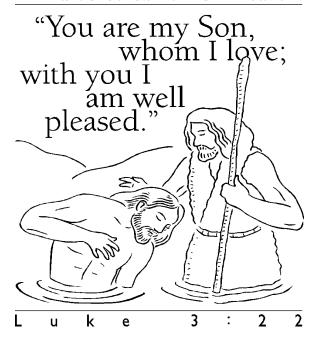
And a voice came from heaven:



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The First Sunday after the Epiphany January 9, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! We are pleased that you have come to worship our loving Lord with us today. In this Epiphany season, our Lord continues to reveal Himself to us as the Son of God who has come to redeem the world. And here in this place, through His holy Word and Sacraments, Jesus continues to show us the Father's love for us sinners. May we all continue to rejoice in God's abiding love for us all.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Almighty God, You anointed Jesus at His baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed Him as Your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in Your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

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₩ In the Name of Jesus Christ ₩

▼ The Preparation **▼**

The Flute & Piano Prelude

"Celebrate the Child"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 399

"The Star Proclaims the King Is Here"

- 1 The star proclaims the King is here; But, Herod, why this senseless fear? For He who offers heav'nly birth Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.
- 2 The eastern sages saw from far And followed on His guiding star; And, led by light, to light they trod And by their gifts confessed their God.
- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood The heav'nly Lamb in meekness stood That He, of whom no sin was known, Might cleanse His people from their own.
- 4 And oh, what miracle divine, When water reddened into wine! He spoke the word, and forth it flowed In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.
- △ 5 For this Thy glad epiphany
 All glory, Jesus, be to Thee,
 Whom with the Father we adore,
 And Holy Spirit evermore.

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The Invocation:

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.
- C Amen.

The Confession of Sins:

- God, in His mercy, saved us through the waters of rebirth and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit. Yet, through our daily sins, we have lived out the life of the old Adam in us rather than the new man who rose out of our baptism. Let us then return to the Lord and renew our faith in His promises, humbly confessing our sin.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.
- 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.

▼ The Service of the Word **▼**

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 2:7-11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

- P Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights.
- **C** I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

- Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.
- You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
- P Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.
- Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling,
- for his wrath is quickly kindled.

 Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.
- 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.
- P Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

The Kyrie Eleison:

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

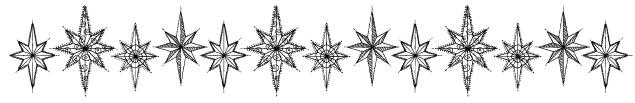


P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.





P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



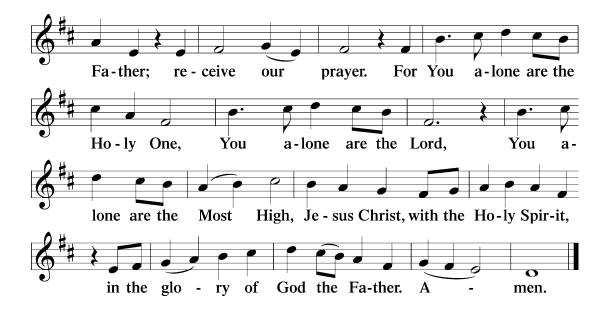
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

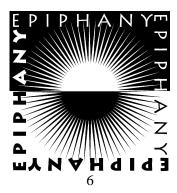


P Let us pray.

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.



The Congregation is seated.



¹But now thus says the LORD, 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 the LORD 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."

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

The 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 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.

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

The Trinity Singers

"I Heard the Lord Call My Name"

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel Luke 3:15-22

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



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."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Congregation is seated.

