



**SERVICE
OUTLINE**

INTROIT - Ps. 18:1-2a, 27, 32, 49; antiphon: Ps. 18:5-6

Antiphon

*The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;**
the snares of death con- | fronted me.
*In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.**
From his temple he | heard my voice.



- A** I love you, O | LORD, my strength.*
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer.
- C** For you save a humble | people,*
but the haughty eyes | you bring down.
- A** You have equipped | me with strength*
and made my way | blameless.
- C** For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the | nations,*
and sing | to your name.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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Daniel 9:2-10

² [In those days:] I, Daniel, perceived in the books the number of years that, according to the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.

³ Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. ⁴ I prayed to the Lord my God and made confession, saying, "O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, ⁵ we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. ⁶ We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. ⁷ To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which you have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against you. ⁸ To us, O Lord, belongs open shame, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against you. ⁹ To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him ¹⁰ and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

1 Corinthians 9:24 – 10:4

²⁴ [Brethren:] Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵ Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷ But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

¹ I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.

Matthew 20:1-16

¹ [At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples:] "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last."



SEPTUAGESIMA

(Meaning - 'Seventieth' Day Before Easter)

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Liturgy.....	Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Opening Hymn.....	566 By Grace I'm Saved
Sermon Hymn.....	668 Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You
Distribution Hymns.....	827 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling
	662 Onward, Christian Soldiers
Closing Hymn.....	643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing



THE LORD'S SUPPER is being celebrated today. Trinity Lutheran upholds the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. God's Word teaches the real presence of Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. It also teaches that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (see 1 Cor. 11:27-29) and that Holy Communion is a confession of what is taught and believed at this altar (1 Cor. 11:26). Therefore, for your own spiritual welfare, if you are not yet instructed, in doubt, or if you hold a confession differing from that of this congregation (that is, belong to another church body or denomination), and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, you are asked to first speak with the pastor.

The
Word *or the* **Lord**
endures **Forever**



Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum

1 Peter 1:24-25

EVENTS AND INFO

WEDNESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE 6:30PM

Heb. 4:11-16; Mark 9:30-37

#605 Father Welcomes.

This service offers a second opportunity for worship during the week and an alternate for those who can't make a Sunday.

- **ASH WEDNESDAY** is February 14th and marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent. We will have a Divine Service at 6:30pm beginning with the imposition of ashes.
- **OFFERING COUNTERS** are needed for 2024. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex or please talk with Nancy Jarrett.
- **LIKE TO LISTEN TO PODCASTS?**
Here are some of the top podcasts on Bible, theology, Church, and culture in the LCMS. Find them all in your favorite podcast player.
 - + *Issues, Etc.*- THEE podcast of the LCMS with guests on every important topic.
 - + *The Word of the Lord Endures Forever* - Study the Bible with Pastor Will Weedon for 15 minutes daily.
 - + *The Gottesdienst Crowd* - interviews on a variety of topics related to preaching, liturgy, Lutheran Confessions, etc.
 - + *The Lutheran Ladies Lounge* - hosted on KFUD
 - + KFUD radio has a number of other podcasts like *Concord Matters*, a podcast discussing the Lutheran Confessions; also *Friends of Life*, a podcast on life issues from LCMS Life Ministry

- **CONTACT AN ELDER:** Your Church Elders are here to help. Contact them with any comments, concerns, or questions: Tim Matzke (309-706-4252); Dennis Hocker (309-261-2752); Paul Meyers (815-579-0343).
- **DONNA PARKHOUSE MEMORIAL ORGAN & SOUND SYSTEM FUND:** Thanks to generous gifts, the current balance is **\$93,762**. We have begun researching organ and sound system options and will keep the congregation updated.
- **2023 ANNUAL REPORT:** Copies of the 2023 annual report that were given at last voters meeting are available in the narthex. Please take one to keep up with all that happened and continues to happen at your congregation.
- **VACANCY SERVICE AT ZION LUTHERAN IN WENONA:** Pastor Boehne is overseeing the vacancy at Zion Lutheran Church in Wenona. He's leading a Saturday night Divine Service at 5pm in Wenona. Any members of Trinity are welcome to attend on a Saturday night if you can't make our Sunday morning here. There will be one Saturday each month where another pastor takes the service (Feb. 17, Mar. 9).
- **CHURCH'S WEBSITE:** Missed a Sunday? You can find all the bulletins, calendars, and sermons from previous Sundays on the website: trinitylutheranchurchelpaso.com

