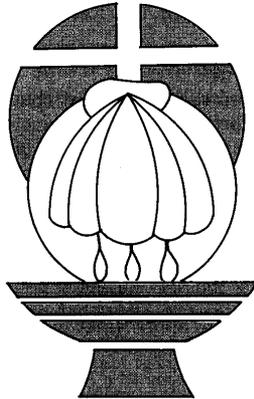


Trinity Lutheran Church

- An Independent Confessional Lutheran Church -
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“Faith Worked Through These Means”

(A Sermon Series on the Last Three Chief Parts of
Luther’s Small Catechism)



Advent Vespers – 2022

ORGAN PRELUDE

THE OPENING HYMN (First on Board)

THE VERSICLES (chanted)

CA: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

C: **And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.**

CA: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: **Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

ALL: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen*

THE PSALMODY

De Profundis (Psalm 130)

Psalm 130

Source unknown



<p>1 Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord.</p> <p>3 If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?</p> <p>5 I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in His Word do I hope.</p> <p>7 Let Israel hope in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption.</p> <p>9 <u>Glory be to the Father and to the Son</u> and to the Holy Ghost;</p>	<p>Lord.</p> <p>Lord, hear my voice:</p> <p>O Lord, who shall stand?</p> <p>and in His Word do I hope.</p> <p>and with Him is plenteous redemption.</p> <p>and to the Holy Ghost;</p>
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<p>2 Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.</p> <p>4 But there is forgiveness with Thee that Thou mayest be feared.</p> <p>6 My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning; I say, more than they that watch for the morning.</p> <p>8 And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.</p> <p>10 <u>As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.</u></p>	<p>tentive</p> <p>Thee</p> <p>morning;</p> <p>Israel</p> <p>shall be,</p>	<p>to the voice of my supplications.</p> <p>that Thou mayest be feared.</p> <p>I say, more than they that watch for the morning.</p> <p>from all his iniquities.</p> <p>world without end. Amen.</p>
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THE BIBLE READINGS

CA: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: **Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!** (Sung)

THE MESSAGE HYMN “God’s Own Child I Gladly Say It” (LSB 594)

1. God’s own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth’s treasures many? I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free, Lasting to eternity!
2. Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus’ cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me, Since my Baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus’ blood?

3. Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation; I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled, All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!

4. Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes, Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine To make life immortal mine.

5. There is nothing worth comparing to this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ; I'm a child of paradise!

THE SERMON “Faith Worked Through These Means”

Nov. 30 What is Baptism?

Dec. 07 What Benefits Does Baptism Give?

Dec. 14 How Can Water Do Such Great Things?

THE OFFERING

THE VERSICLE (Chanted)

CA: Let my prayers be set forth before Thee as incense:

C: **And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

THE MAGNIFICAT



1	My	soul doth - - -	magni-	fy	the	Lord:
2	For	He - - - - -	hath	re-	gard-	ed:
3	For,	be- - - - -	hold,	from	hence-	forth:
4	For	He that is mighty hath	done to	me	great	things:
5	And His	mercy is on - - -	them	that	fear	Him:
6	He hath	showed - - - -	strength	with	His	arm:
7	He hath	put down the - - -	mighty	from	their	seats:
8	He hath	filled the - - - -	hungry	with	good	things:
9	He hath	holpen His servant Is-				
		rael in remembrance	of	His	mer-	cy:
	<u>Glo-ry</u>	<u>be to the Father -</u>	and	to	the	Son:
	<u>As it</u>	<u>was in the beginning,</u>				
		<u>is now, and - - -</u>	ev-	er	shall	be:



1	and my spirit hath rejoiced in - - -	God,	my	Sav-	ior.
2	the low estate of - - - - -	His	hand-	maid-	en:
3	all generations shall - - - - -	call	me	bles-	ed.
4	and ho- - - - -	ly	is	His	name.
5	from generation to - - - - -	gen-	er-	a-	tion.
6	He hath scattered the proud in the imagi-	na-tion	of	their	hearts.
7	and exalted them - - - - -	of	low	de-	gree.
8	and the rich He hath sent - - - - -	emp-	ty	a-	way.
9	as He spake to our fathers, to Abraham,				
	and to his - - - - -	seed	for-	ev-	er.
	and to - - - - -	the	Ho-	ly	Ghost;
	<u>world with- - - - -</u>	out	end,	A-	men.

(TLH 43)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The image shows a musical score for 'The Lord's Prayer' in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system covers the first three lines of the prayer, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music is simple and homophonic, with the bass line providing a steady accompaniment.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed
Give us this day our
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver

be Thy name.
dai - ly bread;
us from e - vil;

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for

earth as it is in heaven.
those who trespass a - gainst us.
ev - er. A - men.

THE SALUTATION

CA: O Lord hear my prayer.

C: Let my cry come to You. (Chanted)

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

CA: Let us pray: O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed, give unto Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that we, being defended by Thee from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen (Chanted)

THE BENEDICAMUS

CA: Bless we the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.** (Chanted)

THE BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

C: **Amen** (Chanted)

THE CLOSING HYMN (Last on Board)

The Fourth Chief Part from Luther's Small Catechism

~ Baptism ~

*As the head of the family should teach them
in a simple way to his household.*

First: The Nature of Baptism

P: What is Baptism?

C: Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

P: Which is that word of God?

C: Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." [Matt. 28:19]

Second: The Blessings of Baptism

P: What benefits does Baptism give?

C: It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

P: Which are these words and promises of God?

C: Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but

whoever does not believe will be condemned.”

[Mark 16:16]

Third: The Power of Baptism

P: How can water do such great things?

C: Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying."

[Titus 3:5-8]

Children's Christmas Pageant

December 18, 2022 - 12:15 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24, 2022 - 7:30 p.m.



The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord

December 25, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.



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