

# Trinity Lutheran Church



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD



12391 Mercy Blvd. · Savannah, GA 31419 · (912) 925-4839  
[www.trinitylutheransavannah.org](http://www.trinitylutheransavannah.org)

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

# **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

## **The Second Sunday in Advent**

**December 5, 2021 8:30 Communion and 11:00 a.m. Non-Communion Service**

### **WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today, whether at home or in person. Those joining us in person who are not fully COVID-19 vaccinated are asked to wear masks, especially when singing and when coming forward for communion. Please follow the instructions given by Pastor and the ushers to maintain a healthy environment for all present.

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**

Prayer requests may 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**

Preparing for Christmas, we buy presents, attend social gatherings, decorate, make plans to gather with family, and some will brace for the pain of grief that can be so difficult this time of year. In the middle of all our preparing, today the voice of John the Baptist rings out, “Prepare the way of the Lord.” Undergirding all the preparing we are doing is preparing for the Lord. John calls us to “bear fruits in keeping with repentance.” In worship, we do just that. We repent. We turn again to God, seeking His mercy, receiving His forgiveness, partaking of His grace. This leads to bearing the fruit of the Spirit. John highlights the fruit of generosity and contentment. What fruit is God calling you to bear as you prepare for Christmas?

# DIVINE SERVICE

## Setting Four

ORGAN PRELUDE "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist Cry" *by Michael Burkhardt*

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Please Stand*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 349 "Hark the Glad Sound"



1 Hark the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, The Sav - ior  
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, In Sa - tan's  
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, The bleed - ing  
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, Thy wel - come



prom - ised long; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare a  
bond - age held. The gates of brass be - fore Him  
soul to cure, And with the trea - sures of His  
shall pro - claim, And heav'n's e - ter - nal arch - es



throne And ev - 'ry voice a song.  
burst, The i - ron fet - ters yield.  
grace To en - rich the hum - ble poor.  
ring With Thy be - lov - ed name.

Public domain

## 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.**

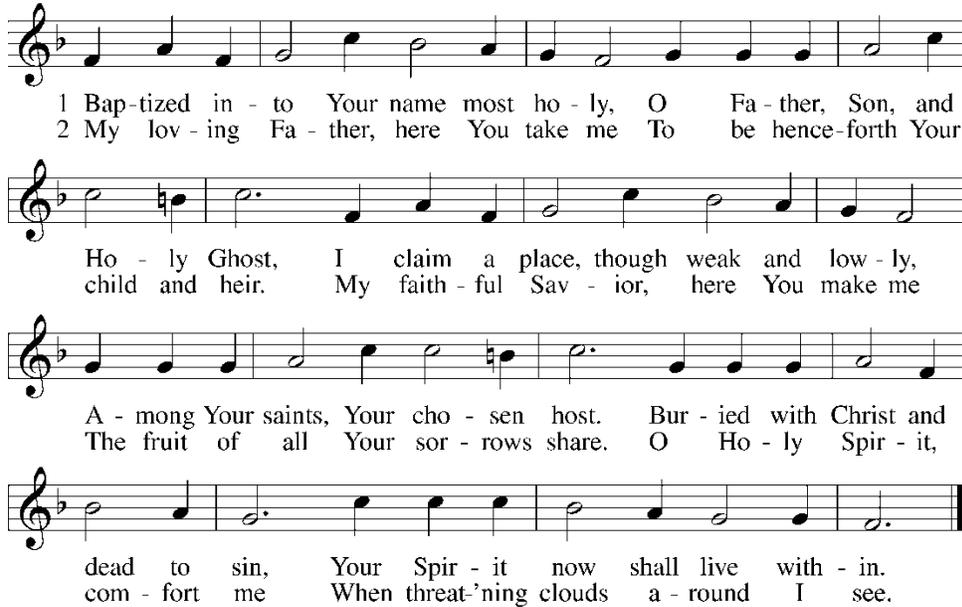
**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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

## SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00 Service)

Receiving Christ's "washing of regeneration" today is *Everley Lane Paula*, born on August 11, 2021. The Service of Holy Baptism is found on page 268 in the hymnal.

### BAPTISMAL HYMN 590 vv. 1-2 "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy"



1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and  
2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your

Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,  
child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me

A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and  
The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,

dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.

