

Trinity Lutheran Church



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD



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

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 21, 2025, 8:30 Communion & 11:00 a.m. Non-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 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

Though Matthew is already telling of the birth of Jesus Christ, it is not yet the account we look forward to hearing on Christmas Eve. But this one, lighter on details, is heavy with the promise Jesus' birth fulfills. This Sunday, we hear of Joseph's own angel visit, of the name that shall be given to this child, and of His birth to save His people from their sins. All of this is prefigured in the voice of the Advent prophet Isaiah and framed in the essential message of the church by the words of Paul. Each of the readings appointed for today remind us that God has it all figured out, and even though it all unfolded in time before us, it was appointed by God from the beginning of time. As we remember again all that happened, we also happily remember that God still has it all in hand and that Christ is not only the fulfiller of the past but also the author of the future.

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Canticle of the Turning”

by Ron Schmoltze

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Please Stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 350 "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"



1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for
2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and
3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -
4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our



sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!
Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,
ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,
sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,



O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty
Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es
Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I
Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er



let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.
will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!
will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.
we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

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INVOCATION

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

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

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8-9

Kneel or Be Seated

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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. *[John 20:19-23]*

C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Please Stand

PSALM

Psalm 24

P ¹The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
C **the world and those who dwell therein,**

P ²for he has founded it upon the seas
C **and established it upon the rivers.**

P ³Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
C **And who shall stand in his holy place?**

P ⁴He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
C **who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

P ⁵He will receive blessing from the LORD
C **and righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

P ⁶Such is the generation of those who seek him,
C **who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

P ⁷Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
C **that the King of glory may come in.**

P ⁸Who is this King of glory?
C **The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

P ⁹Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
C that the **King of glory** may come in.

P ¹⁰Who is this King of glory?
C The **LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!**

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

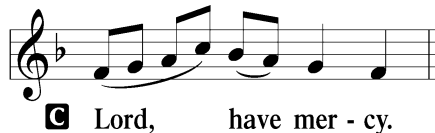
P In peace let us pray to the LORD.



P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the LORD.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us
pray to the LORD.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.



HYMN 357 vv. 1, 7 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"



cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
hearts of all man - kind; Bid Thou our sad di -

ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
vi - sions cease, And be Thy - self our King of Peace.

Refrain

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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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 Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 7:10–17

¹⁰Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹“Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” ¹²But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test.” ¹³And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? ¹⁴Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. ¹⁵He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. ¹⁷The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father’s house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria.”

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 1:1–7

¹Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ²which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³concerning his Son, who

was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, ⁶including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

⁷To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

ALLELUIA and VERSE

John 6:68

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18–25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the first chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall call his name Immanuel”

(which means, God with us). ²⁴When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

11:00 Service

HYMN OF THE DAY 935 "Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His name!
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His might!
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of His Word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings, give my spir - it voice;
Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;
Pow'rs and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is His prom - ise, and His mer - cy sure.



Ten - der to me the prom - ise of His Word;
His mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord



In God my Sav - ior shall my heart re - joice.
His ho - ly name, the Lord, the Might - y One.
The hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
To chil - dren's chil - dren and for - ev - er - more!

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SERMON

OFFERING *(Please fill out the blue card in the pew rack for prayers.)*

Please Stand

OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Kneel or Be Seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

NON-COMMUNION SERVICE (11:00)

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

CLOSING PRAYER

P Blessed LORD, since you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

- 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.



G A-men, a-men, a - men

CLOSING HYMN 933 "My Soul Rejoices"



1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing— Sing the



great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He



fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion



bless-ing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might-y and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the



ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth-y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the



sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A-br'ham's off - spring



Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT (8:30)

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 wine will take the cups with white non-alcoholic wine from the middle of the tray.

Be 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. ²⁸ Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹ 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 al - so 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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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*

