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**Second Sunday After Epiphany**

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# Welcome to Trinity!

**A place of love, grace, and belonging, where all, without exception, are loved, honored, valued, affirmed, welcomed, and celebrated.**

If we can make you feel more at home, please speak to an usher or greeter.

As disciples of Christ working for peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and embrace all people, without exception, into the fullness of God's love. We advocate for racial, gender, queer, and economic equity. We celebrate people of all cultures, ages, races, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status, and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this community. All are invited to join us as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another.

## ADULTS & CHILDREN

Worship Bags are available in the Narthex or the Gym for children. Bags for preschoolers are tied with a white ribbon. Bags for elementary age children have no ribbon. After worship, used bags may be placed in the baskets next to the stands.

A nursery hosted by a member of the Trinity staff, Beth Oswald, as well as a small group of rotating volunteers who have been trained in Trinity's Child Protection Policy is available each Sunday morning beginning at 9:45 am to care for infants and toddlers who would prefer enjoying play time instead of attending 10:00 am worship. The nursery is located on the first floor of the Pence Building. Please reach out to a greeter or usher if you need assistance.

## PRAYING WITH US

We encourage you to participate fully in our service, as you are comfortable. We invite you to read aloud the **bold text**. Wherever you see ✠, you are invited to cross yourself. Other actions are indicated during the service, but none are required.

## LET'S GET CONNECTED

If you are new to Trinity, we are thrilled to have you here. If you would like to know more about this congregation and our ministry please share your contact information with us by filling out a Connection Card which can be obtained from the pew racks or baskets. Thank you for your presence among us.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Pastor Crowell's birthday by David and Donna Potts.

## Serving Today

**Jim Parham, Presiding Minister and Preaching**

**Drake McFayden, Assisting Minister**

**Frank Griffin,**  
Organist and Chor Director

**Lector**  
John Beckford

**Prayers**  
Esther Atkins

**Cantor**  
Richard Moose

**Guitar**  
Duke Barsody

**Communion Assistant**  
Jeff Waddell

**Acolyte**  
Clayton Dykes

**Nursery**  
Margaret Roth

**Children's Worship Opportunity Leaders**  
Jess Bigby and JL Dykes

**Praying for Possibilities**  
Lani Wise

**Refreshment Hosts**  
Chris and Duke Barsody

**Greeters**  
Sherry Cochran, Jo Lewis,  
Lane Lewis, Cathy O'Neill,  
Pat O'Neill

**Ushers**  
Carol Elliott, Danny Fagala,  
Pattimarie Janssen, Lani Ludian

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Henry Wilcox

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## God Welcomes All

### PRELUDE

### WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Please stand as you're able.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being,  
the Wind stirring the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice,  
**you call us to life in community,  
but we have served our own interests  
at the expense of our neighbors.  
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.  
We say the right words,  
but our hearts are far from you.  
Turn us to seek your face.  
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,  
that we may do justice, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

The former things have passed away,  
and new things God now declares:  
Like a spring of water that never fails,  
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,  
and forgives your sin in ✠ Jesus' name.  
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,  
and bless you with the gift of peace.  
**Amen.**

In the confession we admit the ways we have not lived as we were created to live, both individually, and corporately, and ask for forgiveness. The pastor declares to us the wonderful grace of God's promise of forgiveness, reconciliation, and the absolute remission of guilt.

Rise, Shine, You People!

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1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See, Christ now sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing,  
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Pro - claim how God sent Je - sus Christ to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in Christ is cen - tered,  
to bring us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.  
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing.  
Pro - claim the one, who life and free - dom gave us.



who comes to us, by death and sin sur - round - ed,  
All strug - gling peo - ple, who by guilt are driv - en,  
To all the world go out and tell the sto - ry  
Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion



with grace un - bound - ed.  
now are for - gi - ven.  
of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
God's new cre - a - tion.

**GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord is with you.

**and also with you.**

Let us pray.

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that  
through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and  
joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

The prayer of the  
day covers the  
wide variety of  
human longing and  
responsibilities of the  
church and humanity.



## God Speaks to Us Through a Living Word

### A READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.

- <sup>1</sup> Listen to me, O coastlands;  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
YHWH called me before I was born;  
and named me while I was in my mother's womb.
- <sup>2</sup> God made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
hidden in the shadow of the almighty hand;  
God made me a polished arrow;  
hidden away in God's quiver.
- <sup>3</sup> And God said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
- <sup>4</sup> But I said, "I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with YHWH  
and my reward with my God."
- <sup>5</sup> And now YHWH says,  
who formed me in the womb to be God's servant,  
to bring Jacob back to God,  
and that Israel might be gathered to God,  
for I am honored in the sight of YHWH,  
and my God has become my strength—
- <sup>6</sup> God says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
- <sup>7</sup> Thus says YHWH,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up;  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of YHWH, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

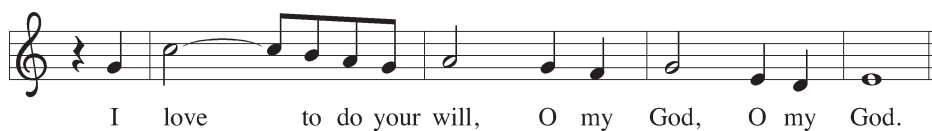
We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day.

