

# Trinity Lutheran Church



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8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Service of Holy Communion

# **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

## **The Baptism of Our Lord**

**January 12, 2025, 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Communion Service**

### **WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today. We want to know who you are, so please provide your contact information in the Friendship Book as it is passed during the Offertory. If you are visiting, honor us by signing the Guest Register in the Narthex.

There are times in our worship service where we stand or kneel. Feel free to participate in either as you are able or feel comfortable to remain seated.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request during communion services. Please speak to the pastor before service if you wish to receive the host in this form.

Please ask an usher should you require a hearing assistance device.

(†) ~ Those who wish may make the sign of the Cross in remembrance of their Baptism.

### **RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

If you are not a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, we ask that you speak with the pastor prior to the service before receiving the Lord's Supper.

### **REQUESTS FOR PRAYER**

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a Blue Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Prayer requests may also be emailed to [trinityoffice@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinityoffice@bellsouth.net) or to [pastorjeffwebb@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorjeffwebb@yahoo.com).

### **FOR PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN**

We are delighted that you have brought your child to worship! We invite you to use the Cry Room as a courtesy to others if your little one gets a little rambunctious. Our Cry Room, complete with seating and children's activities, is located at the back of the Sanctuary. The service can be heard through the sound system. We hope your children feel glad they were here and that they are a part of the Trinity family!

### ***Our Vision:***

***Growing in God's Word to Share Christ's Love***

### ***Our Mission:***

***Led by God, equipped as disciples through Word and Sacrament,  
we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all.***



### **AS WE GATHER TODAY**

Today is the first of the bookends that mark the Epiphany season—the Baptism of Our Lord and His Transfiguration. In common is the command from God to “listen to Him.” We begin our journey of listening to the Lord, learning from those who went before, acknowledging the revelation of the Lamb of God in baptismal water, and looking to Him, the Word made flesh. In His Baptism, our Lord was not washed because He was unclean but because we are. The Father saw the prophetic words of Isaiah fulfilled in the water of the Jordan, and He claimed Jesus as His own Son and our appointed Redeemer. “You are Mine,” said the Lord to Jesus. Because He said those words to Jesus, they are now addressed to us—the people for whom Jesus was baptized.

# DIVINE SERVICE

## *Setting Four*

ORGAN

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Please Stand*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 398 vv. 1-4 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"



1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!  
To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;  
Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.  
All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free,  
To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,  
Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in His sight.  
And righ - teous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.  
His king - dom still in - creas - ing, A kingdom with - out end.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Matthew 28:19b*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

*Psalms 124:8*

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. *[Luke 18:13]*

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** *[John 20:19-23]*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### PSALM

### *Psalm 29*

P <sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
C **ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.**

P <sup>2</sup>Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
C **worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**

P <sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
C **the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.**

P <sup>4</sup>The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
C **the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

P <sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
C **the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

P <sup>6</sup>He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,  
C **and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

P <sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD  
C **flashes forth flames of fire.**

P <sup>8</sup>The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
C **the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

P <sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth  
and strips the forests bare,  
C **and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"**

P <sup>10</sup>The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

C the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

P <sup>11</sup>May the LORD give strength to his people!

C May the LORD bless his people with peace!

ALL 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.

**KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy**

*Mark 10:47*



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Glory to God in the Highest**

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The LORD be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His

name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C     **Amen.**

*Be Seated*

## **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

***Isaiah 43:1–7***

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.  
<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
<sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.  
<sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my eyes,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give men in return for you,  
peoples in exchange for your life.  
<sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you.  
<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, Give up,  
and to the south, Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from afar  
and my daughters from the end of the earth,  
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made.”

A     This is the Word of the LORD.

