



Trinity English

LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Working together to change
the world through Jesus*

PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

Thursday January 30, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Sunday, February 2, 2025 | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship

P—Pastor **C**—Congregation **L**—Leader

PRELUDE: (7pm/8am) “Let All Mortal Flesh”Albert Travis
 (10:30am) “Pax”Kyle Webber
Trinity Ringers

WELCOME

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 490, "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"PICARDY



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.
Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

GREETING

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☑ And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: (10:30am) "Glory to God"



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING.....Malachi 3:1-4

¹ See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come into the temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For my messenger is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³ and will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84

(7pm/8am) Spoken in unison.

¹ How dear to me is your dwelling,

O Lord of hosts!

² My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my ruler and my God.

⁴ Happy are they who dwell in your house!

They will always be praising you.

⁵ Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶ Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁷ They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸ Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.

⁹ Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your anointed.

¹⁰ For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

SECOND READING.....Hebrews 2:14-18

¹⁴ Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, [Jesus] himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶ For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

- L** The word of the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (8:00am) *The alleluias are sung once by all.*

(10:30am) *The congregation will sing the alleluias.*

Then the choir will sing the verse, and the congregation is invited to sing the alleluias again.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples.
Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL.....Luke 2:22-40

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.
- G** Glory to you, O Lord.

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” ²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. ²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹ “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.” ³³ And the child’s father and mother were amazed

at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.” ³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. ³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON.....Deacon Lasits

Silence for Reflection

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 417, "In His Temple Now Behold Him".....REGENT SQUARE

1 In his tem - ple now be - hold him, see the long - ex -
 2 In the arms of her who bore him, vir - gin pure, be -
 3 Je - sus, by your pre - sen - ta - tion, when they blessed you,
 4 Prince and au - thor of sal - va - tion, be your bound - less

pect - ed Lord; an - cient proph - ets had fore - told him,
 hold him lie, while his a - ged saints a - dore him,
 weak and poor, make us see your great sal - va - tion,
 love our theme! Je - sus, praise to you be giv - en

God has sent the prom - ised Word. Now to praise him,
 ere in per - fect faith they die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 seal us with your prom - ise sure; and pre - sent us,
 by the world you did re - deem, with the Fa - ther

his re - deem - ed shall break forth with one ac - cord.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Lo, the in - car - nate God Most High!
 in your glo - ry, to your Fa - ther, cleansed and pure.
 and the Spir - it God of maj - es - ty su - preme!

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 heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- ☩ Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs . . .
- ☩ Lord in your mercy,
- ☩ Hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

People greet each other saying: "Peace be with you."

(10:30am) Please be seated.

All of the work of Trinity is possible because of the prayers, service and offerings of the people of Trinity. If you would like to leave an offering, you may use an envelope and leave an offering in one of the black boxes at an entrance. You may also use a credit card or give an offering through PayPal at TrinityEnglish.org/give. Scanning the QR code will take you to the site. Thank you for your support!



OFFERTORY ANTHEM: (10:30am) “The Pure in Heart”Patrick Hawes
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

(10:30am) Please stand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Prince of Peace.

G Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **G** And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. **G** We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
G It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P Covenanting God, you declared your wonders in the heavens but made known your character in calling a people. Then in Jesus you made yourself fully known to us, and in his death and resurrection you healed the past through forgiveness and released the future through the gift of life eternal. In the power of the Spirit you called into being your church, never closer to you than when we gather at this table as we long to gather at your heavenly banquet, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

SANCTUS

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Revealing God, you came among us in the flesh and blood of Jesus, and you come among us now in the materials of daily sustenance and joyful celebration. Send down your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of friend and neighbor may become your church, and these offerings of bread and wine may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, in the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Great is the mystery of faith.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Embodied God, you met us in the body and blood of your Son Jesus, and you meet us now in this meal. Show us your face and the face of one another in the body and blood of your church, that we, your people, may be taken by you, blessed through you, broken for you, and given for the life of your world. Through this sacrament of thanks and praise, inscribe your church into the life of your Trinity, that we may have the creativity of the Father, the passion of the Son, and the empowerment of your Spirit. Bring us to your presence on the last day, and hasten that time when every tear is dried from every eye, all oppression is healed by your grace, and you are all in all.

