

# How Does It End?

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# Trinity Lutheran Church

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*Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

November 16, 2024 - 5:00 p.m.

November 17, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

Livestream Worship Service/KCMR 97.9

## ***How Does It End?***

*Christians are often captivated by end-time passages and the beliefs built upon them. This weekend, we will read several key scriptures that talk about the end of the world. How do we make sense of these strange and frightening images? What is the real message God wants us to hear?*

***Welcome to Trinity!*** We are glad you're here. If you are new to Trinity Lutheran, please complete an informational card which can be found in the pews.

***We love having small children in worship!*** Those needing a space to change or feed little ones are welcome to use the **Child Care Room** located next to the nursery. A **staffed nursery** is available during the **9:00 and 10:30 services**, located on the 2nd floor just outside the north sanctuary door (door under the stained glass window door).

### ***Toddler Sunday School:***

*Every 1st and 3rd Sunday from 9:15-10:15am parents are invited to join their 0-2 year old for a time of free play, activities, and Bible stories in the nursery.*

***Seating for People with Limited Mobility*** is reserved in the pew located in front of the Technical booth.

***Large print bulletins and listening devices*** are available from the ushers.

***Activity Bags*** are available for children during worship. They are located in the narthex and at the front of the church. Please return them at the end of services.

## **Serving in Worship This Weekend**

**Pastor** Pastor Dan Gerrietts  
Pastor Daniel Hanson  
Pastor Beverly Butler

**Organist** Teresa Jacobson

**Cantor**

**Greeters** Mike and Lynn Brown

### **Coffee Fellowship**

Lisa Lorenzen, Mike & Colleen Last

### **Scripture Readers**

5:00 p.m. Deb Hunt

9:00 a.m. Kathy Dobrzynski

### **Communion Servers**

5:00 p.m. Sam and Deb Hunt, Earl Keifer

9:00 a.m. Kathy Dobrzynski, Linda Stine

### **Acolytes**

Kathryn Holmes, Olivia Powell

### **Technical Support**

9:00 a.m. Sophia Fitzgerald, Carter Rockwell  
Gunner Clausen

### **Worship Transportation**

9:00 a.m. Travis Hesley, Kevin Hendrikson

### **Ushers**

5:00 p.m. The Suntken Family

9:00 a.m. Brad Baalson, Phil Lee

Kevin Hendrikson

Burton TeKippe

### **Building Host**

David Stine

**Our Mission** *We are called to share God's healing love through Christ's forgiveness and our personal servanthood.*

# GATHERING

## Prelude

## Welcome

### Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
our refuge,  
our delight,  
our beginning and our end.

**C Amen.**

P Let us come in truth before the one who loves us  
and has freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

**C we confess that sin has taken hold of us  
and we are complicit in its power.**

**We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.**

**Unbind us and set us free.**

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,  
that we may live just and generous lives  
for the good of your world  
and the care of our neighbors,  
following in the servant way of Jesus.**

**Amen.**

P These words are trustworthy and true:  
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,  
swallowing up death forever.  
For his sake, you are † forgiven  
and God remembers your sin no more.  
Let your heart be glad again,  
and rejoice in your salvation.

**C Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn**

*We Praise You, O God*

ELW 870

**\*Greeting**

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

**C And also with you.**

# \*Now the Feast and Celebration

Marty Haugen

## Refrain

*Congregation:*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and  
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -  
er - more!

## Verse 1

*Congregation or Congregation 1:*

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
nit-ed us to be one great peo - ple of  
God.

*to Refrain*

## **\*Prayer of the Day**

P Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth.  
Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world,  
trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done  
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**Children's Sermon**(9:00)

**Pastor Daniel Hanson**

### **First Lesson: Daniel 12:1-3**

L <sup>1</sup>“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25**

L <sup>11</sup>Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.  
<sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Congregation:*

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Optional Repeat*

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the thirteenth chapter.

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

**\*Gospel: Mark 13:1-8**

P <sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

**Pastor Daniel Hanson**

**Hymn of the Day**

*How Great Thou Art*

ELW 856

## \*Prayers of Intercession

P Merciful God.

C Receive our prayer.

## \*Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

*The ministers and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## MEAL

### Announcements

### Offering

Text to Give is available at Trinity!

Simply text the amount you wish to give to 833-412-0093.

Or scan the QR code with your smartphone.

Please note where your gifts should be directed towards.




### \*Offertory

### *As the Grains of Wheat*

Marty Haugen

**Refrain**  
*Congregation:*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;  
so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you.

**Verses**



1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst  
2. Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when  
*to Refrain*  
may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

### \*Offering Prayer

P Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,  
you offered yourself in love for the world,  
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.  
Fill us with your abundance,  
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,  
trusting in your name.

C Amen.

### \*Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### \*Holy

Marty Haugen

*Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

### \*Words of Institution



## \*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.

## Invitation to the Table

### Communion

*All who desire the presence and forgiveness of Christ that come in the sharing of this bread and wine are welcome to commune with us today. Ushers will direct you from the outside aisles to one of the stations in the front of the sanctuary, where you may kneel at the rail. You will return to your seat by the center aisle. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available. If for any reason you are not comfortable participating in communion today, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing.*

### Lamb of God

Marty Haugen

*Congregation:*                      *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God,                      you take a - way the sin of the  
you break the chains of ha - tred and  
you are the way of jus - tice and  
you are the way of mer - cy and

*Congregation:*

world:                      have mer - cy on us,                      mer - cy on us,  
fear:  
peace:  
love.

