

You have received the spirit of  
**adoption** as sons, by whom  
we cry “Abba!  
Father!”

Romans 8:15



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**FOCUS** In today’s Gospel, it looks like the end of the story when John the Baptist is executed. But he was but the forerunner for Jesus, the promised Messiah. Appearances were certainly deceiving! That was the case with Amos, a herdsman and dresser of sycamore figs when the Lord called him. He did not look like a prophet, but he stood up to Amaziah and Jeroboam in a long line of faithful prophets. Sometimes Satan uses appearances to deceive us, but the Epistle reminds us that God had predestined us to be with Him forever—even before He began creation! Although others might not recognize it, the Holy Spirit is the guarantee of our inheritance. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**WELCOME**

**OPENING SONG** “Raise Up the Crown” *Tomlin/Perronet/Holden*

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name Let angels prostrate fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.  
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Ye chosen seed of Israel's race Ye ransomed from the fall.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.

Raise up the crown, rise on the praises, Rest on the brow of the King of the Ages.  
Raise up the crown, rise on the praises, Rest on the brow of the King of the Ages.  
*(Repeat)*

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall.  
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

Raise the crown! (3x)

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**INVOCATION**

**L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## PSALM

*Psalm 85:8-13*

- L** Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
- C** **but let them not turn back to folly.**
- L** Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- C** **Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.**
- L** Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.
- C** **Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.**
- L** Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.
- C** **Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him!**

## PRAYER

### SONG

**“You are the One”**

*Brewster/Baloche*

*Verse:* You're the One who made the heavens  
You're the One who shaped the earth  
You're the One who formed my heart Long before my birth  
I believe You'll always lead me All my days have been ordained  
All Your thoughts toward me are holy Full of love and grace

You are the One, You are holy You are the One, You are worthy  
You are the One, You are the One everlasting  
You are the One Jesus, You're the One (*Verse*)

You are the One, You are holy You are the One, You are worthy  
You are the One, You are the One everlasting  
You are the One we will worship You are the One we will serve all our days  
You are the One, You are the One everlasting  
You are the One Jesus, You're the One (*Repeat*)

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## OLD TESTAMENT

*Amos 7:7-15*

This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.<sup>8</sup> And the Lord said to me, “Amos,

what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them;<sup>9</sup> the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."<sup>10</sup> Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words."<sup>11</sup> For thus Amos has said, "'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"<sup>12</sup> And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there,<sup>13</sup> but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."<sup>14</sup> Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs.<sup>15</sup> But the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

## **EPISTLE**

*Ephesians 1:3-14*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,<sup>4</sup> even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love<sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,<sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.<sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,<sup>8</sup> which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight<sup>9</sup> making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ<sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.<sup>11</sup> In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,<sup>12</sup> so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.<sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,<sup>14</sup> who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 6:14-29*

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him."<sup>15</sup> But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet,

like one of the prophets of old.”<sup>16</sup> But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.”<sup>17</sup> For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her.<sup>18</sup> For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.”<sup>19</sup> And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not,<sup>20</sup> for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.<sup>21</sup> But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee.<sup>22</sup> For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you.”<sup>23</sup> And he vowed to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom.”<sup>24</sup> And she went out and said to her mother, “For what should I ask?” And she said, “The head of John the Baptist.”<sup>25</sup> And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.”<sup>26</sup> And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her.<sup>27</sup> And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison<sup>28</sup> and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother.<sup>29</sup> When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**☩ 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.**

## **A SPECIAL MESSAGE for the CHILDREN**

## SONG

“I Will Rise”

Tomlin/Reeves/Giglio/Maher

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.  
There's an anchor for my soul I can say, “It is well.”

*Chorus:* Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed;  
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.  
And I will rise when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.  
I will rise on eagle's wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise.  
I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light,  
And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes. (*Chorus*)

*Bridge:* And I hear the voice of many angels sing, “Worthy is the Lamb!”  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, “Worthy is the Lamb!” (*Repeat*)  
“Worthy is the Lamb!”

I will rise when He calls my name; No more sorrow, no more pain.  
I will rise on eagle's wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise.  
I will rise. I will rise!

