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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

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of Your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O Divine Master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in Your Name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

Divine Service, Setting Two Lutheran Service Book, Page 167ff

✤ In the Name of Jesus Christ ♣

✤ The Preparation ✤

The Music for Meditation

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 814 "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

- O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join
 And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose favors are divine.
- 2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness And without praises die!
- 3 'Tis He forgives thy sins; 'Tis He relieves thy pain;
 'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses And makes thee young again.
- 4 He crowns thy life with love When ransomed from the grave; He that redeemed my soul from hell Hath sov'reign pow'r to save.
- 5 He fills the poor with good; He gives the suff'rers rest.
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for th'oppressed.

The Hymn concludes on the next page...

6 His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace By His belovèd Son.

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The Invocation:

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.

Amen.

The Confession of Sins:

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [**P**]
- **C** 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.
- С 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 **P** 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 37:1-5; antiphon: verse 7a, b

- P Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way. Fret not yourself because of evildoers; С
 - be not envious of wrongdoers!

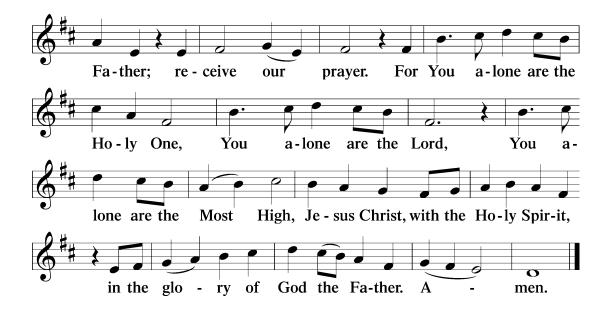
P	For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.
C	Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
P	Delight yourself in the LORD,
	and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD;
C	trust in him, and he will act.
C	Glory 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 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.

The Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.

O God, the Strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 45:3-15

³ Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

⁴So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are

yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' ¹²And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ...

³⁰Why am I in danger every hour? ³¹I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! ³²What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." ³³Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." ³⁴Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ³⁹For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. ⁴⁰There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. ⁴¹There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

⁴²So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Gradual and Verse:

Psalms 117:1-2a; 96:8; Luke 6:36

- Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!
 For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
 P Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- P Alleluia. Be merciful,
- **C** even as your Father is merciful. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

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



²⁷[Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

³²"If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 843

"Forgive our Sins as We Forgive"

- 1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You alone can grant us grace To live the words we say.
- 2 How can Your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart That broods on wrongs and will not let **Old bitterness depart?**
- 3 In blazing light Your cross reveals The truth we dimly knew: What trivial debts are owed to us, How great our debt to You!

4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls And bid resentment cease: Then, bound to all in bonds of love. Our lives will spread Your peace.

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The Sermon

The Measure of Forgiveness

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed:

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; 8

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.

The Prayer of the Church:

- In hopeful expectation that the Lord of Epiphany will brighten our dark world with the light of the Gospel, let us offer up our prayers to the God of all mercy.
- Gracious God, we bless You for your compassion and love which You pour out on us through Jesus Christ. You forgive our sins, heal our diseases, redeem us, and satisfy us with Your mercy. We praise and thank You for all the blessings You grant us in Your beloved Son, and pray that we may ever extol Your saving love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Grant us grace, O Lord, to confess Your pure Word with our lips, our hearts, and our lives, that those who hear of Your love in Christ may see that love and mercy reflected in our lives. Help us to be forgiving, loving, generous, and merciful. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

God of all compassion, fill us with Your Spirit so that, illumined by Your Word, we may see Your mercy at work even in the troubles which afflict us. As Joseph of old was satisfied to see Your hand at work for blessing in the midst of his sufferings, so empower us to exhibit patient and thankful godliness even in the midst of tribulation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- Lord, You would have all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. Send forth Your Word and give it free course. According to our callings, enable us and all Christians to be bearers of good tidings of great joy, and break and hinder the will of the devil, the world, and our flesh. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

P We implore You, O Lord, to look mercifully upon our country and its leaders, especially our President, the members of Congress, along with those who serve in our state and local governments. Deliver them from the temptations of their office, particularly from pride, power, and presumption, that they may be Your servants to curb the evils of sin. Give us the willingness to be obedient and do whatever is good. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Bless and help those who are unemployed or underemployed, that they may find gainful and honorable work. Grant them faith that they may face their daily uncertainties in the assurance of your mercy and aid. Provide for them during their time of difficulty, and give us courage to share from the abundance You have showered on us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Lord of mercy, give healing, now, if it be Your will to ______ and all who are sick, injured or recovering. Visit them with Your peace and joy that even in the midst of their suffering they may remain steadfast in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Consoling Father, visit and comfort the family of ______ and all those who mourn the death of loved ones, and grant them peace during their time of sorrow. Strengthen them in the confidence found in Your Son's resurrection, that they may be assured that for Your faithful ones, life is not ended but changed to new and lasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

