

Third Sunday After Epiphany
Sunday, January 24, 2021 – Traditional Service

THE KINGDOM
OF GOD
HAS COME NEAR;
REPENT,
AND BELIEVE IN
THE GOOD NEWS.

MARK 1:15, NRSV

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. Even though we are spread out and wearing masks, we are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope. Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended. Don't forget to register each week on our website or by calling the office (717-263-8156) for the service that you wish to attend, so that we can maintain appropriate physical distancing in our sanctuary. If you are a guest or visitor worshipping with us and did not know to register for today's service, no problem; we have kept open some extra seating just in case. Simply plan to register for the service next week – and we do invite you to worship with us again!

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Our nursery is not yet open, but the space is available for special use by individual families. If you visit the nursery to settle a child or change a diaper, please let one of the pastors or ushers know so that we can be sure to sanitize the room before the next service.

Ushers will dismiss worshippers at the end of the service row by row. Please wait to be dismissed, and conduct conversations and fellowship in the fresh, open air outside. We trust that as we take such precautions together, we follow our Lord's command to love our neighbor, and we help to ensure that we will be able to continue to gather for worship during the pandemic. Thank you for working with us toward that end!

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As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world.

Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way.

Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship.

Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.

PRELUDE

“Abide With Me”

Monk

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of goodness and lovingkindness,
you search us and know us.
You are acquainted with all our ways.
We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.
We turn inward, failing to follow
your outward way of love.
We distrust those who are not like us.
We exploit the earth and its resources
and fail to consider generations to come.
Forgive us, gracious God,
for all we have done and left undone.
Even before the words are on our tongues,
you know them;
receive them in your divine mercy.
Amen.

How vast is God's grace!
Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus,
our sins are washed away
and we are claimed as God's own beloved.
Indeed, we are forgiven.
In the wake of God's forgiveness,
we are called to be the beloved community
living out Christ's justice
and the Spirit's reconciling peace.
Amen.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service.

Strengthen us by your Spirit,

and make us worthy of your call,

through Jesus Christ,

our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.



WORD

FIRST READING

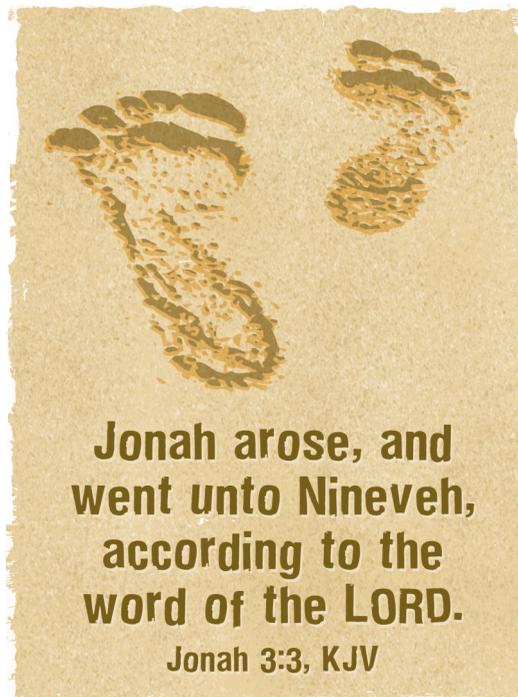
Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