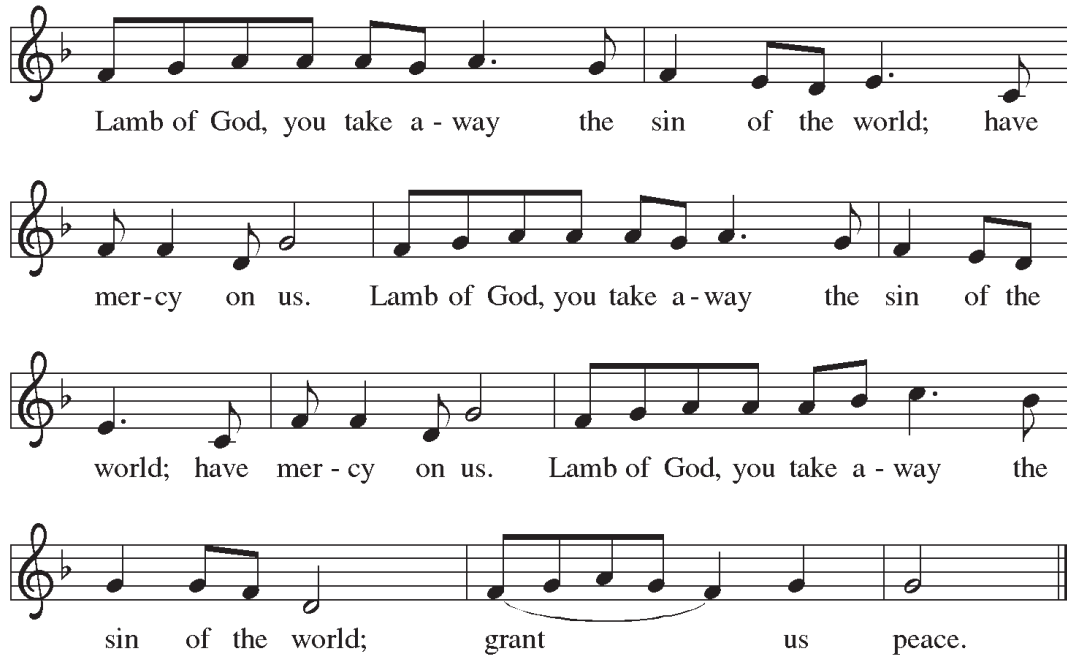
C Amen.

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

AGNUS DEI



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.

COMMUNION HYMN: (10:30am) ELW 440, "In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"

.....MIT FRIED UND FREUD



1 In peace and joy I now de - part as God is will - ing,
2 Christ Je - sus makes the way for me, my gra - cious Sav - ior;
3 The Lord is health and sav - ing light for ev - 'ry na - tion,
and faith fills all my mind and heart, calm - ing, still - ing.
with eyes of faith and trust I see God's great fa - vor.
dis - pel - ling shad - ows of the night with sal - va - tion:
God the Lord has prom - ised me that death is but a slum - ber.
When this life comes to an end, my hope is God's em - brac - ing.
Is - rael's praise and hope's de - light, my trea - sure, joy, and glo - ry.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546, based on the Nunc dimittis; tr. composite
Music: MIT FRIED UND FREUD, Martin Luther
Text © 2000 Augsburg Fortress.

Please stand.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Wonderful Counselor.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 545, "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"SICILIAN MARINERS



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Trumpet Tune"John Stanley

Music, texts, and liturgy are reprinted with permission under OneLicense.net
#A-707484 and Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #22664.

The Great Thanksgiving and Eucharistic Prayer come from Eucharistic Prayers by Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher.
Grand Rapids: William B Eerdmans Publishing Company. 2016

+ PARTICIPANTS +

Our appreciation and thanks to those serving in God's house today:

- + Deacon Mary Lasits, Preacher
- + Pastor Erdos, Celebrant
- + Pastor Zandstra, Intercessor
- + Robert Hobby, Organist
- + (10:30am) Chancel Choir; Daniel Schwandt, Director
- + (10:30am) Trinity Ringers; Shannon Hardiek, Director
- + (10:30am) Elizabeth Richey; Reader
- + Rebecca Karcher, Elizabeth and Mary Ellen Richey; Communion Assistants
- + Special thanks to today's Ushers, Altar Guild, Video and Audio Production Crew.

ALTAR FLOWERS IN THE NAVE: The flowers on the altar are to the glory of God.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Sharon Gerig, Jenny Hobby and Family, Shari, Virginia, Katherine and Greg, The Schoppman Family, Rita and Family, Judy Larry, Jan and Dean Oatman, Sutton Renner, Sharon Platz, The Fulkerson Family, Trina Gould, Becky.

YOUR PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL

The Rev. Dr. Gary M. Erdos, Senior Pastor

The Rev. Lee A. Zandstra, Associate Pastor

Deacon Mary E. Lasits

The Rev. Jeremy G. Russell, Visitation Pastor

The Rev. Judy Follis, Visitation Pastor

+ + +

Robert A. Hobby, Director of Music

Daniel E. Schwandt, Associate Director of Music

Emily K. Bird, Director of Children's Music

Rebecca L. Karcher, Director of Communication

Anya E. Boyden, Communications Assistant/Social Media Manager

Brian W. Eastman, Director of Facilities

Amy E. Henderson-Hill, Director of Family Ministries

Meghan M. Dohring, Coordinator of Children's Ministry

Julie E. Shepperd, Accountant

Laura M. Hoffman, Receptionist

Rachel K. McAninch, Administrative Assistant

Karen L. Moore, Accounting Assistant

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Hasecke, Senior Pastor Emeritus

The Rev. Dr. Kathleen W. Haller, Associate Pastor Emeritus

+ + +

Karen L. Anderson—Chile, ELCA Missionary Partner Supported by Trinity English