HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ministers: People of Holy Trinity
The Reverend J. Chris Fischer, Pastor

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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of Christians saved by God's grace to proclaim the good news to our community and to the world by word and action.

CHRIST THE KING

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. November 26, 2023

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "All Hail The Power" arr. Robert W. Thygerson

*The Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, (+) one God, who forgives all our sin whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection. (We kneel.)

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of (+) Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**



Come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms.

3 For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler a-bove all gods.

4 In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours.

5 The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

6 Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

7 For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

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DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WE ARE COLLECTING NEEDED

ITEMS FOR A.I.M. - ITEMS INCLUDE: Peanut Butter, rice, dried beans, pasta, canned meat, canned fruit, canned soup, oatmeal, grits, flour, sugar, cereal, cooking oil—cleaning/personal hygiene list: bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, laundry soap, bleach, cleaning solutions (Lysol, Mr. Clean for example). Please note: perishables are not included.

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LOOKING AHEAD

December 3, 2023 Worship Assistants

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes	Jack Roehrs	Michael Caruso
Lectors	Beth Cribbe	Rynde Dial
Assisting Min	sters Beth Cribbe	Rynde Dial
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December 3	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
	Congregational Family Advent Event (Fellowship	Hall) 3:00 p.m.
December 5	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
December 6	T.O.P.S. Meeting (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Advent Meal (host – Luther's Ladies) (Fellowship F	Hall) 6:00 p.m.
	Advent Service (Sanctuary)	7:00 p.m.
	Chrismon Tree Setup by Youth	_
	Choir Practice after service	
December 9	Pageant Practice (Sanctuary)	9:00 a.m.
December 10	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Pageant Practice	
	Worship Congregational Christmas Pageant	11:00 a.m.
December 11	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 p.m.
December 12	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
December 13	T.O.P.S. Meeting (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Advent Meal (host – Katie's Ladies) (Fellowship Ha	all) 6:00 p.m.
	Advent Service (Sanctuary)	7:00 p.m.
	Choir Practice after worship	
December 16	Christmas Youth Gathering at Goodson Farm	5:00 p.m.
December 17	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
	Congregational Christmas Chili and Caroling (Fellow	vship Hall) 5:00 p.m.
December 19	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
December 20	Advent Meal (host – Youth) (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
	Advent Service (Sanctuary)	7:00 p.m.
December 22	Choir Christmas Gathering (Helgeson Home)	6:30 p.m.

(we stand)

*Hymn "Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Hymn #855

*The 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.

*The Kyrie (sung responsively)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise (sung by all)

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(Refrain)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. (Refrain)

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Refrain)

*The Prayer of the Day

O God of power and might, Your Son shows us the way of service, and in Him we inherit the riches of Your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world You have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

The Children's Sermon The First Lesson (Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24) Psalm 95

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The Second Lesson (Ephesians 1:15-23)

*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all) Alleluia. Blessed is the one who comes in the name 'of the Lord. Blessed is the coming of the kingdom of our an 'cestor David. Alleluia. (Mark 11:9)

The gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to You, O Lord.

*The Holy Gospel (Matthew 25:31-46) Bulletin Cover

After the reading: The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

"THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS"

*The Hymn of the Day "Rejoice, For Christ Is King!"

Hymn #430

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven He is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



POINSETTIAS for the Christmas Eve services will be provided this year for \$12.50. Donors will be listed in the worship bulletin for the Christmas Eve services. If you would like to place an order for one or more, please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate or send to the Church office. The **deadline** is Sunday, December 17th. Payment must accompany your order. Plants may be picked up after the 11:00 p.m. service Christmas Eve. (Please leave the three white poinsettias in the manger.)

Enclosed is	for	poinsettias.	
IN MEMORY OF			
IN HONOR OF			
OTHER (To the Glor	ry of God)		
Given by			

SERVING YOU TODAY – November 26, 2023

Minister	The Rev. J. Chris Fischer			
Organist/Choir Director	Jill Helgeson			
	(E) Jay Bannister (L) Katelin Passow			
Lectors	(E) Matt Roehrs (L) Sandi Jordan			
Video/IT EngineerPau	l Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell			
	Gail Cannon & Jane Potter			
Ushers				
(E) Bob Straup - Captain, Susan Strau	p, Skip Knight, Terry Cribbe, Beth Cribbe,			
Claude Calloway				
(L) Sid Stokes - Captain, Ernie Thoms, John Lybrand, Harry Coggins				
Church Secretary	Pat Ross			
President	Bobbi Metz			
Vice-President	Beth Cribbe			
Treasurer	Diane Richardson			
Financial Secretary	Jane Potter			
Council Secretary	Connor Caldwell			

^{*}Apostles' Creed

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

November 26 – December 2

TODAY

8:45 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Early Choir Practice (after worship)

10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)

11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

TUES.

