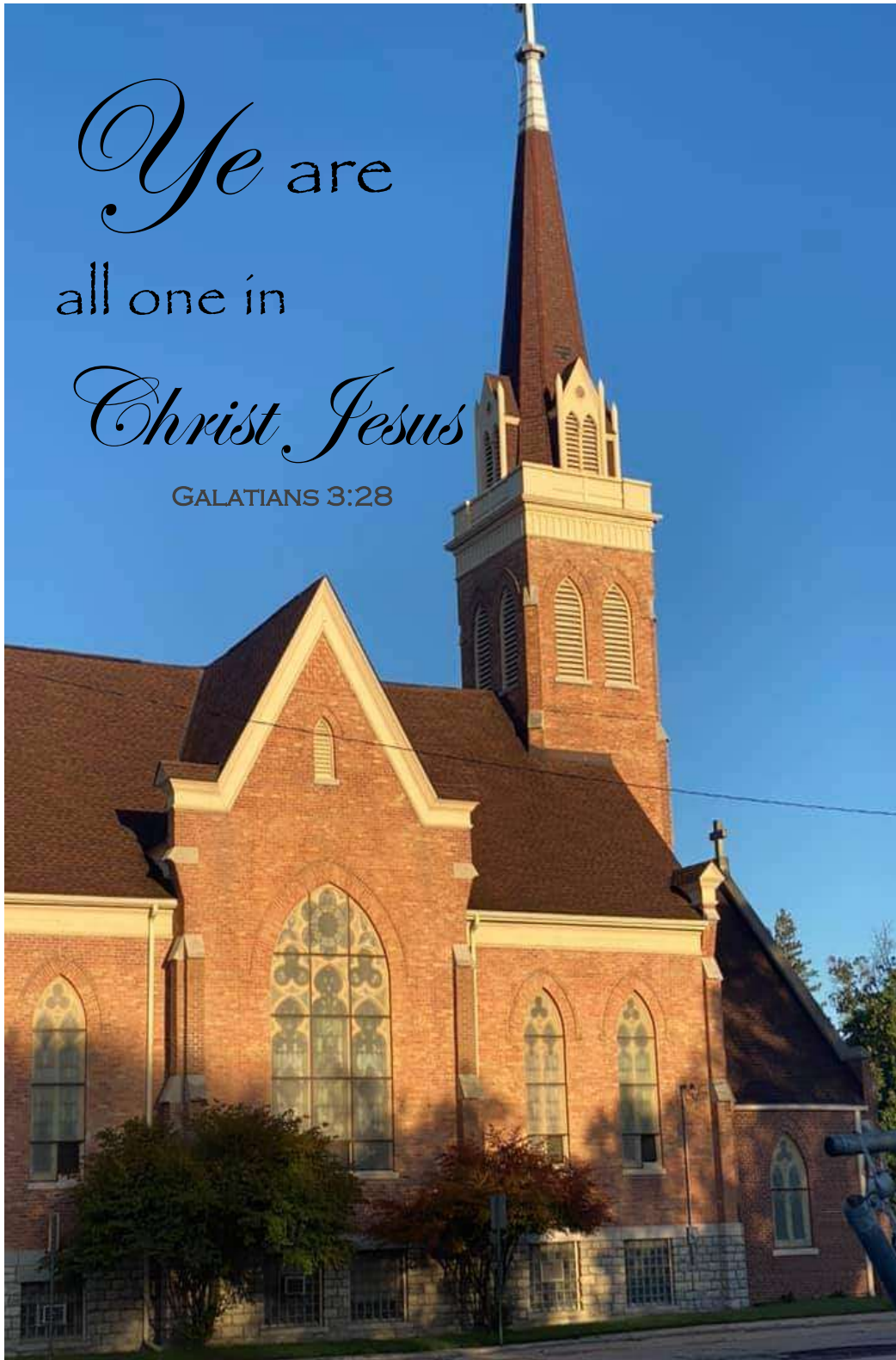


You are
all one in

Christ Jesus

GALATIANS 3:28



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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Welcome to Trinity!

We're glad you're here to worship!

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What God Ordains Is Always Good

(Hymn 429 vv. 1,2,4)

- 1 What God ordains is always good;
 His will is just and holy.
 As he directs my life for me,
 I follow meek and lowly.
 My God indeed in ev'ry need
 Knows well how he will shield me;
 To him, then, I will yield me.

- 2 What God ordains is always good;
 He never will deceive me.
 He leads me in his righteous way
 And never will he leave me.
 I take content What he has sent;
 His hand that sends me sadness
 Will turn my tears to gladness.

- 4 What God ordains is always good.
 Though I the cup am drinking
 Which savors now of bitterness,
 I take it without shrinking.
 For after grief God grants relief,
 My heart with comfort filling
 And all my sorrow stilling.

Please rise

Confession of Sins

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

Assurance of Forgiveness

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated

Old Testament Lesson

Sometimes life is good. Sometimes it's rough. Sometimes it's epic, soul-crushing disaster. When we read the book of Job, his suffering and his misery are proverbial. His words in chapter seven reveal how oppressive his days are and how deep his despair. His days grind him down and he finds no relief, not even in sleep.

There is only one ray of hope in his darkness; only one slender thread that keeps him from sliding into the Stygian abyss: he can pray. His prayers are dark and his hope is dim, but his prayers reach all the way into the throne room of heaven. There is power there. Our heavenly Father is there. And he loves us. He hears us. He cares for us. And he acts.

Let's remember that the important part of our prayers is not our words, our attitude, or even our faith—it's the One Who Hears and Answers us. God heard Job and delivered him from darkness and despair. God hears us, too. He watches over us, cares for us, hears us, delivers us, and keeps us close to his side from here to the halls of heaven.