Public domain

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### PSALM

*Psalm 66:1-12*

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

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

**P** <sup>4</sup>All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;  
**C** **they sing praises to your name."**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**P** <sup>12</sup>you 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*



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

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The LORD be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**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*

<sup>1</sup>“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. <sup>2</sup>But 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. <sup>3</sup>He 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. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

<sup>5</sup>“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.

<sup>6</sup>“For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. <sup>7</sup>From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts. But you say, ‘How shall we return?’

**A** This is the Word of the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE LESSON**

*Philippians 1:2-11*

<sup>2</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup>because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>And 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. <sup>7</sup>It 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. <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup>And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup>so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>filled 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.

*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 3:1-14*

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

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

<sup>1</sup>In 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, <sup>2</sup>during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>4</sup>As 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.

<sup>5</sup>Every 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,  
<sup>6</sup>and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

<sup>7</sup>He 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? <sup>8</sup>Bear 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. <sup>9</sup>Even 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.”

<sup>10</sup>And the crowds asked him, “What then shall we do?” <sup>11</sup>And he answered them, “Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.” <sup>12</sup>Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” <sup>13</sup>And he said to them, “Collect no more than you are authorized to do.” <sup>14</sup>Soldiers 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.”

**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 344 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist Cry"**



1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es  
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the  
3 We hail Thee as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge  
4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the  
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,  
way for God with - in, And let us all our  
and our great re - ward; With - out Thy grace we  
fall - en strong to stand; Show us the glo - ry  
sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!  
hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.  
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.  
of Thy face Till beau - ty springs in ev - 'ry place.  
we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

Public domain

**SERMON**

**"Peace in the Midst of Peril"**

*Genesis 37:12-24*

**OFFERING MUSIC**

**"Hark! the Glad Sound"**

*by Paul Manz*

**OFFERTORY 781 vv. 1, 2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"**

**Verse 1** We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

**Verse 2** May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

*Kneel or Remain 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*

### 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 921 "On What Has Now Been Sown"



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;  
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou  
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -  
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!  
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.  
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

Public domain

*Be Seated*

## 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 grape juice will take the cups with white grape juice 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. <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 Pastor approaches 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]*

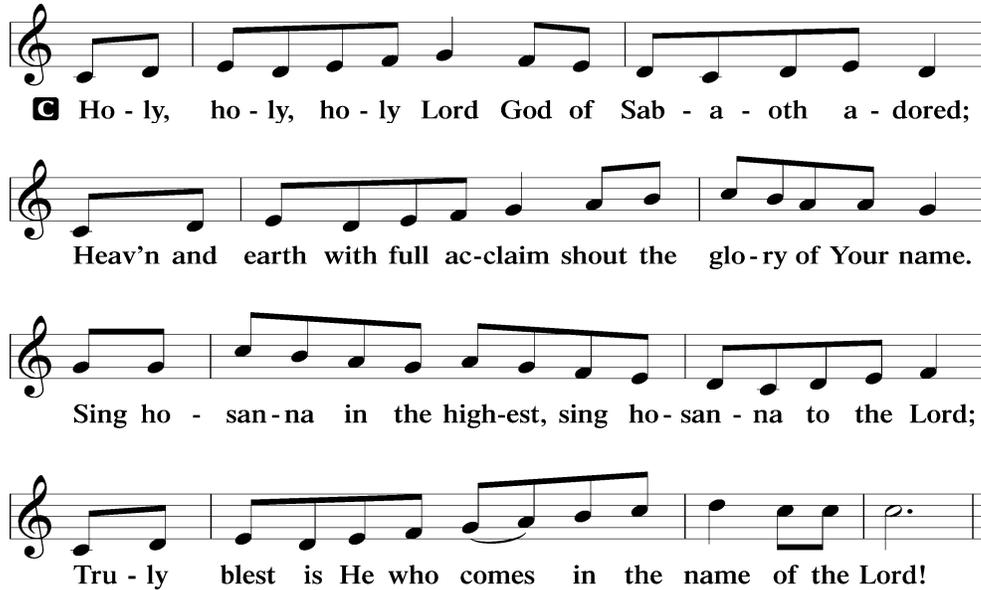
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**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*



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.

