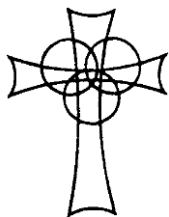


I HAVE CALLED  
YOU by NAME  
you are MINE



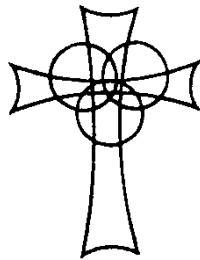
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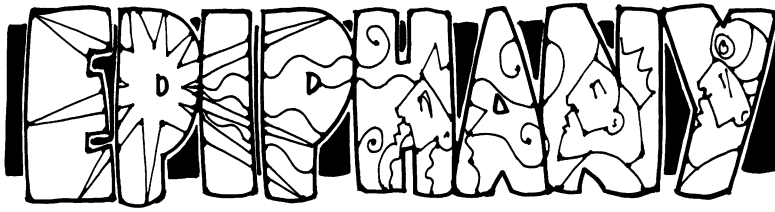


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the Baptism  
of our Lord

***THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 12, 2025***

***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.

***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

O God our Father, at the Baptism of Jesus You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be Your daughters and sons, and empower us all with Your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***CONCERNING 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. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



**THE DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT  
ON THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

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

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Prelude

“To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 405*

“To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord”



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own



heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: “This is My Son,” was



Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, “The one I love, who pleas - es Me.”

*The Hymn continues on the next page...*

- 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 Invocation and Opening Versicles:

*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.

**P** I will take you from the nations:

**C** and gather you from all the countries.

**P** I will sprinkle clean water on you:

**C** and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses.

**P** And I will give you a new heart:

**C** and a new spirit I will put within you.

**P** You shall be My people:

**C** and I will be your God.

*From Ezekiel 36:24-28*

#### The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

**P** Because God was merciful, He saved us through the water of rebirth and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit. But through sin we have fallen away from our Baptism. Let us return to the Lord and renew our faith in His promises by confessing our sins and receiving anew His forgiveness.

*from Titus 3:5*

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

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**P** 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.**

**P** Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.

**C** **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.

**C** **Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling,**

**P** for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.

**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** 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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

The Hymn of Praise:

*Gloria in Excelsis*



**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and  
 Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we  
 praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
 us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a - lone are the  
 Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -  
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



## The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**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** A - men.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>But 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.

<sup>2</sup>When 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.

<sup>3</sup>For 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.

<sup>4</sup>Because 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.

<sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you.  
<sup>6</sup>I 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,  
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

*Romans 6:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We 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.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We 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. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*The Congregation rises.*



The Gradual and Verse:

*Psalms 117:1-2a; 96:8*  
*Mark 1:11b*

- P** Praise the LORD, all nations!  
Extol him, all peoples!
- C** **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;  
**C** **bring an offering, and come into his courts!**
- P** Alleluia. You are my beloved Son;  
**C** **with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.**

*The Congregation rises.*

The Holy Gospel

*Luke 3:15-22*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.  
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John 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. <sup>17</sup>His 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.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But 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, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and 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.  
**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 595

“O Blessed Spring”



1 O bless-ed spring, where Word and sign Em - brace us  
 2 Through sum-mer heat of youth-ful years, Un - cer - tain  
 3 When au-tumn cools and youth is cold, When limbs their  
 4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, We breathe our  
 5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, Be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: Here Christ en - joins each one to  
 faith, re - bel - lious tears, Sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing  
 heav - y har - vest hold, Then through us, warm, the Christ will  
 last, re - turn to dust; Still held in Christ, our souls take  
 this blest mys - ter - y: That Word and wa - ter thus re -



be A branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.  
 rain, The boughs will shout for joy a - gain.  
 move With gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.  
 wing And trust the prom - ise of the spring.  
 vive And join us to Your Tree of Life.

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The Sermon

New Birth, New You

Text: Romans 6:1-11

The Congregation rises.



✠ The Service of Baptismal Renewal and Prayer ✠

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows:

- P** 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.
- P** At your baptism, you turned to Christ, repented of your sins, and renounced evil. Do you now renew your allegiance to Christ?
- C** **I do, and with God's grace I will follow Him as my Savior and Lord.**
- P** Do you believe in God the Father?
- C** **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**
- P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C** **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 God the Holy Spirit?
- C** **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.**
- P** Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
- C** **I will, with God's help.**
- P** 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.**
- P** Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
- C** **I will, with God's help.**

