



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Nativity of Our Lord
December 24, 2024

Welcome Visitors!

We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! Please fill out the connection information via the QR code below, and let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

We hope you'll join us again next week at 10:30 for worship. Our Sunday School classes start at 9:30 am if you would like to join in on those.







If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to scan the code.

Restrooms: Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.


Families with Children: If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshipping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

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 Please stand as you are able where denoted during the worship service.

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Christmas Rejoicing" Handbell Choir

† Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Amid the shadows of this world, let us confess our sin and welcome the light of God's forgiveness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: God of grace and truth,

C: in Christ Jesus you come among us as a light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, nor trusted the good news of great joy. Forgive us and renew our hope so that we may live in the fullness of your love, trusting in the grace of Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: The angel said, You shall call his name Jesus for his will save his people from their sins. With great joy, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy spirit. Amen.

† Processional Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" LBW Hymn 71

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

C: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

P: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

P: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

C: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

† Prayer

O God, you have made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant that as we have known on earth the mysteries of that Light, we may also come to the fullness of his joys in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 9: 2-7

- ² The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.
- ³ You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.
- ⁴ For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.
- ⁵ Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire.
- ⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- ⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

Psalm 96

- L: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- C: Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**
- L: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
- C: For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.**
- L: For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.
- C: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.**
- L: Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

C: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

L: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his[a] holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

C: Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

L: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it.

C: Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

L: Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Second Reading

Titus 2: 11-14

- ¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.
- ¹² It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,
- ¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,
- ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

† Holy Gospel

Luke 2: 1-14 (15-20)

- ¹ In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.
- ² (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.)
- ³ And everyone went to their own town to register.
- ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.
- ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.
- ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,

7 and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

8 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.

9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

12 This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

13 Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

14 “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

17 When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child,

18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

† **Prayers of the People**

LBW Page 76

† **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share the peace of Christ.

† **Offering Anthem**

“Away In A Manger”

Choir

† **Presentation of the Offering**

† **Offertory Response**

“Away In A Manger”

LBW Hymn 67 vs 1-3

† **Prayer**

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon

“No Room”

† **Sermon Hymn**

“Joy To The World”

LBW Hymn 39

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from virgin Mary, and was made man.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

† Word's of Institution

† The Lord's Prayer

† Distribution

Special Music During Communion

“Let There Be Peace on Earth” Kate Martin

“The Little Drummer Boy” Claire Stirewalt, Elizabeth Rodgers, Kathy Patrick

“Silent Night, Silent World” Kate Martin

† Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

† Post-Communion Song “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” LBW Hymn 44

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Lighting of the Candles

Proclamation of the Birth of Christ

† Sending Hymn “Silent Night” LBW Hymn 65

The Congregation may raise their candles during the singing of the final verse of "Silent Night". Ushers will dismiss the congregation by rows. Please exit the sanctuary in silent prayer and meditation.



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Giving Report for December 22, 2024

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	142	\$5,294	\$ 4,337.44
Sunday School	60	\$23	
Building Fund		\$50	
Other Funds		\$2,050	

Those Serving Tonight

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Karen McKnight	Music
Kathy Patrick	Lector
Caleb Stirewalt	Acolyte
Mason Rodgers & Addison Sloop	Torch Bearers
Miles Carden	Crucifer
Grayson Carter & Owen Smith	Banner Bearers
Nick & Molly C, Vera P, Ava B	Pew Candles
Guy Deal	Paschal Candle

Those Serving Next Week

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Karen McKnight	Music
Kathy Patrick	Lector
Quinn Parker & Maggie Deal	Acolytes
Kathy Patrick	K-5 Sunday School
Elizabeth Rodgers	HS Sunday School
TBD & John McKnight	Nursery
<i>*No Children's Church*</i>	

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