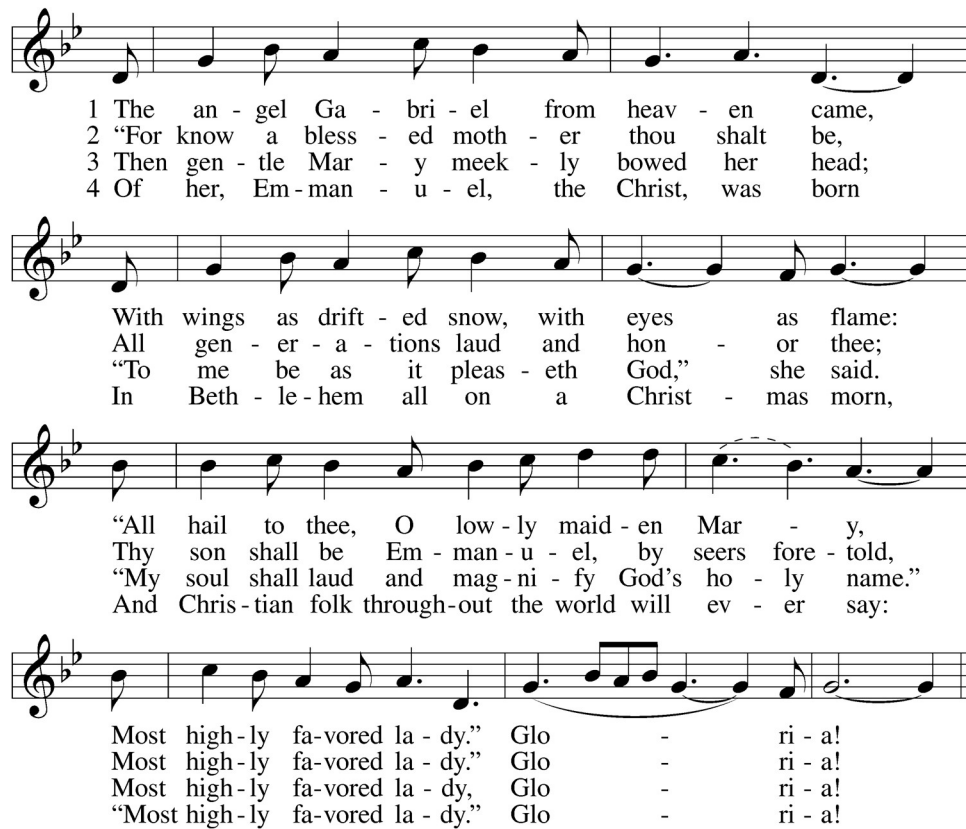
John 1:29

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Be Seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

HYMN 356 "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
 2 "For know a bless - ed moth - er thou shalt be,
 3 Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head;
 4 Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born

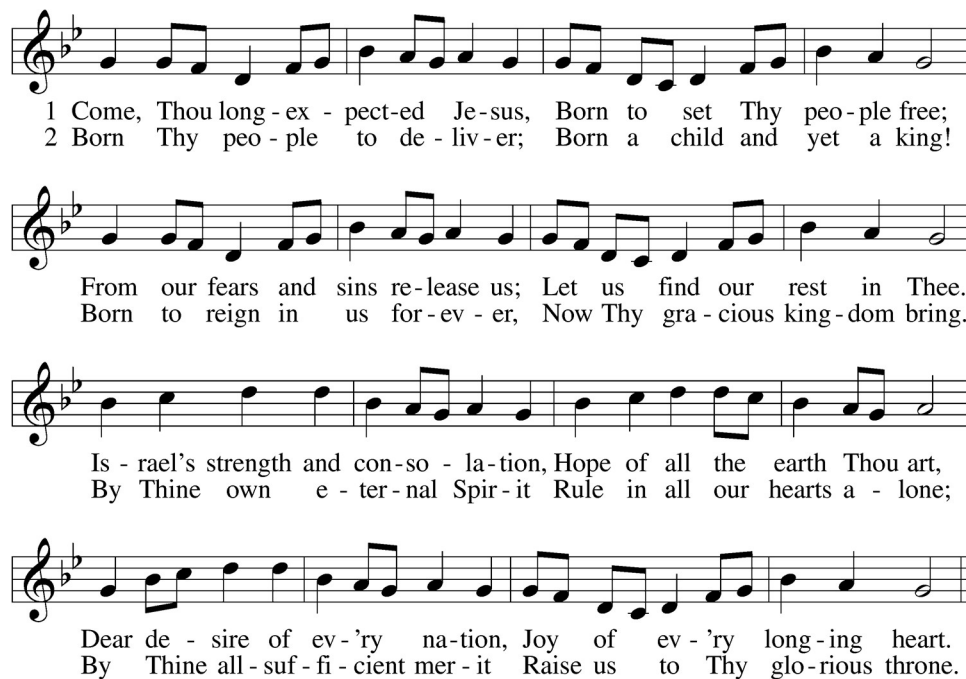
With wings as drift - ed snow, with eyes as flame:
 All gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee;
 "To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said.
 In Beth - le - hem all on a Christ - mas morn,

"All hail to thee, O low - ly maid - en Mar - y,
 Thy son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
 "My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy God's ho - ly name."
 And Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say:

Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy." Glo - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy." Glo - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy." Glo - ri - a!

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HYMN 338 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"



1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy peo - ple free;
 2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!

From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
 By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;

Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

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Please Stand

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the LORD"



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS and RECOGNITION OF OUR GUESTS

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"My Soul Rejoices"

by Paul Manz

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God
by Doug & Shirley Masini in celebration of Sarah Masini's birthday.

*The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will
quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.*

Zephaniah 3:17

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

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

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 2 through High School)

Join us for Sunday School classes for ages three through young adult. Teachers: Megan Haverland (2 years-1st Grade), Judy Bringman (2nd-4th Grade), Bob Hanovich (Middle School), and Karl Schumacher (5th Grade & High School).

YOUNG ADULT SINGLES CLASS

For ages 18-28, this class, led by Jason Lomax, is studying Apologetics.

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. Class will resume on January 7.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study that meets on Mondays is taking a Holiday Break and will resume January 5. Have a blessed Holiday!