C     **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE LESSON**

***Romans 6:1–11***

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also

live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

## ALLELUIA and VERSE

*John 20:31*

**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 3:15–22*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reprovved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**



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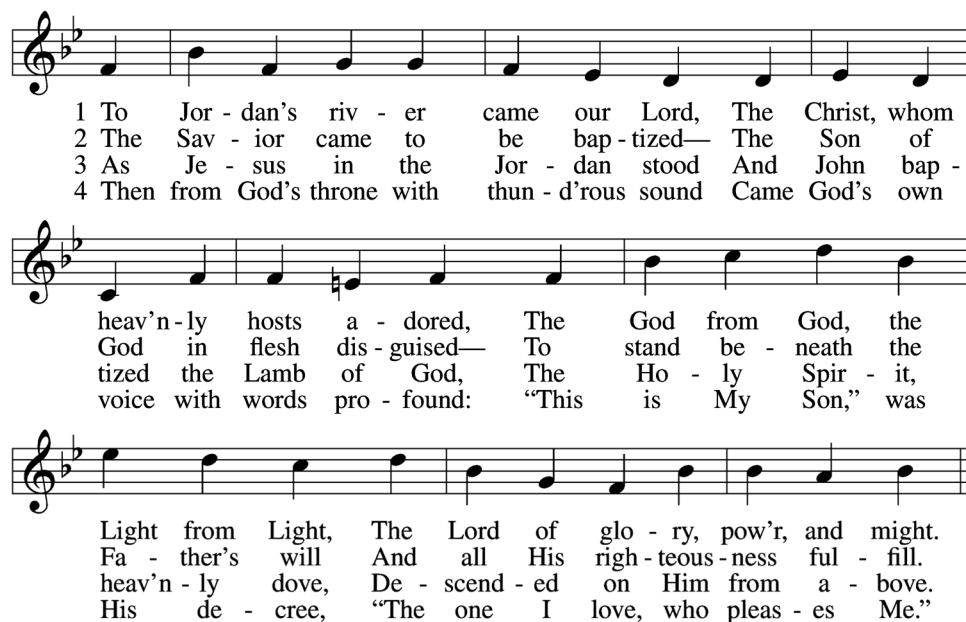
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one LORD Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the LORD and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Be Seated*

### HYMN OF THE DAY 405 "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own  
heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was  
Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight  
Anointed Christ in glorious sight  
As God's own choice, from Adam's fall  
To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;  
This man is Christ, our substitute!

He was baptized in Jordan's stream,  
Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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## SERMON

## "Precious in God's Eyes"

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

**OFFERING** *(Please fill out and pass the red Friendship Book at this time; and fill out the blue card in the pew rack for prayers.)*

*Kneel or Remain Seated*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

*Be Seated*

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*The Sacrament, or Lord's Supper, is a special gift from God that brings us into personal communion with Jesus Christ. "In, with and under" the bread and wine we receive His body and blood for forgiveness and renewal. If you are a repentant sinner, come to the table expecting to receive God's wonderful gifts for you!*

*Communicants will take their own wine cups as they are passed. Those requiring non-alcoholic grape juice will take the cups with white grape juice from the middle of the tray.*

*Remain Seated*

## OUR EXAMINATION

P In preparation for Holy Communion, St. Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup> Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. <sup>29</sup> For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself." So that we may properly examine ourselves prior to receiving the Lord's Supper, I ask you to reflect on these questions:

- Do you repent of all your sins of thought, word, and deed?
- Do you believe that Jesus Christ is your only Savior from all sin, Satan, and death?
- Do you believe that the Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that in, with, and under the bread and wine you receive His true Body and Blood?

If you answer in faith "Yes!" to these questions, and are properly instructed, you are invited to come forward and partake of the LORD'S Supper during Distribution. If you are unable to answer yes to any of these questions, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms as I approach you and receive a blessing. By your coming forward, "You

proclaim the LORD'S death until He comes."

