#### First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

#### **Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14**

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

#### \*The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



# Christmas Eve Worship December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 4:30 pm

#### Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

<u>\*Opening Hymn:</u> "Joy to the World" ELW 267

## \*<u>Dialog</u>

P: The people who have walked in darkness have seen a great light;

C: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

P: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

P: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

C: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

## \*Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray together,

C: Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Special Music "O Holy Night" Bob & Hayley Bird, Amelia Reed

First Reading: Isaiah 8:2-7

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

\*The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

<u>Children's Sermon</u> Pastor Brad

<u>Sermon</u> "Worst Shepherds Ever" Pastor Brad

\*Hymn of the Day "O Little Town of Bethlehem" ELW 279

## \*Apostle's Creed

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

## \*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 during this time, knowing that someone may not be comfortable sharing the peace with you in the same manner

#### Offering

\*Offertory "I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve" ELW 271

#### \*Offertory Prayer

P: Gracious God, C: With joy and delight we offer our gifts to you; our time, our belongings, and ourselves. Show us how to be generous and giving, and receive these gifts for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our provider and salvation. 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.

#### Communion

Communion Hymn "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" ELW 270

\*Post-Communion Blessing

\*Post Communion Prayer

## Candlelight Service

**Lighting of the Candles** 

Hymn "Silent Night" ELW 281

<u>Prayer</u>

#### \*Benediction & 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 your 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 "Go Tell It On the Mountain" ELW 290

## <u>Postlude</u>

## **WELCOME TO TRINITY & MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Pastor: Bradley K. Peterson Ministers: All Baptized Believers
Parish Manager: Andrea McVeigh Organists: Ginny Waller, Lee Peshaw

Acolytes: Anna Chernak

Ashlev Behling

Trumpets: Brett Schlosser, Pastor Brad

Ushers: Bill Borgert, Bill Fisher, Kevin Bird, Justin Clark, Ron Peshaw, Perry Johnson

Altar Guild: Char Larson, Becky Nyhus, Barb Doty

Readers: Kris Carlsrud & Craig Formoe Greeters: Ken & Kris Carlsrud, Sue Rose

## Schedule For The Week of December 21-28th

Sunday 9am Worship
No Sunday School
Wednesday-Friday Office Closed

Wednesday 2, 4:30, 9pm Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday 9am Worship

No Sunday School **venmo** 

## **Our Prayer Concerns**

Dick Clack Saul Hedlund Jeanna Hollister Helen Rosen Kayden Ebensperger **Amy Frieburg** Leona Steies Shannon Bauer Jennifer Marlett **Brad Stevens** Shirley Mittlestadt Ken Larson Lunda Swenson Randee Mayer Kasen Iverson Lunda Bird Kendra Kostman Tom Lohfink

Weekly Devotions

Kathy Joles

Sunday: Psalm 92 Monday: Psalm 93 Tuesday: Psalm 94 Wednesday: Luke 2:1-7 Thursday: Luke 2:8-20 Friday: Psalm 95

Saturday: Psalm 96 Sunday: Psalm 97

**Brian Moll** 

## Pastor Bradley Peterson

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Trinity welcomes all baptized believers to participate in Holy Communion.</u> Wine is on the outside of the tray and grape juice is in the center and is white. Gluten free bread is available upon request. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, the ushers will have an all-in-one option you can have in your seat.

Thank you to all who are sharing their talents with us today!

Thank you to Heather Knutson for organizing the poinsettia's this year. You can take your poinsettia home after the 9 pm worship service.

Thank you to Jamie Tilleson for donating our Christmas trees this year!

No Confirmation on Wednesday, December 24 & 31st

No Sunday School on December 28th or January 4th

Office Closed December 24th through 26th

The Crew returns on Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, for all 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders from 3:30 till 5:00 pm

All reports for the Annual Report are due on January 11th

<u>Volunteers Needed to remove snow from our sidewalks!</u> Please sign-up on the table in the Narthex. We have a tractor with snow blower that you can use.

