God of Life





Sunday, November 9, 2025 9:00 am Service

Order of Worship

*stand as you are able

Prelude Gratitude Worship Band

by Dante Bowe, Ben Hastings, Brandon Lake

Welcome

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Faithful God.

You have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, † in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn Lord, Be Glorified Hymn #744

- In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.
- 2 In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.
- 3 In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your church, Lord, be glorified today.
- 4 In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

*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.

Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

by Chris Tomlin

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Hear our cry and heal our land Let kindness lead us to repentance Bring us back again

Chorus:

For Your Name is great, and Your heart is grace Kyrie Eleison Over all You reign, you alone can save Kyrie Eleison, Lord have mercy Christ have mercy on us now

Who is this God
Who pardons all our sin
So ready to forgive
You delight to show Your mercy (Repeat 4x, then chorus 2x)

Prayer of the Day

O God, our eternal redeemer,

By the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Anthem

In Jesus Name (God of Possible)

Worship Band

by Katy Nichole, Jeff Pardo, Ethan Hulse, David Spencer

Children's Moment Terri Gens

Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message Pastor Paul Lutter

Hymn of the Day

How Small Our Span of Life

Hymn #636

- How small our span of life, O God, our years from birth till death:
 A single beat within the heart, the catching of a breath,
 A drop within the ocean's deep, a grain upon the shore,
 A flash of light before we sleep to see the sun no more.
- And yet our speck of life is spanned by your infinity;
 Our tick of time on earth is caught in your eternity.
 While suns and stars spin endlessly through depths of cosmic space,
 While aeons roll and ages pass, you hold us in your grace.
- 3. O Christ, you left eternity to plunge in time's swift stream, To share the shortness of our span, our mortal lives redeem. You filled your cross-closed years with love; you loved us to the end And touch us with your risen life that ours may time transcend.

4. We thank you, God, for kindling faith that lights our transient years, Illumining our pilgrimage through mists of doubt and fears; For hope that sees a life beyond the swiftly passing days; For love, both human and divine, that lifts our hearts to praise.

*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 Church

Congregational Response: Your mercy is great.

*Sharing of the Peace / Announcements

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 This life is an altar, I want to offer my soul, and my mind, and strength, Cleansed by Your mercy, to live a life worthy of the One, who called my name.

Chorus:

Jesus, be glorified, Jesus, be magnified, Let me be a pleasing sacrifice. Jesus, be glorified, Jesus, be magnified, Here at the altar, my life is an offering.

 How could I not love you? You authored my rescue, raised me up from death to life.
 Your spirit is in me, revealing Your glory of what joy, as I give my life. (Chorus)

*Closing Prayer

Gracious Lord God,

We place ourselves into your hands: our minds to know you, our hearts to love you, and our wills to serve you. Grant that we might be rooted and grounded in you, so that your Spirit of Life might flow through us into our neighborhoods and communities for the benefit of all. By your power, may we grow together in your love. Amen.

*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.

*Benediction

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you † and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

Amen.

*Closing Hymn

Soon and Very Soon

Hymn #439

- Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujhah, we're goin' to see the King!
- 2. No more cryin; there...
- 3. No more dyin' there...
- 4. Soon and very soon...

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PostludeOh Death
by Mercy Me

Worship Band

In Our Prayers:

Scott Johnson, Geri Danielson, Frank Fritzke, Dick Erickson, Pam Blackketter, Stacey Lewandowski, Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson), Stacey Barta (niece of Bob & JoAnn Lohmann), our missionary in Papua New Guinea, Rev. Andrew Ronnevik and family

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Doug Scholla who passed away recently. May God grant you peace and comfort.

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Announcements

You are invited to enjoy conversation, treats and coffee following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastoral Transition Event Join us for the next Congregational Listening Session today, Sunday, November 9, from 10:15–11:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will reflect together on the gifts and abilities we hope to see in both pastoral and lay leadership at Trinity. Come, share your thoughts in this important step of our pastoral transition.

Opportunity to Salvage Parsonage Items: A Property Committee member will be at the parsonage today, Sunday, November 9 from 12:00–1:30 pm for those interested in claiming usable items before the house is taken down. Items are available on a first come, first served basis, and must be removed by Sunday, November 16.

The Sandwich Project All ages are invited to help make a difference for those in need as Trinity partners with The Sandwich Project of Minnesota on Sunday, November 16 at 10:00 am for an onsite service project to help provide sandwiches for shelters and food shelves in the metro area. Join us after worship to lend a hand.

Thanksgiving Service You are invited to a Community Thanksgiving worship service on Sunday, November 23 at 4:30 pm hosted by Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Gather with friends and neighbors for a time of gratitude and grace as we give thanks for all of God's blessings this Thanksgiving season.

Poinsettia Sale Purchase a poinsettia to adorn Trinity's Christmas Eve altar. Order online at **www.trin.org/poinsettia** or find a paper order form at the Trinity Welcome Center. Order deadline is November 30.

Saint Lucia Tea Open House Join us at our annual Saint Lucia Tea on Saturday, December 13, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. We are looking for volunteers. Learn more and sign up to volunteer at the Welcome Center or **www.trin.org/lucia**.