6:00 p.m. Women's Group Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

WED.

10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

ATTENDANCE Sunday Worship Services – November 19 – 8:45 a.m. (58) 11:00 a.m. (42)

OFFERINGS RECEIVED November 19 – Operating Fund \$9,192.99, Endowment Fund \$640.00, Thanksgiving Offering \$20.00, Angel Tree Fund \$50.00

Angel Tree WE NOW HAVE THE TAGS ON THE TREE!!!!!!

- 1. Pick a tag off the "Angel Tree" in the Narthex and go shopping.
- 2. Please wrap gifts. (or place the gift in a gift bag.) Otherwise, you may drop off your gift and someone will wrap it for you.
- 3. Leave gift, with tag attached, in the church office parlor (use door code).
- 4. Gifts should be returned **NO LATER** than, **Tuesday, December 5**th, after which, you will be responsible for delivering your gifts to A.I.M.
- 5. In addition to selecting names from the Angel Tree in-person like we usually do, you also have the option of making a donation and someone from WELCA will do the shopping for you. If you would rather participate in this way, just make a check out to "Holy Trinity Lutheran Church" and put "Angel Tree" in the Memo and drop it the offering plate or mail it to the church office. If you have any questions on any of this, please contact Nancy Scalf or Beth Fischer.

*The Peace Is Shared The Offering is Received

The Offertory Anthems

(8:45 a.m.) "Christ Is The King!"

Charles R. Anders

Alleluia, alleluia! (REFRAIN)

Christ is the King! O friends, rejoice; brothers and sisters, with one voice let the world know he is your choice. (**REFRAIN**)

Oh, magnify the Lord, and raise anthems of joy and holy praise for Christ's brave saints of ancient days. (**REFRAIN**)

O Christian women, Christian men, all the world over, seek again the Way disciples followed then. (**REFRAIN**)

So shall the church at last be one; so shall God's will on earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks begun. (**REFRAIN**)

(11:00 a.m.) "Let The Song Go Round The Earth"

Buryl A. Red

Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is Lord! Sound His praise, tell this worth, be His name adored;

Ev'ry clime and ev'ry tongue Join the grand, the glorious song! Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is Lord!

Let the song go round the earth, Where the summer smiles; Let the notes of holy mirth Break from distant isles;

Inland forest, dark and dim, Icebound coast give back the hymn, Let the song go round the earth, Where the summer smiles. Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is King! With the story of His Worth Let the whole earth ring;

Him creation all adore Evermore and evermore Let the song go round the earth, Jesus Christ is King! Jesus Christ is King!

*The Offertory Hymn

"Praise God, From Whom Blessings"



The Prayers of Intercession

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

The Minister concludes each petition with "Lord In Your Mercy," and the response is, "Hear our Prayer."

ADVENT SCHEDULE

Advent Meals – 6:00 p.m.

December 6 Luther's Ladies – host December 13 Katie's Ladies - host

December 20 The Lutheran Church Youth – host

There will be a free will offering received.

Advent Worship Services to follow at 7:00 p.m.

All Advent donations will go to The Salvation Army.

Mark your calendars:

Congregational Advent Event – December 3 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Christmas Pageant – December 10

Annual Christmas Pageant during the 11:00 a.m. service

Youth Christmas Party – December 16 5:00 p.m. at the Goodson farm.

Chili and Caroling – December 17

Congregational Christmas Caroling and Chili 5:00 p.m.

Choir Gathering – **December 22** at the Helgeson home 6:30 p.m. with heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

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CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY ADVENT EVENT

Although the world has already started stocking shelves with Christmas décor, airing Christmas commercials and blaring Christmas music over the radio, Lutheran Christians know that before Christmas comes Advent. The definition of the word Advent is, "the arrival of a notable, person, place or event." It is during this first season of our liturgical calendar, that we prepare for the Christmas coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

This year, the Learning Committee will once again be sponsoring an event to begin our Advent journey with a craft project. This event is for all families and individuals who would like to participate. This project will help us keep our focus on the true meaning of the season.

