



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is to embody the love of Christ at home-at work-at play-in the community and in the world.



**Christ the King- Thanksgiving
November 19, 2023
8:00 & 10:30 am**

Pastor Ildiko Rigney- Presiding
Organist 8:00 am- Betsy Stovall and "Dawning"
Music: 10:30 am- J4J
Worship Assistant: 8:00 am – Diana Tuch
10:30 am- Arlen Buchhorn
Ushers & Greeters: 8:00 am-Diana Tuch
10:30 am- Gary & Connie Marshall
Acolytes: 8:00 am- Kai Farek
10:30 am- Blake Kern
Altar Guild: 8:00 am- Gary and Meredith Golden
10:30 am- Ralph and Margaret Howard
November Council: Mendy Dierlam and Bruce Kaiser

PRE- GATHERING MUSIC:

8:00 AM- Days Of Elijah- Robin Mark
10:30 AM- The Praise- Words and music by John Sprigg

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,
we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation.
Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.
Through ✚ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice!
Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN:

8:00 AM-BB #17 Come Now is the Time to Worship

10:30 AM- Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

10:30 AM FAREWELL AND GODSPEED: Arlen And Wanda Buchhorn

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

⁷For 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, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a 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. ¹⁰You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

¹¹Take 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. ¹²When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, ¹³and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵who 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, ¹⁶and 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. ¹⁷Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." ¹⁸But 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.

Psalm 65

¹You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be fulfilled.

²**To you, the one who answers prayer,
to you all flesh shall come.**

³Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you blot out our transgressions.

⁴**Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there!
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.**

⁵Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans far away.

⁶**You make firm the mountains by your power; you are girded about with might.**

⁷You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.

⁸**Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**

⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God
is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.

¹⁰**You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**

¹¹You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.

¹²**May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.**

¹³May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with
grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

⁶The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows
bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide
you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may
share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the
poor; his righteousness endures forever."

¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for
sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for
your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of
this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many
thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience
to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and
with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of
God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

CHANGE MY HEART OH GOD

Change my heart, O God. make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God may I be like you.
You are the potter, I am the clay; mold me and make me,
This is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God. make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God. may I be like you.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 25th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25: 31-46

³¹When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON: PASTOR ILDIKO RIGNEY -"THANK AND SHARE"

HYMN OF THE DAY:

8:00 AM- WOV #754 Let Us Tongues and Talents Employ

10:30 AM- We Come To The Hungry Feast

APOSTLE'S 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of 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 INTERCESSION *Congregation Response: your mercy is great*

PEACE:

OFFERING MUSIC:

8:00 AM- Salt and Light- Lauren Daigle

10:30 AM- Healing Rain

OFFERING PRAYER

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE 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; 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

*Please come to the table from the side aisle, receive the elements at the altar rail and return
down the center aisle.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION:

8:00 AM- ELW #496 One Bread, One Body

10:30 AM- All in All

Jesus, Remember Me

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey,
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous
hearts as we meet you on the way. **Amen.**

BLESSING- May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us
beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God, Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN:

8:00 am- BB #25 Go Out with Joy

10:30 am- Great Is Thy Faithfulness

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

8:00 am- Send Me- Jenn Johnson

10:30 am- Back In the Time of Jesus

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Announcements

Special Prayers: Troy Hallmark, Roger & Linda Sanger, Diane Kuykendall, Diane Smith, Stephine Gonzales, Donnie Gonzales, Carol Thacker, Red Caraway, John Armstrong, Joyce Young, Kaci Robinson, The residents of Promise Pointe, Ukraine, Afghanistan, and for the people of Israel and Palestine amid the escalating violence, Thanksgiving for the rain we have received, those struggling with illness, Our Country, troops & families, law enforcement, first responders, and all people in need.

Mark your calendar:

- Monday, November 20- Boy Scout and Scouting for girls meeting 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, November 21- Men’s Group 7:00 am
- Tuesday, November 21- LWR Sewing 9:00 am
- Tuesday, November 14- “Dawning” Music practice 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, November 15 -NO Confirmation
- Thursday, November 16- BSA Venture #307 7:00 pm

Members celebrating birthdays this week:

David Philips 19th, Kathryn Beyer 23rd.
Birthday blessings on your special day.