"To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"

- 1 To Jordan's river came our Lord, The Christ, whom heav'nly hosts adored, The God from God, the Light from Light, The Lord of glory, pow'r, and might.
- The Savior came to be baptized— The Son of God in flesh disguised— To stand beneath the Father's will And all His righteousness fulfill.
- 3 As Jesus in the Jordan stood And John baptized the Lamb of God, The Holy Spirit, heav'nly dove, Descended on Him from above.
- 4 Then from God's throne with thund'rous sound Came God's own voice with words profound: "This is My Son," was His decree, "The one I love, who pleases Me."
- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight Anointed Christ in glorious sight As God's own choice, from Adam's fall To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our Substitute! He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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The Sermon

The Heavens Were Opened

The Congregation rises.



The Renewal of Baptismal Vows:

Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we follow the pattern of our Lord Jesus Christ. As He came up from the water, He was anointed by the Spirit of God and declared before all as God's Son. So we also are anointed by that same Spirit; we are reborn and adopted as sons and daughters with whom God is pleased. As we rejoice in the gift that God has given us through the washing of water and the Word, let us now renew the vows and promises of our Baptism.

I ask you anew: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

- **C** I do renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?
- Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
- Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
- **C** I will with God's help.
- Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
- **C** I will with God's help.
- **P** Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
- **C** I will with God's help.
- Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
- **C** I will with God's help.
- Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
- **C** I will with God's help.
- Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

 Peace be with you!
- C Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Lord God, Creator of all good things, we pray Your blessings upon all that You have created. Sustain Your creation with Your mighty power and Your tender care. We pray that at the Last Day, You would restore creation to its former glory through the power of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God of all grace, shower Your forgiveness and mercy upon all who are baptized in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In Baptism, You have united us with Your Son, Jesus, that His death and resurrection have become our death and resurrection. Cause us daily to die to sin and to live in Your gracious salvation through Christ Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father in heaven, Your Son was baptized in the Jordan River to anoint Him to proclaim the kingdom of God. Move us to repent and believe in the Gospel of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Enable us in faith to cling to our Baptism and to God's holy and precious gift of grace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- O Lord, You give to Your people various vocations through which they show Your love to others. As You bless Your people with various talents and abilities, grant them the grace to use their gifts for the betterment of their neighbor and for Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Heavenly Father, You have adopted us as Your children through the waters of Holy Baptism. Strengthen us to live in the baptismal grace You have given to us. May our lives demonstrate true Christian virtue so the world might see the powerful witness of our faith in Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Ruler of the nations and King of peace, look with mercy upon the world You have made. Bless and guide the peoples of the world to have the ability to seek peace and live in harmony with one another. Give to the rulers of nations hearts that are turned away from the ways of war and violence and that seek the good for the wellbeing of the entire world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Great Physician, according to Your will, heal the sick among us, especially _____.

 Comfort them in their time of affliction, give them patience in their infirmities, and point them to the hope of the endless glory to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- Our God, who raised Jesus from the dead, we pray for those who grieve this day. Bless all those who have suffered loss of any kind. Comfort those who have suffered loss of property or financial support. Be with those who grieve the loss of family members, friends or loved ones. Bless all those who mourn with the joy and hope that can only be found in the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Provider of all good gifts, You abundantly bless Your people with all that is necessary for life on earth, as well as giving us that which gladdens our hearts. With those who rejoice we also rejoice, especially _____. May we ever give You all thanks and praise for every blessing that You continue to shower on us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lover of souls, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your fatherly care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you _____ and all those whom we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear all these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Gracious Lord, You offer grace to Your people in Your holy Body and precious Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Assure us of our salvation through this wonderful gift, that we would faithfully receive the Blood and Body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- King of the saints, with joy we remember before You the memory of Basil, Gregory of Nazianzus, Gregory of Nyssa, and all those who have gone on before us marked with the sign of faith and who now dwell with You in eternal light. Keep us ever faithful to You that we too may join with them in the everlasting bliss of the rest You have prepared for all who trust in You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- God has made us one in Christ. He has set His seal upon us, and as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

 The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

▼ The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 395

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

- O Morning Star, how fair and bright!
 You shine with God's own truth and light,
 Aglow with grace and mercy!
 Of Jacob's race, King David's Son,
 Our Lord and Master, You have won
 Our hearts to serve You only!
 Lowly, holy!
 Great and glorious,
 All victorious,
 Rich in blessing!
 Rule and might o'er all possessing!
- Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine, And deep within our hearts now shine; There light a flame undying! In Your one body let us be As living branches of a tree, Your life our lives supplying.

