

Trinity Lutheran Church



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD



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

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Third Sunday in Advent

December 12, 2021 8:30 Non-Communion and 11:00 a.m. Communion Service

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

Thank you for worshipping 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 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

Some Advent wreaths have a pink candle for this Third Sunday in Advent. The festive, joyful pink candle reflects today's Readings, which begin to anticipate the unbridled joy that Jesus' birth brings. We do many joyful things during Advent. We sing Christmas carols, bake cookies, decorate our homes inside and out, and travel far and wide to visit those we love. Yet all these joyful things point to an even greater joy—the joy that comes by the Creator of the universe, the Lord almighty, who loves you, forgives you in Jesus, and cares about you beyond human measure! “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!”

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Beach Spring”

by Kristina Langlois

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Please Stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 849 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 124:8

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

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

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

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

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM

Psalm 85

P ¹LORD, you were favorable to your land;
C **you restored the fortunes of Jacob.**

P ²You forgave the iniquity of your people;
C **you covered all their sin.**

P ³You withdrew all your wrath;
C **you turned from your hot anger.**

P ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
C **and put away your indignation toward us!**

P ⁵Will you be angry with us forever?
C **Will you prolong your anger to all generations?**

P ⁶Will you not revive us again,
C **that your people may rejoice in you?**

P ⁷Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
C **and grant us your salvation.**

P ⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
C **for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.**

P ⁹Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
C **that glory may dwell in our land.**

P ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
C **righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

P ¹¹Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
C **and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

P ¹²Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
C **and our land will yield its increase.**

P ¹³Righteousness will go before him
C **and make his footsteps a way.**

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.
Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zephaniah 3:14–20

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion;
shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter of Jerusalem!
¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;
he has cleared away your enemies.
The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall never again fear evil.
¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
“Fear not, O Zion;
let not your hands grow weak.
¹⁷The 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.
¹⁸I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival,

so that you will no longer suffer reproach.

¹⁹Behold, at that time I will deal

with all your oppressors.

And I will save the lame

and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise

and renown in all the earth.

²⁰At that time I will bring you in,

at the time when I gather you together;

for I will make you renowned and praised

among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes

before your eyes," says the LORD.

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 4:4-7

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

ALLELUIA and VERSE

John 20:31

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

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

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

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

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 7:18-28

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁸The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, ¹⁹calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, “Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?” ²⁰And when the men had come to him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?’” ²¹In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. ²²And he answered them, “Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. ²³And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

²⁴When John’s messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings’ courts. ²⁶What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷This is he of whom it is written,

“Behold, I send my messenger before your face,
who will prepare your way before you.’

²⁸I tell you, among those born of women none is greater than John. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.”

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

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

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

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

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

8:30 Service

HYMN OF THE DAY 515 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"



1 Re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce, be - liev - ers, And let your lights ap - pear;
2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the Bride - groom near;
3 The saints, who here in pa - tience Their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, And dark - er night is near.
Go forth as He ap - proach - es With al - le - lu - ias clear.
Shall live and reign for - ev - er When sor - row is no more.
A - rise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing And soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry The Lamb they shall be - hold;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The Bride - groom is at hand.
In tri - umph cast be - fore Him Their di - a - dems of gold.
The day of earth's re - demp - tion That sets Your peo - ple free!

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SERMON

"David Celebrates with Joy"

1 Chronicles 13:1-8

¹David consulted with the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, with every leader. ²And David said to all the assembly of Israel, "If it seems good to you and from the LORD our God, let us send abroad to our brothers who remain in all the lands of Israel, as well as to the priests and Levites in the cities that have pasturelands, that they may be gathered to us. ³Then let us bring again the ark of our God to us, for we did not seek it in the days of Saul." ⁴All the assembly agreed to do so, for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

⁵So David assembled all Israel from the Nile of Egypt to Lebo-hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kiriath-jearim. ⁶And David and all Israel went up to Baalah, that is, to Kiriath-jearim that belongs to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD who sits enthroned above the cherubim. ⁷And they carried the ark of God on a new cart, from the house of Abinadab, and Uzzah and Ahio were driving the cart. ⁸And David and all Israel were rejoicing before God with all their might, with song and lyres and harps and tambourines and cymbals and trumpets.