HAPPENING AT TRINITY

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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 "BUILDING REPAIR FUND SUNDAY"

Please consider making an extra donation designated for our Building Repair Fund to help cover the cost of our needed repairs.

NO WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Class will resume on January 7.

SPECIAL GUEST

Saturday, January 31 – Register by January 15

The Boards of Stewardship and Social Ministry are happy to announce we are sponsoring a concert with Tanner Olson, poet, writer, and singer on Saturday, January 31st. Quite a few of our TLC members have heard him before and are excited about hearing and seeing him again. Bring your family and friends for an inspiring evening of music and poetry. Here is a bit of information from his website on who he is and what he does!

Hello, I'm Tanner Olson.

*I'm an author, spoken word poet, and speaker passionate about sharing hope through words. I've written five books, including the widely loved poetry collection *Walk A Little Slower* and award-winning children's book, *All the Things I Say to God*.*

My writing has been described as "hopefully unique," blending faith, humor, and curiosity in a style that's all my own.

For over a decade, I've traveled the country sharing poems, stories, and messages centered on grace, encouragement, and the love of Jesus. Whether on stage, in print, or through a screen, my goal is always the same: to point people toward hope.



Along with Tanner we will meet his friend, Blake Flattley who is a singer-songwriter, producer, and multi-instrumentalist known for his blend of folk, Americana, and indie rock. His musical journey began after a formative encounter with a blind saxophonist in California who inspired him to channel human emotions and struggle through music.

Our schedule for Saturday will be:

4 p.m.- 4:45 p.m. Family Show 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Adult Show

Registration is required and entrance fee includes the concert and dinner. **Fee schedule:**

Individuals \$30 Children ages 3-6 \$5 Children ages 7-12 \$10 Children ages 13-19 \$20

Family of four (two parents and two children) \$60 with additional children \$5 each.

Registration deadline is January 15th. Payment by check or Venmo to Lonna McEwen. For more information, please see Lonna McEwen, Betty Morrell, or Karen Hanovich.

POINSETTIAS

There is a sign-up sheet and order forms for poinsettias for the church altar for Christmas on the table in the Narthex. The Altar Guild had to place our order by Oct 31. There are 20 regular 6" potted plants and

10 larger 8” pots available for purchase. Please sign the sheet and then fill out the order form and put it with payment in the provided envelope and place in the offering plate. Thank you.

2026 FLOWER CHART

The 2026 Flower Chart is now posted in the Social Hall for your selection of donating altar flowers. Remember to return the floral container per Ramelle's request and place it in the basket by the Sacristy door.

HELP A SCAD STUDENT GET TO CHURCH

A new SCAD student, living in the dorms, has reached out to Trinity in need of a ride to the 11:00 church service, and is happy to attend Sunday School, too. He would be thankful even if you can only get him here once a month, preferably for an 11:00 communion service. Contact Pastor Webb if you might be able to help.

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!

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!

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). If you need to schedule an event, please contact Traci in the office (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

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

***Instagram** - #lcc9lizzie (Lizzie Comfort Dog)

***YouTube** – Trinity Lutheran Savannah

DEADLINE for BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Every Wednesday by 9:00am

Email bulletin announcements to trinityoffice@bellsouth.net prior to 9:00am on Wednesdays.

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. – 69 11:00 a.m. – 44 Facebook – 0 YouTube – 10

Wednesday 12/17: 1:00 – 21 7:00 – 10 Facebook – 32 YouTube – 4

Giving	\$6,366.80
Building Repair Fund	300.00
Comfort Dog	25.00
Food Pantry	30.00
Hearts of Compassion Christmas	150.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	30.00
Poinsettias	38.50
Property Management	350.00

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

8:30 a.m.

Betty Morrell, Greeter
Cathy Crotwell & Dean Torek, Ushers

11:00 a.m.

Mary Helen Anander, Reader
Vicky Lunick & Barbara Prieto, Greeters
John Anander & Bob Sautter, Ushers

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 a.m.

Doug Masini, Reader
Jackie Deemer, Greeter
Chris Cesaroni & Karl Schumacher, Ushers

11:00 a.m.

Chris Garretson, Greeter
Rosemary Gerdes & Gretchen Holmes, Ushers

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY	Traditional Worship Services	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
	Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
	HS Youth Group (Education Building)	11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
	Building Repair Fund Sunday	
MONDAY	12/22	
TUESDAY	12/23 Altar Guild	10:00 a.m.
	HOC Christmas Party (Education Building)	3:00 p.m.
	Clothes Closet	4:00-6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	12/24 Christmas Eve Worship (Communion at 7:00)	5:00 & 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	12/25 Christmas Day Worship	10:00 a.m.
FRIDAY	12/26 Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen)	4:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	12/27	

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

HEALTH

Barbara Evans, Renee Tindall

CANCER

Peggy Garte; Wendy Holland; Harold LaMarr; Paul Mamalakis; Samuel Martin;
Ted Richardson; Dawn Sarkissian

STRENGTH, GUIDANCE, FAITH, & PROVISION

Blayne & Rosemary; Brown University; Everyone impacted by 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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