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FOCUS

In today’s Readings, we hear warnings about the coming day of the Lord. Such warnings can fill us with fear and questions. But we are also encouraged by God’s faithfulness and steadfastness. He protects us from the assaults of Satan. He establishes us and keeps us. He directs our hearts toward love. “May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ” (2 Thess. 3:5). God grant us such hearts!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

RINGING of the BELLS and WELCOME

OPENING SONG

7:30am—

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

LSB 715

9am—

“Shout to the North”

Smith

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

L The Lord is faithful.

C He establishes us and guards us against Satan.

L The Lord is steadfast.

C He directs our hearts to love our neighbors.

L We can be confident in the Lord and His love for us.

C May He grant us quiet lives free from trouble.

Confession and Absolution

L In our lives, we struggle to follow Jesus’ example of love, steadfastness, and faith. We have sown hatred, shown laziness, and known many doubts. We have not kept our eyes fixed on Jesus. Yet our heavenly Father invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence and ask for forgiveness. Heavenly Father,

C we have sinned against You in thoughts, words, and actions. Help us to serve in joy and love. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, on account of Jesus. Amen.

L Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. We are forgiven by the steadfast love of Christ.

SONG of PRAISE

7:30am—

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

LSB 722

9am—

“Here I Am to Worship”

Hughes

SALUTATION and PRAYER of the DAY

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

OLD TESTAMENT

Malachi 4:1-6

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³ And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. ⁴ “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. ⁵ “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. ⁶ And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL OFFERING

7:30am—

“My Jesus I Love Thee”

arr. Larson

JuBellation Handbells

9am—

“Sing to the Lord a New Song”

Christopherson (Psalm 98)

4th & 5th Grade Choir

EPISTLE

2 Thessalonians 3:1-5, 16

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you,² and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith.³ But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.⁴ And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command.⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. ...¹⁶ Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PRAISE TEAM (9am)

“Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me”

Cottrell

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:29-36

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And [Jesus] told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees.³⁰ As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near.³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near.³² Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place.³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.³⁴ “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap.³⁵ For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth.³⁶ But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

A SPECIAL MESSAGE for the CHILDREN

HYMN of the DAY

"I Walk in Danger All the Way"

LSB 716



1 I walk in dan - ger all the way. The thought shall nev - er
2 I pass through tri - als all the way, With sin and ills con -
3 And death pur - sues me all the way, No - where I rest se -
4 I walk with an - gels all the way, They shield me and be -



leave me That Sa - tan, who has marked his prey, Is
tend - ing; In pa - tience I must bear each day The
cure - ly; He comes by night, he comes by day, He
friend me; All Sa - tan's pow'r is held at bay When



plot - ting to de - ceive me. This foe with hid - den snares
cross of God's own send - ing. When in ad - ver - si - ty
takes his prey most sure - ly. A fail - ing breath, and I
heav'n - ly hosts at - tend me; They are my sure de - fense,



May seize me un - a - wares If I should fail to
I know not where to flee, When storms of woe my
In death's strong grasp may lie To face e - ter - ni -
All fear and sor - row, hence! Un - harmed by foes, do



watch and pray. I walk in dan - ger all the way.
soul dis - may, I pass through tri - als all the way.
ty to - day As death pur - sues me all the way.
what they may, I walk with an - gels all the way.

5. I walk with Jesus all the way, His guidance never fails me;
Within His wounds I find a stay When Satan's pow'r assails me;
And by His footsteps led, My path I safely tread.
No evil leads my soul astray; I walk with Jesus all the way.
6. My walk is heav'nward all the way; Await, my soul, the morrow,
When God's good healing shall allay All suff'ring, sin, and sorrow.
Then, worldly pomp, begone! To heav'n I now press on.
For all the world I would not stay; My walk is heav'nward all the way.

SERMON

“Faithful Living”

Rev. Dr. Dennis W. Pegorsch

2 Thessalonians 3:2-3

Germany after World War II... “The Writing on the Wall”

Our need: Can you find _____ in the Lord?

Believe in the (1) _____ Believe in the (2) _____

Believe in (3) _____.

I. First, the Lord is _____ to _____ the works of
His _____.

II. Secondly, the Lord is _____ to deliver us from _____.
(2 Thess. 3:2-3)

III. Thirdly, Jesus came into this world to _____ His
_____. (Acts 10:38)

IV. Daily, Jesus _____ in this world to _____
have the _____ of serving. (John 12:26; John 3:16)

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of
Christ. (2 Thess. 3:5)

APOSTLES' CREED

G 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.

PRAYER of the CHURCH *(After each petition, the following is said...)*

- L** O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
C but hasten our salvation.

GATHERING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

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.*

OFFERING HYMN

"Create in Me"

LSB 956



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va-tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

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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.

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

- L** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

DISMISSAL

- L** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

CLOSING SONG

7:30am—

"How Great Thou Art"

LSB 801

9am—

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Kendrick; v.1,3

POSTLUDE

PRESIDING MINISTER: *Rev. Dr. Dennis W. Pegorsch, Pastor Emeritus*

ORGANIST: *Mr. Matthew Hoehne, Director of Music*

MUSICIANS: 7:30am—*JuBellation Handbells*

9am—4th & 5th Grade Choir, Matt Hoehne, director;

Praise Team, Matt Hoehne, lead

ELDERS: 7:30am—*Bob Zimmerman; 9am—Mike Hase*

ACOLYTES: 7:30am—*Will Stengl; 9am—Marcella Mader*

TECH: 7:30am— ; 9am—

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!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

7:30am & 9am Sunday

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

5pm Saturday

- **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**—Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th 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 & 7-12 years, are available on the table in the Narthex.
- **NURSERY**—for children ages 3 & under. The upper level nursery is located near the Church Lounge on Sundays. *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 10:15am on Sunday mornings during the school year. Christian Education courses for adults and young adults are held at 10:15am on Sunday mornings & various times throughout the week during the school year. Trinity is committed to Christian Education through the 4K-8th grade School, our Childcare (infant through 13 years), and through our association with Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School.
- **ELEVATOR**—is located next to the nursery on the upper level. On the lower level the elevator is located across from Classroom #101, which is past the offices. Use as needed.
- **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.

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