



*Nurturing a Living Faith
with Open Hearts
and Serving Hands*

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Introduction to the Day

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God’s glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan’s banks at Jesus’ baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God’s people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

**2nd Sunday after Epiphany
Jan. 19, 2024
8:30 a.m.**



ELW SETTING 3

PRELUDE

INTROIT

“All Are Welcome”
Verse 1

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WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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GATHERING SONG

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

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GREETING

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HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the Feast”

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 62:1-5

Effie Carr, reader

The people’s return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

¹ For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

***Welcome to
Worship at Trinity
Lutheran***

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not a building – it is you, the people. So “church,” thanks for showing up today. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the “church.”

We are thankful you are here. Through God’s Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.

⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

PSALM 36:5-10 (Please read responsively).

⁵ Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
⁶ **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O LORD.**
⁷ How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
⁸ **They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**
⁹ For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.
¹⁰ **Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

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GOSPEL: JOHN 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

The holy gospel according to John, chapter 2, beginning with verse 1.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME/SERMON

Pastor Martha HarriSon

My thoughts on the scripture
and message

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

ELW #798

APOSTLES’ CREED

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 THE PEOPLE

Please pray for James, Terry, Dick, Wendy, Louise, Judy, Amy, Barb, Darrell, Karen & Edward.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

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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.

LAMB OF GOD

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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Nourishing God,

at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

ELW #841

Verses 1-3

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in Hope.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025



RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Alice Marks.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM SIGN-UP - The sign-up sheet for 2025 is located in the Narthex. We still need **13 MORE** sponsorships this year.

HYMN FESTIVAL - Sunday, January 26th @ 3 p.m. a community worship service will feature favorite hymns we sing in the winter season. The special service will include musicians, prayer & scripture. Contact Dr. Jason Thoms for questions.

BOOK STUDY – “The Anxious Generation” by Jonathan Haidt. The study will run January 29th – February 26th on Wednesday evenings following worship. People can choose to read the book or not. Books are not provided but there will be information provided for the discussion each week. Study/discussion will be led by Liz Schmidkunz and Pastor Martha.

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL OFFERING - Thanks for your generosity! This week we mailed a check for \$8,499 to Heart River Bridges of Hope a ministry of Heart River Lutheran Church, Mandan from Trinity Lutheran’s Special Christmas Offering. Heart River Bridges of Hope provides ministry to youth and women who are being held at the Youth Correction Center and Women’s Center at Mandan.

ONLINE GIVING - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity’s online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



ADDICTION: IT AFFECTS US ALL

An evening opening up conversations about mental health and substance abuse.

Meal @ 5:15 p.m.; Worship @ 6 p.m.
Event in Sanctuary:
Wednesday, January 22
@6:45 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Hosted by Trinity's Mental Health & Substance Abuse Task Force*

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Panel Discussion:
Dr. Missy Henke
Judge David Reich
Mandy Dendy with RADD
Personal story shared

Coffee & treats to follow.

All are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend!

Pre-Baptism Class

Sunday, January 26
@ 9:40 a.m.
in Conference Room

Or

Wednesday January 29
@ 6:40 p.m.
in Conference Room

For parents preparing for baptism. Children are welcome to join.

Contact Pastor Martha for questions.

Must pre-register with Pastor Martha

TRINITY LUTHERAN'S

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

ALL SKILL LEVELS ARE WELCOME!

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 2ND
IN COMMUNITY CENTER
REGISTRATION @ 11:45AM
START @ 12PM

REGISTRATION:
\$5 PER PERSON

WIN PRIZES! SIGN-UP AT WELCOME CENTER

FREEWILL OFFERING FOR SNACKS

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday 1-19

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary

Tuesday 1-14

- 9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room

Wednesday 1-15

- 2:30 PM - Upstairs Bible Study in Room 212
- 4:30 PM - Trust Fund Committee in Conference Room
- 5:15 PM - Dinner served in Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 6:40 PM - Church School
- 6:45 PM - “Addiction: It Affects Us All” in Sanctuary

Sunday 1-26

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 3 PM - Community Hymn Festival