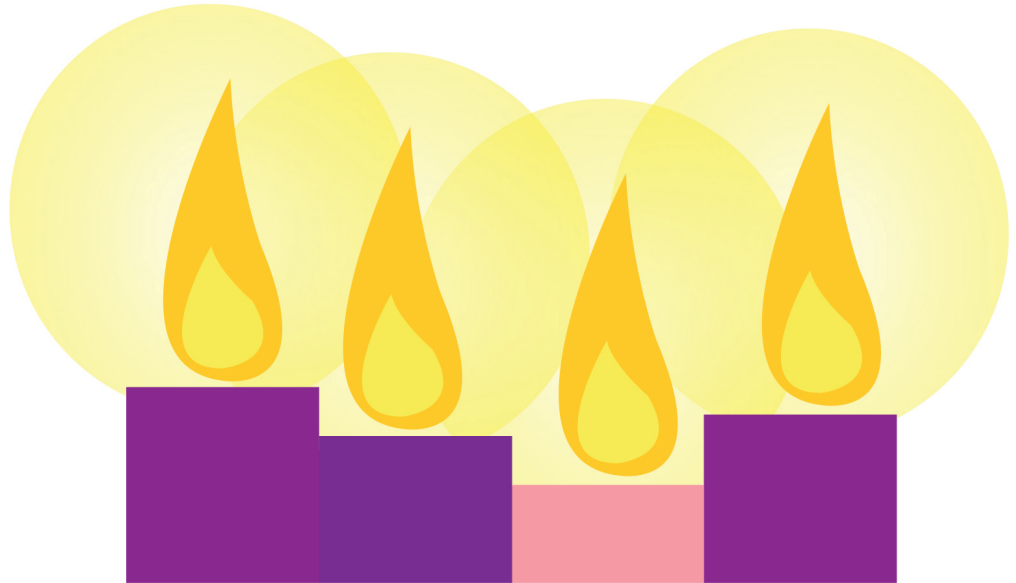


SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



# LOVE

GOD REACHES TO US  
NOT ONLY WHEN WE  
ARE AT OUR BEST,  
BUT WHEN WE ARE AT  
OUR WORST  
NOT BECAUSE WE  
DESERVE HIM,  
BECAUSE HE DESIRES US

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD...HE GAVE  
HIS ONLY SON... JOHN 3:16



# WELCOME

Our Lutheran Church brings Jesus Christ and His Word to people in the 21st Century, to you and to me. Life is Jesus Christ and the wonderful forgiveness and salvation that we have because of His obedience, His death upon Calvary's cross, and His resurrection with heaven and eternal life to come.

Life is Jesus Christ with the great salvation, forgiveness, and eternal life that He gives us as our Savior. May you experience that life in your Savior Jesus Christ as you worship with us this morning.

We welcome you to make our Trinity Lutheran Church and School your church home and family. Meet our pastor and participate with us in growing in Christ through our Bible studies, Sunday School, youth activities, family activities, and more.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

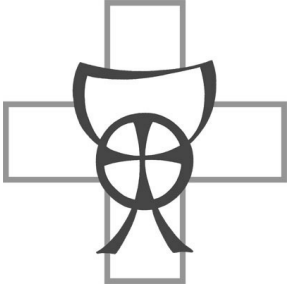
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### **Masks are required for all services until further notice.**

Masks are meant to protect other people in case the wearer is unknowingly infected, but does not have symptoms. We ask also that you would practice social distancing. Please do not throw your mask away in the church. Take it with you and dispose of it at home. Also, please take your bulletin home with you. We are not reusing them for services.

# HOLY COMMUNION



According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22, Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they receive the **true body and blood** of Jesus given and shed for their sins (Luke 22:19-22). Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully

understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1 Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to speak with the Pastor, preferably prior to the day of worship, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

# HOLY BAPTISM



To quote "Lutheran Small Catechism with Explanation", "Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's Word." We believe and teach that babies and children should be baptized as soon after birth as possible. For adults, who can come to faith through hearing the Word, we usually baptize after they have been instructed in the Christian faith.

# SACRAMENTS

## THE LORD BUILDS A HOUSE FOR DAVID: JESUS CHRIST WHO COMES IN THE FLESH

When King David "lived in his house and the Lord had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies," he piously supposed that he would build a house for God (2 Sam. 7:1-2). But the Lord would turn it around: He would establish a house for David and an everlasting throne. This He has done not only for David, but also for all His people, in the Son of David, Jesus Christ, "conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary" (Apostles' Creed). That holy child, the incarnate "Son of the Most High," receives "the throne of his father David" and begins to reign "over the house of Jacob forever" (Luke 1:32-33). Having given Himself as a sacrifice for the sins of the world, His body is the true and eternal temple of God in which His people have their own place of peace and rest. That is "the mystery that was kept secret for long ages" but is now "made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God" in order that we may have faith and life in Christ (Rom. 16:25-26).

# DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

WEEK OF DEC 20

## SUNDAY

Is 40:18—41:10

Rev 8:1—13

## MONDAY

Is 42:1—25

Rev 9:1—12

## TUESDAY

Is 43:1—24

Rev 9:13—10:11

## WEDNESDAY

Is 43:25—44:20

Rev 11:1—19

## THURSDAY

Is 44:21—45:13,  
20—25

Rev 12:1—17

## FRIDAY

Is 49:1—18

Matt 1:1—17

## SATURDAY

Is 49:22—26;

50:4—51:8, 12—16

Matt 1:18—25

## INTROIT - PSALM 19:1, 4C, 5-6

L: Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down  
righteousness;

**C: let the earth open, that salvation and righteousness may bear fruit.**

L: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims  
his handiwork.

**C: In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

L: which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,

**C: and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.**

L: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of  
them,

**C: and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

L: Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down  
righteousness;

**C: let the earth open, that salvation and righteousness may bear fruit.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might,  
that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your  
grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## OLD TESTAMENT - 2 SAMUEL 7:1-11, 16

Now when the king lived in his house and the Lord had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies, the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent." And Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart, for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus says the Lord: Would you build me a house to dwell in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling. In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?"' Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for

my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. . . .And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL

**Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you.**

## EPISTLE LESSON - ROMANS 16:25–27

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA VERSE

**Alleluia. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel. Alleluia.**

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL LESSON - LUKE 1:26–38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!” But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” And Mary said to the angel, “How will this be, since I am a virgin?” And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” And Mary said, “Behold, I am

the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

# THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

## SUNDAY

8:00 am	Worship/Communion
9:15/30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
10:30 am	Worship

## TUESDAY

11:40 am	School Dismissal for Christmas Break
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## THURSDAY

5:30 pm	Christmas Eve Worship
7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Worship

## FRIDAY

9:00 am	Christmas Day Worship
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# GROW IN CHRIST

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 3 year olds - high school meet at 9:15 am in the Sanctuary.

**BIBLE CLASSES:** 1) *Forgiveness* with Karen Sprock – meets in the conference room outside the kitchen  
2) *The Lord's Prayer* with Pastor Watkins – meets in the lunchroom  
3) *The Truth Project* with Dan Sprengeler – meets in the 6-8th Grade Classroom

# PRAYER LIST

**HEALTH ISSUES:** Katie Andorf, Jerry Behn, Marvel Behn, Joe Burley, Dave Casotti, Lexy Chadourne, Donna Crouse, Gordon Davis, Milo Denner, Darcia Duffy, Charlotte Elsberry, Art Eppert, Chris Erickson, Darlene Ferguson, Corey Fowler, Virgil Frye, Larry Hock, Paul Hike, Mary Hobbs, Dan Houston, Roger Howard, Eldon & Ann Hutchison, Shelley Jergens, Robert Jorgensen, Jack Johnson, Jackson Larsen, Gus Linn, Esther Long, Gene Mackey, Pat Mackey, Dick Martin, Karen Menz, Robin Mitchell, Sharon Mundt, Bret Price Sr., Dawn Range, Don Romig, Pam Sassman, Jim Schroeder, Francis Simmerman, Rose Simmerman, Scott Smith, Don & Ronda Strhuenburg, Linda Van Pelt, Jaime Webster, Alice Westrum, Shelley Winchel, Isaiah Williams, Helen Wilhite

**MILITARY PERSONNEL:** John Frank, Elijah Leininger, Nicholas Timm, Jonathon Thompson, Aaron Walsh, Christian Lozier, Trevn Lee, Ali Lee, Dallas Kvach, Dalton Andersen, Dylan Higgins, Brandon Laubscher, Tim Carr, Nate Seagren, Mike Schminke

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** Loren & Betty Wilhelm, Gerald & Ronda Luedtke, Scott & Kara Selim, Dennis & Margaret Carter, Jacob & Heather Davis

**HEALING & PROTECTION:** those who have COVID-19, protect families and all people, stop the spread.

**OTHER:** Those in nursing homes/care centers, Lutherans for Life, Stephen Ministries, Missionaries

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CAMP OKOBOJI NEWS:** January 29 - 31: Family Ice Fishing - Come enjoy a family friendly weekend of ice fishing, faith and fellowship!

