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8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Service

**Trinity Lutheran Church**

**The Second Sunday in Advent**

**December 8, 2024, 8:30 Non-Communion and 11:00 a.m. Communion Service**

**WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

Thank you for worshipingwith 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.

**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**

Mark Twain is sometimes attributed with the quote “Never put off till tomorrow what may be done the day after tomorrow just as well.” Though a humorous take on the problem of procrastination, there is a reality to the fact that we often are people who put things off until later, or even until it is too late. Thankfully, procrastinating is not an attribute of the one true God. As we focus on the Epistle from Philippians 1, we are reminded that the Lord always completes what He begins at His time. Even as we continue in our Advent season, we are assured that “when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law” (Galatians 4:4–5).

**Divine Service**

***Setting Four***

**ORGAN PRELUDE “Hark the Glad Sound” *by Paul Manz***

**WELCOME**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**Confession and Absolution**

*Please Stand*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN 349 "Hark the Glad Sound"**

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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.** *Psalm 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 66:1-12***

P 1Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
C **2sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

P 3Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!  
C **So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.**

P 4All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;  
C  **they sing praises to your name.”**

P 5Come and see what God has done:  
C  **he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.**

P 6He turned the sea into dry land;  
C **they passed through the river on foot.**

P There did we rejoice in him, 7who rules by his might forever,  
 whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
C  **let not the rebellious exalt themselves.**

P 8Bless our God, O peoples;  
C **let the sound of his praise be heard,**

P 9who has kept our soul among the living  
C **and has not let our feet slip.**

P 10For you, O God, have tested us;  
C **you have tried us as silver is tried.**

P 11You brought us into the net;  
C **you laid a crushing burden on our backs;**

P 12you let men ride over our heads;  
C **we went through fire and through water;  
 yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.**

**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*

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**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.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; 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 *Malachi 3:1–7b***

1“Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. 2But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap. 3He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. 4Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

5“Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

6“For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. 7From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE LESSON*****Philippians 1:2–11***

2Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, 4always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, 5because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. 6And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. 7It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. 8For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. 9And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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**ALLELUIA and VERSE** *John 20:31*

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**HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 3:1–20***

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

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

1In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, 2during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. 3And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 4As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
 make his paths straight.  
5Every valley shall be filled,  
 and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall become straight,  
 and the rough places shall become level ways,  
6and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

7He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? 8Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. 9Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

10And the crowds asked him, “What then shall we do?” 11And he answered them, “Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.” 12Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” 13And he said to them, “Collect no more than you are authorized to do.” 14Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.”

15As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, 16John 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. 17His 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.”

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**NICENE CREED**

**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.**

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**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *8:30 Service***

**HYMN OF THE DAY 344 "On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry"**

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**SERMON "Scrubbed Clean" *Malachi 3:1–5***

**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.)*

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**OFFERTORY 781 vv. 1, 2 “We Give Thee but Thine Own”**

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

**Non-Communion Service (8:30)**

**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**.

*Please Stand*

**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 343** **"Prepare the Royal Highway"**

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**Service of the Sacrament (11:00)**

*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.*

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**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. 28Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29For 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]*

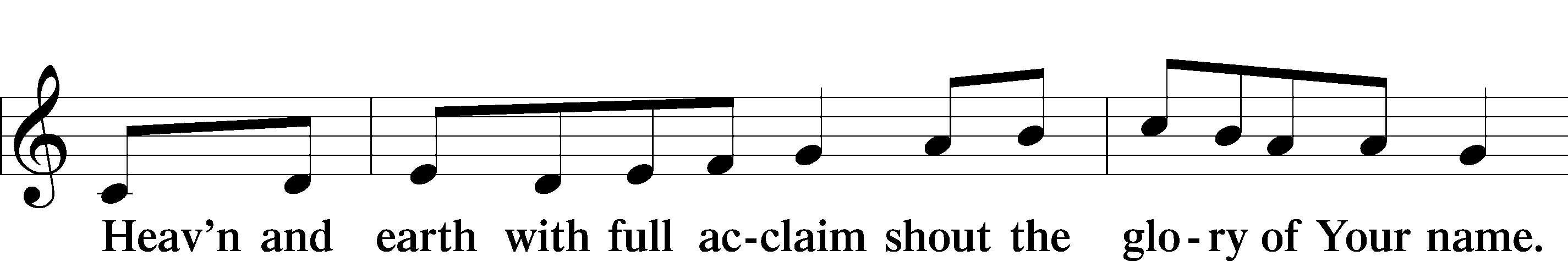
**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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*

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**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*

