

## Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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

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## The Lord Is Manifested as Our Savior through the Preaching of the Gospel

When Jesus opens His mouth to preach, gracious words flow from His lips. The Scriptures are, indeed, fulfilled in your hearing (Luke 4:21–22). For Christ was anointed by the Spirit of the Lord "to proclaim good news to the poor," "to proclaim liberty to the captives" and "to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (Luke 4:18–19). By this proclamation, Christ releases His people from captivity and gathers them to Himself in His Church. So it was when the Lord released His people from Babylon and returned them to Jerusalem. "*Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people,*" sanctified the whole congregation by the reading and preaching of the Law (Neh. 8:8–9). As the people then were urged to "eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready" (Neh. 8:10), so are you anointed by the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ to share in His feast and to serve the fellow members of His Body with His good gifts, "giving greater honor to the part that lacked it" (1 Cor. 12:12, 24).



## The Third Sunday of Epiphany

## **JANUARY 26, 2025**

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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.

# **Confession and Absolution**

## Opening Hymn LSB 868 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun



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

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

LSB 186

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
С	who made heaven and earth.	Psalm 124:8
P	I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,	
С	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,
- **C** 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.
- 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

**C** Amen.

# Sharing the Peace

## Service of the Word

## Introit

You will arise and have pity on | Zion;\* it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come. Let this be recorded for a genera- | tion to come,\* so that a people yet to be created may | praise YAHWEH: that he looked down from his | holy height;\* from heaven YAHWEH looked | at the earth, to hear the groans of the | prisoners,\* to set free those who were | doomed to die, that they may declare in Zion the name | of YAHWEH,\* and in Jerusa- | lem his praise, when peoples gather to- | gether,\* and kingdoms, to wor- | ship YAHWEH. Matthew 5:23-24

Psalm 102:18-22; antiphon: v. 13

#### **C** 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 You will arise and have pity on | Zion;\* it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

## Kyrie

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; Luke 2:14; John 1:29

**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.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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

<sup>1</sup> All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that YAHWEH had commanded Israel. <sup>2</sup>So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup>And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law....

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

2 Timothy 4:22

<sup>5</sup>And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. <sup>6</sup>And Ezra blessed YAHWEH, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped YAHWEH with their faces to the ground. . . .

<sup>8</sup>They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to YAHWEH your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of YAHWEH is your strength."

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

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Epistle**

#### 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>For the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

<sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, <sup>24</sup>which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

<sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia

#### C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

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

## **G** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>[Jesus] came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup>And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

<sup>18</sup>"THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME TO PROCLAIM GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR.
HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES AND RECOVERING OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,
<sup>19</sup>TO PROCLAIM THE YEAR OF THE LORD'S FAVOR." Isaiah 42:7; 61:1-2

<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup>And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup>And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself.' What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." <sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. <sup>25</sup>But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, <sup>26</sup>and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. <sup>27</sup>And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup>When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. <sup>29</sup>And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But passing through their midst, he went away.

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

## **Nicene Creed**

LSB 191 or inside back cover of hymnal

**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 Luke 4:16-30

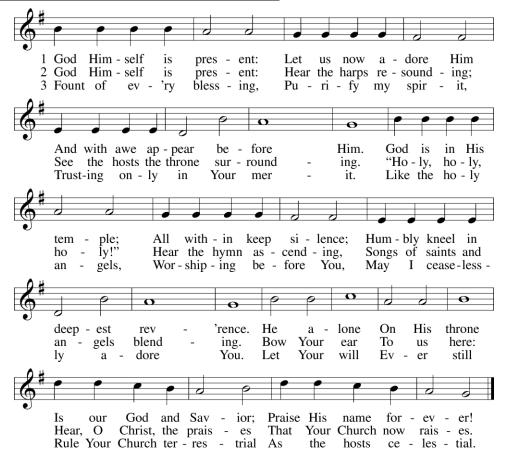
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

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 LSB 907 God Himself Is Present



#### Sermon

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

С Amen.

#### Please stand. Offertorv

LSB 192

C 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

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

- 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
  - С 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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

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

1 Timothy 2:1-4

LSB 194

## Lord's Prayer

- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- **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

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 cup is the new testament in My + blood, 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
   Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Rev. 2:20
   Pax Dominity
   Pax Dominity
   Campanei Deate of the Lord be with you always. LSB 197; John 20:19
   Amen.
   Agnus Dei USB 197; 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.

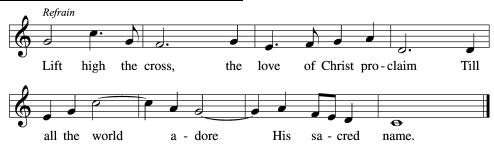
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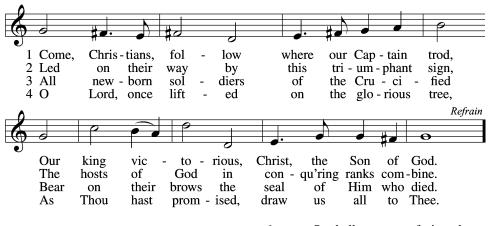
#### Distribution

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.