Life can be rough, but we're never alone. Even when can't see him, God is here. He walks with us even in the valley of the shadow of death.

Job 7:1-7 (EHV)

Isn't man's time on earth like being compelled to serve in the army?
Aren't his days like those of a hired man?

² Like a slave, he longs for shade,
or like a day laborer, he waits for his pay.

³ In the same way, I have been allotted months of futility,
and nights of agony have been assigned to me.

⁴ When I lie down, I think, "How long before I get up?"

But the night drags on,
and I am filled with restlessness until dawn.

⁵ My flesh is clothed with maggots and caked with dirt.

My skin scabs over and then oozes again.

⁶ My days pass by more swiftly than the shuttle of a weaver's loom.
They come to an end without hope.

⁷ Remember that my life is just a breath.

My eyes will never again see good fortune.

Gospel Lesson

Our Gospel lesson reveals the power and the love of Christ. Look at all the problems that are listed. Everybody in town seemed to have trouble or sickness or demon possession. But every one of the problems was a blessing in disguise—each problem provided people a reason to despair of their own abilities and to look to Jesus, the compassionate and merciful Savior. Each problem was another chance to witness the glory of God.

Notice Peter's mother-in-law's faith-inspired response to God's grace: she was moved to thank God by serving him among his people. Our sufferings, too, spur us to seek God in prayer. His grace moves us to thankful service.

Notice, too, that Jesus' eyes were always in two directions at the same time: down to care for us and to save us in our need, and up to do everything as an act of worship and obedience to his Father.

Jesus prayed. Then he went on to proclaim the gospel and continue his work of rescuing people from the devil.

Mark 1:29-39 (EHV)

²⁹ They left the synagogue and went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was lying in bed, sick with a fever. Without delay they told Jesus about her. ³¹ He went to her, took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³² That evening, when the sun had set, the people kept bringing to him all who were sick and demon-possessed. ³³ The whole town gathered at the door. ³⁴ He healed many people who were sick with various diseases and drove out many demons. But he did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew who he was.

³⁵ Jesus got up early in the morning, while it was still dark, and went out. He withdrew to a solitary place and was praying there. ³⁶ Simon and his companions searched for him, ³⁷ and, when they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is looking for you!"

³⁸ He told them, "Let's go somewhere else, to the neighboring villages, so that I can preach there too. In fact, that is why I have come." ³⁹ Then he went throughout the whole region of Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

(Hymn 451)

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| 1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the
night,
Lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord;
Lead me home. | 2 When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call;
Hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious
Lord;
Lead me home. |
| 3 When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is almost gone,
At the river I stand;
Guide my feet, hold my hand,
Take my hand, precious Lord;
Lead me home. | |

Epistle Lesson/Sermon Text:

Romans chapter 8 contains some of the most comforting promises in all of Scripture. “There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus” (v.1). The Holy Spirit testifies that we are God’s children (v.17). The Holy Spirit prays for us when we don’t know what to pray (v.26). Jesus is interceding for us at God’s right hand (v.35). Nothing can separate us from the love of God (vv.38-39).

Perhaps the greatest of the promises, especially in hard times, is verse 28: God is working everything together for our good.

It is easy to see God’s gracious will when life is going well. It takes faith to see it in hardship. God promises that in both the good times and the bad, he is working for our good. In Job’s suffering, God was at work, strengthening, teaching, and keeping him close. When Daniel or Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were convicted as criminals, God worked it for their good and for his glory. When the Christian church was persecuted, God blessed them in it and used it to save souls.

Now the promise is ours. God promises us that, in all things, he is molding us into the image of his Son. A change that profound, is bound to hurt some.

Romans 8:28-30 (EHV)

²⁸ We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose, ²⁹ because those God foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he would be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called. Those he called, he also justified. And those he justified, he also glorified.

Prayers for Our family and Friends

The Beaumont Family, Melanie Bell, Milferd Behnke, Ashleigh Bourdelais, Ardice Cerney, Gladys Constine, Geri Garbrecht, Jean Harper, Dorothy Johnson, Rose Karr, John Peters, Sharon Malmstadt-Rupert, Noah & Kristin Olson, Lisa Schmitt, Aaron Wood and Jesse Zach

Prayers for those called to protect

Military: Jesse Adams (Sue Connor’s son), **Greg Carow** (Dennis Carow’s godson/nephew), **Aeron Forsberg** (Linda and Gene Erickson’s grandson), **Dayton Godfrey** (Dave & Cindy Schacht’s great-nephew), **Joshua Jansen** (Isaac Jansen’s cousin), **Jesse Johnston**

(Jim & Laurie Johnston's son), **Patrick Noppenberg** (Denis & Deb Vieth's son), **Aaron Stocker Jr.** (Martina (Dura) Stocker's husband), **Dylan Vanko**, (Roy and Grace Chmela's grandson), and **Thomas Weirich** (Mary Bush's nephew).

Firefighter: Steve Campbell.

Police: Greg Haemker, Raymond Cashaw (Pastor Sonnemann's niece's husband) and **David Peterson** (Jamie Tesch's uncle). Ask the Lord to bless them, strengthen them, and keep them safe.

The Lord's Prayer:

*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.*

When Peace Like a River

(CWS 760)

1. When peace like a river attend-eth my way.
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2. My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

3. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight.
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall re-sound, and the Lord shall descend;
Even so, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Closing Prayer

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Benediction:

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one other. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

Mid-week Lenten Services Wednesday at 3:15pm & 6:00pm

February 17th – Ash Wednesday

February 24th

March 3rd

March 10th

March 17th

March 24th

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Shining the Light of the Gospel in our community.

John 8:12 - *"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

Matthew 5:16 - *"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven"*

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Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

Monday at 6:00 pm

* Communion Worship is the 2nd and last weekend of every month

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