



For Freedom
Christ has set us free;
stand firm therefore,
and do not submit again
to a yoke of slavery.

Galatians 5:1, ESV



Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and School.
We gather to worship the only God and Savior: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The truth will set you free

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Reformation

Jesus says, "The truth will set you free." We are sinful people, that is true. And that means we are under God's condemnation. But Jesus announces another truth that addresses our sin. And the truth is that Jesus himself frees us from our sin. Hold on to this freedom, and never let it go.

Today's 8:00 a.m. worship is broadcast live on YouTube. The YouTube link can be found at the church's website:

- holytrinity.church

After the service, the recording can be accessed at the same YouTube site.

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ORDER OF SERVICE—MARTIN LUTHER’S GERMAN MASS

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

C: **Amen.**

Psalm 46 (NIV)

The congregation speaks the words in bold.

**God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.**

**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;

God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

**The LORD Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Come and see what the LORD has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

He says, “**Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.**”

**The LORD Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

O Lord Je-sus, God's own Son, our me-di-a-tor at the heav'n-ly throne,
 hear our cry and grant our sup-pli-ca-tion. E-le-i-son! E-le-i-son!
 Ky-ri-e! O God the Ho-ly Ghost, guard our faith, the
 gift we need the most, and bless our life's last hour that we leave this
 sin-ful world with glad-ness. E-le-i-son! E-le-i-son!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Hymn 936 All Glory Be to God Alone stanzas 1,2



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, for -
2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; we



ev - er - more the high - est One, who did our
wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness. From day to



sin - ful race be - friend and grace and peace to
day we glo - ri - fy the ev - er - last - ing



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good
God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we



will all hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
sing, and to your throne our thanks we bring.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

“Look, the days are coming” — this is the LORD’s declaration — “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. This one will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt — my covenant that they broke even though I am their master” — the LORD’s declaration. “Instead, this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days” — the LORD’s declaration. “I will put my teaching within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will one teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they will all know me,

from the least to the greatest of them” — this is the LORD’s declaration. “For I will forgive their iniquity and never again remember their sin.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1-6

For freedom, Christ set us free. Stand firm, then, and don’t submit again to a yoke of slavery. Take note! I, Paul, am telling you that if you get yourselves circumcised, Christ will not benefit you at all. Again I testify to every man who gets himself circumcised that he is obligated to do the entire law. You who are trying to be justified by the law are alienated from Christ; you have fallen from grace. For we eagerly await through the Spirit, by faith, the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision accomplishes anything; what matters is faith working through love.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Hymn 596 To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray stanzas 1,4

1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;

for the true faith need - ed on our way
teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - right

that when life is end - ing he may de - fend us, on our
that we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us, un - til

home - ward jour - ney at - tend us. Lord, have mer - cy!
home at last he has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you continue in my word, you really are my disciples. You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

"We are descendants of Abraham," they answered him, "and we have never been enslaved to anyone. How can you say, 'You will become free'?"

Jesus responded, "Truly I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave of sin. A slave does not remain in the household forever, but a son does remain forever. So if the Son sets you free, you really will be free."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

Hymn 583 God Loves Me Dearly



1 God loves me dear - ly, grants me sal -
2 I was in slav - 'ry, sin, death, and
3 He sent forth Je - sus, my dear Re -
4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, him - self did
5 Now I will praise you, O Love e -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.
dark - ness; God's love was work - ing to make me free.
deem - er, he sent forth Je - sus and set me free.
of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, paid all I owed.
ter - nal; now I will praise you all my life long.

Refrain



There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, loves e - ven me.

Sermon — John 8:31-36
The truth will set you free

Hymn 940 *We All Believe in One True God*



1 We all be - lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and
2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and
3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, who from both for -



Ho - ly Ghost, ev - er - pres - ent help in need,
Mar - y's Son, who de - scend - ed from his throne,
e'er pro - ceeds, who up - holds and com - forts us



praised by all the heav'n - ly host, by whose might - y
and for us sal - va - tion won, by whose cross and
in all tri - als, fears, and needs. Bless - ed, ho - ly



pow'r a - lone all is made and wrought and done.
death are we res - cued from all mis - er - y.
Trin - i - ty, praise to you e - ter - nal - ly!

OFFERING

The ability to give from the heart is itself a gift from God. We thank God for the means to give. Even more, we thank God for the motive to give. Christ gave himself for us. We give as Christians out of love for Christ.

You may place your offering in the plates or use Online Giving.

The QR code at right will also take you to the giving site.

Thank you for your offerings.



MUSICAL OFFERING

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me the Lord's Prayer as Christ our Lord taught us.

First, we pray that God our Father in heaven would look with mercy on all his children on earth. We ask him to give us grace that we might proclaim his Word faithfully and live our lives according to his will, for then we show that his name is precious to us. We also pray that he would keep us from any teaching and living which would dishonor his name.

