

December 25, 2025 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Christmas Day 10:00am

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Trinity Lutheran Church

Reverend Jack Mackowiak



"To share the good news of Jesus Christ"



"To serve as God guides us to bring people closer to Jesus Christ through worship, Bible studies, prayer and fellowship"

WELCOME!!!

A warm joyous welcome to all who gather to bear witness to the life of Jesus, our King of Kings!

OUR RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:

Members and guests: Please register your attendance in the red pad located at the end of each row. We ask our guests to please print your complete address and phone number. When it reaches the other end of the row, pass it back. Upon its return note the other names; you may meet a new friend in Christ today.

Please turn off your cell phone.
If you desire a hearing assistance unit, speak with an usher.

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CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE December 25, 2025

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC Joan Egeland

"WHAT CHILD IS THIS?"

Arr. Lloyd Larson

"THE FIRST NOEL"

Arr. Lloyd Larson

SPECIAL MUSIC - Sisters in Christ

"THE FRIENDY BEASTS"

Traditional English Carol

"BRING A TORCH, JEANNETTE, ISABELLA

Traditional French Carol

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please stand]

OPENING HYMN "JOY TO THE WORLD" LSB #387 Text: Public domain

- Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy
- No more let sins and sorrows grow Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4 He rules the world with truth and grace
 And makes the nations prove
 The glories of His righteousness
 And wonders of His love,
 And wonders of His love,
 And wonders, wonders of His love.

INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Today we celebrate something wonderful! Jesus Christ is born today so that our sins would be forgiven. It is very important for us to know that Jesus came to save us from our sins. So, every time I say, "Jesus Christ is born today," I want you to say, "To save us from our sins." Let's try it. Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- Let us pray...Dear Jesus, You came into this world as a tiny baby so that You could live with us and save us from our sins. Help us rejoice today with the angels in heaven and the shepherds who heard them. Increase our faith to believe that You truly did come as a baby and that Your salvation is forever. All this we pray in Your name,
- C Amen.
- P Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!

[please be seated]

THE PROPHECY OF THE LIGHT - Isaiah 9

- **P** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
- those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them a light has dawned.
- P You have multiplied the nation; You have increased its joy;
- they rejoice before You as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.
- **P** For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given;
- and the government shall be upon His shoulder,
- and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- Of the increase of His government and of peace there will be no end.

HYMN - "ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY"

LSB #367 vs 1-3 Text: Public domain

- Angels from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Ye who sang creation's story, Now proclaim Messiah's birth.
- 3 Sages, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar; Seek the great Desire of nations, Ye have seen His natal star. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Come and worship, come and worship; Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds in the field abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night, God with us is now residing, Yonder shines the Infant Light. *Refrain*

THE PREPARATION FOR THE LIGHT - Luke 1

- An angel came to Mary and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!"
- But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

- And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.
- And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."
- P And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"
- And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy the Son of God."
- And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

THE PREPARATION FOR THE LIGHT, Pt. 2 – Matthew 1

- Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.
- And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.
- But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.
- She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."
- P All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:
- "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).
- When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called His name Jesus. Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!

HYMN

"GENTLE MARY LAID HER CHILD"

LSB #374 Text: Public domain

- 1 Gentle Mary laid her child Lowly in a manger; There He lay, the Undefiled, To the world a stranger. Such a babe in such a place, Can He be the Savior? Ask the saved of all the race Who have found His favor.
- 2 Angels sang about His birth, Wise Men sought and found Him; Heaven's star shone brightly forth Glory all around Him. Shepherds saw the wondrous sight, Heard the angels singing; All the plains were lit that night, All the hills were ringing.
- 3 Gentle Mary laid her child
 Lowly in a manger;
 He is still the Undefiled
 But no more a stranger.
 Son of God of humble birth,
 Beautiful the story;
 Praise His name in all the earth;
 Hail the King of glory!

THE COMING OF THE LIGHT - Luke 2

P At that time Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register.

Men: So Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the town of Bethlehem, the birthplace of David, because he was a descendant of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him.

Women: She was pregnant, and while they were there, the time came for the baby to be born. She gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

- And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear.
- And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.
- And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."
- And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,
- "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"
- When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."
- And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.
- And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them.
- But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.
- And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!



HYMN

"ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH"

LSB #368 Text: Public domain

 Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains.

> Refrain Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2 Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be Which inspire your heav'nly song? Refrain 3 Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Refrain

WISE MEN FIND THE CHRISTMAS ROSE - Matthew 2

- Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying,
- "Where is He who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him."
- When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him,
- "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."
- Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared.
- And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."

- After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was.
- When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.
- And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him.
- Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh.
- And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way. Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!

