

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Our Mission: To make Disciples by Baptizing and Teaching about Jesus.



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# We Praise God for Sustaining Life in and through His Word

The nation resounds with thanksgiving for the earth's bountiful harvest, crops of wheat and grains, all beneath the canopy of God's almighty care. But "man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD" (Deut. 8:1–10). The Church is the vessel through which the Word of God penetrates the world with its Law and Gospel. It is this divine Word that proclaims Jesus as the sole source of life, health and wholeness. It is Jesus who heals lepers with His Word: "Go and show yourselves to the priests" (Luke 17:11–19). Of the 10 cleansed, only one expresses thanksgiving back to Jesus. But true gratitude proceeds from a heart sustained by faith. Jesus bids this one Samaritan to "rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." So also, we are sent from the Divine Service, bolstered in our faith by baptismal and Eucharist blessings to be thankful in our circumstances of plenty and hunger, abundance and need (Phil. 4:6–20).

# **Thanksgiving Eve**

**NOVEMBER 27, 2024** 



Welcome to our Guests and Visitors! The congregation of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is pleased and honored to have you worship with us today. If you do not have a regular place of worship—Welcome Home! We would love to have you join our fellowship! Please introduce yourself to Pastor Taylor and sign our guest book before you go. Thank you for coming!

God's Word teaches the real presence of Christ's body and blood... invisibly in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. We take seriously the spiritual care of those who commune at our altar. The Word of God states that no one offend against Christ and His Word by denying His true presence and its promise and seal of forgiveness. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (see 1 Cor. 11:27-29). Because Holy Communion is a confession of what is taught and believed at this altar (1 Cor. 11:26), any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession (beliefs) differing from that of this congregation (that is, belong to another church body or denomination) and yet desire to receive the sacrament, will want to first speak with the pastor before communing.

## Opening Hymn LSB 92 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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Come with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise



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His gar - ner ev - er - more.

glo-rious har-vest home.

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# Confession and Absolution

Please stand. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**P** In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

LSB 186

**C** Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]* 

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Hebrews 10:22

**C** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit.

  John 20:19-23
- Amen.

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# Service of the Word

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Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: v. 33

I will sing to YAHWEH as long | as I live;\*

I will sing praise to my God while I have | being.

O YAHWEH, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them all;\* the earth is full of your | creatures.

These all | look to you,\*

to give them their food in due | season.

When you give it to them, they gath- er it up;\*

when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,\* and you renew the face | of the ground.

- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- P I will sing to YAHWEH as long | as I live;\*
  I will sing praise to my God while I have | being.

LSB 186; Mark 10:47

C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187

- **P** Glory be to God on high:
- and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

1"The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that YAHWEH swore to give to your fathers. <sup>2</sup>And you shall remember the whole way that YAHWEH your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. <sup>3</sup>And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he

might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of Yahweh. <sup>4</sup>Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. <sup>5</sup>Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. <sup>6</sup>So you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. <sup>7</sup>For Yahweh your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, <sup>8</sup>a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup>a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. <sup>10</sup>And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless Yahweh your God for the good land he has given you."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 2:1–4

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem: LSB 894 For the Fruits of His Creation

Please stand.

Alleluia LSB 190

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 17:11–19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.
- **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup>and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup>When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup>and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup>Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### **C** 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,

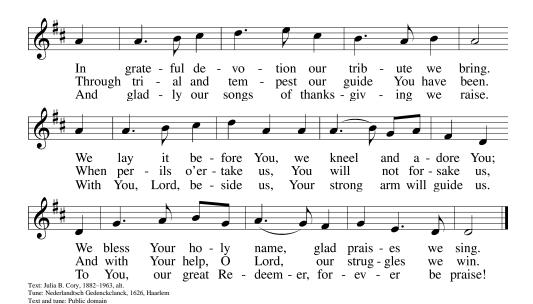
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

## Sermon Hymn 785 We Praise You, O God





#### Sermon

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Please stand.

Offertory LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Amen.

Psalm 51:10-12

Please be seated.

## Offering

Please stand.