- P** 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.**
- P** May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by His grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Created in God's image, formed for His glory, called by His Name and washed clean in Baptism, let us come this day as the people of God's promise with the intercessions and prayers we have for all people as they have need.
- P** Blessed Lord, You wonderfully foreshadowed the promise of Baptism in the rescue of Noah from the flood, in the passing of Your people through the Red Sea, and in the ceremonial washings of Your law. In Christ and by His Baptism, You have kept Your Word and made Baptism to be the water of new life. Give us Your Holy Spirit, that we may become the new and holy people You have declared us to be. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy God, the nations still live in darkness and in the despair of death. Raise up prophets who will address them with Your Word and truth, and accompany this preaching with Your Holy Spirit so that those who hear may believe. Bring to a good end all the mission work, through our own congregations here, in our district and in every place where our Synod is at work to share the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious God, bless Your Church; Matthew, president of our Synod; William, president of our district; Peter and Gugssa, our pastors; and all church workers. Make them wise unto salvation and faithful in all the duties and responsibilities assigned to them for our benefit. Bless also those preparing for church work vocations. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**



**P** Lord of all power, all the might of man is nothing before You. We pray You to place Your blessing on all those who serve Your people in government, the police, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, disaster relief and the armed forces. Give them good and honest hearts for their service, and lead them by Your Word to know and do what is good and right for all people and in accordance with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord of compassion and mercy, no suffering passes before You unnoticed. Give to the sick, those hospitalized, those recuperating from illness, those in treatment and those troubled in mind and heart both Your healing presence and Your healing peace. Especially hear us on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_. Be their companion in solitude, their healing in affliction, their deliverer from trouble and their life in death. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Generous Father, we give You thanks that You so richly and generously provide for all our needs of both body and soul. Be with \_\_\_\_\_ and all those who rejoice in Your goodness, and help us to remember that You alone are the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord and Giver of Life, be present with those who mourn the loss of loved ones (especially \_\_\_\_\_), that they may be comforted through Your peace and consolation found in the hope of Christ's Resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** God of compassion, Your ears are always open to the cries of Your children. Hear our prayers for \_\_\_\_\_ and all the other needs and concerns we lift to You from the silence of our hearts... Receive all of these prayers and grant them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Loving Father, we come, as Your Son has bidden us, to receive at this altar His gift of His Flesh for the life of the world and His Blood as the cup of our salvation. Help us to commune this day in good conscience, discerning Christ's Body in this Eucharist and repenting of our sins, that we may keep in faithful hearts and with holy lives what we receive upon our lips this day. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Eternal God, You have made us Your own people by Baptism and granted us Your Holy Spirit to confess Christ in words and in works. We remember with thanksgiving St. Peter and all those who have gone before us, who passed on to us the sign of faith and who now rest in Christ from all their labors. Make us as faithful in our own time, and keep us faithful to the baptismal covenant in which we died with Christ so that we may be raised with Christ in perfect freedom to live ever, only, all for You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O almighty and everlasting God, do we commend all for whom we pray this day, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom be glory now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

**P** We are baptized into Christ: let us live in the Spirit of Christ.  
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 # 600*

“Mark How the Lamb of God’s Self-Offering”



1 Mark how the Lamb of God’s self - of - f’ring Our hu - man  
2 From this as - sur - ance of God’s fa - vor Je - sus goes  
3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age To live the



sin - ful - ness takes on In the birth - wa - ters of the  
to the wil - der - ness, There to en - dure a time of  
faith our lips de - clare; Bless us in our bap - tis - mal



Jor - dan As Je - sus is bap - tized by John.  
 test - ing That read - ied Him to teach and bless.  
 call - ing; Christ's roy - al priest-hood help us share.

Hear how the voice from heav - en thun - ders, "Lo,  
 So we, by wa - ter and the Spir - it Bap -  
 Turn us from ev - 'ry false al - le - giance, That

this is My be - lov - ed Son." See how in dove-like  
 tized in - to Christ's min - is - try, Are of - ten led to  
 we may trust in Christ a - lone: Raise up in us a

form the Spir - it De - scends on God's A - noint - ed One.  
 paths of ser - vice Through maz - es of ad - ver - si - ty.  
 cho - sen peo - ple Trans - formed by love to be Your own.

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*The Congregation rises.*

The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**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 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*:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



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:

- 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.”

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord’s Prayer:

- P** 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.

- P** 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:

**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 *Pax Domini*:

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

The *Agnus Dei*:



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The Distribution of Holy Communion

*Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.*

*Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.*



The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 594

“God’s Own Child I Gladly Say It”



1 God’s own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap - tized  
 2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap - tized  
 3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap - tized  
 4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness: I am bap - tized  
 5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing To this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,  
 in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:  
 in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,  
 in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness  
 com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth’s  
 Je - sus’ cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y  
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the  
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in  
 E - ven there I’ll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



trea - sures man - y? I have one worth  
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism  
 font I’ve trav - eled, All your might has  
 dust and ash - es Faith’s as - sur - ance  
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -



more than an - y That brought me sal -  
 did re - lease me In a dear for -  
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your  
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free      Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
 giv - ing flood,      Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?  
 tyr - an - ny,      God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
 strength di - vine      To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
 in - to Christ;      I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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*The Congregation rises.*