ANTHEM

"REJOICE, WITH EXCEEDING GREAT JOY"

Words by Lanny Wolfe; Arr. by Jay Rouse

The Trinity Choir Accompanied by Wanda David on Bongos

HYMN "HAIL THOU, OUR SAVIOR"

(tune: LSB #789 Praise and Thanksgiving)

- Hail, Thou, our Savior, born Christmas morning. Great God of heaven to earth come down. Gentle we greet Thee; gladly we welcome He who's incarnate, Emmanuel.
- Angels from heaven Your birth proclaiming Echoing praises throughout the earth. Gladly we join in their adulation, Joyful receive Him who gives rebirth.
- 3. Hail Christmas morning, gladly we greet thee. Joyfully gather, worship and praise. Hail our Lord Jesus, born Christmas morning Freeing His people, bringing us grace.

SERMON

"Singing the Song of Christmas" Luke 2:1-14 Pastor Jack Mackowiak

OFFERING

"INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY" LSB #393 Text: Public domain

- Infant holy, Infant lowly, For His bed a cattle stall; Oxen lowing, Little knowing Christ the child is Lord of all. Swiftly winging, Angels singing, Bells are ringing, Tidings bringing: Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!
- 2 Flocks were sleeping, Shepherds keeping Vigil till the morning new Saw the glory, Heard the story, Tidings of a Gospel true. Thus rejoicing, Free from sorrow, Praises voicing, Greet the morrow: Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

[Please stand]

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(after each petition:)

P Lord, in Your mercy; C Hear our prayer.

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

(please be seated)

AGNUS DEI

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION

"ONLY A BABY CAME"

Natalie Sleeth; Arr. by David Giardiniere

Sisters in Christ

"SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT"

LSB #363 Text: Public domain

- 1 Silent night, holy night!
 All is calm, all is bright
 Round yon virgin mother and child.
 Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
 Sleep in heavenly peace,
 Sleep in heavenly peace.
- Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia! Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!
- 3 Silent night, holy night!
 Son of God, love's pure light
 Radiant beams from Thy holy face
 With the dawn of redeeming grace,
 Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
 Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL"

LSB #379 Text: Public domain

- O come, all ye faithful,
 Joyful and triumphant!
 O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
 Come and behold Him
 Born the king of angels: Refrain
- Highest, most holy,
 Light of Light eternal,
 Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;
 Son of the Father
 Now in flesh appearing! Refrain

Refrain

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

- Sing, choirs of angels,
 Sing in exultation,
 Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
 Glory to God
 In the highest: Refrain
- Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning; Jesus, to Thee be glory giv'n! Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing! Refrain

"IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR"

LSB #366 Text: Public domain

- 1 It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, goodwill to all, From heav'n's all-gracious king." The world in solemn stillness lay To hear the angels sing.
- 3 All you, beneath your heavy load, By care and guilt bent low, Who toil along a dreary way With painful steps and slow: Look up, for golden is the hour, Come swiftly on the wing, The Prince was born to bring you peace; Of Him the angels sing.
- 2 Still through the cloven skies they come With peaceful wings unfurled, And still their heav'nly music floats O'er all the weary world. Above its sad and lowly plains They bend on hov'ring wing, And ever o'er its babel sounds The blessèd angels sing.
- 4 For lo, the days have come to pass By prophets seen of old, When down into the circling years Came Christ as was foretold. His word of peace shall to the earth God's ancient promise bring, And all who take this gift will hear The song the angels sing.

"AWAY IN A MANGER" LSB #364 Text: Public domain

- 1 Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.
- 2 The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes. I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
- 3 Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, And take us to heaven to live with Thee there.

"WHAT CHILD IS THIS" LSB #370 Text: Public domain

- 1 What child is this, who, laid to rest,
 On Mary's lap is sleeping?
 Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
 While shepherds watch are keeping?
 This, this is Christ the king,
 Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
 Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
 The babe, the son of Mary!
- Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. Nails, spear shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you; Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mary!
- 3 So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
 Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
 The King of kings salvation brings;
 Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
 Raise, raise the song on high,
 The virgin sings her lullaby;
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
 The babe, the son of Mary!

(please stand)

PRAYER

- Let us pray...Gracious Lord, source of light eternal, we thank You for having fed us at Your table once again. Strengthen us through this gracious gift that we may walk in Your Light here all our days and live with You as our almighty King until we come to Your glorious presence where we shall serve You forevermore. In the name of Jesus we pray.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P Jesus Christ is born today,
- To save us from our sins!
- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.
- C Amen! Hallelujah! Amen!
- **P** Go in that peace to love and serve the Lord!
- Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN "GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN"

LSB #388 Text: Public domain

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere; Go tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born!

