



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1410 Rogers St
Stevens Point, Wisconsin
The Rev. Dr. Clay Schmit
Ministers: Every Baptized Member
Sunday December 2, 2018 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.



Trinity's Mission

Bringing God's love to the world in worship, witness and service.

Trinity's Vision

A Christ and Scripture centered congregation.

- Mission centered congregation constantly evaluating its vision to accomplish its mission and
- A congregation whose members sense that they belong to the body of Christ and, in turn want to provide for the needs of others.

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First Sunday of Advent

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk: The Gideons

Candle Hymn: “Let’s Light a Candle in the Darkness”

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Song: “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” ELW # 254

Greeting

Kyrie (WOV 601)

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

All: Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Word

Children’s Message: Janet Swiston

First Reading:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

14The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 15In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 16In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

Our Advent
musical setting is made up of songs from the world church.

Gathering
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The Kyrie is an ancient prayer. This version is from South Africa. The Latin words mean: Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Word
God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

9How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? 10Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. 11Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. 12And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. 13And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Gospel Acclamation (WOV 610)

Gospel:

Luke 21:25-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 21st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 25“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. 26People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. 28Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” 29Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; 30as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. 31So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. 32Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. 33Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 34“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, 35like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. 36Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Sermon

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Hymn of the Day:

“He Came Down”

ELW #253

Advent Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Paul is writing to his friends in the church he founded in the Greek town of Thessalonica.

This Alleluia verse is also from South Africa.

Meal

Offertory:

(8:15) *“Sing to the Lord a New Song”* by David Hurd

Offertory Prayer

Sanctus *“Holy, Holy”* **ELW #762**

Lord’s Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Hymns:

“My Lord What a Morning” **ELW #438**

“Savior of the Nations Come” **ELW #263**

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent” vs 1-2 **ELW #490**

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn: *“People, Look East”* **ELW #248**

Dismissal

Postlude

Emmanuel, God with us, comes to us in this holy meal.

The table of Christ is open to all who believe. You are welcome to come to this meal. We believe that the risen Christ meets us here in person to offer us forgiveness and strength to live our lives of faith. Gluten free bread and grape juice are available; just ask the servers. Please take a moment to fill out our communication card found in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Sanctus means “Holy.” This Sanctus comes to us from the Latino Church.

*Sending
Renewed and refreshed by word and meal, God sends us out to be the church for the world.*