

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

We are so glad you are here!! May the joy of Christ be with you all!

Today I give thanks
For life and love and beauty.
My heart is full of gratitude
For faith and hope and wholeness.
My life overflows
With abundance and generosity
Today I give thanks to God Almighty
For the provision of all things good.



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Sermon Notes



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8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Silent Prayer Before Worship

Bells

Greeting

Gathering Music:

Call to Worship:

L: The heavens declare the glory of God

C: **The skies display the work of His hands**

L: God of light and God of night

Creator of seed and mountain, raindrop and fountain

C: **We bring our song of praise.**

L: God of right and God of might

Lover of child and childless, rich and homeless

C: **We bring our offering of praise.**

L: Do you not know? Have you not heard?

C: **The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth** (Isaiah 40:28)

L: For the beauty of a country scene,

C: **We praise You Lord for eyes that see.**

L: For the coolness of a mountain stream,

C: **We praise You Lord for hands that touch.**

L: For nightingale in tuneful voice,

C: **We praise You Lord for ears that hear.**

L: For the taste of fruit that we have grown,

C: **We praise You Lord for senses that taste.**

L: O' Give thanks to the Lord,

C: **Taste and See that the Lord is Good!**

Prayer of Brokenness/Prayer of Confession

L: Living God, we give You thanks on this day for all Your works in creation.
We thank You for the bounty of harvest and the beauty of the earth.

C: **Forgive us, O God, when we have been short-sighted
and have used the earth for our own gain,
rather than caring for the earth as Your creation.
Forgive us, O God, when we have made our own worries
and frets greater problems for others,
rather than lifting up our concerns to You.**

L: Guide us in ways we may live our lives that help to sustain the earth.

C: **Help us to seek Your vision for our lives.
Remind us that there is a difference
between our wants and needs,
and help us to discern the difference,
so that we might help our neighbors in need.**

L: Call us into greater ways of love and service,
as we remember those who are still struggling
in the aftermath of the storms and other tragedies.

C: **Lead us to share and give and to reach out in vital ways
that we can show Your love and care to others.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

Blessing/Assurance of Forgiveness (from Hebrews 11)

L: Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,
the conviction of things not seen.

**C: By faith we know God's mercy and forgiveness.
By faith we know God's reconciliation and peace.
By faith we know we are forgiven, renewed,
and called to serve in this world.
We go with this Good News. Amen.**

Song: Thank You for Giving Me the Morning

M.G.S.

Martin G. Schneider

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is on the treble clef, and the bass line is on the bass clef. Chords are indicated above the treble clef: G, C, D, G, Am, D7, G, D7, G. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Thank you for giv - ing me the morn - ing, thank you for ev - 'ry day that's new,
2. Thank you for man - y lit - tle sor - rows, thank you for ev - 'ry kind - ly word,
3. Thank you, I see your Word has mean - ing, thank you I know your Spir - it here
4. Thank you, O Lord, your love is bound-less, thank you that I can love you, too,

thank you that now I know my wor - ries can be cast on you.
thank you that ev - 'ry - where your guid - ance reach - es ev - 'ry land.
thank you be - cause you love all peo - ple, those both far and near.
thank you, you make me feel so glad and thank - ful as I do.

Readings

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that He has given you. Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep His commandments, His ordinances, and His statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, so that He may confirm His covenant that He swore to your ancestors, as He is doing today.

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. ⁹ As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor;

their righteousness endures forever."

¹⁰ God is the One who gives seed to the farmer and bread for food. He will give you all the seed you need and make it grow so there will be a great harvest from your goodness. ¹¹ He will make you rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. And your giving through us will cause many to give thanks to God. ¹² This service you do not only helps the needs of God's people, it also brings many more thanks to God. ¹³ It is a proof of your faith. Many people will praise God because you obey the Good News of Christ—the gospel you say you believe—and because you freely share with them and with all others. ¹⁴ And when they pray, they will wish they could be with you because of the great grace that God has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Matthew 6:25-34 Do Not Worry

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life^[a]?

²⁸ "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will He not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Message

Song: LBW 409 Praise and Thanksgiving

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

L: Caring God,

we thank You for the splendor of the whole creation,

**C: for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life,
and for the mystery of love, the heavens tell of Your glory.**

L: We thank You for the blessing of family and friends,

C: and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

L: We thank You for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts,

**C: and for leading us to accomplishments
which satisfy and delight us.**

L: We pray:

for those who make decisions about the resources of the earth,

C: that we may use Your gifts responsibly;

L: for those who work on the land and sea, and in industry,

**C: that they may enjoy the fruits of their labors
and marvel at Your creation;**

L: for artists, scientists and visionaries,

C: that through their work we may see creation afresh.

L: We thank You for giving us life;

C: For all who enrich our experience.

L: We thank You also for those disappointments and failures
that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on You alone.

**C: Above all, we thank You for Your Son Jesus Christ;
for the truth of His word and the example of His life.**

L: Grant us the gift of Your Spirit, that we may know Christ
and make Him known; and through Him, at all times and in all places,
may give thanks to You in all things.

