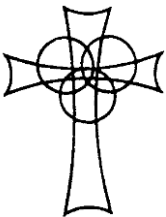


*... for my  
eyes have  
seen your  
salvation,...*  
*Luke 2:30, NRSV*



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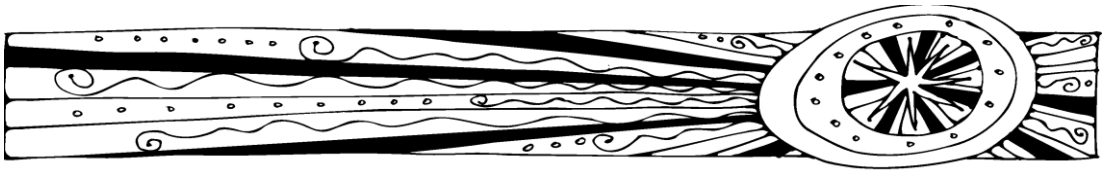
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# THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD & THE PURIFICATION OF MARY

**FEBRUARY 2, 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. Even though the world says that the celebration of Christmas is over, we still take the time to unpack and rejoice over the great Gift that God has given—His only Son, Jesus Christ. We hope that you will celebrate with us the gift of life and love that Jesus came to bring as He still comes among us even now in His holy Word and Sacraments.

## ***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, for You have sent us Your salvation. Inspire us by Your Holy Spirit to see with our own eyes Him who is the Glory of Israel and the Light for all nations: Your Son, 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 PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

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

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“We Will Glorify”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 367*

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”



1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in  
△ 5 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,



all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing,  
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,  
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,  
Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.  
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light.  
Ye have seen His na - tal star.  
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.  
To the e - ter - nal Three in One.

*Refrain*

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;  
Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

*Text (sts. 1, ref. 2–4): James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.; (st. 5): Salisbury Hymn Book, 1857, Salisbury, alt.*

*Tune: Henry T. Smart, 1813–79*

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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 and Absolution:

- P** Hear the words of our Savior Jesus Christ: “I am the Light of the world, whoever follows Me shall never walk in darkness but shall have the Light of life.” Let us therefore bring our sins into His light and confess them in penitence and faith. *John 8:12*

*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 48:1-3, 8; antiphon: verse 9*

- P** We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,  
in the midst of your temple.
- C** **Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
in the city of our God!**
- P** His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,  
Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.
- C** **Within her citadels  
God has made himself known as a fortress.**
- P** As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts,  
in the city of our God,  
which God will establish forever.
- 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** We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,  
in the midst of your temple.

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.



**C** 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.

Almighty and ever-living God, as Your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, grant that we may be presented to You with pure and clean hearts; through 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

*1 Samuel 1:21-28*

<sup>21</sup>The man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. <sup>22</sup>But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, “As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, so that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and dwell there forever.” <sup>23</sup>Elkanah her husband said to her, “Do what seems best to you; wait until you have weaned him; only, may the LORD establish his word.” So the woman remained and nursed her son until she weaned him. <sup>24</sup>And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh. And the child was young. <sup>25</sup>Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. <sup>26</sup>And she said, “Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. <sup>27</sup>For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me my petition that I made to him. <sup>28</sup>Therefore I have lent him to the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD.”

And he worshiped the LORD there.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## The Epistle

*Hebrews 2:14-18*

<sup>14</sup>Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. <sup>16</sup>For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## The Trinity Singers

“The Lord Is My Light”

*The Congregation rises.*



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

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

<sup>29</sup>“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,  
according to your word;

<sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation

<sup>31</sup>that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and for glory to your people Israel.”

<sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup>(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

<sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup>And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

**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 # 938

“In Peace and Joy I Now Depart”

Martin Luther’s Hymn Paraphrase of the Nunc Dimittis



1 In peace and joy I now de-part Since God so wills it.  
 2 Christ Je - sus brought this gift to me, My faith - ful Sav - ior,  
 3 You sent the peo - ple of the earth Their great sal - va - tion;  
 4 Christ is the hope and sav - ing light Of those in blind - ness;



Se - rene and con - fi - dent my heart; Still - ness fills it.  
 Whom You have made my eyes to see By Your fa - vor.  
 Your in - vi - ta - tion sum - mons forth Ev - 'ry na - tion  
 He guides and com - forts those in night By His kind - ness.



For the Lord has prom - ised me That death is but a slum - ber.  
 Now I know He is my life, My friend when I am dy - ing.  
 By Your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, In ev - 'ry place re - sound - ing.  
 For Your peo - ple Is - ra - el In Him find joy and glo - ry.

*Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; (st. 1): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001, alt.; (sts. 2–4): tr. Christian Worship, 1993, alt.*

*Tune: Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524, Wittenberg, ed. Johann Walter*

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The Sermon

Light and Glory to All

Text: Luke 2:22-40

*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; 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:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Heavenly Father, You sent Your only-begotten Son into this world to be the Light to the gentiles and the Glory of Your people, Israel. Bless Your people—Your holy Church—that we may continue to reflect the light of Christ’s glory to the world that all may come to find the true life that You extend to all people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Almighty God, in the depth of Your love for Your creation, You brought Your Son to the temple and placed Him in the hands of blessed Saint Simeon. Abide with those You place in the Holy Ministry of the Church, that their hands may ever be ready to deliver Your gifts to Your people and their lips bold to speak Your Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

- P** Gracious Father, as blessed Saint Anna waited in the temple for the consolation of Israel, give to Your people who await the second advent of our Savior endurance in our vocations, that we might do the good works You have prepared in advance for us to do. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Everlasting Lord, Your Son told us that persecution would follow His ascension. Give steadfastness and endurance to our brothers and sisters around the world who suffer threats of bodily harm or death because of the zeal and truth of their confession. Grant repentance to those who hate Your Church. Hinder their plans and thwart their evil intentions. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord of the nations, You sent Your Son into this world as the Prince of Peace. Bless our nation and all the nations of the world with peace. Bring war and violence to an end. Raise up faithful rulers who seek peace and justice. Protect all those who serve the cause of peace, especially the members of our armed forces. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious Father, You placed Your Son into the home of Mary and Joseph and through their care presented Him in the temple. Bless all our homes, that they might be places where Your truth is taught and confessed. Make all husbands and wives courageous and compassionate in their love for each other. And bless the work of parents as they nurture and instruct their children in Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, as Your Son has become a merciful and faithful high priest, making propitiation for the sins of all people, hear His intercession for His Bride, the Church, for those who suffer afflictions of body or mind, sicknesses and sorrows. Remember especially those who have requested our prayers, including \_\_\_\_\_, that they might be blessed by Your merciful visitation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Generous God, Your loving care for us day by day gives us joy. Be with all those who rejoice in the goodness and blessing which You have brought into their lives, especially with \_\_\_\_\_. As they celebrate the blessings they have received, may their hearts be ever moved to acknowledge You as the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Loving God, Your comfort and peace alone can still the sorrows of our hearts. Grant that (\_\_\_\_\_ and) all who mourn the death of loved ones find comfort and hope in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Gracious Father, You have promised that even when we do not know what to pray for as we ought, the Holy Spirit himself intercedes for us with groaning too deep for words. Through Your Spirit, hear us as we commend to Your care \_\_\_\_\_, as well as all of the other needs and concerns we lift to You from the silence of our hearts... May our prayers be in accord with Your will, and grant them, we beseech You, for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Everlasting Lord, You promised by Your Spirit that Simeon would not die until he had seen Your promised Christ. Grant us the same trust in Christ for forgiveness that, having received His Body and Blood on our tongues and in our bodies and beholding Him by faith, we might be prepared for the day of our death or the day of His return. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** King of the saints, we give You thanks for the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph; Saints Simeon and Anna; the Patriarch Jacob; and for all of Your faithful people who trusted in You and Your promises and to whom You have given the gift of eternal life in Your presence. Keep us, Your people, ever faithful to You and to Your Word, that we also may come to share in that life lived forever in the everlasting light of Your glory. 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** In the tender mercy of our God, the Dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

*The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 138*

“Thou Light of Gentile Nations”



1 Thou Light of Gen - tile na - tions, Thou Sav - ior from a - bove,  
 2 Yea, Lord, Thy ser - vants meet Thee In ev - 'ry ho - ly place  
 3 Be Thou our Joy and Bright - ness, Our Cheer in pain and loss,  
 4 Let us, O Lord, be faith - ful Like Sim - eon to the end,



Drawn by Thy Spir - it's lead - ing, We come with joy and love  
 Where Thy true Word has prom - ised That we should see Thy face.  
 Our Sun in dark - est ter - ror, The Glo - ry round our cross,  
 So that his prayer ex - ul - tant May from our hearts as - cend:



In - to Thy ho - ly tem - ple And wait with ear - nest mind  
 To - day Thou still dost grant us Who gath - er round Thee here  
 A Star for sink - ing spir - its, A Bea - con in dis - tress,  
 “O Lord, now let Thy ser - vant De - part in peace, I pray,



As Sim - eon once had wait - ed His God and Lord to find.  
 In arms of faith to bear Thee As did that a - ged seer.  
 Phy - i - cian, Friend, in sick - ness, In death our hap - pi - ness.  
 Since I have seen my Sav - ior And here be - held His day.”

