



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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

Rev. Michael S. Taylor
Pastor

Mrs. Susan L. Taylor
Accompanist

Dale Klobusnik,
Reader

Ed Podpora,
Chuck Stevens,
Ushers

Dale Klobusnik,
Elder of the Day

Chuck Stevens,
Elder



The Triune God Opens Heaven to You in Holy Baptism

The Baptism of our Lord is an “*Epiphany*” of the one true God in the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. In divine mercy, He takes His place with sinners and takes their sin upon Himself. “*When all the people were baptized,*” Jesus submitted Himself to a Baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:21). He had no sins of His own, but He took the sins of the world upon Himself and so was baptized into His own death. Therefore, “*when you pass through the waters,*” He is with you (Is. 43:2). He created you for His glory, and He has redeemed you with His blood, that you may be His own and live with Him in His kingdom (Is. 43:1, 7). As you are baptized with a Baptism like His, so also are you united with Him in His death and resurrection that you “*might walk in newness of life*” (Rom. 6:4). For all who are baptized into Christ Jesus receive His anointing of the Holy Spirit and are named by His Father as beloved and well-pleasing sons and daughters.



The Baptism of Our LORD

JANUARY 12, 2025



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 601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized



1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Ho - ly Spir - it.



Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They are a new cre - a - tion.
Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it.



Through Christ's re - demp - tion they shall stand A - mong the glo - rious,
Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this sac - ra -



heav'n - ly band Of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.
ment we may E - ter - nal life in - her - it.

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.
Tune: Etlich Cristlich liden, 1524, Wittenberg
Text and tune: Public domain

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,

C **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.**

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

C **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

Matthew 5:23-24

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 45:6-8a; antiphon: v. 17

P Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,*
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.

I will tell of | the decree:*

YAHWEH said to me, "You are my Son; today I have be- | gotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,*

and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.

You shall break them with a | rod of iron*
and dash them in pieces like a potter's | vessel."

Now therefore, O | kings, be wise,*

be warned, O rulers | of the earth.
Serve YAH- | WEH with fear,*

and rejoice with | trembling,
for his wrath is quickly | kindled.*

Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him.

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 Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,*
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.

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:

C 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.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same 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

Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says YAHWEH, he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am YAHWEH your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,
I give men in return for you,
peoples in exchange for your life.
⁵Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.
⁶I will say to the north, Give up,
and to the south, Do not withhold;
bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the end of the earth,
⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Alleluia

LSB 190

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15–22

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Psalm 2:7, Isaiah 42:1

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
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 344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's 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.

Sermon

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

C Amen.

Please stand.

Offertory

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

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

LSB 194

C **And with thy spirit.**

2 Timothy 4:22

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; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. 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

C **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.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196; Matthew 6:6-13

C **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

P 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 197; John 1:29

C 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

C 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,

C 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 LSB 809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



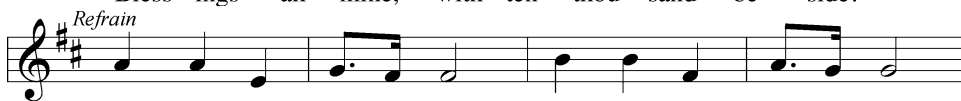
There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

PARISHSCOPE

Installation of Officers TODAY ... on Sunday January 12th at the 10:00 Service, please gather with us as we install all those elected to office at our Quarterly Voter's Meeting that was held on December 29th, 2024. We will hold a short reception after the service with light refreshments. We gratefully acknowledge the contributions of those officers who have served Holy Trinity faithfully in the past, as well as all those who currently are serving her now!

Preschool Board Meeting... Monday January 13th at 12:30 p.m. in the Church Office.

Community Garden Planning Meeting... Monday January 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Office.

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

Pastor's Evening Bible Study... meets every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

Our Next Midweek Communion Service... will be observed on Wednesday, January 15th at 7:00 p.m.