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## Confession and Forgiveness

(*Ephesians 1:3-4; Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*)

- L** Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
  - C** **who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.**
  - L** For he chose us in him before the creation of the world
  - C** **that we might be holy and blameless before God.**
  - L** Brothers and sisters in Christ, the proof of God’s amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God’s faithfulness and compassion, we now confess our sin before God and one another.
- ALL:** ***Merciful God, we confess to You that we have not lived as we should. We have often failed to do as You command, not loving You and not loving one another. Our sin is a burden and shame to us. For the sake of Jesus and His great sacrifice on the cross, we ask You to forgive us. Make us clean again and renew us by Your Spirit, so that we may honor You with the lives we live. In the name of Jesus our Savior we pray. Amen.***

- L** Friends in Christ, through the blood of Christ Jesus, our Lord,  
**C** **we have redemption, forgiveness of sins.**
- L** The riches of God's grace have been poured out upon us.  
**C** **Praise be to our God,**  
**L** who has chosen and made us his own.  
**C** **Praise be to our God,**  
**L** who forgives and cleanses us.  
**C** **Praise be to our God,**  
**L** who blesses us beyond our imagination! As a called and ordained servant of the Word I announce the grace of God to all of you; and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## **PRAYERS of the CHURCH**

- L** Let us go to God in prayer for the Church around the world, the nations of this earth, and all who call to Him in their various needs.
- Our Father in heaven, uphold and strengthen all families on the earth. Guide parents to teach their children all that You have done and promised. Grant Your blessing wherever Your people gather around Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- L** When the world seems to be winning and Your holy name is used without thought, put a strong confession on the lips of church leaders everywhere. Grant that they are used so that the reality of Your power and grace shine forth to dispel fear and to bring many to faith in our Savior. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- L** Extend Your kingdom, O Lord, through mission efforts around the world. Open voices to speak Your word of judgment and grace, and open ears to hear Your invitation to turn and be saved. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- L** Raise up, we pray, leaders at all levels of government who will order society according to Your will. Strengthen those who protect at home and those who defend abroad so that our nation and all others find peaceful solutions to chaos and conflict. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**L** Hear the prayers of the poor, so that their daily needs of food, clothing, and shelter be available to them. Bless all who grow and distribute crops, all who seek to alleviate pain and suffering, and all who fund and build decent housing. Listen especially to those whose needs we know, [*including . . .*]. Give them the healing, comfort, and hope that fits Your gracious plans for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**L** You have graciously forgiven us for Jesus' sake; open doors of opportunity for this congregation to be a welcoming place for people burdened with their past. Grant us to tell them what You have to say to them—words of forgiveness, peace, and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**L** Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your grace for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## The LORD'S PRAYER

**C** **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.**

## SONG

**"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"** Tomlin/Excell/Rees/  
Newton/Giglio

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found, Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone. I've been set free, My God, my Savior has ransomed me.

And like a flood His mercy reigns, Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures.

My chains are gone. I've been set free, My God, my Savior has ransomed me.

And like a flood His mercy reigns, Unending love, amazing grace. (*Repeat*)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, The sun forbear to shine.  
But God, who called me here below, Will be forever mine,  
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

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## SERMON

**“Blessed”**

*Rev. Zach J. Holdorf*

## CLOSING PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

## DISMISSAL

**L** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God!**

## CLOSING SONG

**“Amen (Because He Lives)”**

*Tomlin/Carson/Cash/  
Gaither/Ingram/Maher*

I believe in the Son I believe in the Risen One  
I believe I overcome By the power of His blood

*Chorus:* Amen amen I'm alive I'm alive because He lives  
Amen amen Let my song join the one that never ends Because He lives

I was dead in the grave I was covered in sin and shame  
I heard mercy call my name He rolled the stone away (*Chorus*)

Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone  
I know He holds my life My future in His hand (*Chorus x2*)

Because He lives

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PRESIDING MINISTER: *Rev. Zach J. Holdorf, Senior Pastor*

ELDERS: *5pm—Michael Hase; 11am—*

# WELCOME TO TRINITY!

Your presence is very special to us. May your faith be strengthened and your life enriched as you join us in worship to God!

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## BLENDDED WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

5pm Saturday & 11am Sunday

## TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

8am & 9:30am Sunday

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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**—Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month in the Upper Sanctuary. We invite those who have been instructed in the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. Others are asked to speak with a pastor before receiving the Sacrament. *Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

**LARGE PRINT**—large print copies of the bulletin are available on the table in the Narthex or you may ask the usher for one.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS**—for ages 3-6 years & 7-12 years old, are available on the table in the Narthex.

**NURSERY**—for children ages 3 & under. The upper level nursery located near the Narthex will be available for parent use on Sunday mornings. *Please Note: The upper level nursery will be unstaffed unless volunteers are available.*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**—Sunday School is available for children 4 years old through 6th Grade at 9:30am on Sunday mornings during the school year. Christian Education courses for adults and young adults are held at 9:30am on Sunday mornings & various times throughout the week during the school year. Trinity is committed to Christian Education through the 4K-8 School, our Childcare (*infant—13 years*), and through our association with Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School.

**RESTROOMS**—Narthex level across from the Library, lower level next to the elevator.

**JOINING TRINITY**—We invite you to become part of this Christian community! If interested in membership, please speak with an elder or pastor, and we will contact you.

## MISSION STATEMENT:

*To gather people who grow in faith and share Jesus with all.*

## VISION STATEMENT:

*To strive to be a mature and faithful congregation that is focused on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*



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**BLENDDED WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY**