Sunday, February 4, 2024 - Traditional Service with Holy Communion Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. 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.

Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired.

This guidance may change if our risk level changes.

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired, there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

Please be aware that we are streaming our services. If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.

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In Isaiah the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars also strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up and healed to serve. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please use the Chapel beside the office if you desire silent prayer before worship.

PRELUDE

"Prayer of Meditation"

McDonald

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,
we pour out our hearts before you.
We have known you but have not always loved you.
We have wounded one another
and sinned against you.
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit
dwelling in each of us.
Remember your covenant.
Renew your creation.
Restore us,
that we might proclaim your good news to all.
Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken:
The time of grace is now.
In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.
By the authority of + Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.
You are God's beloved.
Amen.

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

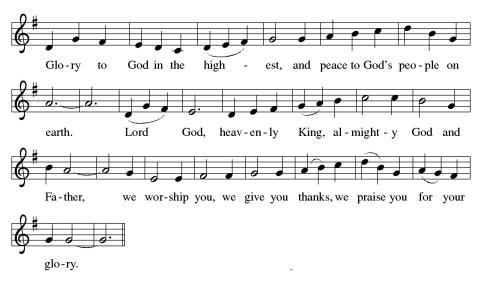


APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the one who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?
²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in;
²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see:
Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

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He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

The Lord heals the brokenhearted. (Ps. 147:3)

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!

How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

²The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the exiles of Israel.

³The LORD heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

⁴The LORD counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.

⁵Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to God's wisdom.

⁶The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.

⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God,

⁸who covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains.

⁹God provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰God is not impressed by the might of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,

¹¹but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD, in those who await God's steadfast love. ^{20c}Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the

gospel.

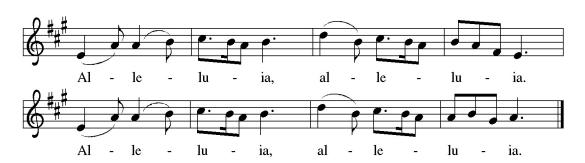
¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals people and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹As soon as Jesus and the disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he

would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Barb Barry

MEDITATION MUSIC "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Taylor

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

Names of family & friends in prayer found on page 17.

A brief silence.

Response following each petition:

L: ,God of grace,

R: receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you!

















OFFERING

Thank you for your generous and faithful support. We are not currently passing the collection plates; instead you may place your offerings in the plates provided by the door as you enter or exit worship.

If you prefer, Trinity offers 5 other ways to give as well: Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, & Online. Contact the church office for details.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

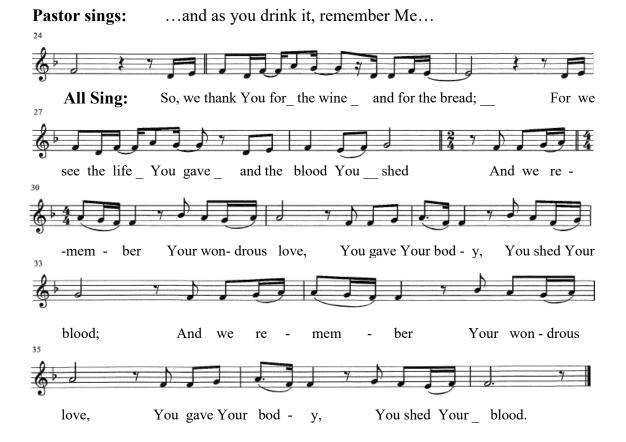
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION



THE LORD'S PRAYER

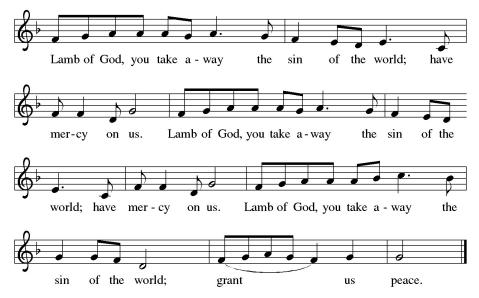
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, Let us pray as Jesus taught us,

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

Thanks be to God.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.
Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.
Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.
Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you
a cup of wine or juice from the tray.
Wine is red. Juice is white.
After drinking, you may return to your seat along the side aisle.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER THE BENEDICTION



CLOSING HYMN ELW 673

"God, Whose Almighty Word"



SENDING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

"Refresh My Heart, O God"

Powel1

The flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and to honor Maria Lerda on her birthday by her nephews and niece Nick, Kate, and Sam.