**Final Stanza**  
*Congregation or Assistant:*

*Congregation or Assistant:*

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you

*Congregation:*

take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Communion Hymns**

***This Is My Father's World  
When Peace Like A River***

ELW 824  
ELW 785

**\*Prayer after Communion**

L Faithful God,  
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink  
in the body and blood of your Son.  
Now send us out to labor with you,  
in service to the world you have made,  
and among the people you have made your home,  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*Blessing**

P May the God who was,  
who is and  
who is to come,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn**

***Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee***

ELW 836

**\*Sending**

P Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Altar Flowers** are in honor of **Patty Hestad's 80th Birthday** given by Randy and Dawn Burns.

**Walking to Better Health** **Wednesday November 20, December 4, 11, 18 | 10:30 a.m.** | Gathering Space  
We will walk in place with easy to follow moves for shaping the waistline, flattening the tummy and strengthening the back. This Leslie Sansone DVD workout is high energy and loads of fun!

**Blood Pressure Checks** **Sunday, November 17 | 10:00 AM** | *Gathering Space*

## **Savor The Holidays Cooking Class**

**Monday, November 18 | 1:30 PM** / Kitchen

Youth Director Dani Vogel will share with you her favorite holiday savory dishes. Together you will create two hors d'oeuvres and two side dishes that will balance out the sweets at your holiday celebrations. Limited space available. Call the church office to sign up! **Class fee: \$5.00.**

## **Fellowship Coffee**

**Tuesday, November 19 | 9:30 AM** / Fellowship Hall

Join us for Fellowship Coffee and enjoy a time of coffee and special ice cream treats, and to hear our Connection Editor, **Michelle Murray**, share highlights from her life story!

## **Rejoicing Spirits**

**Wednesday, November 20 | 5:00 PM** / Trinity Fellowship Hall

Rejoicing Spirits is inclusive of all ages and abilities as we connect with God and one another. Join us on Wednesday, November 20 to focus on gratitude and living lives of thanksgiving through camp style music, interactive skit, and prayer. Following the worship service, enjoy pizza and root beer floats for a free-will donation.

## **Cancer Support Group**

**Wednesday, November 19 | 2:00 PM** | Rm. 300

Individuals currently treating cancer or those who are in remission, along with family and loved ones, are encouraged to attend. The facilitators are cancer survivors Roger Schlitter and Linda Stine. If you would like to attend this meeting via Zoom, please call the office for the link.

**Trinity's Pastoral Care Staff** makes regular visits to Mercy One North Iowa hospital. But not everyone who is hospitalized appears on the clergy list. If you are hospitalized and wish to be visited, please contact the church office.

## **BASES** (*Balance-Agility-Strength-Endurance-Socialization*)

This free exercise class for adults age 55 or older is coordinated by RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) and led by RSVP volunteers. BASES meets every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:00 - 9:00 AM. in the Gathering Space. Please note there is NO class on Nov. 28th.

**THERE** will be NO quilting on Monday, November 18th due to a funeral.

# *Wednesday Night*

## **ALIVE**

### Wednesday November 20th

**Meal / 6:00 PM** - Pizza, Salad & Dessert  
(free will offering)

#### **Programming / 6:30 PM**

- **"Another look at the Gospel of Mark."** Nothing earth-shaking, just fun stuff to see, led by Pastor Tom Dettmer. Bring your Bible! In the Gathering Space
- **TRINITY CHOIR** Trinity's choir is open to all vocalists, high school age & older. Choir practice is held in the Choir Room.
- **KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 6** Students will come to the 2nd floor and learn new things from talented Trinity adults with new activities each week.
- **CONFIRMATION GRADES 7-8** Confirmation students will gather 6:30-7:45 PM in the Fellowship Hall and experience small group and large group learning as they study for their Confirmation.
- **FLAME GRADES 9-12** High School Youth Group meets 6:30-7:45 PM in the Youth Room.
- **NURSERY** The Nursery is **UNSTAFFED** but open to preschoolers and their parents.

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

### **Monday, November 18**

9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer (Rm. 322)  
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild (Rm. 300)  
1:30 p.m. Cooking Class (Kitchen)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

### **Tuesday, November 19**

8-9:00 a.m. BASES Exercise (Gathering Space)  
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Coffee (Fellowship Hall)  
10:45 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry (Rm. 307)  
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Buildings & Grounds Comm.  
(Fellowship Hall)  
4:15 p.m. NordKor Choir Rehearsal  
5:00 p.m. Education Committee (Rm. 307)  
Ministries Committee (Gathering Space)  
6:00 p.m. Generosity Committee (Rm. 300)

### **Wednesday, November 20**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Walking to Better Health (Gathering Space)  
2:00 p.m. Cancer Support Group (Rm. 300)  
5:00 p.m. Rejoicing Spirits Worship Service  
(Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 p.m. WNA Dinner  
6:30 p.m. WNA Programming

### **Thursday, November 21**

8:00 a.m. BASES Exercise (Gathering Space)  
10:30 a.m. Clappers Bell Choir (Sanctuary)  
7:00 p.m. Una Vocis Rehearsal

### **Friday, November 22**

Noon Good Shepherd Annual Mtg. at the Manor

### **Saturday, November 23**

5:00 p.m. **Worship Service**

### **Sunday, November 24**

9:00 a.m. **Worship Service**  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. **Worship Service**