*Please Stand*

## PREFACE

P The LORD be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*  
C **And also with you.**

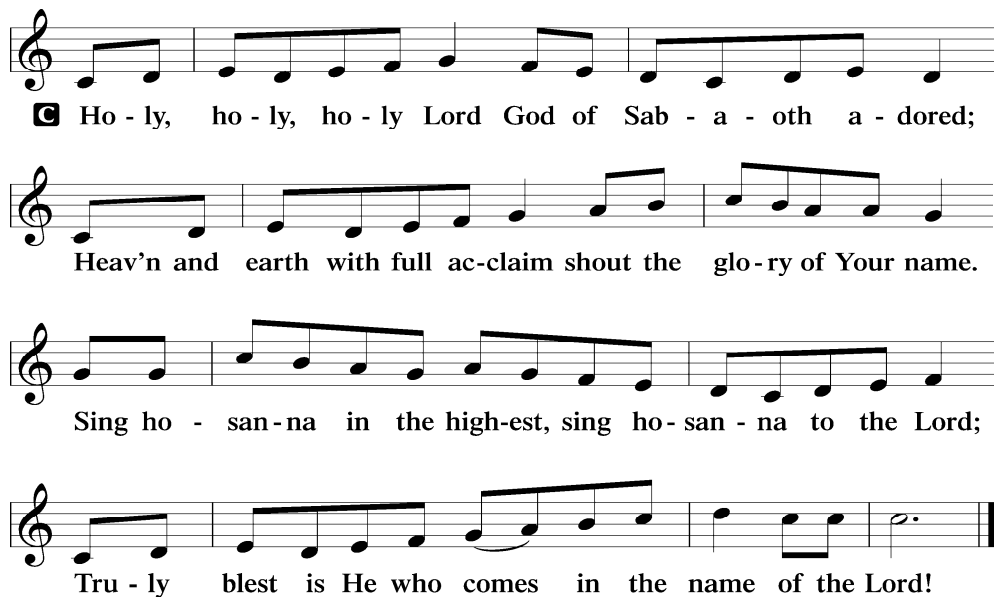
P Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*  
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God. *[Psalm 136]*  
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him

should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;  
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

P Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

*John 20:19*

P The peace of the LORD be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**

### AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

*John 1:29*

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Be Seated*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

### HYMN 735 "Have No Fear, Little Flock"

1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle flock;  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock;  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a - bove;  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to God;  
flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To  
flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In  
bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -  
God, For He stays close be - side you, In  
give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

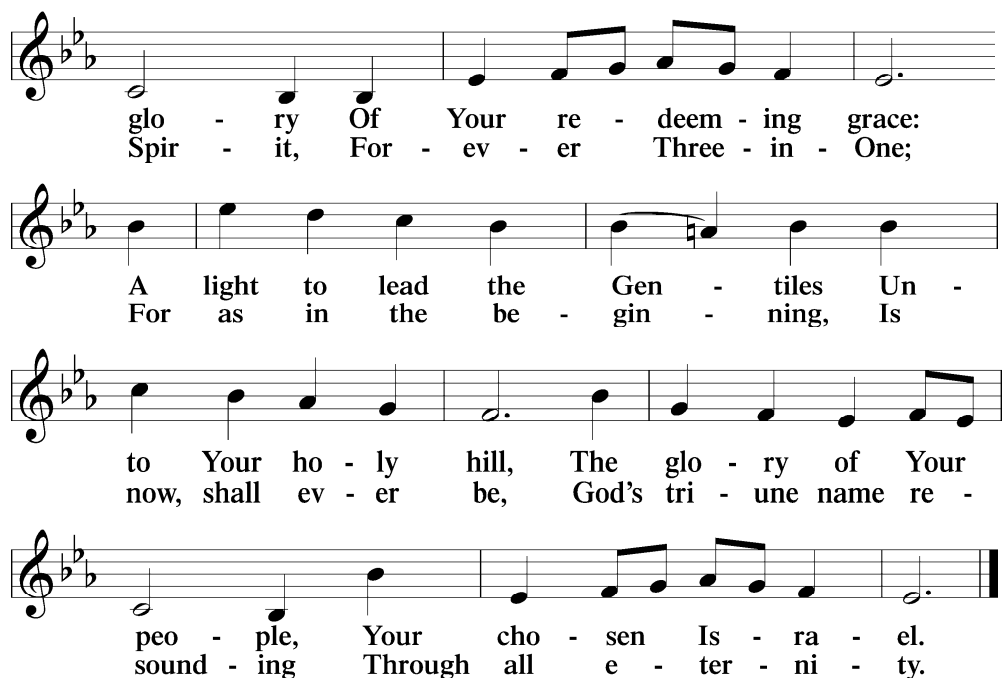
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*Please Stand*

## NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

*Luke 2:29-32*

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

## BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

- P Let us bless the Lord. *[Psalm 103:1]*
- C **Thanks be to God.**
- P The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and (†) give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*
- C **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN 394 vv. 1-3, 5 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
And at Ca - na wed-ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might;  
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring-ing good from ill;  
That we might be-come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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*Be Seated*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS and RECOGNITION OF OUR GUESTS

## ORGAN

## TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

*For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing;  
it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

*Ephesians 2:8-9*

## **COFFEE & CONVERSATION**

Join us in the Social Hall after the 8:30 service for coffee and breakfast goodies provided by the Youth.

## **BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Pastor Webb leads a Bible study titled “Are You a Disciple or a Christian?” in the Social Hall after the 8:30 service.

### **CHURCH YEAR CONNECTIONS**

**(Ages 3 through High School)**

Join us for Sunday School classes for ages three through young adult. Teachers: Megan Haverland (3 years-1<sup>st</sup> Grade), Judy Bringman (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Bob Hanovich (Middle School), and Karl Schumacher (High School).

### **PARENTS & TWOS CLASS**

In this class for parents and two-year-olds, Karen Hanovich helps parents encourage their little ones as they learn about Jesus together.

### **YOUNG ADULT SINGLES CLASS**

For ages 18-26, this class led by Kevin Riedl is studying “Lessons from the Underground Church.”

### **21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY PARENTING CLASS**

Parents of school-aged kids gain insight into the issues facing Gen Z and learn how to engage them in meaningful conversations. Eric and Megan Thompson lead this class in the Education Building.

### **YOUNG AT HEART CLASS**

Mature members study how we can demonstrate love and compassion to people in need. Bob Reynolds and Mark Waltz lead this class on the ground floor of the Education Building.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday mornings in the Education Building to study the Word.

### **WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY**

The Women’s Bible Study meets on Mondays at 10:00am in the Education Building and on Zoom. See Linda Tomko for more details.



## **HAPPENING AT TRINITY**

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to Barbara Lunick for playing the organ for us.

### **OFFERINGS**

Please remain faithful in bringing your offerings to the Lord by mail or online if you are unable to attend worship in person.

### **TODAY IS "CAN DO SUNDAY"**

Please place your food items in the grocery cart in the Social Hall to help provide a meal for those in need who visit our Food Pantry. As always, thank you for your participation.

### **OVER 50 GROUP LUNCH**

**Wednesday, January 15 at 12:00**

The Over 50 Group lunch returns for the new year. Join us at Ole Times Country Buffet on Stephenson Ave. on Wednesday, January 15 at 12:00. See Marilyn McKee with questions.

### **DINNER & A MOVIE NIGHT**

**Friday, January 17 at 6:00**

Please join us for Dinner and a Movie Night hosted by the Youth on Friday, January 17, starting with dinner at 6 pm, in the Social Hall. The dinner will be pizza, salad, dessert, and refreshments. The movie will be *God's Not Dead 2* and will start at 6:30 pm. Popcorn and other refreshments will be available during the movie. The cost is \$10 and includes dinner, a movie, and all refreshments. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please contact Bob Hanovich, 912-655-0048, for additional information. LET'S GO!