The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Nathan's 18th Birthday by the Wadas Family.

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:		
Sunday, January 28, 2024:	97	
Online views:	86	

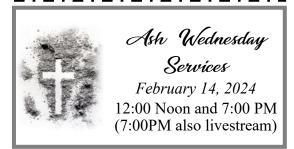
Next week's Lessons:

² Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9





WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Preacher /Presider	Pastor Barb Barry	
Organist	Barb Woods	
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Acolyte	Scout Troop 135	
Lector	Ben Atherton	
Cantor	Elizabeth Sutton	
Communion Asst.	Phil Lobaugh Cindy Scanzello	
Communion Prep	Ed Wlazlowski Helen Wlazlowski	
Livestream Team	Jason Brown	
Nursery	Brenda Runshaw Ken Runshaw	

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Family and Friends of Sister Barbara Barry
PJ Snider
Becky Morningstar
Judy Wrights
Linda Snurr
Diane Sterner
Dodie Tash
Paul Stockhausen
Barry
Stanley Shilling

Shirley Shilling
Judy Royce
Denny Verner
Sharon Emmons
Bob Shannon
Bea Clark
Linda Remson
Jean Baughman
Sue Lensbower
Doris Krieble
Greg Wilson

Doug Price
Deb Hutsler
Thomas Clarke
Brenda Zullinger
Marlene Fisher
Mary Royce
Phyllis Dusman
Floss Sterner
Curt Stambaugh
Cheryl Kelly
Cameron

MEMBERS

Douglas and JudyAnn Royce

Tammy McDonald

Mary Royce

Carole Rubeck

Ken and Brenda Runshaw

**Names may be added / removed by calling the church office.

**Names will normally be removed after <u>4 weeks.</u>

OFFERING

Total Budgeted Giving Expected as of January 28, 2024: \$235,480.95 Amount received as of January 28: \$257,214.63 Thank You!

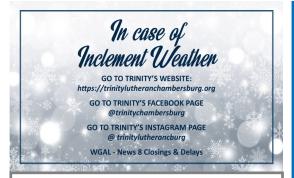
TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH EEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY SPECIAL OFFERING WOMEN IN NEED / HOUSE OF GRACE

Our special benevolence appeal for the month of February is for Women In Need. WIN is an agency dedicated to providing service to rape and domestic violence victims as well as women experiencing difficulties due to divorce, separation, or widowhood.

They provide a 24-hour hotel service, education, and a volunteer program.

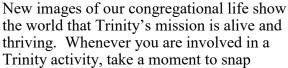
While it is an unfortunate commentary of life that such programs are necessary, we are grateful that our community does offer this much needed, and growing program.



During Inclement weather, Trinity Office Hours will follow the Chambersburg Area School District Schedule.

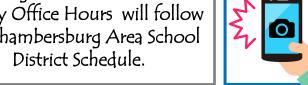
Say..."Cheese!"

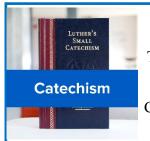
New and timely photos and video play a huge role in our evangelism on our website, on Facebook, and on Instagram.



several unposed shots and send them to:

> office@trinitychbg.org. Thanks in advance!





A Confirmation 101 refresher class is starting on Sunday, Feb 4, at 9AM in the Lounge. The class will run for 6 to 8 weeks during the Sunday School hour. Pastor Barb will cover the topics in the Small Catechism: Sacraments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, and the Commandments. Come join us in deepening your understanding of the basics of faith and encounter Christ in exciting new ways.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY			
Sunday - 2/04/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary Fifth Sunday After Epiphany Scout Sunday	
Monday - 2/05/24	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room	
Tuesday - 2/06/24	11:00 AM 6:00 - 9:00 PM 7:00 PM	Worship - Lounge Cub Scout Committee - Scout Room Property - Lounge	
Wednesday - 2/07/24	10:00 AM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Service - Lounge Yoga - Social Hall Choir - Sanctuary	
Thursday - 2/08/24	6:30 - 8:00 PM	Girl Scouts - Scout Room and Library	
Friday - 2/09/24	5:00 - 8:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM 8:00 - 10:00 PM	Discover Dance Works - Social Hall Cub Scouts - Scout Room Girl Troop - Scout Room	
Saturday - 2/10/24		National Umbrella Day	
Sunday - 2/11/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary Transfiguration of Our Lord	



A GREAT VALENTINE'S GIFT! DISCOUNT CARDS!

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The sale benefits Luther Ridge Community Residents.



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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"