God of grace, hear the prayers of all those who cry out to You in both joy or sorrow. Especially remember in mercy _____ and all those who have committed themselves to our prayers whom we name before You in the silence of our hearts.... Hear them and grant them all that they desire according to Your good purpose and will for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

O Lord, we often grow weary and faint, and sometimes even stumble and fall as the devil and the world confront us with their many obstacles and temptations. Feed, refresh, and strengthen us, therefore, with Christ's Body and Blood that our faith may not become weary in battle, but go from strength to strength. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- E King of the Saints, we give you thanks and praise for the lives of Polycarp of Smyrna, St. Matthias, and all of Your faithful who live now in the joy of the resurrection that You have promised. Keep us faithful to You and bring us also to that great day when we too will behold the glories of life eternal. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

P Now to Him who is able and ready to supply all human needs, whose light shines forth in His Epiphany, be all glory and honor, forever and ever.

C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

P Christ came and proclaimed the Gospel: peace to those who are far off and peace to those who are near.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always!

C And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

✤ The Service of the Sacrament ✤

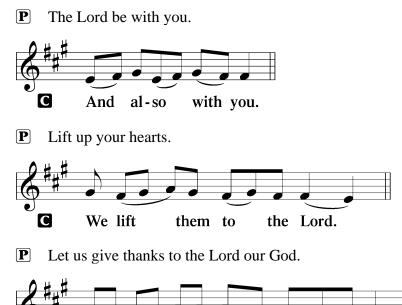
The Hymn of Preparation

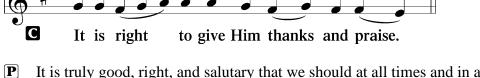
Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 845 "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

- Where charity and love prevail There God is ever found;
 Brought here together by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.
- With grateful joy and holy fear His charity we learn;
 Let us with heart and mind and soul Now love Him in return.
- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults As we our faults confess, And let us love each other well In Christian holiness.
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown; Let all contention cease; Be God's the glory that we seek; Be ours His holy peace.
- 5 Let us recall that in our midst Dwells Christ, His only Son; As members of His body joined We are in Him made one.
- 6 For love excludes no race or clan That names the Savior's name; His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

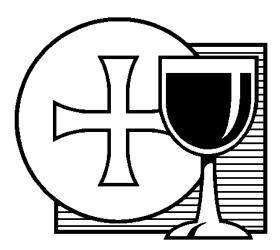
The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

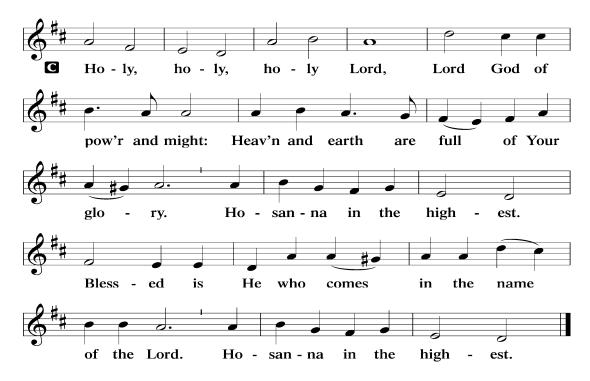




P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, 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:



The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

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 Lord's Prayer:

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- **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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord:

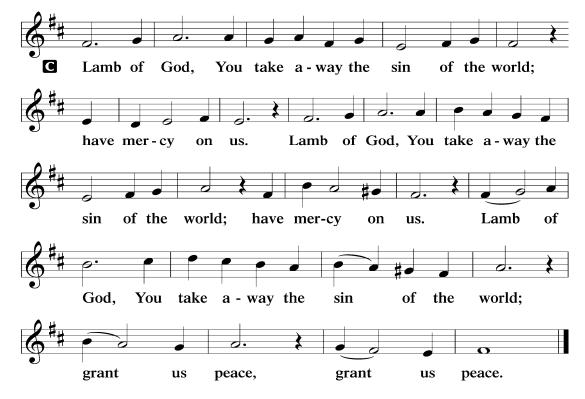
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had 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 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: "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

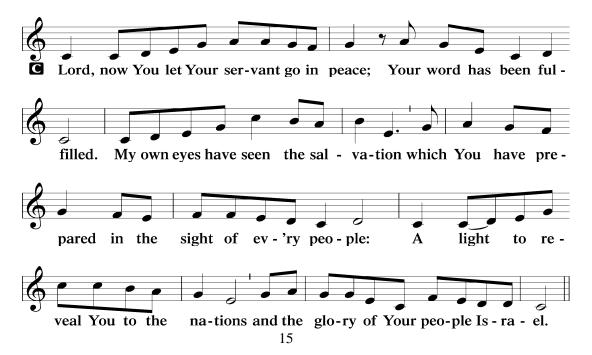
The Eucharistic Blessing:

- 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.