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

- 5 My Savior, I behold Thee  
 With faith's enlightened eye;  
 Of Thee no foe can rob me,  
 His threats I can defy.  
 Within Thy heart abiding,  
 As Thou, O Lord, in me,  
 Death can no longer frighten  
 Nor part my soul from Thee.

*Text: Johann Franck, 1674; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.*

*Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1613*

*Text and tune: Public domain*

*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, who, sharing Your eternal splendor, was presented on this day in Your temple in the substance of our human flesh and revealed by the Spirit as the glory of Israel and the light of all peoples. 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.*

*Music During the Distribution:*

“Living Bread” – The Trinity Singers

*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

*The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 139*

*Tune: Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

“In His Temple Now Behold Him”

**1 In His Temple now behold Him,  
See the long-expected Lord;  
Ancient prophets had foretold Him:  
God has now fulfilled His Word.  
Now to praise Him, His redeemed  
Shall break forth with one accord.**

**2 In the arms of her who bore Him,  
Virgin pure, behold Him lie  
While His aged saints adore Him  
Ere in faith and hope they die.  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
Lo, th' incarnate God Most High!**

**3 Jesus, by Thy presentation,  
Thou, who didst for us endure.  
Make us see our great salvation,  
Seal us with Thy promise sure;  
And present us in Thy glory  
To Thy Father, cleansed and pure.**

**△ 4 Prince and Author of salvation,  
Be Thy boundless love our theme!  
Jesus, praise to Thee be given  
By the world Thou didst redeem,  
With the Father and the Spirit,  
Lord of majesty supreme. Amen.**

*Text: Henry J. Pye, c. 1825–1903, (sts. 1-3); William Cooke, 1821-94, (st. 4)*

*Tune: LAUDA ANIMA, John Goss, 1800-80.*

*Text and tune: Public domain*

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“In His Temple Now Behold Him”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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### *THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP*

The Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

The Lector

Tracy Peele

The Communion Assistant

George Kurtzweil

The Worship Assistant

Paul Ritter

The Choir

The Trinity Singers

The Flutist

Susan Kennedy

The Parish Musician

Skip Hall

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### NOTES AND NEWS

*LARGE PRINT HYMNALS* ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

*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.

*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)).

*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](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** We continue in the books of Isaiah on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET) and Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET). Tune in to the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 10 a.m. ET) to hear this month's episode of Searching Scripture, and join us as we revisit National Lutheran Schools week with some special segments! Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or on the KFUE Radio app!

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... Where we might see only a problem, Jesus sees a person who needs an Advocate. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, February 9, 2025, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "We Have an Advocate", 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](http://WFAX.com). The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUE.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](http://lhm.org), under "Media" and "The Lutheran Hour".



*PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...*

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany, February 9, 2025

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 14:12b-20

Luke 5:1-11



*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 AND COMMEMORATION...*

February 2      **The Presentation of Our Lord and the Purification of Mary**

February 5      **Jacob (Israel), Old Testament Patriarch**

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.

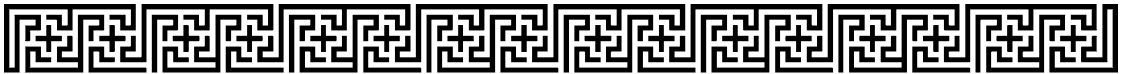
Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

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

**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2 – 9**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<i>The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord and The Purification of Mary (Candlemas)</i>	
	9:30 AM	Festival Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	ECCMYM 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
	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>Next Sunday</b>	<i>The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	ECCMYM Worship (at church in person)



**CHURCH STATISTICS**

Sunday, January 26, 2025  
Worship Attendance: 17; Communed: 16.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR JANUARY 2024:**

- General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$8,021 \*
- (\* includes \$114 from “Thrivent Choice” dollars)
- General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$11,951
- Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0
- Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds (12/31/24):\$53,298

*We’re still planning for our upcoming sidewalk repairs (~\$13,000). Thank you to those who have already made donations to the project!*

✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of February 2, 2025**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Delores, 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; 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**

Gary Holland, Erin Burt, Richard Hudson, Elouise Mathews, and Xavier Elias,  
who celebrate their birthdays 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.

- ✘ 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.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political discourse, especially during this time of our country's leadership transition.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ 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  
For more information, please visit the church website.*

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*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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