### WELCOME! Trinity Lutheran Church



**October 8, 2023** 

- \* = Please stand if able
  - = Please be seated
- Prelude By Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

P: At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

P: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

\*Gathering Song/Hymn of Praise "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

**LBW 486** 



1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart, and make me love you as I ought to love.

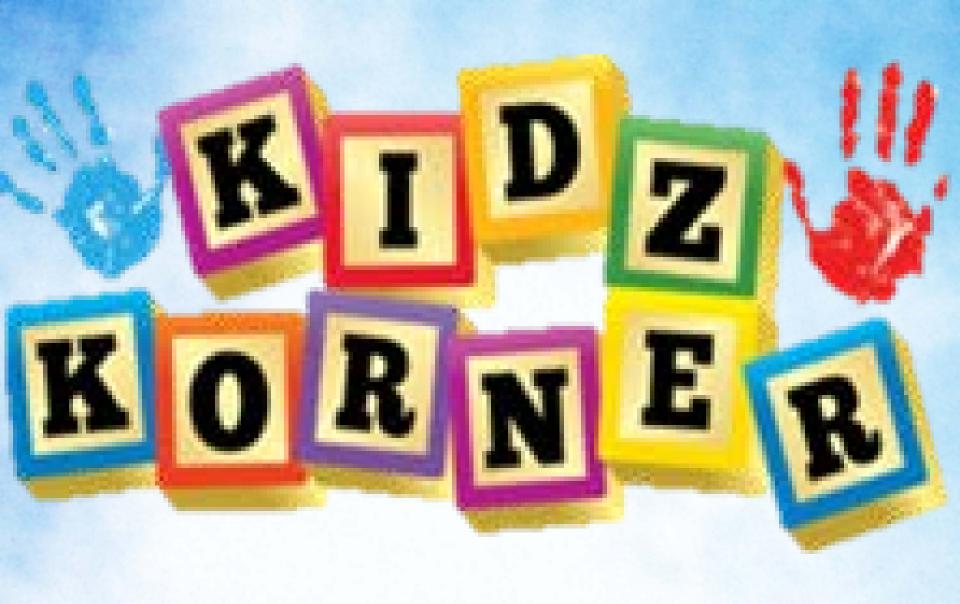
21 ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel visitant, no op'ning skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.

3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King; all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind? I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!

#### \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... Guiding God, you have gifted us with your commandments to help us love you with all we are, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Help us to keep them that all might live together in peace.

C: Amen



## Scripture Reading

L: Our scripture reading for this day is from Deuteronomy chapters 5 and 6.

C: Glory to you O' Lord! (Spoken)

## Chapter 5

Moses convened all Israel, and said to them: Hear, O Israel, the statutes and ordinances that I am addressing to you today; you shall learn them and observe them diligently. 2 The Lord our God made a covenant with us at Horeb. 3 Not with our ancestors did the Lord make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive today. 4 The Lord

spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the fire. 5 (At that time I was standing between the Lord and you to declare to you the words of the Lord; for you were afraid because of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

<sup>6</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>7</sup> you shall have no

other gods before me.

8 You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. 9 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and fourth

generation of those who reject me, <sup>10</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. 11 You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>12</sup> Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded

you. 13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work. 14 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. 15 Remember that you were a slave

God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

<sup>16</sup> Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, so that your days may be long and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

- Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9
- <sup>17</sup> You shall not murder.
- <sup>18</sup> Neither shall you commit adultery.
- 19 Neither shall you steal.
- <sup>20</sup> Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbor.
- <sup>21</sup> Neither shall you covet your neighbor's wife. Neither shall you desire your neighbor's house, or field, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Chapter 6

<sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. 5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup>Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

<sup>8</sup> Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, <sup>9</sup> and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)

#### Sermon



## \* Hymn of the Day "Lord, Keep Up Steadfast in Your Word" LBW 230



1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son and bring to naught all he has done.

\* "Lord, Keep Up Steadfast in Your Word" LBW 230

2 Lord Jesus Christ,
your pow'r make known,
for you are Lord
of lords alone;
defend your holy church, that we
may sing your praise eternally.

\* "Lord, Keep Up Steadfast in Your Word" LBW 230

3 O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth; support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

\* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- \* APOSTLE'S CREED
- C: 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.

## \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

## \* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: 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

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Eternal God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: In mercy, hear our prayer.

## \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

# The prayer concludes...

P: We place in your loving arms these, our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in your boundless mercy, though Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

#### \* SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

## OFFERING



#### \* OFFERING PRAYER



### \* 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.

## \* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### \* SENDING BLESSING

P: The God of glory, Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you † now and forever.

C: Amen.

\* Sending Song
"Awesome God"
W & P 13



Our God, is an Awesome God He reigns, from Heaven above With wisdom, power, and love Our God is an Awesome God!

Repeat 3X

\* DISMISSAL

P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.

C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

POSTLUDE

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