

BAPTISM OF JESUS

January 8, 2023

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

WELCOME TO ALL

The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors! Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.

We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.

Accessible and all-gender restrooms are located in the nursery on the 2nd floor and in the basement. **Single-use, all gender restrooms** are located on the 1st floor.

For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome**, **inclusion**, **and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.

Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.

Our **services are livestreamed** on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.

We continue to monitor case counts, vaccination rates, and updated research on COVID-19 to inform our precautions. We are deeply grateful for this community's care for and attentiveness to one another, especially for the vulnerable in our midst. The most important thing you can do to care for the community is stay home if you feel any symptoms, regardless of vaccination status.

If you need help finding a vaccine, speak to a pastor today.

If you are seeking pastoral care, please speak to a pastor today.

GATHER

+invites the congregation to stand

I Bind unto Myself Today

arr. John Hebden Schaffner



+GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

+KYRIE





+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator God, our soul's delight: Your voice thunders over the waters, liberating the future from the past. In the Spirit's power and the waters of rebirth, Jesus was declared your blessed and beloved Son; may we recall our baptism and be disciples of the Anointed One. **Amen**.

Please be seated.

Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

Old Testament, Page 686

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29 Robert Wetzler

Refrain (First time: cantor, then all)





¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glo- 1 ry and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name;

worship the LORD in the beau- ty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of ¹ glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor. Refrain

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the ¹ cedar trees;

the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

⁶the LORD makes Lebanon skip ¹ like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a ¹ young wild ox.

⁷The voice | of the LORD

bursts forth in | lightning flashes.

 $^8 The\ voice\ of\ the\ LORD$ 1 shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. Refrain

 ${}^{9}\text{The voice}$ of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the ${}^{\text{I}}$ forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!"

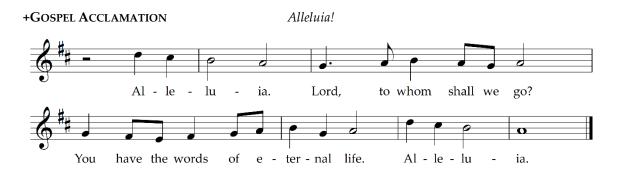
¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.

¹¹O LORD, give strength | to your people;

give them, O LORD, the bless- ings of peace. Refrain

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.



+GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3:13-17

New Testament, Page 3

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SERMON



+INTERCESSIONS

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

Calling God, you speak with power to your church. Open our hearts and minds to the new things you are declaring. Strengthen bishops, pastors, deacons, lay leaders, and teachers of the faith. Equip the baptized for your reconciling and redeeming work. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Renewing God, you provide the waters of the earth and in Jesus' baptism you reveal the waters of life. Cleanse and protect oceans, rivers, and watersheds. Bring relief to parched lands and to communities without access to safe water. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Righteous God, you never weary of establishing justice. Increase cooperation and constructive dialogue between nations. Guide local, national, and international authorities to govern with equity, vision, and integrity. We pray for those in military service, for peacemakers, and for our enemies. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Abiding God, your mercy is steadfast. Give sanctuary to people who flee from oppression, war, poverty, and famine. Sustain health care workers, caregivers, first responders, counselors, and all who help and heal. Comfort those who are grieving or experiencing crisis, especially Deacon David's mother, Margarita; Stella Townsend; Lee Kampinen; Pastor Angela; Cliff Brown; Jack Hanson; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; Marcea Mariani; DeWayne Townsend III; Marlene Peterson; Mary Heltsley; Mark Symchych; Mary Petersen's friends, Marianne and Dolores; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care). Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Blessing God, in Christ you gather the beloved community. Kindle the gifts of your Spirit in your people. Accompany the newly baptized, those recently ordained, and any beginning a new ministry. Inspire synodical leaders and congregational councils to serve with imagination and wisdom. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions. At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "Merciful God," to which the congregation will respond, "Receive our prayer."

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, as we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

MEAL

+PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

You are invited to exchange words and signs of friendship and love with those around you.