PThe peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

**AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*** *John 1:29*

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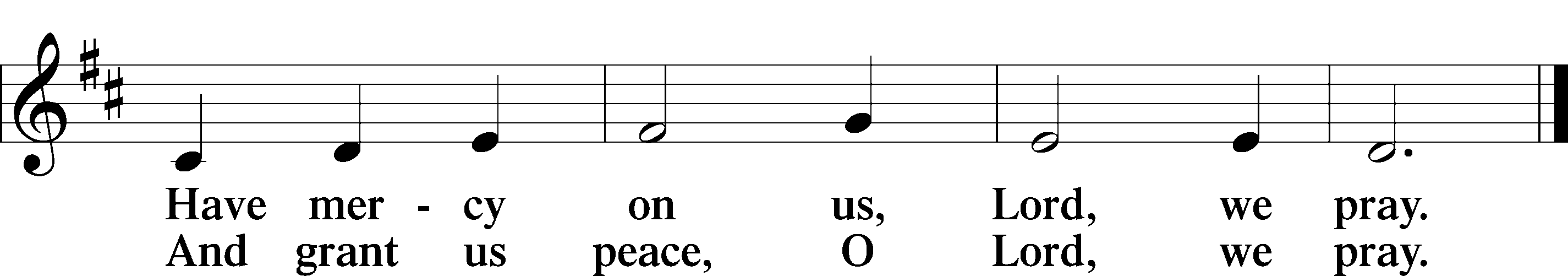
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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**HYMN 347 "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People"**

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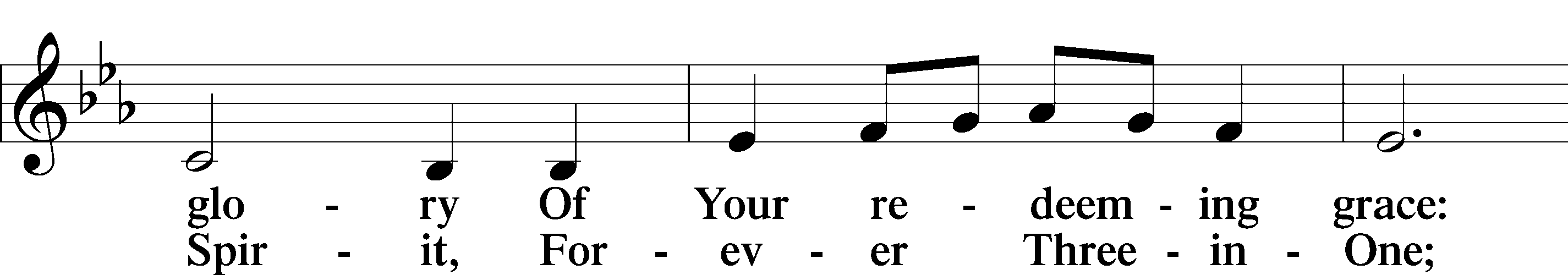
**NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon*** *Luke 2:29-32*

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**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS and RECOGNITION OF OUR GUESTS**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE "Prepare the Royal Highway" *by Paul Manz***

**TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God

by Kip and Delane Wiltse.

***For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.***

***Luke 19:10***

**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-1st Grade), Judy Bringman (2nd-5th 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.”

**21ST 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 that meets on Mondays at 10:00am in the Education Building is currently taking a break and will resume in January. See Linda Tomko for more details.

**HAPPENING AT TRINITY**

**HOLIDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Wednesday Advent Worship:** December 11 & 18 at 1:00 & 7:00

**Christmas Eve:** 5:00pm & 7:00pm (Communion)

**Christmas Day:** 10:00am (Communion)

**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.

**WEDNESDAY ADVENT WORSHIP**

**December 11 & 18 at 1:00 & 7:00**

Join us for Advent worship on Wednesdays this month as we prepare for Jesus’ coming.

The services are offered at 1:00 and 7:00.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

**Sunday, December 15 at 9:45am**

The Sunday School Christmas program will be December 15th at 9:45am, during the Sunday School hour. We look forward to seeing each of you there to support the kids.

**ADOPT A FRIEND & CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Wednesday, December 18 & Thursday, December 19**

Social Ministry invites you to “adopt a friend for Christmas.” Pick up a green stocking from the Narthex and purchase an item for one of our homeless friends for Christmas. Return wrapped items in the shopping cart in the Narthex by December 18th. Also, join Hearts of Compassion on December 19th from 11-1 for our Christmas party and dinner. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. For more information, please see Jennifer Wolfe.

**DINNER & A MOVIE NIGHT**

**Friday, December 20 at 5:30**

Please join us for Dinner and a Movie Night hosted by the Youth on Friday, December 20, starting with dinner at 5:30 pm, in the Social Hall. The dinner will be ham, baked potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, dessert, and refreshments. The movie will have a Christmas theme and will start at 6:00 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!