Pick up your 2026 Offering envelopes in the Narthex.

First Communion Class, Sunday, January 11th, 6:00 pm Class is for all youth 3rd grade and above who has not yet been instructed. Can't make it? Make up class January 18th at 10:30 am. Class is for both parents and kids. Please bring your Bible.

Trinity Lutheran Church exists to support its members in proclaiming the Word of God so that all may know the peace, joy, and fulfillment that comes through Jesus Christ



## **POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS 2025**

These poinsettias have been purchased by members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church "in memory of" and "in honor of" those listed below.

## The three white poinsettias are in honor of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and in memory of Sharon Seeger

**FDOM** 

IN MEMODY OF

IN MEMORY OF	<u>FROM</u>
Beverlye Thompson & Ben Schlosser	Steve & Becky Nyhus
Bill & Mary Jane Vullings	Mary & Armon Hetzel
Armon Hetzel Sr.	Shirl Hetzel, Armon Jr & Mary Hetzel
Cindy Hetzel	Shirl Hetzel, Armon Jr & Mary Hetzel
Charlie Mittlestadt, Clarence & Marian Ford	Beth & Terry Ford
Duane & Edie Mittlestadt, Jerry Misselt	Beth & Terry Ford
Tim Bird	Tim's Family
Ben Schlosser	Bob & Lynda Bird
Jerry Evan	Judy Erickson Evan
Joe & Minnie Polonec, Jon and Orpha Hanestad	Susie Hanestad
OK & Bobbie Hedlund	Ken & Kris Carlsrud
Palmer & Lucille Carlsrud	Ken & Kris Carlsrud
Deceased Loved Ones	Helen Rosen
Sarah Formoe, Vernon Bloom, Vernon & Marian F	Formoe Craig & Sharon Formoe
Our Parents	Pete & Deb Holmlund
Erv & Betty Doty	Barb Doty
Herb & Alice Lake	Bill & Lonna Borgert & Diana Nutter
Richie Lake	Bill & Lonna Borgert & Diana Nutter
Keith & Judy Peterson	Brad & Amy Peterson
Carol Rivard	Brad & Amy Peterson
Mom, Dad & Joyce	Oakland Family
Andrew Moll	Brian & Katie Moll
Arlene Hill	Brian & Katie Moll
Our Parents & Grandparents	Bill & Julie Fisher
Ralph & Delores Stark	Steve & Norma Stark
Leonard & Lois Prochnow	Steve & Norma Stark
Jessica, Delvin & Our Parents	Larry & Sandy Wheeler
Galvin, Ethel & Jeff Evenson	Janet McNamara
Kimberly K. Kahler	Janet McNamara

#### IN MEMORY OF

Alan Carlson

Mary & Craig Hagen

Steve Fossum, my friend

Shirley Dow

Larry & Viv Hanestad

Dave & Judy Mrdutt

Brenden Schutts & Ryan Williams

Scott Carlson & Carla Grogan

Ellen Carlson

Larry & Viv Hanestad

Tom & Paige Mrdutt

Wendell & Diane Andrews

#### IN HONOR OF

My Children; Heather & Family, Zachary & Family, Mary Margaret & Family Our Family Trinity Lutheran My Mom and Dad Our Children & Grandchildren My Family Our children & grandchildren Our Kids & Grandkids Our Grandsons- Jay, Reed, and Ty Children & Grandchildren Scott Carlson & Carla Grogan Parker & McKenzie Carlson & Henry Grogan All my dear friends at Stout Our children & grandchildren Our children & grandchildren

#### **FROM**

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Mary Hetzel
Craig & Sharon Formoe
Linda Soleimani
Susie Hanestad
Steve & Norma Stark
Steve & Becky Nyhus
Bill & Julie Fisher
Pete & Deb Holmlund
Ron & Lee Peshaw
Dan & Cheryl Wyss
Ellen Carlson
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