Trinity Lutheran Church



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8:30 a.m. Matins

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH The First Sunday after Christmas December 29, 2024, 8:30 a.m. Matins

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.

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

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

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

To "forget" is the opposite of the biblical word we hear today: "remember." But in Scripture, to remember means much more than merely recalling a past event as something that has no real, lasting effect on today; rather, the opposite is true. For instance, God remembers His promises by acting to fulfill them in each believer. For us, to remember means to bring a past promise or act to take effect in the present. Today we hear how the newborn Jesus, as the firstborn of Mary, was presented in the temple according to God's law, a command to remember the Lord's deliverance of His people from slavery in Egypt. Every firstborn was to be a reminder that the Lord still delivers His people from the slavery of sin and death. So to remember that it is still Christmas is to believe that the Christ Child who came to free us comes now to each believer. Remember, that is, believe that Christ was born for you to save you. Remember, that is, believe that the forgiveness He won for us on the cross is actually given to us in the Sacrament of the Altar when, as He commanded, we do in remembrance of Him.

MATINS

ORGAN PRELUDE "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

by Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Please Stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 367 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"



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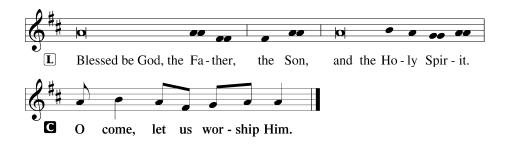
INVOCATION

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



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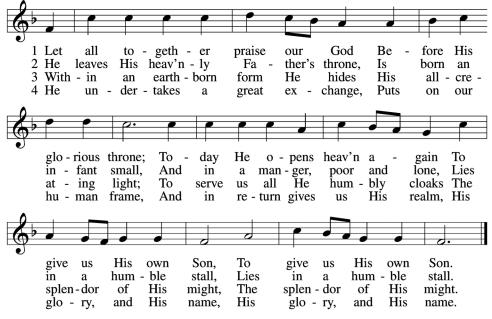
Psalm 111

- P ¹Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
 C in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- P ²Great are the works of the LORD,
- C studied by all who delight in them.
- P ³Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
- C and his righteousness endures forever.
- P ⁴He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
- C the LORD is gracious and merciful.
- P ⁵He provides food for those who fear him;
- C he remembers his covenant forever.
- P ⁶He has shown his people the power of his works,
- C in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

- P ⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;
- C all his precepts are trustworthy;
- P⁸they are established forever and ever,
- C to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
- P ⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
- C Holy and awesome is his name!
- P ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.
- C His praise endures forever!
- 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.

Be Seated

HYMN OF THE DAY 389 vv. 1-4 "Let All Together Praise Our God"



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READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 13:1–3a, 11–15

¹The LORD said to Moses, ²"Consecrate to me all the firstborn. Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine."

³Then Moses said to the people, "Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the LORD brought you out from this place. . . .

¹¹"When the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as he swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, ¹²you shall set apart to the LORD all that first opens the womb. All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the LORD's. ¹³Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. ¹⁴And when in time to come your son asks you, 'What does this mean?' you shall say to him, 'By a strong hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery. ¹⁵For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.'"

A O LORD, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Colossians 3:12–17

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A O LORD, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

²²When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." ²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

²⁹"Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

³⁰ for my eves have seen your salvation

³¹that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles,

and for glory to your people Israel."

³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

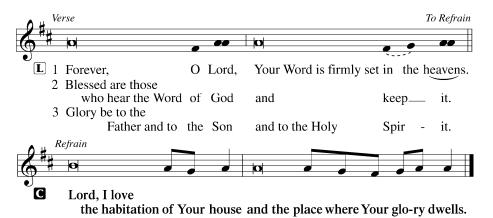
³⁹And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

A O LORD, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

Psalm 119:89; 26:8; Luke 11:28



Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

"Remember"

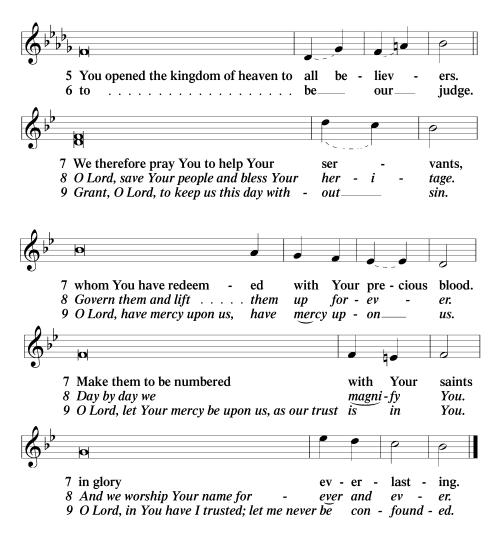
Exodus 13

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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.*)

PRAYER

Mark 10:47

Kneel or Remain Seated

P Let us kneel for prayer.