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

TODAY	9:00am	Sunday School and Bible Study
	10:00am	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	1:00pm	Sunday School Bowling Party (Pheasant Lanes)
MONDAY	8:30am	Preschool
	9:00am	Quilting Ladies
TUESDAY	8:30am	Preschool
WEDNESDAY	8:30am	Preschool (<i>Chapel at 8:45</i>)
	9:00am	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
	10:30am	Bible Study at El Paso Health Care
	3:30pm	Confirmation
	6:30pm	Evening Service with Holy Communion
THURSDAY	8:30am	Preschool (<i>Chapel at 9:00</i>)
FRIDAY	8:30am	Preschool
SUNDAY	9:00am	Sunday School and Bible Study
	10:00am	Divine Service with Holy Communion

PASTOR BOEHNE'S SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

M:	Bible Study Wenona AM & Visit; Office PM
T:	Office Day
W:	Bible Studies in AM; Office/Confirmation PM; Church at 6:30
Th:	Visits All Day
F:	Family Day
S:	Office AM; Church in Wenona 5pm



THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor	Rev. Jonathan P. Boehne
Elder	Tim Matzke
Organist	Dr. Tim Fredstrom
Ushers	Rob Oakley & Luke Oakley
Acolyte	Kasie Wills

SERMON ON DANIEL 9:2-10



Daniel Prays and Gabriel Brings Answer

“TURN YOUR FACE TO HOME”

Sermon Outline

1. Daniel & Us – Never at home in this world
2. The “Seventy Years” Explained (v. 2)
 - a. 70 years of Babylonian Captivity; Daniel’s personal 70 years; 70 weeks (9:24) until Messiah; 70 days until Easter
3. Daniel turns his face to Home and prays instead of grumbling.
 - a. See his prayer in v. 4-10.
4. To God belongs majesty and mercy; to us belongs open shame.
5. Keep turning your face to Home by praying, hearing His Word, receiving His forgiveness, and turning away from Babylon.

SEPTUAGESIMA EXPLAINED – THE 70 DAYS BEFORE EASTER

The following is all excerpted from Stefan Gramenz
on *lutheranmissal.home.blog*

Septuagesima is related to the Latin word for “Seventy,” and is roughly seventy days before Easter. This season of the Church’s year recalls the Biblical account of the seventy-year captivity and exile in Babylon....Perhaps the most poignant picture of this period of captivity is found in Psalm 137:

*“By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down,
yea, we wept when we remembered Zion.*

*We hanged our harps upon the willows
in the midst thereof*

*For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song;
and they that wasted us required of us mirth, saying,*

Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

How shall we sing the Lord’s song in a strange land?

– Ps. 137:1-4

In the seventy days following Septuagesima, including the forty days of Lent, we join with these Israelites in “hanging up our harps.” As we begin to turn our faces toward Jerusalem and Holy Week, we recognize that we are, like those Israelites, not truly at home in this world beset by sin. In recognition, we set aside our Alleluias as well as the song of the angels, the Gloria in Excelsis, while we wait for the resurrection of Our Lord and the undoing of sin.

Question

If the Alleluia and Gloria in excelsis have already been left behind in Septuagesima, if we’re already wearing violet, then what, exactly, differentiates Septuagesima from Lent?

The simple answer is that there isn’t all that much of a difference in externals....The character of Septuagesima isn’t quite as much a spirit of outright penitence as Lent. Septuagesima instead tends toward simplification in preparation for the arduous forty days of Lent. The Alleluia and Gloria are quieted, the preface is reduced in length, and the Wednesday[s]...continue on their normal course. When Lent arrives, however, the services of the church become more elaborate, and, in a way, almost extravagantly penitential.

LAST SUNDAY

The Sunday of the Transfiguration

Wherever Jesus is with me—I'm glorious! Jesus showed His full glory on the mountain of Transfiguration so that the disciples and we would know His glory especially under the crosses of this world.



NEXT SUNDAY - February 4, 2024

Sunday of the Sower and the Seed

Isaiah 55:10-13; *2 Cor. 11:19—12:9; Luke 8:4-15

Hymns: 904, 586, 728, 861, 921

Next Sunday we'll especially look at 2 Corinthians 12 and God's purposes in giving afflictions to Christians.



DAILY READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS

(Please see the 2024 Trinity Family Handbook for a complete outline to use at home in your devotions. These readings are taken from the Daily Lectionary on p. 299 in the hymnal. The readings in italics are optional.)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

LSB p. 299

Jan. 28	Zech. 6:1—7:14	Rom. 16:17-27
Jan. 29	Zech. 8:1-23	2 Tim. 1:1-18
Jan. 30	Zech. 9:1-17	2 Tim. 2:1-26
Jan. 31	Zech. 10:1—11:3	2 Tim. 3:1-17
Feb. 1	Zech. 11:4-17	2 Tim. 4:1-18
Feb. 2	Zech. 12:1—13:9	Titus 1:1—2:6
Feb. 3	Zech. 14:1-21	Titus 2:7—3:15
Feb. 4	Job 1:1-22	John 1:1-18



PRAYER LIST

(not included online)