This Service, as well as all Holy Trinity Services, are live-streamed on our Facebook page:

[facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion](https://www.facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion) and on our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176> Service bulletins are posted on our website: [holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents](https://www.holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents) . Please join us in person whenever you are able.

Women's Bible Study... meets every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Center in our study of Ruth and Esther. Please join us!

LOOKING AHEAD...

47th Annual Pro-Life Breakfast... Saturday January 18th @ 9:00 a.m. Please see back page of bulletin.

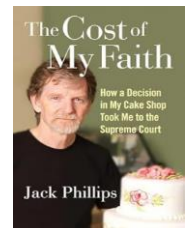


Movie Night... on Tuesday January 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, we will be showing the powerful epic movie **Cabrini** [imdb.com/title/tt14351082/](https://www.imdb.com/title/tt14351082/) the true story of an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889. Greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children, Cabrini sets off on a

daring mission to convince the hostile archbishop and mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. With her broken English and poor health, Cabrini uses her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen. We will provide drinks and popcorn, feel free to bring snacks to share, and please join us!

Sunday February 9th is Souper Bowl Sunday... and our next LWML **FUN**draiser. The week before Feb. 9th 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.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library... has over 370 items available, including **The Cost of My Faith** by Jack Phillips. **Why Not Just Make the Cake?** That's what people across the country started asking in 2012, when Jack Phillips told two men who walked into his Masterpiece Cakeshop that he couldn't create a custom cake for their same-sex wedding. Come to the office to borrow this book, see what else we have to offer, donate gently used books, CDs, and DVDs. You can browse our materials & request items to be placed on hold on the web @ [holytrinityalbionlibrary.librarika.com/](https://www.holytrinityalbionlibrary.librarika.com/)



PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing...

Mike Bowen

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 Guthrie

Violette Hosack

Nate Lawrence

Joe Moore

John Parmarter

Thomas Reiser

Timothy Reiser

Taylor Sisson

Jarrold White

47th Annual Pro-Life Breakfast

Featuring special guest speaker



KAYLEE STOCKTON

Teen mom, pro-life activist,
school shooting survivor

January 18, 2025

The Pro-Life Breakfast will be held at **Erie's Bayfront Convention Center, 1 Sassafras Pier on Saturday Jan. 8, 2025.** The doors will open at 8 a.m. and the program will begin at 9 a.m. Come early and browse People For Life's information and merchandise displays. Complimentary babysitting with entertaining activities for children of all ages will be available during the speaking program. **Two seats are available for free, on a first come, first served basis.**

Reservations are:

Teens & Adults, \$28;

Ages 3-12, \$22;

Under 3 Years, no cost.

Please contact Carolyn in the office if you are interested in attending this year's event with us:

htlcalbn@gmail.com or (814) 756-3426

*You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased.*

Schedule for this week

Jan. 13 – Jan. 19:

Monday Jan. 13

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

12:30 pm **Preschool Board Mtg.**

6:00 pm **Comm. Garden Mtg.**

6:00 pm **Fellowship/Ping Pong**

Tuesday Jan. 14

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm **Pastor's Bible Study**

Wednesday Jan. 15

NO Office Hours

7:00 pm **Communion Service**

Thurs. Jan. 16

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

9:30 am **Women's Bible Study**

1:00 pm **ParishScope Deadline**

Friday Jan. 17

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday Jan. 18

9:00 am **ProLife Breakfast**

Sun. Jan. 19 ~ Epiphany 2

9:00 am **Bible Study**

10:00 am **Communion Service**

11:00 am **Choir Practice**

Temple Servants for Sun. Jan. 19:

Reader – Debbie Bright

Ushers – John Niemla,

Ted Kelly

Elder of the Day – John Niemla

Elder – Chuck Stevens

Altar Guild – Carolyn Lindenmuth

Liturgical Color—Green

Kitchen Admin. for January –

Debbie Bright 814-746-0132

No Birthdays and Anniversaries