- 1 While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night, Behold, throughout the heavens There shone a holy light. *Refrain*
- 2 The shepherds feared and trembled When lo, above the earth Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Savior's birth. *Refrain*
- 3 Down in a lonely manger
 The humble Christ was born;
 And God sent us salvation
 That blessèd Christmas morn. *Refrain*



Thank you all who donated the beautiful Poinsettias this Christmas Season!

Jim & Chris Ahner in memory of our loving parents

Marjorie Anders in memory of Bob & Dorothy Anders

Anonymous to the Glory of God

Anonymous blessings to Patsy Bock from your Prayer Pal
Denise Benlin in memory of my mother Domine Motley
Tom Bossard in memory of Julie Bossard

Bryce Buuck to the Glory of God of God with gratitude to the Christmas Decorating Committee

Johnny & Betty Byard in memory of our parents

Robert & Vita Crain in memory of our Heavenly Family & Friends

Paul & Sandra Crousors in memory of our Parents

Paul & Sandra Crousore in memory of our Parents, Brothers, Sister & Nephews

Jean Dialoisoi in memory of Family
Bob & Kathy Dowbenko in memory of our Parents

Roy & Joan Egeland in memory of our Family who have gone to Heaven before us

Cherryl Fibish in memory of Mom & Dad Braun, husband Terry, daughter Sherie, and sisters Carolyn & Patty

Don & Lynn Freese in honor of Our Family



Dorothy Frenz in memory of Vic & Vickie and in honor of My Great Granddaughter

Barbara Fuehrmeyer in memory of Parents, Husband & Daughter

Phil & Anna Gay in memory of our Parents

David & Paula Hemond in memory of our Parents

Joann Herro in memory of Kenneth Herro

Annie & Jerry Housholder in loving memory of son, David

Glenn & Joanne Huehns in memory of our Parents

Jim & Kay Jacobson in memory of Family & Friends

Peter & Ada Jarmosevich in memory of Peter& Rejeanne Jarmosevich

And George & Hilda Kuiper

Ann K. Johnson in memory of John & Jeanne Kitzmiller Gary & Lorelei Kerr in memory of Parents

Jim & JoAnne Kiger in memory of our Parents and in honor of Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren Harold & Alice Kirsch in memory of Loved Ones we have lost Patricia Kostock in memory of Paul Kostock

Elizabeth Lightfield in memory of My son, Mark Fries, who I miss every day Joyce Lindstrom in loving memory of Dan Lindstrom and in honor of Family & Friends

Elaine Loesel in memory of My Loved Ones in Heaven



Carl & Lori Luepnitz in memory of our Parents Kris MacVoy in memory of husband Raymond China Menendez in memory of Mom & Dad Ralph & Donna Munden in memory of our Loved Ones Sandra Pazitney in thanks for all God's Blessings Deborah Peach in memory of Daddy & Steve Steve & Sharon Pruszynskí in memory of our Parents Andy & Sharon Rohweder to the Glory of God Gerry & Janet Sandaker in memory of Family Members Gerry Schlak in memory of Mother, Father & Brother Nancy Schluckbier in memory of my beloved husband, Dick Bill Schwieger in memory of Schwieger Family and Friends Don & Sharie Schwieger to the Glory of God Susan Skalla in memory of Ralph & Marg Skalla, in memory of John & MaryLou Schneiker Trudy & John Spyker in memory of Loved Ones Fritz & Paula Weigelmann in memory of our Families, Weigelmann's & Giandalia's

Kenneth & Joan Trainor in memory of Parents, Cliff & Lois Phillips

Bonnie Willman in memory of Fred Willman



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Christianity is the only religion of the world to insist that reconciliation with the creator cannot ever be accomplished by our performance. Only through the revelation of a Savior, who would be the substitute sacrifice for all our wrongdoing and make us right with God, can we finally overcome our sense of separation from the Almighty.

This is a gift and promise of life that we rejoice in and share with Christians around the world. We share with all Christians the desire that everyone would come to know Jesus and experience a life under "new management" – the grace and purpose of God.

Trinity is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We enjoy a blessed confessional heritage of Biblical Christianity with over 65 million Lutherans around the world and over 7 million Lutherans in the U.S. alone. What we know and believe comes only from the Bible, which is God's inspired Word. While the Bible is certainly our guide for holy living, the primary purpose of the Bible is to reveal Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

We believe every Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church is a "little Easter", a celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper every Sunday in all worship services. We believe the forgiveness and strength of faith we are promised through receiving the very body and blood of Christ is so greatly needed by all of God's people, for we are truly a community of wounded healers. For a Christian Church to be anything else than a place of common fellowship and unity and a source of strength for our fragile faith is to fail its God-ordained purpose and intent.

We would like to be of service to you in any way we can. Feel free to call the church office if you wish to find out more about the church or have more personal needs of a spiritual nature.



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