*(Greet one another in the name of the LORD as you are comfortable.)*

## AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

*John 1:29*

**C** 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 HYMNS

## HYMN 359

## "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"



1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath  
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The rose I have in  
 3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the  
 4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, Who felt our hu - man



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As proph - ets long have  
 mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er  
 air, Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry -  
 woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry, Who dost our weak - ness



sung, It came, a flow - 'ret bright, A - mid the  
 kind. To show God's love a - right, She bore to  
 where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and  
 know: Bring us at length we pray: To the bright



cold of win - ter, When half - spent was the night.  
 us a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.  
 death He saves us And light - ens ev - 'ry load.  
 courts of heav - en, And to the end - less day.

Public domain

## HYMN 347

## "Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People"



1 "Com - fort, com - fort ye My peo - ple, Speak ye peace," thus  
 2 Yea, her sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out each  
 3 Hark, the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert  
 4 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed; Make the rough - er



saith our God; "Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, Mourn - ing  
 dark mis - deed; All that well de - served His an - ger He no  
 far and near, Call - ing sin - ners to re - pen - tance, Since the  
 plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be -



'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem  
 more will see or heed. She hath suf - fered man - y a day,  
 King - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o - bey!  
 fits His ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry of the Lord



Of the peace that waits for them; Tell her that her  
 Now her griefs have passed a - way; God will change her  
 Now pre - pare for God a way; Let the val - leys  
 Now o'er earth is shed a - broad, And all flesh shall



sins I cov - er And her war - fare now is o - ver."  
 pin - ing sad - ness In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.  
 rise to meet Him And the hills bow down to greet Him.  
 see the to - ken That His Word is nev - er bro - ken.

Public domain

## COMMUNION BLESSING

*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.

## BENEDICTION

- 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 921 "On What Has Now Been Sown"



- 1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;  
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou  
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -  
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!  
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.  
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

Public domain

*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 Kip & Delane Wiltse.

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God  
John 1:1*

## **COFFEE & CONVERSATION**

Join us in the Social Hall for coffee and conversation following the 8:30 service.

We would encourage anyone who wants to sponsor a Sunday to please give me a call: Jackie at 912-728-6280. Assorted pastries, breads, etc. will also be offered.

## **BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Pastor Webb leads a Bible study in the Social Hall after the 8:30 service.

### **ENDURING FAITH (Elementary & Middle Grades)**

For Sunday School questions or comments, please contact Kimberly Stillman at [kimberly.m.stillman@gmail.com](mailto:kimberly.m.stillman@gmail.com).

### **HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Karl Schumacher leads the High School students in Bible study. The class meets in the Education Building in the upstairs youth room with the couches.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

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

# HAPPENING AT TRINITY

## GUIDANCE FOR CHOOSING YOUR WORSHIP LOCATION

### Gathering in the Sanctuary

- √ You are healthy and have not shown any of the symptoms associated with Covid-19.  
(fever, persistent cough, difficulty breathing, chills, new loss of taste/smell, sore throat, chest pain)
- √ You have not recently been in contact with someone with Covid-19

### Worshiping from Home via Live-Stream or YouTube

- √ Your age or health conditions make you more at-risk for contagion
- √ You may have been exposed to Covid-19 at your workplace or through a relative
- √ You are concerned about carrying Coronavirus home to at-risk family members.

## OFFERINGS

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

\*\*\*\*\*

## HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

Wednesday Worship Services – December 8 and 15 at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

### CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service – 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion – 7:00 p.m.

### THERE IS NO CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP THIS YEAR

### NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP

Friday, December 31 at 7:00 p.m.

\*\*\*\*\*

## THANK YOU

Special thanks to Barbara Lunick who continues to play the organ for us during our organist vacancy.

### LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE MITES

LWML mites will be collected today. Please put mites from your small mite boxes into the congregational mite box or just drop in change from your pocket. District and international mission projects need your prayers and mites. Thanks for your support!

**Mite Dedication:** Dear Lord, we offer now, The mites we've saved for Thee.  
Accept them, Savior, as we bow, In deep humility.  
These mites we dedicate, To Thee, our God, above,  
So many more may learn of Thee, And Thy redeeming love.