WHEN: Sunday, December 3 at 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Fellowship Hall

WHO: Everyone. A signup sheet is in the narthex to help plan for materials.

WHAT: Advent Family Event



The Christmas Pageant will be on Sunday, December 10th during the Late Service. All ages are needed to participate in this year's program. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this delightful Christmas tradition! We will again be using a script created by Brenda McGowan. Practices will be determined later. A full dress-rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 9th at 9:00 a.m. Our final rehearsal will be Sunday, December 10th following the Early Service.



Congratulations to Sarah Ann and Davis Bannister on the birth of Lilian Ruth Bannister, who was born, November 20th. Lilian weighed 8 lb. and 3 ounces. Congratulations also go out to proud grandparents, Jay and Suzie Bannister.

The Lord's Prayer (we remain kneeling)
L. Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

SENDING

The Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

*The Recessional Hymn

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Hymn #434

(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)

*The Dismissal

Minister: Go in peace, serve the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"Christ The Redeemer"

(*) "Indicates congregation to stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Dave and Nancy Korn to the Honor and Glory of God.

Activity Bags are available in the Narthex for children who are attending service; please return them after the service.

Holy Trinity celebrates the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays of the month and all major festivals of the church.

PRAYER LIST	<u>SPONSORS</u>	8/27 The Family of John Ferguson	Sid Stokes
11/19 Richard Straup	Bob & Susan Straup	8/27 The Family of Donald Campbell	Paul Wagner
11/19 Ron Naumann	Kim Hill	8/27 The Family of Bob Dawes	Bob Vinson
11/12 Deputy Lucas Watts	Pat Ross	8/27 Owen Oates	Michael & Amber Oates and Mike & Sherri Oates
11/12 Marijane Coggins	Congregation	8/27 Steve H.	Robert & Vicki Allen
11/12 The Family of Ardy Armen	Jill Helgeson	8/27 The Family of Deanna Denker	Robert & Vicki Allen
11/12 The Family of Gail Williams	Jill Helgeson	8/27 Bill Welborn	Mike Oates
11/12 Ben Emanuel	Bonnie Emanuel	8/20 Mandy Wood	Rita Bell
11/12 Carole Anne Cantey	The Stokes Family	8/20 Melissa Bell	Rita Bell
11/12 Nora McClendon	The Stokes Family	8/20 The Kem Oliver Family	Andy & Sharon Christmas
11/12 Scott Smith	Andy & Sharon Christmas	8/20 Dr. Cindy Lee	The Stokes and Moody Families
11/12 James Maxwell	Andy & Sharon Christmas	8/20 Lori Sanders	Sid & Rette Stokes
11/12 Denise Ludlow	Pat Ross		
11/5 Richard Polsdorfer	Tamara Polsdorfer	LONG TERM PRAYERS	<u>SPONSORS</u>
11/5 Ashley Williams	Rette Stokes	Gabrielle Godfrey	Brenda McGowan
11/5 The Family of Anne Willis Inman	Jill Helgeson	Richard Benedict	Dave & Sue Rasche
11/5 Susan McIntyre	Johnnie Hunnicutt	Carolyn Culbreath	The Stokes Family
11/5 The Family of Lewis Zeigler	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt	Abby Barrett & Family	Jay & Suzie Bannister
10/29 Karen Cromer	Suzie Bannister	Chris Goodwin	The Fischer Family
10/29 Suzie Bannister	Jay Bannister	Buddy & Lesley Taylor	Marisa Adrian
10/29 The Family of James Adams	Congregation	Jean Vinson	Bob Vinson
10/29 Jean Vinson	Bob Vinson	Kathy Weeks	Tom Weeks
10/29 Madison Dunn	Nancy Scalf	Linda Rikard	Bob & Susan Straup
10/29 Marisa Adrian	Tom Adrian	Judy Jarrett	The Fischer Family
10/22 Allan Cole	Chris & Anna Caldwell	Ross King	Cherie Brown
10/22 Ashleigh Drennan Craft	Cathey Sale	Willy E. Johnson	The Stokes Family
10/15 Barbara Thomas	Congregation	Donna Welborn	The Stokes Family
10/8 Anita Roehrs	Rev. Stephen Roehrs	Michael Morrison	Jill Helgeson
10/8 Robert Scott	Janice Davenport	Pruitt Martin	Bob Vinson
10/8 Debra Smith	Jane Potter	Kenneth	Jay & Suzie Bannister
10/8 The Family of Judy Warncke	Jan House	Joan Stinson	Brenda McGowan
10/1 Henry Adair	Chris & Anna Caldwell	Susan Socha	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
9/24 Paul Brill	Ben & Bonnie Emanuel	Robert Scribner	Jan House
9/24 Doni Whitley	Brenda McGowan	Danny Rouse	Brenda McGowan
9/17 Charlene Kelly	Amy Compton	Sandy Matlack Forrest	Jill Helgeson
9/17 Jimmy Burdette	Jane Potter	Laura Wagner	Paul Wagner
9/10 Sam Burroughs	Brenda McGowan	Sue Walthall	Bob & Susan Straup
9/10 Tamara Polsdorfer	Beth Cribbe	David Lane	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
9/3 The Family of Tina Haynes Dulaney	Jill Helgeson	Nina & Larry Sherman	Jill Helgeson
9/3 Marilyn Shereda	Jane Potter		
8/27 Kendall Collins	Connor Caldwell	Names listed for the dates of 8/20 thru	9/24 will be removed from the prayer list next week.
8/27 Kenny Leisure	Sid Stokes		yed that you would like to stay on, please resubmit it.
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We have received quite a few THANK YOU cards from The Church of the Ascension, Anglican thanking us for the use of our worship facilities. We will be publishing them in our bulletin and the newsletter.