The divine name, YHWH (pronounced YAH-wey), is the English transliteration of the four consonants of the original Hebrew. This is the name God spoke to Moses out of the burning bush, and is an ancient and extremely holy name for God. One of its possible meanings is "I am that I am."

## PSALM

The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

Psalm  
Refrain



I love to do your will, O my God, O my God.

Psalm  
Tone



- <sup>1</sup> I waited patiently up- | on the LORD,  
who stooped to me and | heard my cry.
- <sup>2</sup> **The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | miry clay,  
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my | footing sure.**
- <sup>3</sup> The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise | to our God;  
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust | in the LORD.
- <sup>4</sup> **Happy are they who trust | in the LORD!**  
**They do not turn to enemies or to those who | follow lies. R**
- <sup>5</sup> Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God!  
In your plans for us, none can be com- | pared with you!  
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!  
But they are more than | I can count.
- <sup>6</sup> **Sacrifice and offering you do | not desire;  
you have opened my ears:  
burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not required. R**
- <sup>7</sup> And so I said, "Here I | am; I come.  
In the scroll of the book it is writ- | ten of me:
- <sup>8</sup> **'I love to do your will, | O my God;  
your law is | deep within me.'**"
- <sup>9</sup> I proclaimed righteousness in the | great assembly;  
I have not restrained my lips, O | LORD, you know.
- <sup>10</sup> **I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and | your deliverance;  
I have not concealed your steadfast  
love and truth from the | great assembly.**
- <sup>11</sup> You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- | sion from me;  
may your steadfast love and your truth continually | keep me safe. **R**

Accompanied by Child Protection trained adults, children are invited to leave worship after the children's sermon to go hear the scripture read in ways more appropriate for their age. Using lectionary stories heard in worship each Sunday, the children not only hear scripture, but enjoy a related activity such as a game, craft, or music. Children return to worship during the sharing of the peace and in time to participate in the celebration of Holy Communion.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*You are God's Epiphany*



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Please stand as able.*



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

**GOSPEL**

John 1:29-42

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the first chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup> [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is the one of whom I said, ‘After me comes one who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup>And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the God’s Only Begotten Child.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by John exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard John say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>Jesus said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>Andrew brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at Simon and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

During worship, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus’ words and actions.

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Please stand as able.*

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak-ened bod - y, faint-ing soul;  
 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,  
 and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;  
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;  
 grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:  
 that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
 and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Text: Christopher  
 Wordsworth,  
 1807-1885, alt.

Music: SALZBURG,  
 Jakob Hintze, 1622-  
 1702; arr. Johann  
 Sebastian Bach,  
 1685-1750



## APOSTLE'S CREED

God has made us God's people through our Baptism into Christ.  
Living together in trust and hope, we 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

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*A brief silence.*

Gracious God, gather the church into one great fellowship. Equip your people to work together for justice and peace, following the example of Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, whose birth we remember this week. Grant us the resolve to continue the work he left unfinished. Give us the courage we need to speak truth, confront racist systems, and labor faithfully for freedom, equity, and peace for all people. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Creating God, sustain the web of life on this planet. Protect wild places, endangered species, and vulnerable habitats. Come to the aid of those affected by natural disasters. Sustain wildlife who continue to forage throughout the winter months, especially local deer, river otters, and beavers. Protect creatures who rest and wait for spring to emerge. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

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In the Apostles' Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by confessing the faith that has been handed down through generations of Christians. We "believe" (from the Latin *credere*, meaning "to put one's heart into") as an act of trust in the story of God's creating love, redeeming work in Jesus Christ, and life-giving presence through the Holy Spirit. We say "I believe" not as an isolated individual, but as one held within the faith of the whole church, the Body of Christ, which supports and strengthens us when our own faith feels fragile. When it is not capitalized, the word "catholic" means universal—affirming that this faith belongs to the whole people of God, in all times and places.

The Prayers of Intercession are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our Synod, and those connected to our congregation.

