

Service Insert

for Trinity 12

August 23, 2026

THE INTROIT *(after the Absolution)*

Psalms 70:1-2a; Ps. 70:2b

P (*Antiphon*) MAKE HASTE, O God, to deliver me! *

Make haste to help | me, O Lord!

Let them be ashamed and con- | founded *

Who | seek my life.

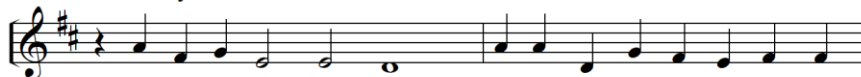


C Let them be turned back and | confused *

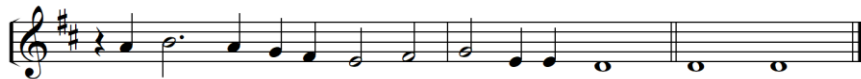
Who de- | sire my hurt.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son



and to the Ho - ly Spirit; as it was in the be - gin - ning,



is now, and ev-er shall be, for - ev-er-more. A - men.

P (*Antiphon*)

THE GRADUAL & VERSE *(after the Epistle)*

Psalm 34:1-2; Ps. 81:1

P I will bless the Lord at | all times; *

His praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

C My soul shall make its boast in | the Lord; *

The humble shall hear of it | and be glad.

P Alle- | luia! *

Al- | leluia!

C Sing aloud to God, | our Strength; *

Make a joyful shout to the God of Jacob. Al- | leluia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN

TLH #5 – Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear

HYMN (after the Creed)

TLH #16 - Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

HYMN (after General Prayer)

TLH #360 - Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

TLH #304 - An Awe-full Mystery Is Here

TLH #310 - Thy Table I Approach

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *2 Corinthians 3:4-11* **Gospel:** *Mark 7:31-37*

from the Formula of Concord, Epitome, Art. II

God the Holy Spirit, however, does not bring about conversion without means. For this purpose He uses the preaching and hearing of God's Word, as it is written in Romans 1:16, the Gospel "is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." Also Romans 10:17 says, "Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." It is God's will that His Word should be heard and that a person's ears should not be closed (Psalm 95:8). With this Word the Holy Spirit is present and opens hearts, so that people (like Lydia in Acts 16:14) pay attention to it and are converted only through the Holy Spirit's grace and power, who alone does the work of converting a person. 6 For without His grace, and if He does not grant the increase, our willing and running, our planting, sowing, and watering (1 Corinthians 3:5-7)—are all nothing. As Christ says <in John 15:5>, "apart from Me you can do nothing." With these brief words the Spirit denies free will its powers and ascribes everything to God's grace, in order that no one may boast before God (1 Corinthians 1:29).

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Aug. 31

Michael W. III

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

Wed., Aug. 26 - Vespers, 6:30 PM

Sun., Aug. 30 - Bible class, 9 AM

- Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Trinity 13)