

Sunday, November 30th, 2025
First Sunday in Advent

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Confession & Forgiveness

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*Opening Hymn

“Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn”

ELW 242

1. Awake! Awake, and greet the new morn, for angels herald its dawning. Sing out your joy, for soon he is born, behold! The Child of our longing. Come as a baby weak and poor, to bring all hearts together, he opens wide the heav’nly door and lives now inside us forever.
2. To us, to all in sorrow and fear, Emmanuel comes a singing, his humble song is quiet and near, yet fills the earth with its ringing; music to heal the broken soul and hymns of loving kindness, the thunder of his anthems roll to shatter all hatred and blindness.
3. In darkest night his coming shall be, when all the world is despairing, as morning light so quiet and free, so warm and gentle and caring. Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in wonder, the weak be raised above the strong, and weapons be broken asunder.
4. Rejoice, rejoice, take heart in the night, though dark the winter and cheerless, the rising sun shall crown you with light, be strong and loving and fearless. Love be our song and love our prayer and love our endless story; may God fill ev’ry day we share and bring us at last into glory.

*Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. C: And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray together,

C: Stir up you power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. ² In days to come the mountain of the LORD’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. ³ Many peoples shall come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴ He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. ⁵ O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Psalms 122 (read by half verse. Psalms can be found after pg. 338 and before the hymns.)

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

“But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴² Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his

house be broken into.⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Children's Sermon

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Sermon

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*Hymn of the Day:

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

ELW 257 (v. 1-4)

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.
2. O come, O Wisdom from on high, embracing all things far and nigh: in strength and beauty come and stay; teach us your will and guide our way. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.
3. O come, O com, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times you gave the law in cloud, and majesty, and awe. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.
4. O come, O Branch of Jesse, free your own from Satan's tyranny; from depths of hell your people save, and give them vict'ry o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Affirmation of Baptism

(see insert)

*The Prayers:

Each petition ends with: P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

*The Peace:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

We invite you to share the peace in the manner you are most comfortable with. Please respect others, knowing that someone may not be comfortable sharing the peace with you in the same manner.

Offering

*Offertory Hymn:

"Wait for the Lord"

ELW 262 (sing twice)

1. Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

*Offertory Prayer:

P: Let us pray, Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer:

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.

Distribution of Communion

*Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

*Benediction and Sending

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

*Closing Hymn

“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

ELW 249

1. On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry announces that the Lord is nigh; awake and hearken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings!
2. Then cleansed be ev’ry life from sin; make straight the way for God within, and let us all our hearts prepare for Christ to come and enter there.
3. We hail you as our Savior, Lord, our refuge and our great reward; without your grace we waste away like flow’rs that wither and decay.
4. Stretch forth your hand, our health restore, and make us rise to fall no more; oh, let your face upon us shine and fill the world with love divine.
5. All praise to you, eternal Son, whose advent has our freedom won, whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit, evermore.

Postlude

Congratulations to Sawyer Brite on his confirmation.

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Affirmation of Baptism

A: These following persons have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Their names are read and they gather at the front of the church.

P: Let us pray, Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them, nourished them, and enlightened them with your Spirit in this community of faith. Uphold them in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in Jesus' name, Amen.

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ: In Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his Church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from his Word the loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been nourished at his holy table and called to be witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Jesus Christ, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Confirmand: *I do.*

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Confirmand: *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Confirmands: *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.*

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ, through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmand: *I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

P: People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

Congregation: *We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.*

At this time, each confirmand will be blessed by Pastor Brad and their family. As the family come forward, the confirmand's Bible verse they selected will be read.

P: Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in _____ the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm *his/her* faith, guide *his/her* life, empower *him/her* in *his/her* serving, give *him/her* patience in suffering, and bring *him/her* to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Let us give thanks this day for our youth who have confirmed their faith.

Quilt made by the Women of Trinity.

Cross given by Trinity Lutheran Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay after worship today if you are able, to help decorate the church for Christmas!

Crew will be this Wednesday, Dec 3rd. 3:30-5:00 for all 3rd-6th graders

Women of Trinity Christmas Gathering, Saturday, December 6th, 9 am till Noon! Entertainment by the Gethsemane Bells from Baldwin at 9:30 am, followed by a luncheon.

Sunday School Christmas Program practice begins next Sunday, December 7th at 9 am! Christmas program practice is December 7th & 14th from 9 am till 11 am. Please have your child at both practices for the Christmas program.

Order your Poinsettias today! You can order them in honor/memory of someone. \$10 per plant. Deadline for ordering is December 3rd.

Men's Band Concert at Knapp United Methodist Church, Saturday, December 6th, 7pm

Spirit of Christmas Quilt Raffle: tickets are \$3 each or 4 for \$10. Proceeds go to Youth Mission Trip to Denver next summer. Drawing will be Sunday, Dec 14th.

We are looking for items to be donated for the Silent Auction, Dec 13th. Items should be new or new condition and can be dropped off to the office before Dec 11th. Proceeds go to Youth Mission Trip to Denver.

The Annual Mitten Tree is up and ready for donations. Items should be for winter weather, gently used, clean, or new. Put your donated items in the Mission Box at Church and we will decorate the Mitten Tree with them. Donations collected will be given to area schools, the Coat Closet and wherever needed. Items needed are: Caps, Coats, Boots, Scarves, Gloves and Snowpants. Thank you!

Serving Our Lord and Church

Pastor: Bradley K. Peterson

Parish Manager: Andrea McVeigh

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Reader: PB

Greeter: Cheryl & Dan Wyss

Ministers: All Baptized Believers

Ushers: Ron Peshaw, Loren Kothrade, Ted Litzkow

Altar Guild: Kim Guy, Joy Evenson, Trisha Schaff

Fellowship: Tyler Sudbrink, Easton Retz

Schedule For The Week of Nov 30-Dec 7

Sunday	9:00am	Worship
Monday	10:00am	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilting
Wednesday	3:30pm	Crew
	5:30pm	Confirmation
	6:30pm	Worship
	7:00pm	Voices of Praise
Thursday	10:00am	Card Club
Sunday	9:00am	Worship



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Our Prayer Concerns

Dick Clack	Saul Hedlund	Jeanna Hollister	Helen Rosen	Kathy Joles
Leona Steies	Kayden Ebersperger	Shannon Bauer	Amy Frieburg	Brian Moll
Jennifer Marlett	Brad Stevens	Shirley Mittlestadt	Ashely Behling	Ken Larson
Randee Mayer	Lynda Swenson	Kasen Iverson	Tom Lohfink	Lynda Bird
Kendra Kostman				

Weekly Devotions

Sunday: Psalm 75	Monday: Psalm 76	Tuesday: Psalm 77
Wednesday: Psalm 78:1-20	Thursday: Psalm 78:21-55	Friday: Psalm 78:55-72
Saturday: Psalm 79	Sunday: Psalm 80	