## **Distribution Hymns**

Please stand. Nunc Dimi	ittis Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to 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			
Thanksgiv A C	ing O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endureth forever.	LSB 200; Psalm 107:1		
<ul> <li>Let us pray.</li> <li>We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutar gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the sar in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, You Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.</li> <li>C Amen.</li> </ul>				
P	The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.	2 Timothy 4:22		
Benedicar A	nus Bless we the Lord.	LSB 202 Psalm 103:1		
С	Thanks be to God.			
Benediction LSB 2		LSB 202		
P	The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and H give you peace. <b>Amen, amen, amen.</b>	Numbers 6:24-26		
Please be seated.				
Closing Hy	mn LSB 837 Lift High the Cross			





5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. *Refrain*  6 So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain* 

## PARISHSCOPE

**Choir Practice...** everyone interested in singing for upcoming events, please come Sundays directly after church at 11:00 a.m. for practice in the front right corner near the piano.

Ping Pong Fellowship... meets every Monday at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

Pastor's Evening Bible Study... every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center. Please join us! Our Next Midweek Communion Service... will be observed on Wednesday, January 29th at 7:00 p.m. This Service, as well as all Holy Trinity Services, are live-streamed on our Facebook page: facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion and on our YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176 Service bulletins are posted on our website: holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents . Please join us in person whenever you are able. Women's Bible Study... every Thursday we are studying the Books of Ruth and Esther at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Center. Please join us!

Council Meeting... on Thursday January 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

## LOOKING AHEAD...

**LWML Meeting...** immediately after the service on Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Family Center. We will be finalizing plans for **Souper Bowl Sunday FUN**draiser. We need your help, please join us!

**Sunday February 9th is Souper Bowl Sunday...** and our next LWML **FUN**draiser. The week before Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> we will be making quarts of homemade soup for a donation of \$10.00 and home baked bread for \$5.00. The proceeds will go to the purchase of a new stove for the church kitchen. The soups will be **Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Venison Barley,** and **Potato Leek**. An order sheet is on the table in the Narthex for preorders. Please see Carolyn in the office if you would like to donate a crock of homemade soup or bake some homemade bread for this event.

Preschool Board Meeting... Monday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. in the church office.

## PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing... Mike Bowen Ken Counasse Linda Evans, John Niemla's sister Jane Hutchinson, Alice Frndak's sister-in-law Renee & Alvssa Isham Pastor Blaine Jorg Polly Klobusnik Ken Lewis, Tammy Podpora's Dad Carolvn 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

Northwest Food Pantry... thanks the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for our continued support. They report that 1,000 individuals in 268 families were served in December, which includes 217 seniors, 484 adults, and 299 children. This includes 10 new families, representing 30 new individuals. This continued growth is an indication that local families are still struggling to meet the needs of their family expenses. They were blessed to have 23 volunteers help distribute food on Saturday and 18 on Monday. Our pantry families have voiced their gratitude to all who have helped them. Northwest Food Pantry serves Albion . Cranesville and Platea Boroughs and Conneaut, Elk Creek, and Springfield Townships, a total of 122 square miles. They distributed 18,000 pounds of products per month, including over 510 dozen fresh eggs, assorted produce and personal health items. You can support the Food Pantry with your funds, your food and your time. Every dollar you give equals six meals. Proverbs 19:17 best reflects your support: "Whoever is generous to the poor lends to YAHWEH, and He will repay him for his deed."



The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because he has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor.

## Schedule for this week

Jan. 27 – Feb. 2: Monday Jan. 27 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours 6:00 pm Fellowship/Ping Pong

#### Tuesday Jan. 28

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours 6:00 pm Pastor's Bible Study

#### Wednesday Jan. 29

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours 7:00 pm Communion Service

#### Thurs. Jan. 30

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours 9:30 am **Women's Bible Study** 1:00 pm **ParishScope Deadline** 6:00 pm **Council Meeting** 

#### Friday Jan. 31 9:00 am – I:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday Feb. 1

Sun. Feb. 2 ~ Epiphany 4 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Communion Service 11:00 am LWML Meeting

Temple Servants for Sun. Feb. 2: Reader – Rick Petsch Ushers – Dave Lindenmuth, Ed Podpora Elder of the Day – Chuck Stevens Elder – John Niemla Altar Guild – Corinna Thorhauer Liturgical Color – Green

*Kitchen Admin. for February* – *Polly Klobusnik* 814-756-3714

#### Birthdays/Anniversaries...

Alice Frndak (b) 02/02 Shelby Metzenbacher (b) 02/02