Though mites are lowly gifts, United, they are strong.  
Direct their usage in our league, And let Thy kingdom come.  
Eternal, Triune God, Thy Holy will be done:  
These gifts and prayers we've offered Thee, In Jesus' name, Amen.

### **"CAN DO SUNDAY"**

Next Sunday is "Can-Do Sunday" when you can donate basic food items to help provide meals for those in need who visit our Food Pantry. We especially need **pop tab cans** for the homeless. Hopefully we can all remember to buy a "Second Can for the Second Sunday" of the month. Thanks from the Board of Social Ministry.

### **CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR LADIES**

#### **Sign up TODAY**

The Board of Social Ministry is extending our invitation to the Christmas Show at the Savannah Theater to any single lady at TLC. The date of the show is Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. Meet in the TLC parking lot at 1:45 p.m. if you need a ride. Otherwise meet at the theater at 2:30 p.m. TODAY is the sign-up deadline. We are limited to 25 guests. Signup sheet is on the table in the Narthex. For more information, see Karen Hanovich.

### **DRIVE-IN HOLIDAY MOVIE EVENT**

**Saturday, December 11 at 7:00-9:00pm**

The Board of Christian Education is excited to offer an outdoor holiday movie event on Saturday, December 11, 2021, from 7 - 9 pm. Guests will be able to watch the outdoor movie on an inflatable screen in the comfort of their own vehicle. The sound from the movie will be broadcasted on a radio station. Your favorite concessions will be available, and all proceeds from the concessions will go towards Trinity Lutheran Church's Youth Trip in the summer of 2022. Please help us in spreading the word on this community event.

### **LADIES' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

**Sunday, December 12**

Please sign the sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you plan to attend the Ladies' Christmas Luncheon on Sunday, December 12 at Sherry Kreger's following late service. Bring a covered dish to share and a \$10-15 gift for the gift swap.

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you for your generous donations to the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry over the last month. We have been able to purchase many of the needed items to get through the winter months. Some of the items purchased were tents, thermal sleeping bags, thermal gloves, hand warmers, flashlights and batteries, toiletry items, and so much more. We have also received many coats, pants, and warm sweaters. Our Food Pantry for the homeless meals is overflowing with canned goods and boxes of side dishes. If you haven't been over to the Education Building lately, stop by and visit the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry. We are open on Tuesdays between 4 and 6 p.m. or Wednesdays 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

### **2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The 2022 offering envelopes are available to pick up in the Narthex. If your envelopes are not there, please contact Sonny Massey.

### **BLESSING BAG CHALLENGE**

**Join us for the Blessing Bag Challenge - starting on Sunday. Take a bag, give a bag to someone in need. Take another bag and do it again!** Bags are in the bin located in the Narthex. Thank you, Kathy Cleveland, for making this your Thrivent project.

### **SIGN UP FOR FLOWERS FOR 2022**

The 2022 Flower Chart is now in the Social Hall so you can sign up to provide flowers for the altar. Simply write your name on the date you'd like to provide flowers for, with a brief note for any special dedication. Ramelle's Florist will invoice you at the appropriate time. The cost is \$25 for center flowers and \$25 for side flowers. Contact Traci Schumacher in the office ([trinityoffice@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinityoffice@bellsouth.net)) if we do not have your address and phone number, as the florist will need that information.

## DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

There are no known member wedding anniversaries for the month of December. If you need to update your information, please contact Traci Schumacher at [trinityoffice@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinityoffice@bellsouth.net).

## CONNECT WITH US

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

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

\***Facebook** - Friends of Trinity Lutheran Church; Trinity Lutheran Church – Community Info & Events (shareable page); Trinity Lutheran Church of Savannah Media; TLC Hearts of Compassion Helping Hands Ministry; Lizzie Comfort Dog

\***Instagram** - #lccck9lizzie (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

### NEED HELP WITH PRESENTATION TEAM

The Presentation Team is responsible for streaming the service for those unable to attend the service in person. It includes preparing the slide deck that corresponds with the week's hymns, running the camera and microphones, and starting the Facebook and YouTube live streams. We are looking to add a couple more people to the Presentation Team to assist during the holidays. You would only be asked to stream the service if the other 3 members of the team are unable to. Please consider assisting to ensure all our members that are unable to attend can still view the services. Contact Kaitlyn Borozinski at (423)883-9404 or [Kaitlyn.borozinski@gmail.com](mailto:Kaitlyn.borozinski@gmail.com).

