

# Trinity Lutheran Church

Howards Grove, Wisconsin

## TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"

### Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

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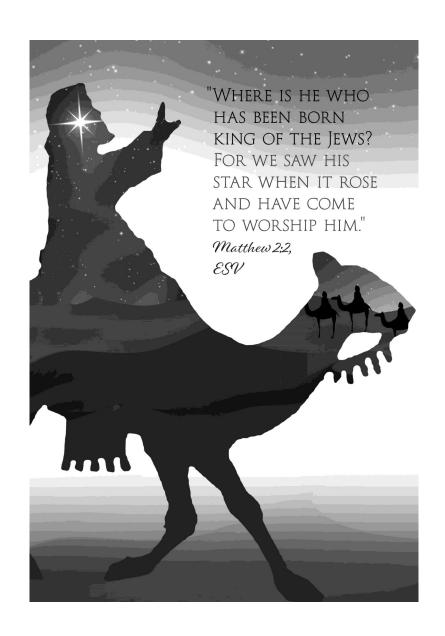
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Worship: 8 & 10:30am
Bible Class and Sunday School: 9:15am

January 8, 2023
Divine Service, Setting Four
The Feast of the Epiphany



### Welcome to Trinity

Installation of Officers and Committee Members (Both Services) Baptism of River William Ray Grunewald (10:30 Service)

LSB 268

### Opening Hymn: 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Sit

- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.

  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 45:6–8a; antiphon: v. 17

- **P** I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;
- therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.
- P Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;
- you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.
- Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;
- your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
- 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** I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;
- therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

**Kyrie** 

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

#### Gloria in Excelsis



#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit
Old Testament Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. ³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Ephesians 3:1–12

<sup>1</sup>For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— <sup>2</sup>assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup>how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. <sup>4</sup>When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup>which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup>Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. <sup>8</sup>To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup>and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand
Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Matthew 2:1–12

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

### **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>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, <sup>2</sup>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." <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

6"'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."

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 8And 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." 9After 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. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>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, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

- This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed LSB 206

I believe in one God.  $\mathbf{C}$ 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 + of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn: 409 Hail, O Source of Every Blessing

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

Sit

Offering (Correction from last week-we will continue to use the attendance cards until we run out.) (Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.)

LSB 209

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.

Benedicamus LSB 212

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### 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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: 903 This Is the Day the Lord Has Made

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**Thank You** to Ethan Winter for playing the organ for us today.

**Birthday Blessings to:** Margie Niemuth, Jennifer Cassity, Hannah Cassity, Judy Luecke, Rick Rammer Braelyn Zander, and Maddox Milbrath.

**Baptism:** River William Ray Grunewald, son of Travis and Mariah Grunewald, will be baptized today during the 10:30 service. His sponsors are Tyler Grunewald, Evelyn Grunewald, Alexis Morissette, and Carley Thompson.

**Installation of Officers.** The installation of officers and committee members will be held on Sunday, January 8th. Installation will be at both services.

**Confirmation Classes** will resume January 11th.

**Voter's Meeting:** The next voter's meeting will be January 22nd after the 10:30 service. Minutes from the previous meeting were emailed to the congregation and will be available on the back table in the narthex.

**Sign up sheets** for flowers and sponsoring the bulletin or newsletter are located in a binder on the back table in the narthex. They will no longer be posted on the bulletin board.

Attendance Cards will be phased out for the new Fellowship Pads when we run out of the cards. For the new pads, please fill out the names of all who are attending and indicate who is taking communion. This helps keep our records complete and accurate. If you need more than one line to list each person's name, please do so. If you are a visitor and would like a call or more information, please leave your contact details. The attendance pads will be placed on the center aisle side of the pew and passed along. They will then need to be passed back to the center aisle to make their collection easier.

#### Love INC Updates: CLEARNINGHOUSE IS NOW NEWLY NAMED THE CONNECTION CENTER!

Thanks to the leadership and thoughtfulness of our outgoing Clearinghouse Coordinator, Pam Bennin, we are now calling our call center the CONNECTION CENTER as we continue to build relationships rooted in Christ with those who contact us. We are currently seeking additional people who have an empathetic heart to listen to stories, pray over situations, and connect people to community resources. We are also hoping to expand the hours of our Connection Center so that we are more accessible to people who need the love of Christ in their lives. There are 2 roles that begin the relationship process within our Connection Center and breathe HOPE into our community:

**INTAKE SPECIALISTS and NEIGHBOR LIAISONS.** If you are interested in learning more about these roles and opportunities to build hope in people's lives, please call Kimberly Oreck at (920) 783-6701, ext. 5107. Or, email us at <a href="mailto:volunteer@loveincsheboygancounty.org">volunteer@loveincsheboygancounty.org</a>.