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

P: We pray that his kingdom and the rule of his grace might come to us and grow in us each day; that all who are still captives in Satan's kingdom might be brought to know Jesus Christ, his Son, so that the Christian Church might grow and prosper.

C: Your kingdom come.

P: We pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen us to do and accept God's will in life and death, in good times and in bad, and that we might have power to put down our own sinful will and its desires.

C: Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

P: We pray that our Father would also give us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish desires, and help us to trust that he will provide for all our needs.

C: Give us today our daily bread.

P: We ask that God would forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may rest and rejoice in a good conscience before him, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

C: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

P: We pray that God would protect us from all temptations and help us by his Spirit to put down our sinful flesh, to despise the world and its vices, and to overcome the devil and all his trickery.

C: Lead us not into temptation.

P: And finally, we pray that God would deliver us from all evils of body and soul now and forever.

C: **But deliver us from evil.**

P: All those who sincerely desire these things will say from their hearts “Amen,” trusting without doubt that their prayers are answered in heaven, as Christ has promised: “Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”

C: **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

P: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as we gather to celebrate the Testament of our Lord, let us take to heart the words of Christ by which he imparted to us his body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins.

Let us remember and give thanks for his boundless love, which he proved to us when he redeemed us from God’s wrath, from sin, death, and from hell by his own precious blood.

Let us faithfully confess that in this bread and wine—which are his body and blood—we receive the pledge and guarantee of his forgiveness.

Let us receive and enjoy this Sacrament according to the command that Christ gave, and glorify the name of the one who has so richly blessed us with this meal.

Hymn 943 *Isaiah, Mighty Seer*



I - sa-iah, might-y seer in days of old, the Lord of all in spir-it



did be-hold high on a loft-y throne, in splen-dor bright, with robes that



filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were flam-ing ser-a-phim;

six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of him. With two they veiled their
 fac-es as was right, with two they hum-bly hid their feet from sight,
 and with the oth-er two a-loft they soared; one to the oth-er called and
 praised the Lord: “Ho - ly is God, the Lord of heav’n-ly hosts! Ho - ly is
 God, the Lord of heav’n-ly hosts! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of heav’n-ly hosts!
 His glo - ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!” The beams and lin - tels
 trem-bled at the cry, and clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Hymn 947 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy stanza 3

3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, who on the cross did suf - fer,
ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, your-self to scorn did of - fer.
All sin you car - ried for us, else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
your peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Trinity offers the Lord's Supper to communicant members of our congregation (and congregations in WELS and ELS). If you are not a communicant member and are interested in going through a course of study to prepare for receiving the Lord's Supper here, please speak with the pastor.

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn 673 O Lord, We Praise You stanzas 1,2



1 O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you,
2 Your ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,



in thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore you. Here with your
life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er



bod - y and your blood you nour - ish our weak souls that
love than this to you could bind us; may this feast of



they may flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy!
that re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May your bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, that our
Lord, your love and kind - ness did move you; let your



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, and your blood for us plead
sup - per move us to love you. All our debt you have paid;



in all tri - al, fear, and need. O Lord, have mer - cy!
peace with God once more is made. O Lord, have mer - cy!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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Education

Sunday education for all begins at 9:15 a.m.

Ladies group

The next meeting will be this Saturday, November 1, at 9:00 a.m. We will be discussing *Advent by Candlelight* (Saturday, December 6) in more detail. Ladies please check your church box for information on what was discussed at our last meeting.

Book fair

Our school's annual I:55 Book Fair is coming up on November 9. I:55 Book Fairs is a Christian book fair company that carefully reviews thousands of titles through the lens of quality, integrity and wholesome values. When you make a purchase from the fair, you help our school earn free books for their classrooms and library. Look for more information next week.

This week at Holy Trinity

Wednesday..... 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible class
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m. Bible information class
Saturday 9:00 a.m. Ladies group

Thank you

Dear Brother and Sisters in Christ,

In talking with Jane Rodmyre this last Monday it came to my attention that I had not sent a thank you to you for the gracious gift to Quinault Beach Resort. We were not able to use our plane ride yet because of weather conditions, so we drove there ourselves. This worked out great as I wanted to visit the beach I went to a lot growing up, Kalaloch Beach. We enjoyed a beautiful drive up and back even stopping at the world's largest Spruce tree that is about 1000 yrs old, 191 ft tall and 58 ft circumference, of which I do not remember ever stopping to see!

As we ate dinner Saturday night a beautiful lightning and thunder storm started. Since we had a 4th floor room facing the Ocean we went there to continue watching it, which lasted about 2 hours.

We arranged to stay extra on Sunday so we could watch the Hawks on their big screen TV, sadly they lost.

Again, Thank you for your gift.

Lovingly,

Dennis and Pat