### “YEAR OF GIVING HOPE” DONATIONS

Our Hearts of Compassion Ministry ends up our “Year of Giving Hope” campaign with this month's needed item of **hats, scarves, and gloves**. We will be collecting these items through the end of December. All you need to do is drop off your donation item in the bin in the Social Hall. Thanks to each of you for participating in our “Year of Giving Hope.” You have blessed many, many, many people with your donations.

## 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. – 55    11:00 a.m. – 35    YouTube – 8    Facebook - 58

Thanksgiving Eve – 10    YouTube – 2    Facebook - 47

Advent Midweek 1 (12/1) – 1:00 – 20; 7:00 – 9; YouTube – 0; Facebook – 29

Giving	\$2,932.77
Homeless Meals	25.00
NAMI	5.00
Old Savannah City Mission	85.00
Poinsettias	103.00
The Living Vine	75.00

### SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

**8:30 a.m.**

Bob & Cindy Reynolds, Greeters  
Sandy Sanders & Karl Schumacher, Ushers

**11:00 a.m.**

Phil Boyd-Robertson, Reader  
Bud & Rosemary Gerdes, Greeters

### SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

**8:30 a.m.**

Bill & Sharon Johnson, Greeters  
Mike & Pam Bennet, Ushers

**11:00 a.m.**

Ann Austin & Beate Reintzell, Greeters

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY		Traditional Worship Services	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
		Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
		LWML Bake Sale & Mite Sunday	
		Confirmation	12:30-2:00 p.m.
MONDAY	12/6	Cub Scouts (Social Hall & Education Building)	6:00-8:00 p.m.
		Board of Elders	6:30 p.m.
TUESDAY	12/7	Clothes Closet	4:00-6:00 p.m.
		Cub Scouts (Social Hall & Education Building)	6:00-8:00 p.m.
		Jr. & Sr. Youth Zoom	7:15 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	12/8	Bible Study (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.
		Clothes Closet	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
		Advent Worship	1:00 & 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	12/9	NAMI (Social Hall)	6:00-7:00 p.m.
		Church Council	6:30 p.m.
FRIDAY	12/10	Hot Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen)	4:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	12/11	Girl Scout Cookie Rally (Social Hall)	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
		Middle School Youth Christmas Party (Education Building)	
		Youth Lock-In	4:00 p.m.
		Drive-In Movie Night (Education Building & Parking Lot)	7:00 p.m.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

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

HEALTH

Harry

OUR WITNESS

Let us proclaim Jesus Christ is risen to all!

OUR CONCERNS

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



## **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

12391 Mercy Blvd  
Savannah, GA 31419

phone 912-925-4839                      trinityoffice@bellsouth.net  
fax 912-925-4056                      www.trinitylutheransavannah.org  
Contact Pastor: 717-333-6263; pastorjeffwebb@yahoo.com

### **STAFF**

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

### **BOARD OF ELDERS**

Mark Waltz, Head Elder (Br – D)  
Bill Edwards (E - Ge)  
Mike Fajen (K – Ma)  
Todd Freesemann (Go - J)  
Sonny Massey (A - Bo)  
Rick Mizell (Mc - P)  
Bob Reynolds (Q – S)  
Tom Wayman (T - Z)

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

Robert Reynolds, President  
Kip Wiltse, Vice President  
Ann Waltz, Secretary  
Karl Schumacher, Treasurer  
Jennifer Wolfe, Board of Education  
Mark Waltz, Board of Elders  
Chris Garretson, Board of Evangelism  
Doug Masini, Board of Property Management  
Karen Hanovich, Board of Social Ministry  
Kip Wiltse, Board of Stewardship  
Rick Mizell, Financial Secretary, TLC Website  
Bob Hanovich, Board of Youth

### **ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS**

Cindy Baldwin, Comfort Dog Top Dog  
Jackie Deemer, Director of TLC Singers  
Rosemary Gerdes, Quilters  
Karen Hanovich, TLC Marketing  
Lonna McEwen, LWML & Altar Guild  
Rose Pitt, Prayer Team  
Kim Stillman, Sunday School Superintendent  
Ron Wolfe, Hearts of Compassion Outreach