



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Welcomes You!

10:00a.m. Worship Service & Communion
[Sunday School]

11:00a.m. Fellowship Hour

*We are a church that actively shares
a living, daring, confidence in God's grace
with our community and the world.*

January 2, 2025

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)

May the presence of the Almighty bless and comfort you, so you
leave here renewed and prepared for the week ahead.

Congregation please stand if able when indicated by the Pastor

You are also invited to say the words in **bold type**.

PRELUDE MUSIC (*a time of quiet preparation and heart reflection*)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Merciful God, ***you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.***

GREETING

GATHERING SONG

ELW#732

[Borning Cry]

KYRIE:

ELW p.184

This Is The Feast:

ELW p. 187 & 188

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 1:4-10

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." 6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." 7 But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. 8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." 9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. 10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM: Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, O Lord, have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

¹ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p.188 "ALLELUIA"

GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE, THE 4TH CHAPTER.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³ He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴ And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷ There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

*SONG OF THE DAY

Arise, Your Light Has Come ELW#: 314

APOSTLES CREED ELW p.105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will conclude with "God of grace"

The congregation's response is: "hear our prayer."

Pray for those in need of God's healing, for those with medical//health

Pray for those in need for God's peace, for those who lost loved ones

PEACE

OFFERING

The offering table is in the narthex, outside the sanctuary doors.

Giving is a reminder of the blessings God gives us and gave to us through Jesus Christ.

Tithes & offerings are gathered for the support and mission of the church, including the care of those in need within our community and beyond.



PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:

Everything That We Have

Everything that we have everything that we are every moment is a blessing from above

It's endless love that we breathe

it's endless love that we receive-

what has freely come we now let freely go.

Working hard to survive is no guarantee

For the deck is always stacked against the poor

***If we'd use just what we need
Reject the creeping cancer of greed
Like a miracle the hungry could be fed
May we show gratitude in the way that we live
Not with pompous prayers and not with fancy feasts
Imagine how the world should be
Then take a risk to build this dream
That's the offering that God is asking for***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING COMMUNION

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.

† we praise your name and join their unending hymn †

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p.190

CHRIST'S WORDS AT THE TABLE

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith...

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p.191

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited forward for communion.

Kneel at the altar rail where you will receive communion by individual cup.

Red wine and white grape juice are available.

Gluten-free wafers are also available.

If you would just like to receive a blessing, come with your arms folded in prayer.

LAMB OF GOD ELW p.191

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

SENDING SONG *ELW#: 537*

[On Our Way Rejoicing]

DISMISSAL: ***Thanks be to God.***

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The budgeted income and expenditure totals will be posted up on the overflow bulletin board each week by the finance manager, Lisa Gregg