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The Post-Communion Canticle

Nunc Dimittis





The Post-Communion Collect:

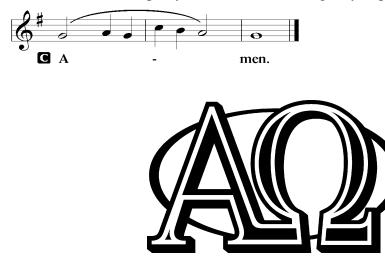
P Let us pray.

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.



The Hymn to Depart

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

- Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us; O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration For Your Gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of Your salvation In our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful To Your truth may we be found.
- 3 Savior, when Your love shall call us From our struggling pilgrim way, Let not fear of death appall us, Glad Your summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever Reign with You in endless day.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

✤ To God All Praise and Glory! ♣

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Those Who Serve Us Today

	The Celebrant & Preacher The Lector								The Rev. Peter A. Schiebel Waymond Joynes													
	The Communion Assistant								George Kurtzweil													
	The Worship Assistant									Paul Ritter												
	The Parish Musician							Skip Hall														
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NOTES AND NEWS

COVID UPDATE ... Owing to the continuing crisis with the current Omicron COVID variant, the Prince George's County Council has chosen to continue the current indoor mask mandate in our area through March 9, 2022. With this mandate extension, 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.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES ... We know that it has taken a while for us to put out a new and updated church directory, and we are happy to announce that the 2022 Church Directory is now available. Please pick up a copy on the literature table in the rear of the sanctuary.

LENT IS COMING! ... Please see the full page announcement in today's Bulletin for news about our keeping of Lent here at Trinity this year.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS ... Materials for your use during the coming Lenten Season are available for you to pick up on the literature table in the rear of the sanctuary. Packets for both adults and families with younger children are available. We will be mailing them out soon so that everyone will have them to use when Lent begins on March 2nd.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... Dr. Michael Zeigler recounts the life of Eric Liddell, the Olympic champion who ran with perseverance a much different race as a Christian missionary in China. Listen to the Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler next Sunday, February 27, 2022, for this message, "Greatness", 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...
February 23 Polycarp of Smyrna, Pastor & Martyr
February 24 St. Matthias, Apostle

Visit <u>http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</u> 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).

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 Transfiguration of Our Lord: The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, February 27, 2022 Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Hebrews 3:1-6; Luke 9:28-36



The Sacred Season of Lent at Trinity 2022

Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. We invite the members of our Trinity Family to keep this holy time in preparation for the celebration of Easter as we reflect anew on the great acts of love which our Lord Jesus accomplished for us and our salvation.

Devotional Materials for use at home

As is our custom, special devotional materials will be provided for each of our households for your own spiritual enrichment. Packets have been prepared for both adults and for families with young children. These packets are available to be picked up at church on Sunday, February 20th, and will be mailed out afterwards in hopes that everyone will have them in time for the start of Lent.



Devotions Available



Ash Wednesday Worship – March 2, 2022, 7:00 PM

We will gather together to begin our Lenten Observance with worship at Trinity on Ash Wednesday. Our worship this year will once again include the Imposition of Ashes for those who wish to receive this sign, as well as our hearing the Lord's Word and sharing in the Lord's Supper together.

Midweek Lenten Worship – Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 PM

You are invited during these Lenten days to walk with Our Lord Jesus in traveling on the way of His Passion. Our Midweek Services will lead us to reflect on these places and the events which took place there through our hearing of the Passion History as drawn from the accounts of the Four Evangelists.

March 9	The Upper Room
March 16	The Garden of Gethsemane
March 23	The Palace of the High Priest
March 30	The Praetorium
April 6	Calvary



Services will be held in person at Trinity as well as being livestreamed on our church Facebook Page. The videos will also be available for viewing at any time following the live service.

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 FEBRUARY 20 – 27 May Be Subject to Change

Today	The Seventh 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)						
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)						
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open						
Tuesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open						
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open						
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open						
Thursday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open						
Next Sunday	ur Lord							
	8:30 AM	Bible Study						
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion						
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)						
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)						

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, February 13, 2022

Worship Attendance: 25; Communed: 21.





✤ O Christ, Hear Us! ♣

Intercessions for the Week of February 20, 2022

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Carole, 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; 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; Jessica, co-worker 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

Angela Tankesley, Daniel Varona, and Amaria Dowling, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

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.
- \blacksquare 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.