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

P The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

**C** And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Psalm 1:36

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Lord's Prayer LSB 196; Matthew 6:6-13

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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.

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197; Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

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 cup is the new testament in My Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **Proclamation of Christ**

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Cor 11:26

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Rev. 2:20

Pax Domini LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

LSB 197; John 20:19

C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 198; John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Please be seated.

#### Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first, and then distribute them to those who come to receive.

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 199; Luke 2:39-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving LSB 200; Psalm 107:1

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- **A** 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.
- **P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus LSB 202

**A** Bless we the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

**C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

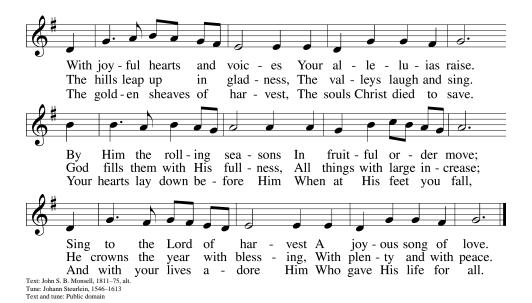
C Amen, amen, amen.

Please be seated.

## Closing Hymn 893 Sing to the Lord of Harvest



- 1 Sing to the Lord of har vest, Sing songs of love and praise;
- 2 God makes the clouds rain good ness, The des-erts bloom and spring,
- 3 Bring to this sa cred al tar The gifts His good-ness gave,



## **PARISHSCOPE**

**We wish everyone a safe and peaceful Thanksgiving...** The church office will be closed tomorrow, and there will be no Women's Bible Study due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Women's Bible Study will resume on Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Center.

Church Decorating for Christmas... immediately after the 10 AM service on Dec. 1st. This is a family activity as we adorn our Sanctuary and Family Center for the holiday season. We need strong people for hauling & lifting! We will have holiday music and cookies! Please join us for this fun event!

Choir Practice... will be held immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service in the front of the church near the piano. In addition to several songs to be sung during Advent services, we are practicing to sing for the residents of the Edinboro Manor on Thursday December 12th at 2:00 p.m., as well as the Preschool Christmas Program on Thursday December 19th at 6:30 p.m. Please join us! Pastor Taylor... will be out of the office on Monday December 2nd for a Circuit Meeting.

Fellowship/Ping Pong... continues every Monday evening at 6:00 pm.

Pastor's Evening Bible Study... resumes on Tuesday December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

Advent Soup Suppers... Each Wednesday in December at 6:30 pm we will be serving a light meal leading into the Midweek Communion Service at 7:00 p.m. The dates are Wed. Dec. 4th, 11th, and 18th. If you would like to provide one of these meals, please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex. Our first Soup Supper of the season will feature beef barley soup, rolls & butter, and brownies for dessert. Please come enjoy food and fellowship in preparation for the Christmas season. This service, as well as all Holy Trinity Services, are livestreamed on our Facebook page: facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion and uploaded usually the next day to our YouTube channel: youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176 Service bulletins are posted on our website: holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents. Join us in person whenever you are able.

## **PARISHSCOPE**

**Budget Planning Meeting...** will be held on Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in the church office. **LOOKING AHEAD...** 

**LWML Meeting...** please join us for a very important session on Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., immediately following the 10 a.m. Communion Service. Lisa Kelly has agreed to become our chapter president, and we need to discuss her nomination and hopefully vote her into office. We also want to discuss her suggestion for our Christmas Cookie Fundraiser to purchase a commercial oven for the church kitchen. This baking event will take place on **Saturday December 14**<sup>th</sup> for all those interested.



**Preschool Christmas Program...** You are invited to the annual Christmas Program presented on Thurs. Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. This year our Choir will begin singing at 6:30 p.m., leading into the Preschool program at 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served immediately following in the Family Center. Come meet the families, hear & see what the kids are learning about the birth of Baby Jesus.

**Candlelight Christmas Eve Service...** will be Wednesday December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Invite your friends and family to this joyful, intimate service to hear the angel's message to the shepherds: "Good News of great joy that will be for all the people: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord."