OFFERING

Laudamus Te
Drew Lindorfer, Caren Hiatt, soloists

Antonio Vivaldi

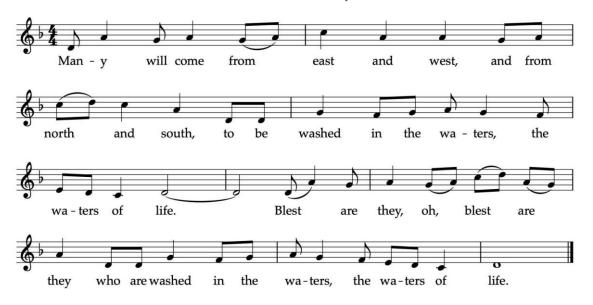
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, Adoramus te, glorificamus te.

We praise you, we bless you, We adore you, we glorify you.

+OFFERTORY HYMN

Many Will Come Sung Twice

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



+OFFERING PRAYER

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,

Amen.

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

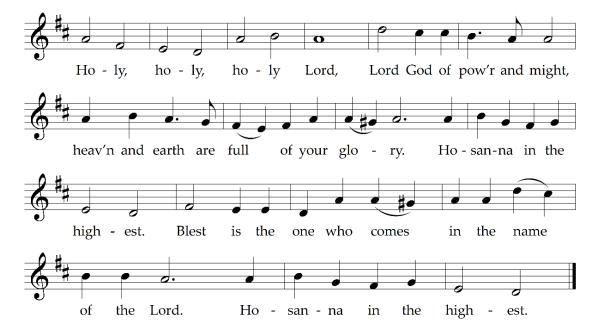
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

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, O God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+SANCTUS



+WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together:

Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

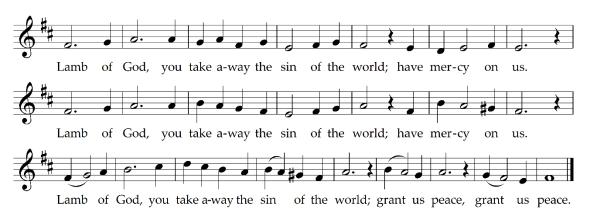
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+LAMB OF GOD



Please be seated.

COMMUNION INVITATION

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate.

So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed.

Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

All are welcome at the table. For those worshiping at home and those who prefer to commune with individual packets in your pews, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from a pastor in your pew, please let an usher know.

HEALING

Today you are also invited to receive a blessing for healing during the communion distribution time. Come if you wish to seek prayer for yourself, on behalf of someone else, or for a place in the world.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Take Me to the Water





+BLESSING

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

+POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

Amen.

SENDING

+SENDING HYMN Every Time I Feel the Spirit Refrain Ev time feel the spir - it mov - ing 'ry will in my heart, I pray. Ev - 'ry time feel the Ι spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. 1 Up - on the my Lord tain spoke, moun -All looked so a - round me fine, Jor-dan riv chilly and cold, er, Refrain of smoke. out his mouth fire came and if asked my Lord all was mine. chills bod but the the soul. not y

+BENEDICTION

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod + bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Shall We Gather at the River

arr. P. Radtke

You are invited to the Community Room (located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.

"Shall We Gather at the River" Text: Rovert Lowry, 1826-1899. Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

"Psalm 29" Music: Robert Wetzler. 'Psalter for Worship Year A' © 2007 Augsburg Fortress "Many Will Come" Text: Daniel Schwandt, b. 1977, based on Luke 13:26, 14:15

Music: MANY WILL COME, Daniel Schwandt. Text and music © 2013 Augsburg Fortress

"Take Me to the Water" Text: African American spiritual

Music: TAKE ME TO THE WATER, African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, 1935-2009

Arr. © 1992 Horace Clarence Boyer, admin. Augsburg Fortress "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" Text: African American spiritual

Music: PENTECOST, African American spiritual; arr. Melva. W. Costen, b. 1933

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LITURGY: ELW SETTING FOUR

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Doug Mork	Preacher	Doug Mork
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Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	Wayne Vetter
Drew Lindorfer	Cantor	Drew Lindorfer
David Kohlstedt	Assisting Minister	Tom Skold
Linda Berglin, Chris Engen, Mike Nevergall	Communion	Sue Roberts, Deb Anderson, Jeff Olsen Biebighauser
David Broberg, Ginny and Chuck Jordan	Ushers	Cori Gershon, Joy Nelson
Julie and Tom Cahoy	Altar Guild	Kathryn Howe, Doris Gbala
Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt	Coffee Servers	Joy Nelson, Sue Roberts
Pam Blomgren, Joyce Peterson	Counters	Wayne Vetter, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Roberta Shaw

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PARISH INFORMATION

PASTOR ANGELA ON LEAVE

Pastor Angela is on leave. To honor this time of rest, we ask you to refrain from emails, phone calls, and text messages (even the most kind and loving ones!). Your prayers are, of course, welcome and appreciated.

