



Trinity Lutheran Church

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



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Sunday Worship: 8 & 10:30am

Bible Class and Sunday School 9:15am

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

Divine Service 1

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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

Order of Worship-Divine Service, Setting One with Communion

Hymns: 344, 535, 332, 567, 750, and 338

Hymn: 344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (Please stand for the final verse.)

Stand

LSB 151

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Sit

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Introit

Psalm 105:4–8; antiphon: Isaiah 40:3b

P In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

C Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!

P Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

C O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

P He is the LORD our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.

C He remembers his covenant forever,
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise

let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." ¹⁰And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." ¹¹And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." ¹²And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn: 535 How Wide the Love of Christ

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

LSB 158

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church - We respond with Amen. Prayer requests: Trent Lieftring, Mike Milbrath, Eugene Bubolz, Roger Wagner, Michael Winter, Connie Hansen, Todd Bender, River Grunewald, and our shut-ins.

Sit

Offering - Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar. We ask that you please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate.

Offertory

LSB 159



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so 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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

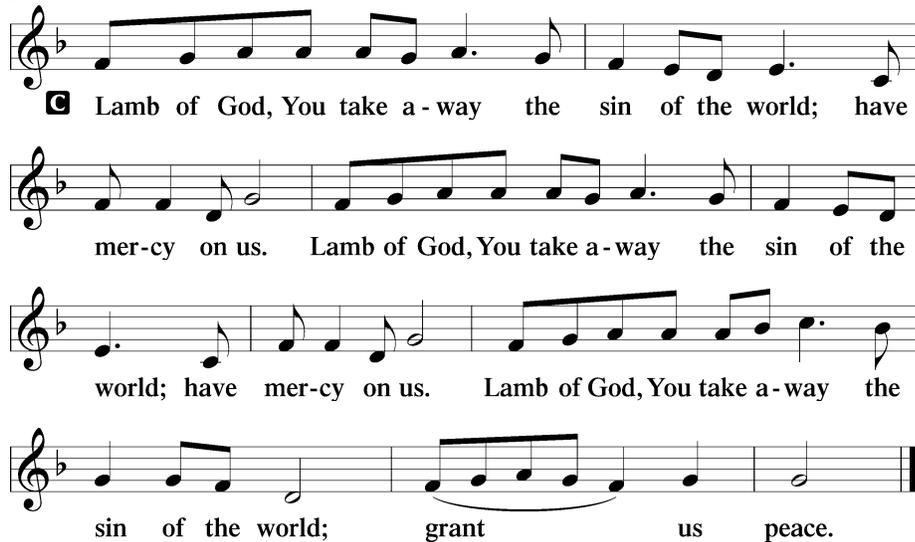
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LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

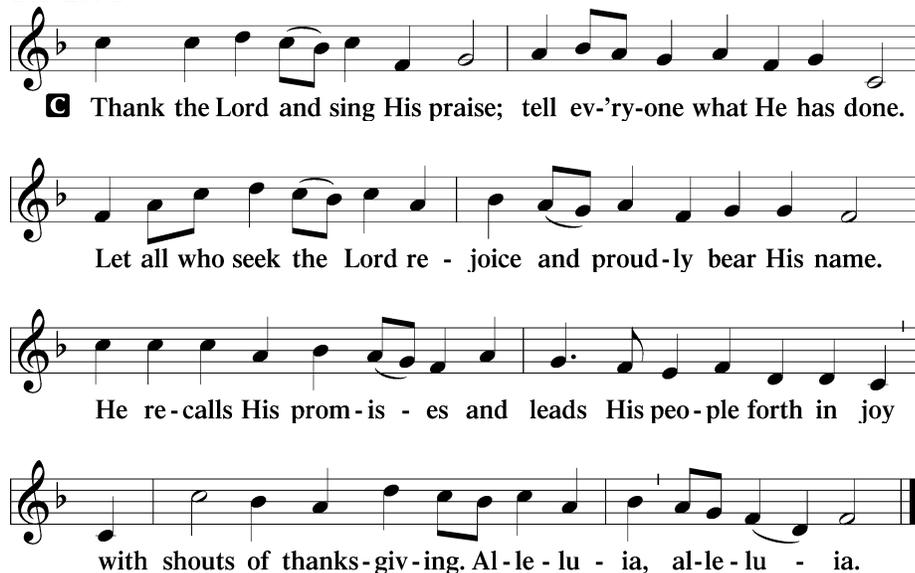
Distribution

Hymns: 332 Savior of the Nations, Come (Please remain seated for final verse.)
567 Not What These Hands Have Done
750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

LSB 164

Stand

Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

LSB 166

A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



Sit

Hymn: 338 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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The Trinity Lutheran Church Messenger

Thank you

Thank you Andrew Dirkse for playing the organ for us this weekend.

Hands for Hope

Hands for Hope will meet on December 5th at 10:00am. We will set up for our annual fundraiser. Please bring all of your crafts that you knit/crocheted. Lunch after the meeting for those who able.

Voter's Meeting

There is a meeting to approve the 2023 budget on Wednesday, December 14th following the evening Advent worship service.

Sunday School Christmas Program – December 18th

On December 18th, the 8:00am worship service will be regular worship with Holy Communion.

We are doing something new this year. Our Children's Sunday School Christmas Program will be our 10:30am worship service instead of regular worship. This year the program is "**The Son of Man**" Come and worship and hear the children share the Christmas Story. *Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."* **Matthew 19:14**

Parents of 5th and 6th grade Sunday School Children

I am in the process of giving out speaking parts for our Sunday school Christmas program on Sunday, December 18th at 10:30 am. (This year it will take the place of our late service). If your child will NOT be able to attend, please contact me at barbjwolf@yahoo.com or cell 920-254-9297. Thank you.