Now to Him Who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us - Ephesians 3:20

Thank you to all who donated to Christmas Gifts for Preschool Kids... This Sunday we exceeded our goal to purchase a toy Noah's Ark playset for each of our 26 preschool students. The playsets will be coupled with a personalized comforter for each of the children donated by a very generous church member. You are invited to see the excitement of the children as they receive these gifts from Santa Claus at their annual Christmas parties on December 19 and 20 at 11 a.m. in the Family Center. The balance of the donation will be saved for Christmas gifts to be presented in the 2025-2026 school year. Thank you for your generosity toward our students!





**Lutheran Heritage Foundation...** Last Sunday we welcomed Rev. Robert Marshall of the LHF who shared with us their mission of translating and publishing books explaining the Bible for all people in languages they can understand. We are pleased to announce you gave a total of \$245.00 to continue to translate, publish and distribute books central to the Lutheran faith free of charge to your brothers and sisters around the world. Well done!

**LWML Nuts Rolls...** despite the less than stellar appearance of the Nut Rolls baked last Saturday, we were able to clear \$450.00 to support our seminarian student & his family. Again, well done!

The total giving of Holy Trinity above our tithes and offerings in the month of November exceeded \$1,500.00! All glory be to God alone!

# PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing...

Ken Counasse Linda Evans. John Niemla's sister Jane Hutchinson, Alice Frndak's sister-in-law Renee & Alyssa Isham Pastor Blaine Jorg Polly Klobusnik Ken Lewis, Tammy Podpora's Dad Carolyn Lindenmuth Emily Marler (daughter of Pastor & Susan Taylor) Shelby, Tracy & Patricia Metzenbacher Jeff & John Metka (Susan Taylor's brothers) John Niemla Linda (Stevens) Olmstead Cindy Parobek Avery Podpora Ray & Carol Struchen Russell Struchen Virginia Taylor (mother of Pastor Taylor)

Extended Needs...

Evelyn Stevens

#### Those in the Armed Services...

Jennifer Attridge
Adam Crosby
Julie Evans
Christopher Fromknecht
Christina Gutherie
Violette Hosack
Nate Lawrence
Joe Moore
John Parmarter
Thomas Reiser
Timothy Reiser
Taylor Sisson
Jarrod White

**Birthdays and Anniversaries...** Valania Nielma (b) 12/2



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Saying Grace

Lord of life, it is our great joy to give You thanks. We acknowledge our dependence on you as the source of all good things:

- For your grace and goodness through Jesus Christ, we give you thanks.
- For your Word that gives us life, and your works that sustain our life, we give you thanks.
- For faithful friends and the love of family who lighten our earthly journey, we give you thanks.
- For the joy of young children and the honor of old age, we give you thanks.

Free us today from every complaint.
Fill our hearts with contentment in all circumstances. Keep us as your people as we walk through this life, always with thanksgiving towards You. Amen.

Schedule for Nov. 28 - Dec. 4:

Thurs. Nov 28 ~ Thanksgiving Day
NO Office Hours
NO Women's Bible Study
Happy Thanksgiving to All!!!

Friday Nov. 29

9:00 am - I:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday Nov. 30

Sunday Dec. 1 ~ Advent 1

9:00 am Bible Study

10:00 am Communion Service

11:00 am Church Decorating

Monday Dec. 2

9:00 am – I:00 pm Office Hours 9:30 am **Pastor's Circuit Mtg.** 

6:00 pm Fellowship/Ping Pong

Tuesday Dec 3

9:00 am – I:00 pm Office Hours 6:00 pm Pastor's Bible Study

Wednesday Dec 4

9:00 am – I:00 pm Office Hours 1:00 pm ParishScope Deadline 6:30 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Soup Supper 7:00 pm Communion Service

Temple Servants for Sun. Dec. 1:

**Reader** – Ted Kelly

**Ushers** – Chuck Stevens, David Lindenmuth

**Elder** – Dale Klobusnik

Elder of the Day — John Niemla Altar Guild — Corinna Thorhauer Liturgical Color — Blue/Violet

**Kitchen Admin. for December** – Debbie Bright 814-746-0132