Ladies of the Church, you are all invited the second Monday of each month at 6:30 pm here at Trinity Lutheran Howards Grove for our LWML gathering. The next meeting is January 9th. IAM THE HEART will be our theme for this year. We will be having special studies, programs, and projects. Each month will have something different that you can carry on into your church, family, and community life. January's study will be "Working Together in Our Group." February will be our month to order the Quarterly magazine. Any lady of this church can receive one at a small cost. The devotions and stories found in this magazine are thoughtful and meaningful to read. Please let Denita Krause or Mary Lou Neuman know if you would like one by February 5th.

**SAVE THE DATE:** We are blessed with the opportunity to host a prayer service here at Trinity on Saturday, March 11th from 10:00am to around 12:00pm. Pastor Fremer will be preaching.

Registration will start at 9:30 and will be free to all. This will be a beautiful service, so please join us and be enriched. Keep an eye out for the following logo for more information about upcoming LWML events.

VF at Trinity-Howards Grove

Greetings from The Hispanic Outreach members! The Lord continues His work through the Hispanic Ministry in Sheboygan County. Our weekly average attendance for the last few months was 23. Our highest weekly attendance was 42. Thanks be to God! The Lord did an amazing job through 2022 saving more lives and adding them to His family and ours. He continues. His work bringing the people who need to be saved. On November 20, 2022 we received four new members in our congregation through the right of Confirmation. Praised be to God! We also had one First Communion. We are blessed that God has touched lives around us to provide for our ministry in 2022. We are thankful that people like you have said, "here I am Lord" when He has extended the call to provide support to our Ministry. Thanks for your commitment in helping us with this ministry. It is sincerely appreciated. We are praying to the Lord that you will continue to support us, and many others will support us as well. We want to continue to preach the Gospel of Our Lord. We want to continue to carry his message of reconciliation, love, peace, forgiveness of sins, salvation, and eternal life. We continue our Bilingual Service: Wednesdays at 6:00PM. Don't miss this great opportunity to worship with us. And also learn some Spanish! We have already started planning for Operation Backpack school year 2023-2024. The distribution day is August 5th from 12 noon to 2pm at Good Shepherd. We are already collecting materials. If you're willing to be part of this, please bring the school supplies to Good Shepherd. You can also send a check donation with a memo: Operation Backpack, to Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach. For further info contact Rev. David Blas 630-229-2455.

#### Annual LHS Citrus Sale to benefit the LHS Music Dept. 2024 Spring Concert Tour

Orders for fresh Texas grapefruit and delicious California oranges (10#-quarter case \$15, 20#-half case \$27, and 40#-full case \$48) will be taken through Tuesday, Jan. 31. Contact an LHS Music student, use the order form, or call the school office 920-452-3323 to place your order through Jan. 31. Fruit must be picked up and paid for on Saturday, February 11 at Lutheran High School between 8:30 a.m. and Noon. You can also download the order blank from the LHS website at <a href="https://lutheranhigh.com">lutheranhigh.com</a>. Thank you for your support! (Order forms are located on the table in the narthex.)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Acolytes	<u>Greeters</u>	Video Operators
8	8:00am 10:30am	Andie Koenig and Matthew Koenig Joey Senkbeil and Matthew Schukow	Dave and Robie Scharinger Dick and Sherry Horness	Josh Schorer
15	8:00am 10:30am	Emmet Kunze and Greyson Reiss Rylan Bahr and Bryce Peter	Jan and Deb Grunewald Mark and Karen Plocar	Scott Timm

<u>Date</u>	Altar Guild		
Jan 2—15	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel		
Jan 16—29	Connie Bitter and Linda Plocar		

<u>January</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	
8:00am	Team 1	Aaron Kuhlow	
10:30am	Team 4	Dale Hopf	

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>		
December 31, 2022	67		
January 1, 2023	115		

Description of Offering December 31, 2022 and January 1, 2023	Amount Given	Description of Offering	Amount Given
General Offering	\$7,559.00	Organ Fund	\$100.00
Kitchen Remodel Fund	\$10.00	Church Improvement Fund	\$100.00
Radio Station WJUB - Lutheran Hour Broadcast	\$60.00		

Monday,	Tuesday,	Wednesday,	Thursday,	Friday,	Saturday,	Sunday,
January 9	January 10	January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14	January 15
8:30am Preschool 1:00pm Quilting 6:30pm Christian Women's Fellowship	8:30am Preschool	8:30am Preschool 4:00pm Confirmation	8:30am Preschool			8:00am Worship with Communion 9:15am Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30am Worship with Communion