

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026
8 & 10:15 AM
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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sharing God's love with all through worship, education, and service.

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Welcome

Welcome to our worship today: If you are visiting with us, or if you are seeking a faith community and desire to be a part of our ministries, we encourage you to follow the contact information at the bottom of this page and give us your address, telephone number and/or e-mail address so that we may contact you.

Offering:

Offering may be placed in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary or in the basket near the elevator. The offering will be carried to the front at 10:15 worship and presented during the offertory.

Online Giving:



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Prayer List:

The clipboard to add people to the prayer list is on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Please be sure to include your name, their name, your relationship, and the prayer request.

INTRODUCTION

Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.

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+GATHERING+
(Singing at 10:15 only)

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

The church bell is rung three times to proclaim that we gather to worship in the name of the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, **☩** one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Mighty God, lover of justice,

C: **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

P: The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in **☩** Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

ELW 582

THE 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.**

KYRIE (10:15 only)

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE (10:15 only)



1. Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2. Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3. Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you, Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might- y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all;



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift up our thanks and praise.
on the cross, you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fath- er's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer, re - store, for - give us; in your prom- ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo- ry be to God on high.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 9:1-4

¹ There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the Lord] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² 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.

³ You have multiplied exultation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴ 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.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 27:1, 4-9

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**4 One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the
temple.**

⁵ For in the day of trouble God will I give me shelter,
hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high
upon a rock.

**6 Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.
Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of
rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

⁷ Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;
have mercy on me and answer me.

**8 My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.”
Your face, O LORD, I will seek.**

⁹ Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G clef. The first staff contains the text: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?". The second staff contains the text: "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia." The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a mix of common and compound time signatures.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. ¹⁹ And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.”

²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. ²³ Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pause for Reflection

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

ELW 798

APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith

C: **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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

A: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

PRAYER RESPONSE



O Lord, hear our prayer we of-fer up to you; O Lord, hear our prayer.

THE PEACE

A: The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

A: Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

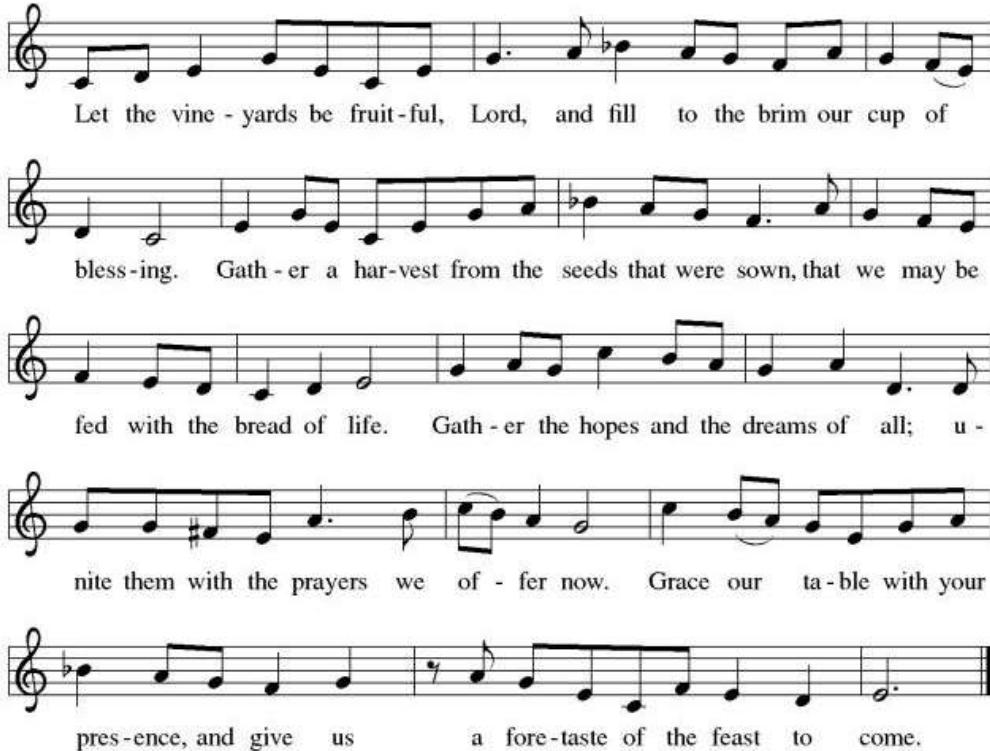
8:00 Please remain standing. 10:15 Please be seated.

+MEAL+

MUSICAL OFFERING (10:15 only)

Please stand and sing as the offering is brought to the front.

OFFERTORY (10:15 only)



Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

THE OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: **God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal
you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have
gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

Lord God of pow'r and might, ³heav- en and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy One, the beginning, and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks ...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
C: **Come to the table; taste and see.**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

All baptized believers are welcome at the Lord's table. We trust in faith that the real presence of Christ is present in the bread and the wine. You will be invited to come to the front to receive bread from the pastor. You may dip the bread into the chalice of red wine, or receive an individual cup of red wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask at the time of communion. Those who are not communing today may come forward and request a blessing from the pastor.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult”

ELW 696

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

A: Let us pray. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

+SENDING+

BLESSING

P: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise  bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

ELW 815

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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<u>GREETERS</u>	Amy Boya & Koen Thomas	Patsy Shaw & Ja'net Gochenauer
<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u>	8:00 Melissa Jacoby 10:15 Koen Thomas	Stacey Zeller
<u>LECTORS</u>	8:00 Tom Hocker 10:15 Mike Hartman	8:00 Melissa Jacoby 10:15 Alice Metka
<u>USHERS</u>	John Wallace Jim & Mary Louise Smith	Tim & Heather Zielonis Tyler Hoffman
<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	Sharon Stevens Deb George	Denise Burkhard Heather Zielonis

Prayers:

For all of our homebound.

For the work of the Call Committee.

Members: Gerrie Miller; Denise Burkhard; Alan and Bonnie Williamson; Phil Warner; John Wallace; Carol Pensyl; Linda Humes; Miriam Wise

Friends: Melissa Huntzinger; Bea and Fred Bonilla; Vickie Widmann; Mary and Kevin Lamb; John McClellan; Deandre and Destin; Eliette Costella; Olan Turner; Cally Cole; Kiersten Kwiakowski; Gunnar Etchison; Robin Gladen; Stephen; Charles Crum; Jean Kuhn

Names will remain on the prayer list for three weeks; if they should remain on the prayer list for longer, please contact the office via phone or email.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH: JANUARY 25, 2026

Sun, 1/25 8 & 10:15 am, Worship with Holy Communion
 8:45 am, Snax n Study
 9 am, Confirmation Class

 11:30 am, Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting

Tues, 1/27 6:30 pm, Women at the Well Needle Night
Wed, 1/28 7:30 pm, Bible Study



**Sunday,
February 15
9 am**

Palm Branch Burning!

Bring in last year's palms if you have them & come join the fun! Pastor Barb will lead a short class on the meaning of Lent during the Burning.



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