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Our Worship Today - Sunday, the 25th of February, 2018

Liturgy -- Divine Service 1 with Communion -- LSB page 151

The Message: "Building Character"

is based on the Epistle reading: Romans 5:1-11

The Old Testament reading is **Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**. This passage backs up from last week to share with us again the promise God makes with Abraham regarding his son. Though Abraham and his wife, Sarah, are old and beyond child-bearing years, this circumstance is not a barrier to God's work. God creates a covenant and a promise with Abraham and He will see it through. The Epistle reading is **Romans 5:1-11**. Though there is suffering and pain in this life, that suffering is not meaningless, for through it we place our trust in God, who does not fail us. Christ has already done so much for us through His death and resurrection, even when we did not deserve it. Christ has already invested in us more than we can imagine, so there is no reason to trust that He will not take care of the rest. The Gospel reading is **Mark 8:27-38**. Jesus asks His disciples if they know who He is. Their answer shows whether they finally understand His ministry and mission in the world. Peter confesses that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah. Peter's confession shows that he understands some things, but he still has much to learn about how Christ will accomplish the salvation of the world.

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| Opening Hymn | 562 | | All mankind fell in Adam's fall |
| Sermon Hymn | 611 | | Chief of sinners |
| Distribution Hymn | 708 | | Lord, Thee I love with all my heart |
| Closing Hymn | 693 | | O Holy Spirit, grant us grace |

The Lord's Supper: Scripture teaches us that the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper are truly Christ's Body and Blood given to us for the forgiveness of sins. It also teaches us that those who come together to share the Lord's Supper are joining in a common confession in Christ. As such, members of the LCMS who have been instructed on the Lord's Supper and who humbly seek His grace and mercy are invited to come and receive Holy Communion. Visitors to Trinity are asked to speak to the pastor prior to the service.

Week at a Glance

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Hope in the City / Tutoring

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper
 7:30 p.m. Lenten Service



Announcements:

Midweek Lenten Services will feature visiting pastors from around the circuit. This week, we welcome Pastor Allen Stuckwisch from Messiah Lutheran Church. Join us for soup supper at 6:30 p.m. preceding worship at 7:30 p.m. There is a sign up sheet by the door if you'd like to help provide soup or dessert for an upcoming supper.

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for the 2018 Trinity Lutheran Fish Fry that will be held on Saturday, March 24 from 4-7 pm. Look for more information in the coming weeks and make sure to sign up on the sheet next to the entrance door-- Make sure to invite your friends and other family members!

LWML Mites are being collected the next 4 weeks. They can be placed in the Mite box in the Narthex. Thanks to all who faithfully support this worthy cause.

Last Week's Offering 02/18/18: Plate \$21.00, Envelopes \$1,435.00, Ash Wednesday \$50.00, Autism Services \$45.00, Total \$1,551.00, Needed \$2,767.00.

KEEP IN PRAYERS: All who are ill, infirm, shut in and all who are undergoing tests and treatments. May they experience God's continual care.

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| Tammy Smith | Ken Sanders | Horst Scheffler |
| Godfrey Reiter | Lyn Stalford (<i>Misty's Aunt</i>) | Penny Geist |
| Irmgard Milkuhn | Rose Neumeister | Verma Seim |
| Frank Gehring | Marilyn Reinking | Lisa Davis |
| | | Joe Klevenger |