 Now, though daily
 Earth's deep sadness
 May perplex us
 And distress us,
 Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.
- At once there falls from God above
 A ray of purest pleasure.
 Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood
 Refresh our souls with heav'nly Food.
 You are our dearest treasure!
 Let Your mercy
 Warm and cheer us!
 O draw near us!
 For You teach us
 God's own love through You has reached us.

The Hymn concludes on the next page...

4 Almighty Father, in Your Son
You loved us when not yet begun
Was this old earth's foundation!
Your Son has ransomed us in love
To live in Him here and above:
This is Your great salvation.
Alleluia!
Christ the living,
To us giving
Life forever,
Keeps us Yours and fails us never!

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

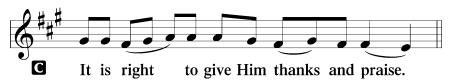
P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

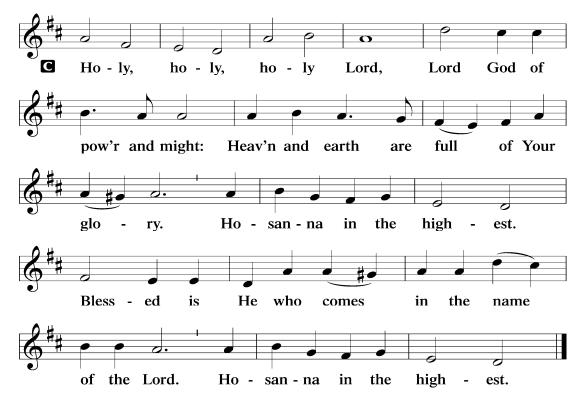


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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; 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:

The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord:

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."

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

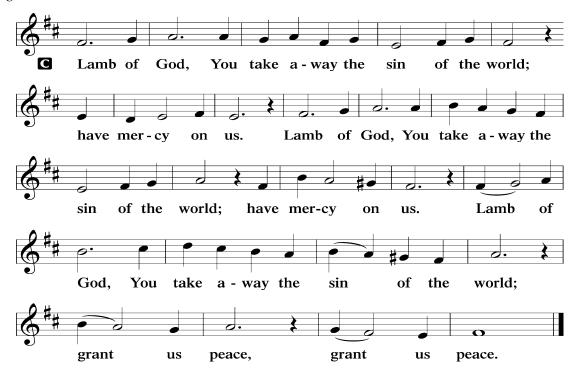
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 Pax Domini:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music During the Distribution: "God's Own Child I Gladly Say It" – The Trinity Singers

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

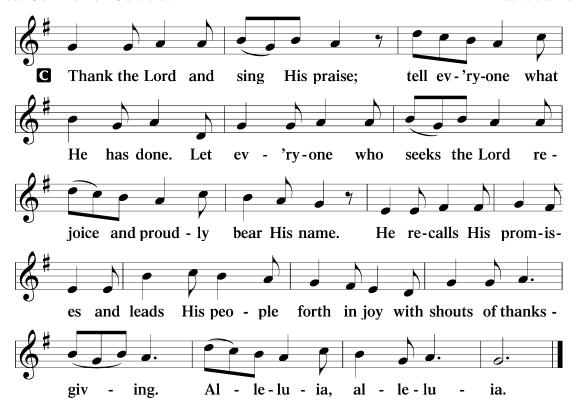
 → in peace.
- C Amen.

The Congregation rises.



The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Benediction:

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.



"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

O let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation!
Exultation!
Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of Glory!