Sharing Blessings

This year we are again collecting items for Sheboygan County Health and Human Services. We will be collecting the first 2 weeks in December. The items will be picked up on December 13th. As in previous years, we have collected personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies. Those items include hair products, lotions, deodorants, toothpaste, shaving supplies, feminine hygiene products, etc. Cleaning and kitchen items include laundry products, dish soap, Kleenex, Saran wrap, foil and more. We will also be collecting baby items- diapers, wipes, blankets, clothes, etc. There is always a need for teen items as they tend to be forgotten. Scrip (gift) cards are always welcome if you prefer that to shopping. Please donate only NEW unwrapped items. There will be large marked boxes in the narthex for your donations. Trinity has always been a large contributor to this mission and we are praying that you open your hearts to those in need. Any questions, contact Susie Sixel or Robie Scharinger.

Happy Birthday: Dennis Grunewald, Rene Landwehr, Rylee Jo Yinko, Bob Peter, Mikena Grunewald, and Steve Schobert.

Christmas Poinsettias

If anyone is interested in a red poinsettia, please contact Connie Bitter at (920) 226-0803 or connie.bitter@yahoo.com. They are \$11 each. You may pick them up after the service on Christmas Day.

Christmas Cards

Our Sunday school is selling boxes of Christmas Cards. They are located on the table in the narthex. There is a box to put your payment.

Advent Worship

Our next midweek Advent service is December 7th. The worship times are 10:30am & 6:30pm. Advent meals will be offered after the morning Advent worship service and also from 5-6:15pm. A free will offering will be accepted. Anyone wishing to donate bars or a side dish for Advent meals, you are welcome to do so. If you have questions, please speak with Lee Schoessow.

Stewardship Committee Announcement

Due to scheduling conflicts Christmas Caroling has been cancelled.

Christmas and New Year's Worship

Christmas Eve: 4:30 & 6:30pm, Christmas Day: 9:30am, (No Bible study or Sunday school)

New Year's Eve: 4:30pm.

Sunday, January 1st Worship

Our Worship Services on Sunday January 1st will be at its regular time, 8:00 & 10:30am. There will not be Sunday school or Bible Class.

Love In the Name of Christ is asking for your help. Love INC, Sheboygan County, has over 200 volunteers and 41 Christian churches along with community agencies helping neighbors in need. We do not judge and we believe you are important to God. We help provide for physical needs and help you with the underlying conditions that might be causing your current situations. Currently we need feminine hygiene products such as tampons and pads for our Personal Care Kit. Also, new, standard size towels.

Because we are growing, we are in need of volunteers. Opportunities for furniture pickup or delivery in our Furniture Ministry, Intake Specialist who answer calls for help and give/get pertinent information, Neighbor Liaisons who call on neighbors after receiving help to see how they are doing.

For more information go to our website www.loveincsheboygancounty.org or call 920-783-6701. You may also get in contact with me at barbjwolf@yahoo.com

Scrip News

The last day to special order scrip cards will be Sunday, December 11. You can pick them up on December 18th. This will also be the last day for buying cards for 3 weeks since December 25th and January 1 will be on Sundays. You can use scrip for all your shopping needs. Groceries, gas, restaurants, etc. They also make good gifts for those difficult to shop for. Any questions, please ask the sellers. Remember, the church gets money back for every card you buy.

Flowers

The altar flowers are for MiKena Grunewald's 17th Birthday. Happy Birthday! Love: Mom, Dad, Karly, and Chloe.

Newsletter Sponsor

The December Newsletter is sponsored by Dick Horness in honor of his birthday.

Happy Birthday and God's Blessings!

December Special Offering

Deaf Ministry—SWD serves the deaf community in Delevan and other locations throughout the South Wisconsin District.

Attendance and Financials for 11/23/2022-11/27/2022

Description of Offering	Amount Given	Description of Offering	Amount Given
Attendance November 23, 2022—64 November 24, 2022--84 November 27, 2022 8:00am--110 10:30am--67= 177 Sunday School Attendance--25		Sunday School Offering	\$8.22
General Offering	\$4,654.00	Fireside Tickets	\$120.00
Concordia University, Mequon	\$35.00	Church Improvement Fund	\$50.00

Monday, December 5 8:30am Preschool 10:00am Hands for Hope 1:00pm Quilters	Tuesday, December 6 8:30am Preschool 6:00pm Men's Club Christmas Party	Wednesday, December 7 8:30am Preschool 10:30am&6:30pm Advent Worship 4-6pm Confirmation The advent meals are after morning worship & 5-6:15pm 7:15pm Council Meeting	Thursday, December 8 8:30am Preschool	Friday, December 9	Saturday, December 10	Sunday, December 11 8 & 10:30am Family Worship 9:15am Sunday school and Bible Class

Acolyte	December 4 December 7 December 11	8:00am – Andie Koenig, Matthew Koenig 10:30am Rylan Bahr, Matthew Schukow 6:30pm – Emily Harris 8:00am – Emmet Kunze, Greyson Reiss 10:30am Emily Harris, Chloe Grunewald
Greeters	December 4 December 7 December 11	8:00am – Betty Butler 10:30am Kathy Schmid 6:30pm - Alan Bramstedt and Joshua Schorer 8:00am - Peter and Kathy Franz 10:30am Mark and Angie Schorer
Altar Guild	December 4 December 5-18	Susie Sixel, Rita Milbrath Ann Parnitzke, Patsy Sixel
December Elders		8:00am – Scott Plocar 10:30am Jim Post
December Ushers		8:00am —Team 3 10:30am —Team 6
Video Operators	December 4 December 7 December 11	Scott Timm Lance Liermann Craig Lallensack