your chest to tell the pastor of your intent.

Opening Hymn

Lord of All Hopefulness

LSB 738

Liturgy

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Introit

P: Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.
He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

C: **O God, save me, | by your name,*
and vindicate me | by your might.**
O God, | hear my prayer;*
give ear to the words | of my mouth.

**For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek
my life;***

they do not set God be- | fore themselves.

**For he has delivered me from every | trouble,*
and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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Kyrie

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Gloria

Gloria in Excelsis

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Collect

P: Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your
 humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make
 them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ,
 Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
 Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Old Testament

2 Samuel 22:26-34 (ESV)

With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man
you show yourself blameless; with the purified you deal purely, and with the
crooked you make yourself seem tortuous. You save a humble people, but
your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down. For you are my lamp, O
LORD, and my God lightens my darkness. For by you I can run against a
troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God—his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge
in him.

For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?
This God is my strong refuge and has made my way blameless. He made my
feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.

Gradual

**C: O | LORD, our Lord,*
 how majestic is Your name in | all the earth!
 You have set Your | glory
 above the | heavens.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:6-13 (ESV)

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play. We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Alleluia

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Gospel

Luke 16:1-13 (ESV)

He also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous

wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

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