OLIVE OIL FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES STILL AVAILABLE!

There are 250mL bottles for \$15 and 750 mL bottles for \$40. These bottles make excellent gifts! Purchases support the work of the Lutheran World Federation vocational training program and reduce student fees. brought to you by the Palestine-Israel Working group.

COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP FAIR SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Please join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room for a fair with Holy Trinity's committees and working groups. Learn about many of the ways this community of disciples seeks to follow Jesus and make a difference in our world! Teams will be especially focused on ways you can connect with their work! This fair takes the place of the adult forum for the day.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION BEGIN AGAIN

We are so excited to have Sunday School and Confirmation classes start up again today! We invite all folks who have younger people in their care to consider having them join us between services from 10:00 a.m. through 10:50 a.m. Children from preschool age through fifth grade meet in classrooms in the second-floor Education Suite. Confirmation students in grades six through nine meet in the Sky Room on the fourth floor. If your child did not participate in the fall but would like to, simply show up! Adult teachers will help them get signed up and to the correct classroom. We look forward to growing in faith alongside you.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16-REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BREAKFAST

General Mills and the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) present the 33rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Breakfast on Monday, January 16. This year's theme is "Keep Moving Forward" and the keynote speaker will be Valerie Jarrett, former senior advisor to U.S. President Barack Obama. The event will be held at the Minneapolis Convention Center, and there will be several community sites streaming the event. Holy Trinity has been asked to host the Minneapolis community site, and we are doing so in partnership with St. James, St. Peter's, and Wayman AME. If you are available to help with this event, please reach out to Kathy Hollander.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND TRINITY SINGERS RESUME WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Children's Choir and Trinity Singers will resume rehearsals on January 18. For more information on choral and instrumental opportunities, talk to Phil Radtke. Children's Choir meets from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and sings in worship every 4-6 weeks. Trinity Singers rehearses from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. and sings in worship once a month during the 8:45 a.m. worship.

GAME NIGHT SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Holy Trinity members and friends of all ages are invited to an evening of some fun competition playing favorite games and new games. Come and play from 5:00-9:00 p.m. The Nurturing Committee will provide pizza, drinks, and dessert. Bring your favorite game. Sign up in the Community Room by January 15.

ONE SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M. ON JANUARY 29

8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will gather together for one service at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Annual Meeting in the gym. Today's texts remind us that the blessed are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. We are called into this countercultural way of living and serving. A perfect message for Annual Meeting Sunday! Gloria Ringers help to lead our worship at 10:00 a.m.

ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 11:00 A.M.

Following the 10:00 a.m. service, all are invited to the gym for a free meal and the annual congregational meeting, as we celebrate the 119th year of God's ministry through Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. We will review committee goals, elect new council members, and approve the 2023 budget. The annual meeting is also an opportunity for us to check on our progress made toward congregational goals.

YOUTH RECITAL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 10:00 A.M.

We celebrate the musical gifts of several of Holy Trinity's young people during our annual music recital in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. This will serve as our adult forum for the day.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, January 9	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir
Tuesday, January 10	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
	6:45 PM	Big Meeting Night
Wednesday, January 11	6:00-7:30 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, January 12	8:00 AM	Encore! at Turtle Bread
Sunday, January 15	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Youth Education
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service

ADULT FORUM

10:00 a.m. each Sunday in the Library

TODAY "Personal Journey and Perspective on Water Rights in Palestine" Ashraf Ashkar

Ashraf Ashkar was born and raised in Palestine in a village near Tulkarm. He did his undergraduate work in Palestine outside of the city of Jenin. He also worked there on water rights with OCHA, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and with Oxfam UK. Ashraf will bring his story of growing up in Palestine, highlighting some of the economic and political struggles related to water rights.

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