6 What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is First and Last,
The End and the Beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

▼ To God All Praise and Glory! ▼



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The Flutist Susan Kennedy
The Parish Musician Skip Hall

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NOTES AND NEWS

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God by Pastor Schiebel in loving memory of the heavenly homegoing of his mother, Phyllis, 25 years ago, January 10, 1997.

COVID UPDATE ... As the Prince George's County Council has chosen to retain the current indoor mask mandate in our area through January 23, 2022, we will continue to follow their guidelines. We kindly ask those attending worship in person to continue to wear their masks while inside the church building. Our prayer continues to be that the Lord will continue to look on us and our world in mercy and continue to keep us from harm even as we all do those things which we can to keep one another as safe and healthy as possible.

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES ... have arrived! This annual aid to stewardship is available for you to pick up on the literature table in the rear of the nave. If you do not see a set prepared for you and would like to have one for your use, please speak with Pastor and he will be sure that a set is ready to be given to you. The envelope in the front of the box marked Initial Offering is to be used to help offset the cost of the envelopes for the church. A suggested offering is \$12.00.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... God is against our pride because He wants to give Himself to us. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, January 16, 2022, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Hazed and Confused", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK'S SAINTS...

January 10 **Basil the Great of Caesarea** (329-379), **Gregory of Nazianzus** (c. 330-389),

Gregory of Nyssa (c. 335-394)

Pastors, Confessors, and Fathers of the Church

Visit http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/ where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2022 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).



Dear Trinity Family,

On behalf of Rona and myself, we would like to take the opportunity to say "Thank you" to all those who remembered us this Christmas with your loving and generous gifts to us as those who serve you here at Trinity. We are thankful for your generosity, yet even more thankful for your kindness.

God's blessings be with you always!

In Christ's Love,

Pastor and Rona

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

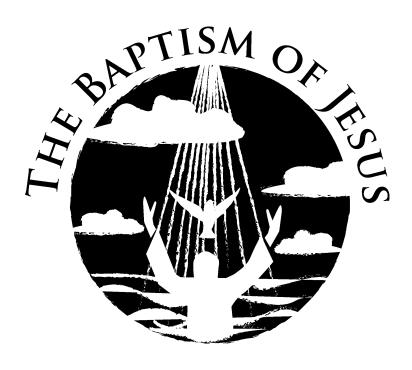
There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ...

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 16, 2022 Scripture Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11



Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- As the county has reinstated the indoor mask mandate, we ask everyone to once again wear a mask while in the church building.
- Physical Distancing Requirements have been lifted, so you are free to sit where and as you wish. Use your own best judgement as to how close you wish to sit to others.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

Thank you all for your continued patience and concern for one another during this time.



Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours will be:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9 -- 16 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Baptism of Our Lord: The First Sunday after the Epiphany

8:30 AM Bible Study

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

10:45 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

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CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, January 2, 2022 Worship Attendance: 22; Communed: 22.



▼ O Christ, Hear Us! **▼**

Intercessions for the Week of January 9, 2022

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty;

Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;

Alan, cousin of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers;

Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;

Catelyn, step-grandaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim; Sandy, relative of Kim;

Cherra, mother-in-law of Meghan; Jim, friend of Judy; Scott & Tori, friends of Matt;

Barbara, relative of Rick; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; John, father-in-law of Kristina;

Susan, friend of Kim; Jim, uncle of Paul; Kathy, co-worker of Joyce; Sherri, co-worker of Joyce;

Bernie, friend of Trinity; Nicy, aunt of Tracy; Howard, relative of Tracy; Marshay, relative of Tracy

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Christopher Elias and Justus Mayo, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Those Who Mourn

The Family of Agostino Pratico, father of Gus Pratico, who passed away on December 29th.

The Family of Della Maschauer, aunt of Paul & Ernie Ritter, who passed away on January 2nd.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ♣ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- **♥** Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.