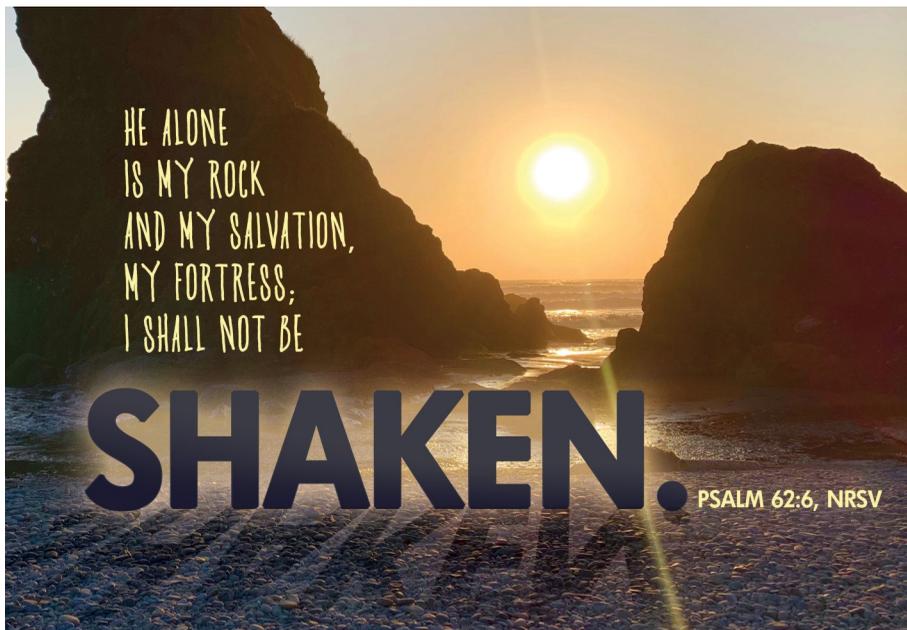


PSALMODY

Psalm 62:5-12

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

- ⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.
- ⁶**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**
- ⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
- ⁸**Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**
- ⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;
those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.
- ¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**
- ¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.
- ¹²**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.**



SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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1 CORINTHIANS 7:31

Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -



know and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the



name be known, will you let my life be
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and



grown in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

“God’s Calling: Where will it take us?”

Pastor Arlyn

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

Sherwin

**“The Time
Has Come,”
HE SAID.**



**“The Kingdom of GOD
Is Near.
Repent and Believe
the Good News!”**
MARK 1:15

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church throughout the world, for pastors and teachers, for deacons and deaconesses, and for musicians and servers. Grant strength and courage to all who proclaim the good news of God's reconciling love.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For skies and seas, for birds and fish, for favorable weather and clean water, and for the well-being of creation. Continue to nurture and sustain your beloved creation. Raise up advocates and help us all to be guided in our care for the earth.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who provide leadership in our cities and around the world, for nonprofit and nongovernmental organizations, for planning commissions and homeless advocates. Inspire all people in the just use of wealth and power, and where there is divisions, may we be drawn together in reconciliation.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who are sick, distressed, or grieving; for the outcast and all who await relief, especially: Scott, Jim, Dottie, Shirley, Christine, Kayla, Larry, Mary, Sherry, Linda, Tim, Cameron, Ron, Cheryl, Gillon, Jim, Becky, Bernice, Ayano, Marlene, Bertie, Bob, Heidi, Marsha & her family, Kathy, Mike, Jen, Erick, Kelly, Colleen, Robert, Wanda, Velva, Clarajane, Peggy, and William. In the midst of suffering, may your peace and mercy surround them.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

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For our congregation and community, for families big and small, and for the organizations that will one day meet here again during the week. May your steadfast love serve as a model for all relationships. Within our faith community of Trinity Lutheran, we lift up: Joyce Kovach; Doris Kriebel; Brian Lensbower; Chad Lensbower; Donald & Susan Lensbower; Betty Leonard; David & Pamela Leonard; Louis & Linda Lerda; Maria Lerda; and Lynn & Rick Lerew.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for our ancestors in the faith whose lives serve as an example of gospel living. May they point us to salvation through Christ. Be present with those who mourn the loss of a loved one, especially the family and friends of Rachel Houser and Bob Turner.

Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

P: Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

SENDING

THE BENEDICTION

God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

"As With Gladness"

Lowe

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Senior Pastor	<i>Pastor Aaron</i>	
Associate Pastor	<i>Pastor Arlyn</i>	
Organist	<i>Bob Eyer</i>	
	<i>8:30 AM</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>
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*The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God
and in honor of Trinity's children,
by Barb Montgomery.*

*Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and
in honor of Lois Hess-Strite's birthday January 30, 2021
Love, Elaine.*



LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: *Sunday, January 17, 2021*

In-Person	48
Online Worship Service Views:	154

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people."— Mark 1:17

Are you ready for a new kind of wellness routine in 2021?

Jesus calls all of us to follow him and become fishers of people.

It's a new kind of exercise with eternal benefits where we become Christ's hands,
feet, eyes, and heart in this world. Get ready for a real workout Jesus-style!

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 01/17/2021 Offering: \$9,341.68

Thank You!



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Vision

"Growing in God"

Mission Statement

*"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community
Steward - Giving to all the love of God
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"*