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

**Saturday, December 21 at 1:00-5:00**

The Trinity Lutheran Church Senior Youth and Middle School Youth will visit with congregation members who are unable to come to church during Advent or Christmas. We will sing Christmas Carols, give Christmas cards and small gifts, on Saturday, December 21, from 1 pm until 5 pm. Please contact Bob Hanovich, 912-655-0048, for additional information or to request a visit. LET’S GO!

**WOMEN’S RETREAT**

**January 24 & 25**

Sign up with your $35 registration for the Women’s Retreat featuring Christian author and speaker Sharla Fritz. We are seeing a lot of interest from out-of-town ladies—so, Trinity ladies, don’t let the out-of-towners outnumber TLC. Registration forms are in the Narthex. Make sure you fill out a registration form, include it with your check payable to TLC. Give to Betty Morrell or Lonna McEwen or put in the offering plate.

**2025 FLOWER CHART**

The 2025 Flower Chart is up in the Social Hall for you to select your date(s) to furnish flowers for the altar. You will be billed directly from Ramelle's Florist.

**CRAFTS**

You can still shop for your gifts and decorations from the array of Novemberfest items in the Social Hall. Make your checks payable to Trinity LWML or you can Venmo to Lonna McEwen. Proceeds go to charities selected at the December LWML Ladies Guild meeting.

**ANGEL TREE**

Angel tree is up and ready for you to choose an Angel to purchase a gift. Instructions are on the table by the tree. Make sure you read the instructions-take an instruction sheet with you- they are on the table by the sign out log sheet where you find your Angel’s name and then add your name and phone #. If you have any questions, see Betty Morrell or Lonna McEwen.

**T-SHIRTS**

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!

**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!

**HURRICANES HELENE & MILTON RELIEF**

If you would like to help the people affected by the recent hurricanes, you can donate to the LCMS Disaster Response efforts. Online: lcms.org/givenow/disaster; Text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444; Call 888-930-4438; Mail check payable to LCMS with memo “Disaster Response – Strategic Use (TR9206)” to LCMS, PO Box 66861, St Louis, MO 63166-6861. See the flyers on the table in the Narthex for more details.

**CHECK THE CALENDAR**

Curious what’s going on? Planning an event? Check the Trinity calendar on our website anytime ([www.trinitylutheransavannah.com](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** - #lcck9lizzie (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**

**CANDY FOR MARITIME BETHEL**

Lindt Chocolates are a favorite of seafarers. During the Christmas season, captains will purchase a bag for each crew member. I would ask our Trinity family to purchase bags of Lindt chocolates for us to give them at Christmas. I will place a Christmas box in the Narthex to collect your gift. Any questions, ask me. “The Lord loves a cheerful giver.” Thank you in advance.

**BLANKETS & JACKETS**

Hearts of Compassion is collecting new and gently used blankets and jackets to prepare for the cold months. Please place items in the basket in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please 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. – 64 11:00 a.m. – 42 Facebook – 154 YouTube – 14

Thanksgiving Eve – 14 Facebook – 0 YouTube – 0

Wednesday 12/4: 1:00 – 24 7:00 – 11 Facebook – 0 YouTube – 0

Giving $4,727.52

Building Repair Fund 100.00

Concordia Seminary 75.00

Ladies’ Retreat 210.00

Poinsettias 107.00

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

**8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.**

Louise Massey, Reader

Sharon Johnson & Linda Tomko, Greeters Rosemary Gerdes & Gretchen Holmes, Greeters

Karl Schumacher & JB Strange, Ushers Rosemary Gerdes & Gretchen Holmes, Ushers

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY**

**8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.**

Sherry Kreger, Reader

Betty Morrell, Greeter Marilyn McKee & Wayne White, Greeters

Cathy Crotwell & JB Strange, Ushers John Anander & Bob Sautter, Usher

**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 12/9 Cub Scouts (Social Hall) 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Board of Elders 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 12/10 Clothes Closet 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Cub Scouts (Social Hall) 6:00-8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 12/11 Bible Study (Education Building) 10:00 a.m.

Advent Worship 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY 12/12 Clothes Closet 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Crafters (Education Building) 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

NAMI (Social Hall) 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Church Council (Education Building) 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 12/13 Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen) 4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY 12/14 Neighborhood Prayer Walk 10:00 a.m.

TLC Christmas Party 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Christmas Program Rehearsal

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*(Please help us keep the prayer list updated)*

HEALTH

Melissa Hall; Scott & Theresa Newman

CANCER

Wendy Holland; Harold LaMarr; Samuel Martin (19)

SPECIAL REQUEST

Family & friends of Elaine Long

STRENGTH, GUIDANCE, & PROVISION

Earlene Smith; 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!

OUR CONCERNS

Raise up those, Lord, who would serve Your Church.

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Jacob Johnson (Various)

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Bob Reynolds (Me – Sa)

Tom Wayman (Sc – Z)

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