**C: May Your word and sacrament
strengthen us to love as You love us.**

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Offering

Offertory Music:

Offertory Response:

What Shall I Give To You

What shall I give to you? What shall I give to
you? Oh, that we could give like the rain,
Teach us how to give we pray,
Oh, that like the bread we be - come
pour - ing out on rich and poor the same. Oh, that we could give like the
of - fer - ing our work and play. Oh, that we could learn how to
scat - tered grains all gath - ered in one. With this cup of bless - ing you
sun, shin - ing light on ev - 'ry one.
care, ev - 'ry breath we breathe a prayer.
give, fill us and teach us how to live.

Offertory Prayer:

L: Creator God, provider of all

C: we bring our thanks today.

**And we bless each other
that the beauty of this world
and the love that created it
might be expressed through our lives
and be a blessing to others
now and always. Amen**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion

Communion Music:



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



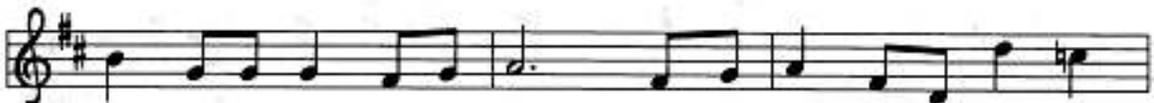
me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do, a - le - gre la
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -



Refrain / Estribillo
cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

Post Communion Prayer

LBW Green Hymnal p.94

Announcements

Benediction

LBW Green Hymnal p. 95

Song: LBW 557 Let All Things Now Living

Sending Music:

For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.
–Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

Christmas is right around the corner! That means it is time to put up our beautiful Christmas Tree! We need your help. No experience necessary to join in this experience. All are welcome. Invite your friends. This will happen on November 29 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please come. Any questions, call Wanda Reinecke or Laura Schultz.
Thank You!



Thanksgiving Top Ten List

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians 9:11



F Q G J Y U B H J I I S I C K
 F I F Z U X B D R O T K N O W
 V F K P X L P F Y N T S D L S
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 C X F L D A A L I P O E V O B
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PARENTS	FRIENDS	COUNTRY	CLOTHES	HOUSE



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In Honor/Memory of [indicate which] (exactly as YOU want printed)

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Last Week's Metrics

Attendance: 11-11 8am: 0 10:30am: 0

Offerings:	General Fund	Benevolence	Trinity Growth
Envelopes:	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Online Giving:	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Our Average Expenses in 2017-2018 were \$6600/week, every week. This includes: \$4566/week for Salaries and Benefits, \$ 700/week for Utilities, \$ 502/week for Insurance, and \$ 832/week for Supplies, Ministries, Routine Maintenance and all other items

The Trinity Growth Program is used to pay our mortgage, which is about \$1220/week.

Benevolence Offerings are sent each month to our Southwestern Texas Synod, where it is used for many church-wide ministries and to support the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). These averages are intended to give you an idea of what it takes to maintain our facilities and minister to the congregation and the community around us. Of course, there is much more detail, if you are interested. Our books are always open to any member of the congregation, and I would be very excited to sit down with you and answer any questions you might have. Thank you for all you do and your generous support.

Bruce Kaiser, Treasurer



“To embody the love of Christ at home, at work, at play, and in the world”

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Phase I Congregational Meeting Agenda

December 2, 2018

- Approve the January 21, 2018 Phase II Congregational Meeting minutes.
- Election of Congregation Council members.
- Adoption of the annual Financial Plan for Mission and Ministry.
- Adjourn



PRAYER
Requests

TODAY: THANKSGIVING SERVICE

8:00 Worship, Holy Communion
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship, Holy Communion

MONDAY: NOVEMBER 19

6:00 Boy Scout Troop 113
6:30 Ruth Circle

TUESDAY: NOVEMBER 20

7:00 Men's Group
8:00 Walkers, LH
9:30 Sewing Day
6:30 Congregation Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY: NOVEMBER 21

THURSDAY: NOVEMBER 22

OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING

FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 23

OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING

SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 24

SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING

8:00 Worship, Holy Communion
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL DUTIES:

Laura Schulz, Ronny Dentler

GREETERS:

8:00 The Tommy Beyer Family
10:30 The Brzozowske Family

USHERS:

8:00 Shanna Mikulenska
10:30 The Brzozowske Family

ACOLYTES:

8:00 Aaron Garcia
10:30 Allyson Schmidt
Maddie Mc Brayer

READERS:

8:00 Pat Rickman
10:30 Rhonda Brzozowske

ALTAR GUILD:

8:00 Gary and Meredith Golden
10:30 Pat Miller
Bill Rose

BULLETINS ARE IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA.

**ALTAR FLOWERS ARE IN MEMORY OF
VIRGINIA BERGER BY HER FAMILY—JR.,
KELLY AND CYNTHIA, HANNAH, HAIDYN,
WADE AND JENNIFER, HAYS, HARPER,
AND HADLEE**