Holy Trinity,

Thank you so much for the gift of a church building to a parish in need. For as you have done to us you have done to the Lord, and we could be no more thankful. We will always have a soft spot in the mind and body of Christ at Church of the Ascension. Thank you.

I have enjoyed sharing your worship space so much. Such a generous gift. May God continue to bless your church family and worship space.

Hey!

Thank you so much for welcoming us into your space. We've loved worshiping here; you've done a beautiful job creating a wonderful worship space.

Thank you for demonstrating the beauty of the universal church.

With love, Sophie Morel

Dear Holy Trinity,

True blessings are rare. You truly have been one of the best ever! Thank you!

Holy Trinity,

Thank you so much for letting us use your church. It's been such a blessing to be able to worship with each other. Thank you! Mi Mi Edgar

It has been so amazing to share this beautiful space with you. Love Patti & Scott

Thank you sooo much for letting us worship in your church. Praise the Lord. The Jones

Thank you so much for letting us use this space! Katie

We loved this church space. Thank your for letting us use your space. Robbie

Holy Trinity Lutheran,

You have been such a blessing to our church plant. Your generosity is exemplar and I pray that one day we may also be a blessing to God's church in this way. May our Lord bless you now and always. In Christ, Kurt Buter

Thank you so much! A massive blessing to us. Ian

Thank you for letting us use your building & letting me play the organ. Your church is beautiful, but your generosity is an even greater glory to Christ. Audrey Rose, organist

Thank your for letting us use your church. It was very nice of you and I was surprised. Evie

Holy Trinity Church,

Thank you so much for letting us use the beautiful space. It been a great place for worship and fellowship. Thanks again. Yiza

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,

Thank you, brothers and sister for letting us use your sanctuary for service!!! It has been such a blessing! Ellie Schwartz

Dear Pastor Chris and People of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,

We can't begin to express just how grateful we are for your kindness and open handedness in allowing us to use your church building. For a new church plant without a building or a large budget, this was a tremendous gift to us. On top of that, the space itself stirred our hearts to God's beauty and transcendence. We continue to pray that God will be so present to all who worship here and will direct your steps. Grace and peace, Ryan Butler

Thank you, HTLC, for being so generous with your space! We have so enjoyed worshiping as a new congregation in such a beautiful sanctuary. The joint Good Friday service was also a highlight for me this past year. May the peace of the Lord continue to be with you!

Dear Rev. Chris Fischer & the Congregation at Holy Trinity Lutheran, we have been so blessed to have been in your church.... You folks are a blessing in so many ways. So grateful for your goodness to us at Church of the Ascension. God Bless You! Diane Jones

I send a heartfelt gratitude for your warmth and hospitality in sharing your beautiful place of worship. You are an amazing blessing and embody the love of Christ. Annette & Richard