The Post-Communion Canticle:

*Nunc Dimittis*



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

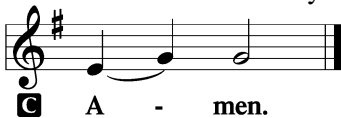


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## 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:

**P** 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

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 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.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠





*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for **2025** is now 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 now **\$50.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto: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*

*LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:*

**KFUO Radio**, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** We continue our study of Isaiah on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET) with chapters 19-24. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET), we wrap up John’s first letter, and continue with 2nd and 3rd John. Don’t forget to tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (January 18 at 11 a.m. ET) to learn about confessional subscription. What is it, and why do our churches practice it? Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or on the KFUO Radio app!

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... God makes us believers and the more we believe, the more we become involved in the institutions God made--church, marriage, family, and work. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, January 19, 2025, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "He Made Me a Believer", locally on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen online to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under "Media" and "The Lutheran Hour".

*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 FEAST...*

January 18      **The Confession of St. Peter**

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.



*COMPASSION CENTER NEWS...* Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. 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 ongoing time of 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.

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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 they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM  
Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD  
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

*PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...*

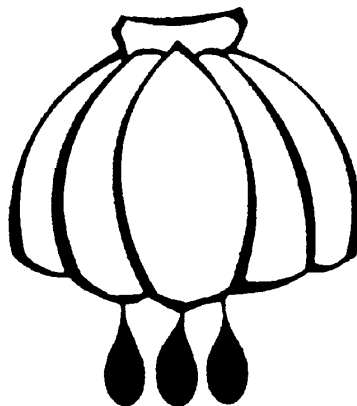
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 19, 2025

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11



**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 5 – 12**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<i>The Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord</i> <i>The First Sunday after the Epiphany</i>
	9:30 AM Festival Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	9:30 AM – 1 PM Circuit 7 Professional Church Workers’ Meeting at Peace Lutheran—DC
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00 AM Church Undecorating
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<i>The Second Sunday after the Epiphany</i>
	9:30 AM Worship 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)



## CHURCH STATISTICS

The Fourth Sunday in Advent: Sunday, December 22, 2024:

Worship Attendance: 27; Communed: 26.

Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Worship Attendance: 16; Communed: 15.

Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25, 2024

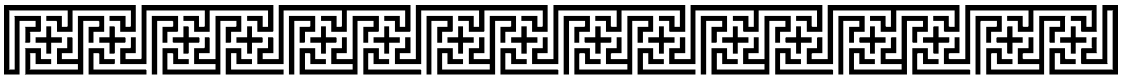
Worship Attendance: 10; Communed: 10.

The First Sunday after Christmas: Sunday, December 29, 2024

Worship Attendance: 16; Communed: 16.

The Epiphany of Our Lord (Observed): Sunday, January 5, 2025

Worship Attendance: 28; Communed: 26.



### *MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR DECEMBER 2024:*

General Offerings received (5 Sundays): \$18,137 \*

General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$13,783

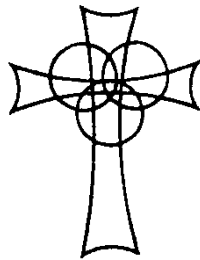
\* additionally, we received \$1,100 specifically for the sidewalk project - thank you!

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0

Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: ~\$53,763

*We're still planning for our upcoming sidewalk repairs (~\$13,000). Thanks to robust offerings recently, we have a little surplus in our checking account to help cover this, but we will still need to withdraw funds from Thrivent.*

*Overall in 2024, offerings were about \$11,500 above what we needed to meet the budget. This allowed us to put \$12,500 into our Thrivent savings. Keep in mind that our offerings for the year included \$4,200 from the Mekane Yesus congregation, and about \$17,500 in "outside" offerings (from non-members), which may not repeat in the future.*





✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of January 12, 2025**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, David, Tracy, 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; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;  
Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers;  
Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie;  
Nathan, son of Art; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;  
Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;  
Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;  
Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Craig, husband of Edith; Virginia, mother of Sam;  
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;  
Aidan & Family, friends of Joyce; Raymond, brother of Joy;  
Nancy & Family, sister of Vincent; Joyce, friend of Tracy; Daniel, friend of Cullen;  
Donald, friend of Cullen; Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda;  
Mary, former Concordia Teacher; Laura, granddaughter of Gus & Betty

**Thanksgivings and Blessings**

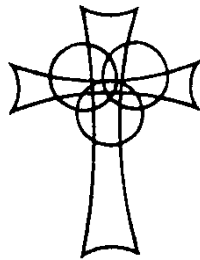
No birthdays or anniversaries this week.

**We Keep In Our Prayers**

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ 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 the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.

- ✘ 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 an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ 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 shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.





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***Sunday Mornings:***  
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live  
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*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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