KYRIE ~ *Lord*, *Have Mercy*



PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Please Stand

PRAYER FOR GRACE

P O LORD, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



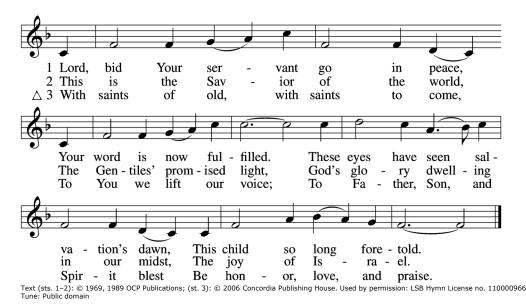
BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13:14

P The grace of the LORD Jesus Christ and the love of (†) God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



CLOSING HYMN 937 "Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace"



Be Seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS and RECOGNITION OF OUR GUESTS

ORGAN

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Doug & Shirley Masini in honor of Pvt. EJ Masini & Pvt. DW Masini, USMC.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

POINSETTIAS

Thank you to everyone who donated poinsettias to decorate the beautiful Altar:

THOSE WHO GAVE IN CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS

John Anander, Cindy Baldwin, Carol Beard, Cathy Crotwell, Barbara Duch, Jacob & Shelby Johnson, Sherry Kreger, Kevin & Lisa Riedl, Renee Tindall

THOSE WHO GAVE IN LOVING MEMORY or IN HONOR OF SOMEONE

John Anander in memory of Harry Anander Carol Bender in memory of Lucie Beck Honia Johnston-Cobb & Charles Cobb in memory of her son, Jacob Stanfield (2001-2021) Carole Eckes in memory of Jim Eckes Barbara Evans in memory of Bobby Evans Chris & Teresa Garretson in memory of Roger & Prudy Garretson and Richard & Eloise Wilson Wendy Holland in memory of Jake & Joan Holland and LaVonne Olmstead Bill and Sharon Johnson in memory of our parents LWML in memory of Pat Coleman Doug and Shirley Masini in memory of Floyd & Norma Chester Lonna McEwen in memory of Bob McEwen Betty Morrell in memory of Richard Morrell John Morrison in memory of Margot Morrison Wayne White in memory of Chris White

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 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 returns on January 6, and meets on Mondays at 10:00am in the Education Building. 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.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE MITES

LWML MITES will be collected next Sunday.

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.

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 located 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 Vanco. Follow the instructions to set up your on-line account.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hanovich.

Online-Giving

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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 - #lcck9lizzie (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.

MINISTRY NEEDS

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. – 65	11:00 a.m. – 50	Facebook – 167	YouTube – 6
Giving				\$3,158.52
Advent				164.00
Christmas				700.00
Food Pant	ry			25.00
New Year	's			100.00
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Youth				400.00

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Vicky Lunick & Barbara Prieto, Greeters Rosemary Gerdes & Gretchen Holmes, Ushers

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Mary Helen Anander, Reader Shirley Lewis, Greeter John Anander & Bob Sautter, Ushers

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY		Traditional Worship Services	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
		Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
		Confirmation Class	12:30 p.m.
MONDAY	12/30		
TUESDAY	12/31	Clothes Closet	4:00-6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	1/1	LWML Lunch & Meeting (Education Building)	11:30 a.m.
THURSDAY	1/2	Clothes Closet	10:00 a.m1:00 p.m.
		Crafters (Education Building)	10:00 a.m2:00 p.m.
		NAMI (Education Building)	6:00-7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	1/3	Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen)	4:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	1/4		

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

> SPECIAL REQUEST Family & friends of Ellen Osborne

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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Jeff Webb, Pastor Traci Schumacher, Administrative Assistant Helen Williams, Church Custodian

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

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