

Trinity Lutheran Church  
McFarland, Kansas  
Wednesday Prayer Service  
August 26, 2020

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**Versicles**

Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea;  
**hear me and answer me.**

Evening, morning, and noon  
**I cry out in distress, and He hears my voice.**

Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you;  
**He will never let the righteous fall.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Psalm**

*Psalm 138*

<sup>1</sup>I give you thanks, O LORD, with | my whole heart;\*  
before the gods I | sing your praise;  
<sup>2</sup>I bow down toward your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your | faithfulness,\*  
for you have exalted above all things  
your name | and your word.  
<sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you | answered me;\*  
my strength of soul | you increased.  
<sup>4</sup>All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, | O LORD,\*  
for they have heard the words | of your mouth,  
<sup>5</sup>and they shall sing of the ways | of the LORD,\*  
for great is the glory | of the LORD.  
<sup>6</sup>For though the LORD is high, he regards the | lowly,\*  
but the haughty he knows | from afar.  
<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you pre- | serve my life;\*  
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,  
and your right hand de- | livers me.  
<sup>8</sup>The LORD will fulfill his pur- | pose for me;\*  
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work | of your hands.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,  
 you who seek the LORD:  
 look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
 and to the quarry from which you were dug.  
<sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father  
 and to Sarah who bore you;  
 for he was but one when I called him,  
 that I might bless him and multiply him.  
<sup>3</sup>For the LORD comforts Zion;  
 he comforts all her waste places  
 and makes her wilderness like Eden,  
 her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
 joy and gladness will be found in her,  
 thanksgiving and the voice of song.  
<sup>4</sup>“Give attention to me, my people,  
 and give ear to me, my nation;  
 for a law will go out from me,  
 and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.  
<sup>5</sup>My righteousness draws near,  
 my salvation has gone out,  
 and my arms will judge the peoples;  
 the coastlands hope for me,  
 and for my arm they wait.  
<sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
 and look at the earth beneath;  
 for the heavens vanish like smoke,  
 the earth will wear out like a garment,  
 and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;  
 but my salvation will be forever,  
 and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

O Lord,  
**have mercy upon us.**

O Christ,  
**have mercy upon us.**

O Lord,  
**have mercy upon us.**

**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.

**P** Merciful God, we humbly implore You to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and finally attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, even as You have committed the care and nurture of children to Your people, graciously enlighten those who teach and those who are committed to their instruction that they may know Your eternal truth and trust in You all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Heavenly Father, grant Your mercy and grace to Your people in their many and various callings. Give them patience, and strengthen them in their Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to their neighbor in Christ's name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God, You bless the earth to make it fruitful, bringing forth in abundance whatever is needed for the support of our lives. Prosper the work of farmers and all those who labor to bring food to our table. Grant them seasonable weather that they may gather in the fruits of the earth in abundance and proclaim Your goodness with thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, at this hour You hung upon the cross, stretching out Your loving arms to embrace the world in Your death. Grant that all people of the earth may look to You and see their salvation; for Your mercy's sake we pray.

**C** Amen.

## **Benedicamus**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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