January 28 - 31: Okoboji Winter Games - Planning to attend the Okoboji Winter Games and need a safe and refreshing place to stay?? We still have Family Ministry Cabins available.

**SCHOLARSHIP:** Beta Sigma Psi, a National Lutheran Fraternity, at Iowa State University, is offering a \$2,000 scholarship to three Lutheran young men to attend ISU. You do not have to join the fraternity to be eligible. Applications can be found at: [www.epsilon.betasigmapsi.org/scholarship](http://www.epsilon.betasigmapsi.org/scholarship)  
More information can be found on the bulletin board by the mailslots.

**DOORS:** Please be sure to check that the doors are latching and locked when you are leaving the building. We have had doors left unlocked/unlatched recently. Please do your part to keep Trinity safe and secure. Thank you!

**EMAIL LIST:** Please email the church office to get on our congregational email list. You will get notifications on Voter's meetings, our monthly newsletter, and other important events happening at Trinity.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** You now have the ability to make your contributions online or with the GivePlus Mobile App! On our website ([trinitylutheranboone.com](http://trinitylutheranboone.com)) find the menu and you will see Electronic Giving at the bottom. Click on that and you will see the sign-up page. There are also tutorials on how to use the services. These are great ways to still support our church when you can't attend services.

## STEWARDSHIP

**CHURCH PIANO:** The black piano at the front of the church needs to be replaced. Keys don't stay in tune no matter how many times they have been fixed. This piano is used several times a week at choir and Chapel. If interested in donating towards a new one please mark "Church Piano" on your check or envelope.

**ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN:** provides relief for human need worldwide. They operate strictly on donations, memorials, Thrivent Choice Dollars and grants. After their last shipment to Kyrgyzstan their funds are pretty much depleted. Any financial support would be greatly appreciated. Please send to: Orphan Grain Train, PO Box 152, Early, IA 50535

**HELPING HANDS PROGRAM:** Contact the church office if you or any member of Trinity you know needs assistance (a meal delivered, a bulletin delivered, errands run, etc.) or if you would be willing to be on our list of helpers.

**ILSTO:** December 31 is almost here! The Iowa Lutheran Student Tuition Organization will gladly accept gifts that will provide financial assistance to our students. Donations needs to be postmarked no later than December 31. Tax credits are available, but the closer you donate to the deadline, please call to make sure credits are available. Receive a 65% tax credit on your Iowa taxes and possible charitable contribution on federal form. To get more information for donating to the ILSTO visit [iowalutheransto.org](http://iowalutheransto.org) or contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991 or [deweytorkelson@hotmail.com](mailto:deweytorkelson@hotmail.com).

**CHURCH NEEDS:** The church could use any unopened hand sanitizer, masks or postages stamps you would be willing to donate.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** Christmas Eve services will be held at 5:30 and 7:30 pm. Masks are required and social distancing will be in place. There will be a monitor and chairs set up in the Parish Hall for extra seating. Our Christmas Day service will be at 9:00 am with the Lord’s Supper.

**RADIO BROADCAST:** Today’s radio broadcast is sponsored to the Glory of God in memory of Robert Krumm, from his wife, Marilou Krumm. Broadcasts are heard each Sunday at 10:00 am on KWBG radio, 1590 AM. To sponsor a broadcast (\$82), or if you would like a copy of the broadcast please contact the church office.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Please remember that we need volunteers to bring flowers for the altar. If you are interested please sign up to bring flowers in the back of the church in the entryway.

**TRINITY'S FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/trinitylutheranboone](http://www.facebook.com/trinitylutheranboone)

**ATTENDANCE & OFFERING** [\$14,785 needed weekly in combined General/Tuition to meet 2020-21 Budget]

General Fund	\$6,565
Tuition	\$345
Missions	\$50
Trust Income	\$1,200
Social Action	\$40
Poinsettias	\$9
Church Piano	\$50
Radio	\$20
Trinity School	\$50
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Worship	
Wednesday	129
Sunday	99

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**CHURCH SECRETARY**

Megan Messler

**ORGANIST**

Angela Pratt

**READERS**

Gerald Luedtke - 8:00 am  
Pat Kruse -10:30 am

**USHERS**

Jeff Pomeremk - 8:00 am  
John Hasstedt - 10:30 am

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

Gerald Luedtke - 8:00 am  
Daniel Sprengeler - 8:00 am