### **WOMEN'S RETREAT**

**January 24 & 25**

Remember to sign up with your \$40 registration for the Women's Retreat featuring Christian author/speaker Sharla Fritz. Registration forms are in the Narthex. Give your registration form and check payable to TLC to Betty Morrell or Lonna McEwen or put in the offering plate.

### **TSHIRTS**

The Youth are selling t-shirts to raise funds for the LCMS Youth Gathering. The t-shirts have a small cross encircled by the phrase, "I am a beloved child of the heavenly King" on the front left and a Bible verse on the back of the t-shirt. The t-shirts will be sold for \$20 each and \$6.10 will be added to the Youth Ministry Designated Funds for each t-shirt sold. T-shirts are available for viewing and purchase in the Social Hall after Divine Service. Please contact Bob Hanovich, 912-655-0048, for additional information. LET'S GO!

### **SIGN UP FOR FLOWERS**

Please sign up on the 2025 Flower Chart in the Social Hall for date(s) to furnish flowers for the altar. There are a lot of dates available. Ramelle's Florist will bill you directly.

### **EVERY ONE HIS WITNESS**

The *Every One His Witness* video series and self-study guide are available on the Friends of Trinity Facebook page. The video series is posted under Media, then Albums, then *Every One His Witness*. The self-study guide is posted under Files, then E1HW – Self Study Guide – 2021-05-26.

**What is *Every One His Witness*?** *Every One His Witness* is a Lutheran evangelism program that teaches you to witness to your friends, coworkers, and any other non-churched people you may know. Using the LASSIE approach to witnessing (listen, ask, seek, share, invite, and encourage), you will learn how to naturally share the Good News of Jesus Christ through relational, contextual witnessing.

**What does this mean?** It means listening to those who are unsure about Christianity. It means asking questions that aren't accusatory. It means sharing the Good News about Jesus. **Notice how there's no bashing, no judgment, and no forced imposition of beliefs.** Instead, there's understanding, communication, and honesty between friends. And *Every One His Witness* teaches you how. Bob Hanovich, 912-655-0048, is the POC for additional information on *Every One His Witness*. LET'S GO!

## TWO ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS



**The first** online giving application is Venmo, a cash-free way of sending and receiving money. Venmo has three main requirements for using it. You must: be in the U.S., have a U.S. cell phone that can send and receive text messages using short codes, and be at least 18 years of age. Use the camera setting on your cell phone on the QR code to the left and it will take you directly to our TLC online account. Enter the amount of your donation and press enter. Follow the instructions on the screen.

**The second** is VANCO. More than 40,000 churches, faith-based groups, nonprofits, schools, and educational organizations trust Vanco to process payments and donations. It's easy to use. Using the camera setting on your cell phone on the QR code to the right and it will take you directly to the Vanco. Follow the instructions to set up your on-line account. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hanovich.



## CHECK THE CALENDAR

Curious what's going on? Planning an event? Check the Trinity calendar on our website anytime ([www.trinitylutheransavannah.com/connect/calendar.cfm](http://www.trinitylutheransavannah.com/connect/calendar.cfm)). If you need to schedule an event, please contact Traci in the office ([trinityoffice@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinityoffice@bellsouth.net), 912-925-4839). Thanks!

## CONNECT WITH US

Connect with TLC and keep up with what's going on.

\***Website** - [www.trinitylutheransavannah.com](http://www.trinitylutheransavannah.com)

\***Facebook** - Friends of Trinity Lutheran Church; Trinity Lutheran Church of Savannah Media; Lizzie Comfort Dog

\***Instagram** - #lck9lizzie (Lizzie Comfort Dog)

\***YouTube** – Trinity Lutheran Savannah

## DEADLINE for BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Every Wednesday by 9:00am**

Email bulletin announcements to [trinityoffice@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinityoffice@bellsouth.net) prior to 9:00am on Wednesdays.