TODAY Trinity is celebrating **Christ the King Sunday and Thanksgiving.** Offering and non-perishable foods will be brought to the altar during the offering. There will be baskets in front of the altar for the non-perishable foods.



- The Christmas tree in the sanctuary and chapel will be decorated on Dec. 12, at 9:00am.

WELCA will meet on Tuesday, December 5th in Luther Hall at 9:30 a.m. We will begin by decorating our Christmas tree, followed by our Quarterly Meeting and luncheon. We will conclude with a Christmas game and gift exchange. Each member is asked to bring a \$5.00 gift card for the gift exchange and food to share at the luncheon. WELCA members are asked to bring toiletries for the women at Perpetual Help Home and canned food or nonperishable items to distribute to members of our church family.



Boy Scout Troop 113 and Scouting for Girls Troop 113 G -Pancake and sausage breakfast on Sunday, December 3. Serving from 7:00- 11:00 am. \$7.00 donation a ticket or 3 tickets for \$20.00. All the **PANCAKES** you can eat. Tickets are available in the church office.



Poinsettias for Christmas- The cost is \$15.00 each. The deadline to have names printed in the Christmas Worship Bulletin is Wed. Dec. 13, 2023. Order forms are available in the Narthex, Chapel and the church office.

Trinity Lutheran Church Annual Meeting of the Congregation

**Will be held on Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 after
the 10:30 am worship service in the Sanctuary.**



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Annual Meeting of the Congregation Part I December 3, 2023

AGENDA

- A. Meeting is Called to Order.
- B. Quorum is determined.
- C. Approval of Constitution Change
Add Section 10.08 to the Constitution. "The Congregation may hold a meeting by means of telephone conference or similar communications equipment by which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other."
- D. Review and Approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting Part II on January 29, 2023.
- E. Review and Approve the Minutes of the Special Called Congregational Meeting on June 4, 2023.
- F. Review and vote on the 2024 Financial Plan for Mission and Ministry.
- G. Presentation and election of new Church Council Members for 2024-2026.
- H. Adjourn



Blankets and Coats Needed for Victoria’s Homeless People -The WELCA ladies are collecting blankets and coats to provide needed warmth and protection to our local homeless neighbors this winter. Each year, a warming station is provided during extreme cold weather and appeals are made for warm clothing and bedding, and we will deliver our gifts at that time. You can leave your donations on the table in the narthex or at the church office. If you have any questions, please call Barbara Zimmerman at 361-788-3842. Thank You!



**Our Quilts and School Kits
Bless Neighbors Near and Far**

On Sunday, October 22, we blessed 328 quilts and 192 school kits! These gifts for Lutheran World Relief were taken to the Ingathering in Marion, Texas on Nov. 1. From there, they will travel to the national warehouse and then be distributed to the neediest people around the world. Our Trinity family contributed 328 quilts and 192 school kits! We also provided over \$1,000 for shipping beyond Texas! Our gifts of quilts and kits provide comfort and hope to people displaced by conflict or natural disasters and to those living in extreme illness or poverty.

These items are greatly treasured and appreciated.

This year, we were also able to provide quilts for local needs! We gave 40 quilts to the Victoria Long Term Recovery Group, 24 to the Humility Project for local homeless, 16 to Promise Pointe and 15 to the Kids Connection for homeless children. We always welcome news of local needs and were delighted to be able to assist these groups.

TREASURER’S REPORT
October 31, 2023
REVENUE vs EXPENSES

MONTHLY REVENUE		% of Budget
Receipts for October 2023	\$ 21,775.46	62%
MONTHLY EXPENSES		
Expenses for October 2023	\$ (35,515.80)	94%
MONTHLY DIFFERENCE \$	(13,740.34)	
YTD REVENUE vs EXPENSES		
YTD REVENUE		
Receipts thru 10/31/23	\$236,588.63	68%
YTD EXPENSES		
Expenses thru 10/31/23	\$ (295,397.76)	81%
YTD DIFFERENCE	\$ (58,809.13)	



The Church office
will be closed on
Thursday, November
23rd for Thanksgiving.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Meredith Golden, Treasurer