Just God, you desire respect and equality for everyone. Raise up prophets who speak truth to the nations. Embolden leaders and those in authority to advocate for people in need. When we fall short of bearing witness to truth, bring it into plain sight and teach us to accept and proclaim it. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Healing God, you lift up those who are bowed down by trouble, oppression, or illness, especially those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Bring an end to social injustice and inequities of every kind, so that all people may have abundant life. Journey with this congregation and our ministry partners as we continue to do the difficult work championing the rights of the Queer community, people of color, and those the world treats as outcasts. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Abiding God, you are present with this congregation. Keep us mindful of our mission and guide our ministries in this community. Kindle in us a desire to help one another. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Faithful God, you promise to be with us always. We remember with gratitude the faithful departed who now rest in you. Strengthen us to the end, that we may see you face to face. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

The Peace has been exchanged in worship since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.

## PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.*

*Please be seated.*



## God Invites Us to the Table

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Agnus Dei*  
by Hans Leo Hassler

Adult Choir

*Latin Text*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*English Translation*

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, give us your peace.

### OFFERING HYMN

*Please stand as able.*

## Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:  
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,  
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

*Refrain*



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

### OFFERING PRAYER

God of majesty,  
**no eye has seen, no ear has heard**  
**what you have prepared for those who love you,**  
**yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.**  
**Use what we have gathered**  
**to feed us with the reign of God come near,**  
**Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to God as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are. Financial contributions can be placed in the offering plates during worship, mailed to the church, or given electronically by going to our website [trinitylutheran.ws](http://trinitylutheran.ws), by scanning the QR code, or texting TLCGIVE to 73256.



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Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

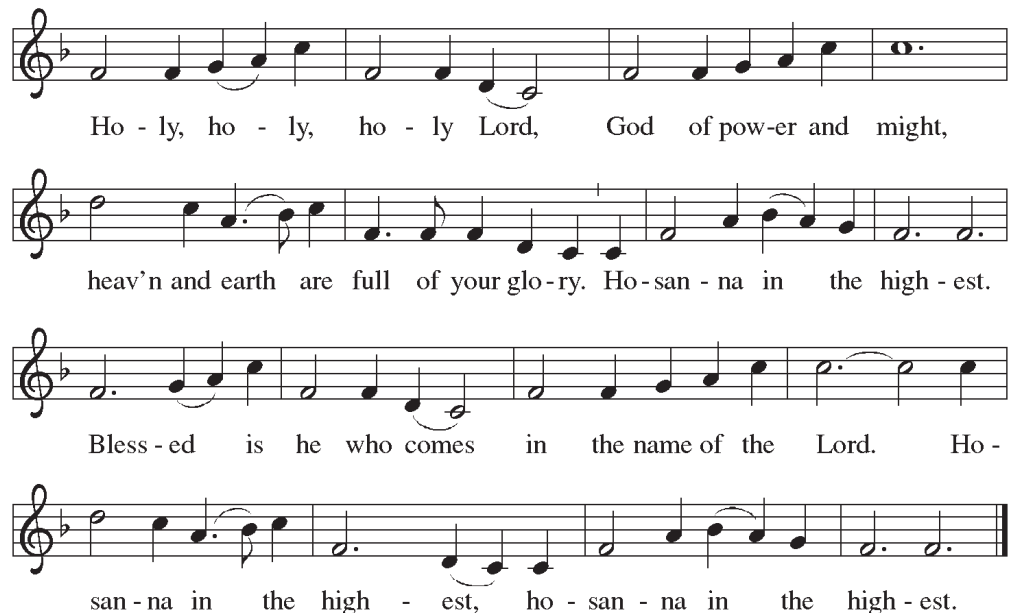
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star Christ was shown forth to all nations;  
in the waters of baptism you proclaimed Christ your beloved child;  
and in the miracle of water turned to wine your glory was revealed;  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.



## LORD'S PRAYER

**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 INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION

*All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice— wine in the larger section and grape juice in the smaller section. Christ's grace and forgiveness is found in the bread, wine, and grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available.*

*At the direction of the ushers, worshippers are invited to move to the front of the center aisle to dip the wafer into the chalice to receive Communion by intinction.*

The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in Communion.

In an effort to further embrace Trinity's mission of welcome, affirmation, and hospitality, both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice.

## Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.



## Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you  
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant  
 3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the  
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be

came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as  
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's  
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to  
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may

ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.  
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.  
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.  
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

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IHR CHRISTEN,  
Nikolaus Herman,  
1480-1561

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## He Comes to Us as One Unknown



1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -  
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -  
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and  
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and  
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -



heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in  
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -  
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the  
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a  
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.  
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.  
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.  
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.  
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.



## Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L.  
Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM,  
LORD, Daniel L.  
Schutte

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Text: John L. Bell, b.  
1949

# Will You Come and Follow Me

## *The Summons*

Music:  
KELVINGKOVE,  
scotish traditional

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1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
your name? Will you care for cruel and  
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
kind and nev - er be the same?  
free and nev - er be the same?  
side and nev - er be the same?  
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as -  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
pray'r in you and you in me?"  
mean in you and you in me?"  
sound in you and you in me?"  
grow in you and you in me.



## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*Please stand as able.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Radiant God,  
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
In the sacrament of his body and blood  
you have drawn us to your heart.  
Send us from this table with delight,  
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,  
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## God Sends Us to Love and Serve the World

## BLESSING

May the Triune God,  
who has put a new song in your mouth  
and tuned your heart for praise  
(+) bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

After Communion,  
we give thanks for  
being part of the  
communion of God's  
life and for being fed  
so that we may go  
out to feed and serve  
others in our world.

SENDING HYMN

# We Are Marching in the Light of God

*Siyahamba*

*Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*  
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

*nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*  
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,  
*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - , kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.  
*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Si - ya - ham - ba* \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_  
We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_

*Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,*  
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba \_\_\_\_\_ oo \_\_\_\_\_  
We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ oo \_\_\_\_\_

Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,  
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Additional stanzas ad lib.*

We are dancing ...

We are praying ...

We are singing ...

Text: South African  
traditional; tr.  
*Freedom is Coming*,  
1984

Music: SIYAHAMBA,  
South African  
traditional; arr  
*Freedom is Coming*

Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Following worship everyone is invited to gather for refreshments and fellowship on the front lawn*

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*Faith Exploration for all ages*



**Celebrating our Baptism!  
Activities by age group**



**A variety of hot soups and sandwiches will be served for lunch.**

**Sunday, January 25 following worship**



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# Activities & Opportunities



January 18, 2026

Our Christian Sympathy is expressed to the family of Marilyn Boeker at her death on January 13.

Pastor Crowell is away today on vacation.

Patrick Preacher is away today on vacation.

**Adult Faith Formation.** Please consider attending Adult Faith Exploration prior to worship Sundays at 9:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13. Below is the teacher and topic schedule for January. New discussion leaders are always welcome. Contact Patrick Preacher via text, 864-483-2590, if you are interested in leading.

- **January 25:** Chaplain Missy Roberts will lead a discussion about processing grief and loss through a Christian lens.

**Church Office Closed.** The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 19 in observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**Offering Tellers Needed.** The Church Office staff is looking for volunteers to count offering and prepare the bank deposit each week. Two volunteers (non-related individuals) are needed to count on Thursday mornings at 9:30 am. The process should take an hour or less. If interested in volunteering, please reach out to Kay Cook in the Church Office via email at kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws.

The **Trinity Lutheran Church History Reading Group** will meet following worship in the Church Parlor to discuss *The Great Influenza* by John Barry. David Potts will lead the discussion. All are welcome to attend. Contact Don Todd at dktodd47@gmail.com, 803-517-8129 or Bob Schirmer at rwschirmer@gmail.com, 419-348-6508 with questions. A video link will be available.

**A Class on Spiritual Disciplines.** In *The Awakened Brain* by Lisa Miller, research shows that those who regularly participate in spiritual disciplines are 20% more resilient than those who do not. A small group will gather on Thursdays, January 22 and January 29, at 10:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13 to learn more about and practice several spiritual disciplines designed to encourage, uplift, soothe, comfort, and connect to the vastness of God's love and grace for all of God's beloveds. This small group gathering will be facilitated by Renee Heiliger and Pastor Susan Crowell and will be limited to 15 participants. Participants may register for one or both sessions as each session will focus on different practices. To register for this learning opportunity, reach out to Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws.

**Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership.** All Trinity team members are invited to join a brief meeting here at Trinity on Monday, February 2 at 6:00 to receive information on the research teams' progress and to plan inviting other Trinity members and friends to the Nehemiah Action in April. If you have any questions please contact Cathy O'Neill at cathyate51@gmail.com.

**Women in Challenging Relationships.** Trinity is hosting a group for female-identifying persons who are struggling with toxic relationships in their lives and navigating the challenges that come with these relationships. It will be a judgment free time to find community with others struggling with similar issues. Jerry Wesley, Trinity's Coordinator for Mental Health Wellness, will be hosting the group this group following worship today on the first floor of the Education Building. Childcare will be provided.

## Week at a Glance

TODAY	MON, JAN 19	WED, JAN 21	THURS, JAN 22	FRI, JAN 23	SUN, JAN 25
<b>After Church</b> History Reading Group	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b> Church Office Closed	<b>6:00 pm</b> Handbell Practice  <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir Practice	<b>10:00 am</b> Spiritual Disciplines Group	<b>10:00 am</b> Mahjong Group in Parlor	<b>11:30 am</b> Together@Trinity  <b>1:30 pm</b> Congregation Council