## MINISTRY NEEDS

### USHERS FOR 8:30 SERVICE

We need one or two Ushers who can serve on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Please see JB Strange if you are interested or need more details.

### BLANKETS & JACKETS

Hearts of Compassion is collecting new and gently used blankets and jackets for the cold months. Place items in the basket in the Narthex. If you have questions, see Jennifer Wolfe.

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES**

Traditional 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

### **IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. – 67    11:00 a.m. – 50    Facebook – 169    YouTube – 6

Giving	\$7,586.60
Christmas	100.00
Comfort Dog	50.00
Concordia Seminary	75.00
Food Pantry	25.00
New Year's Eve	100.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	35.00
Youth	377.00

### **SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY**

**8:30 a.m.**

Sharon Johnson, Greeter

**11:00 a.m.**

Marilyn McKee & Wayne White, Greeters

Mark & Ann Waltz, Ushers

### **SERVING NEXT SUNDAY**

**8:30 a.m.**

Betty Morrell, Greeter

Cathy Crotwell & JB Strange, Ushers

**11:00 a.m.**

Pat Sautter, Reader

Rosemary Gerdes & Gretchen Holmes, Greeters

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### **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

TODAY	Traditional Worship Services		8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
	Sunday School		9:45 a.m.
	Youth Breakfast		
	Confirmation Class		12:30 p.m.
	Can Do Sunday		
MONDAY	Baptism of Our Lord		
	1/13	Women's Bible Study (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.
		Cub Scouts (Social Hall)	6:00-8:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Board of Elders		6:30 p.m.
	1/14	TLC Quilters (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
		Clothes Closet	4:00-6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Cub Scouts (Social Hall)		6:00-8:00 p.m.
	1/15	Bible Study (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.
		Over 50 Group Lunch	12:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Clothes Closet		10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
	1/16	Crafters (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
		NAMI (Education Building)	6:00-7:00 p.m.
		Cub Scouts (Social Hall)	6:00-8:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen)		4:00 p.m.
	1/17	MS-Hosted Dinner & Movie (Social Hall)	6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY	1/18	Workday	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
		Baldwin Baby Shower (Social Hall)	1:00-5:00 p.m.
		JMU Students Depart	

### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*(Names remain on the prayer list up to a month unless requests are renewed.)*

#### **CANCER**

Wendy Holland; Harold LaMarr; Samuel Martin (19)

#### **STRENGTH, GUIDANCE, & PROVISION**

Everyone impacted by the hurricanes & natural disasters

#### **PEACE**

Israel, Ukraine, & all who suffer from war and violence

#### **OUR WITNESS**

Let us proclaim Jesus Christ is risen to all!

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Traci Schumacher, Administrative Assistant  
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### **BOARD OF ELDERS**

Mark Waltz, Head Elder (C – E)  
Mike Fajen (K – Mc)  
Todd Freeseemann (F – J)  
Jacob Johnson (Various)  
Sonny Massey (A – B)  
Bob Reynolds (Me – Sa)  
Tom Wayman (Sc – Z)

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

Kip Wiltse, President  
Eric Thompson, Vice President  
Cathy Crotwell, Secretary  
Karl Schumacher, Treasurer  
Megan Haverland, Board of Education  
Mark Waltz, Board of Elders  
Chris Garretson, Board of Evangelism  
Charles Rogers, Board of Property Management  
Jennifer Wolfe, Board of Social Ministry  
Lonna McEwen, Board of Stewardship  
Cindy Reynolds, Financial Secretary  
Bob Hanovich, Board of Youth

### **ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS**

Cindy Baldwin, Comfort Dog Top Dog  
Jackie Deemer, Director of TLC Singers & LWML President  
Megan Thompson, Sunday School Superintendent  
Rosemary Gerdes, Quilters  
Karen Hanovich, TLC Marketing  
Lonna McEwen, Altar Guild  
Rose Pitt, Prayer Team