OFFERING MUSIC "Praise the One Who breaks the Darkness" by David Cherwien

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 (8:30)

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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

Please Stand

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

C Thanks be to God.

P The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and (†) give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 556 vv. 1, 6 "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re-joice, With ex-ul-ta-tion
spring-ing, And with u-nit-ed heart and voice And ho-ly
rap-ture sing-ing, Pro-claim the won-ders God has done, How
His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him!

6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,
Was born of virgin mother;
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
He came to be my brother.
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
A servant's form, like mine, He wore
To lead the devil captive.

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT (11:00)

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

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

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 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.
C And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

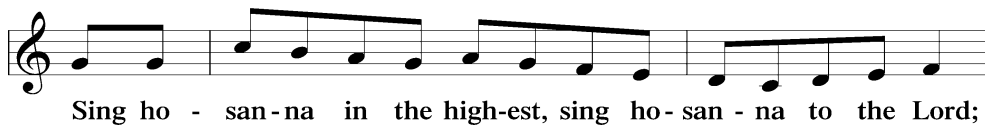
P Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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



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 818

"In Thee Is Gladness"



1 In Thee is glad-ness A-mid all sad-ness, Je-sus,
2 Since He is ours, We fear no pow-ers, Not of
sun-shine of my heart. By Thee are giv-en The gifts of
earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless-es In worst dis-
heav-en, Thou the true Re-deem-er art. Our souls Thou
tress-es; He can change them with a breath. Where-fore the
wak-est, Our bonds Thou break-est; Who trusts Thee sure-ly Has built se-
sto-ry Tell of His glo-ry With hearts and voic-es; All heav'n re-
cure-ly; He stands for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia! Our hearts are
joic-es In Him for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia! We shout for
pin-ing To see Thy shin-ing, Dy-ing or liv-ing
glad-ness, Tri-umph o'er sad-ness, Love Him and praise Him
To Thee are cleav-ing; Naught can us sev-er: Al-le-lu-ia!
And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia!

HYMN 636 vv. 1-2, 4, 8 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom-y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day-light's
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
 bound-less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un-bound - ed This a - maz - ing
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
 there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
 us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.
 la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
 Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited,
 Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
 Through the gift of grace You give me
 As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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COMMUNION BLESSING

Please Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon*

Luke 2:29-32

C 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.

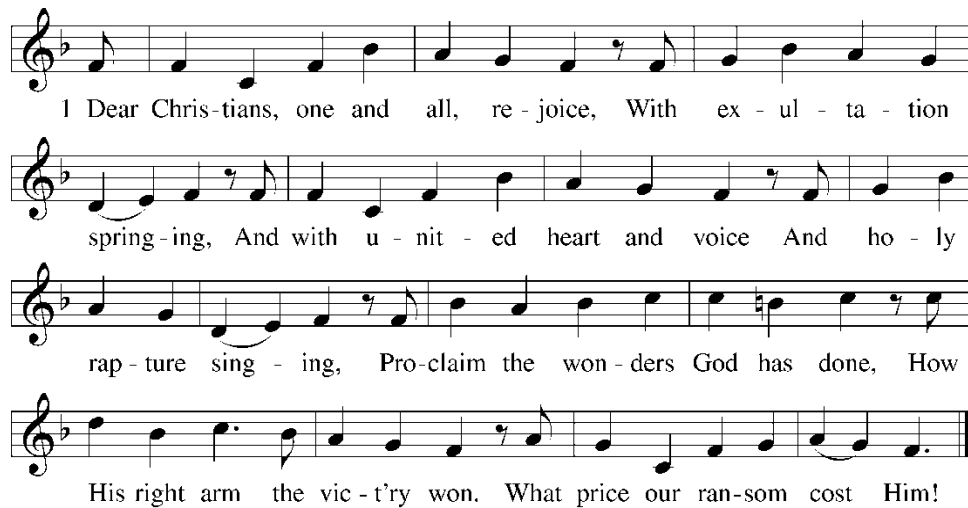
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray.
 We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

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 556 vv. 1, 6 "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joi-ce, With ex - ul - ta - tion
spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!

6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,
Was born of virgin mother;
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
He came to be my brother.
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
A servant's form, like mine, He wore
To lead the devil captive.

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Be Seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS and RECOGNITION OF OUR GUESTS

ORGAN

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God
by Bob & Karen Hanovich in celebration of their anniversary.

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6*

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.

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL (9th – 12th 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

Worshipping 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 Service – December 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.

NO LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE

Unfortunately, the Christmas Eve services will not have a livestream option due to a lack of volunteers. Sorry for the inconvenience.

MATINS UPDATE

The Matins worship service will return on January 30 in the 8:30 service, and will be used on fifth Sundays in alternating services. The other dates for 2022 are May 29 at 11:00 and July 31 at 8:30. The October fifth Sunday will be a Single Service for Reformation Sunday.

TODAY IS "CAN DO SUNDAY"

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

THANK YOU

I want to say “Thank You” to my Trinity family for the phone calls, texts, and cards after the death of my dad. My Trinity family is so very special to me and the comfort that you bring is greatly appreciated. Love in Christ, Cathy Crotwell

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT NEWS

FDA announced that **non-FDA** automatic external defibrillators or AEDs were undergoing a change regarding service contracts. I will review the list, document, and report back to Council. Checked lights in ladies’ restrooms. Our AEDs were checked, all battery in green zone; AED service scheduled for January 2022 (will follow up on service). Portico exterior lights (on timer) inop per Scouts; thanks Russ Jarrell and Bud Gerdes for an easy fix! 311 call to City of SAV had a 48 hour response time, cleaned up all limbs and branches. Thanks to Greening of Church team; Blake Chance, Bob Reynolds, Kip Wiltse, Kevin Reidl, Russ Jarrell, Cindy Reynolds, Sandra Jarrell, Shirley Lewis, Betty Morrell, Janie Spainhour, and Jackie Deemer. The Garage door was repaired by Precision on 12/7/21. Reviewed recycling schedule on City website, pick-up is scheduled for 12/7/21 and every two weeks (twice a month) on Tuesday. Checked reported hose leak in closet in the Narthex. Next Church workday(s) ungreening, TBA; and January 22, 2022, 9am-11am.

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 ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2022

Sign up to provide Altar flowers on the 2022 Flower Chart in the Social Hall. Write your name by 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 or side flowers. Contact Traci Schumacher in the office (trinityoffice@bellsouth.net) if we do not have your address and phone number, as the florist will need that information.

CONNECT WITH US

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

***Website** - 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

MINISTRY NEEDS

“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. – 70 11:00 a.m. – 56 Facebook – 83 YouTube – 4

Advent Midweek 2 (12/8) – 1:00 – 14; 7:00 – 13; Facebook – 48; YouTube – 1

Giving	\$6,516.44
Advent	185.00
Christmas Eve	40.00
Christmas - Staff	50.00
Comfort Dog	100.00
Concordia Seminary	75.00
Food Pantry	245.00
Homeless Ministry	50.00
Lutheran Women's Missionary League Mites	319.56
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	150.00
Poinsettias	101.25
Property Management	30.00
Youth	100.00

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

8:30 a.m.

Linda Tomko, Reader

Bill & Sharon Johnson, Greeters

Mike & Pam Bennet, Ushers

11:00 a.m.

Ann Austin & Beate Reintzell, Greeters

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 a.m.

Betty Morrell, Greeters

Mike & Pam Bennet, Ushers

11:00 a.m.

Phil Boyd-Robertson, Reader

Don & Barbara Lunick, Greeters

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY	Traditional Worship Services	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
	Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
	Ladies' Christmas Luncheon	after 11:00 service
	Confirmation	12:30-2:00 p.m.
MONDAY	12/13 Cub Scouts (Social Hall & Education Building)	6:00-8:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	12/14 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	12/15 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	12/16 Hoover Creek HOA Meeting (Social Hall)	5:30-9:00 p.m.
	NAMI (Education Building)	6:00-7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	12/17 Hot Meals for Homeless (Education Building Kitchen)	4:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	12/18 Senior Ladies' at Savannah Theater	3:00 p.m.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

(Please help us keep the prayer list updated)

HEALTH

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OUR WITNESS

Let us proclaim Jesus Christ is risen to all!

OUR CONCERNS

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

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