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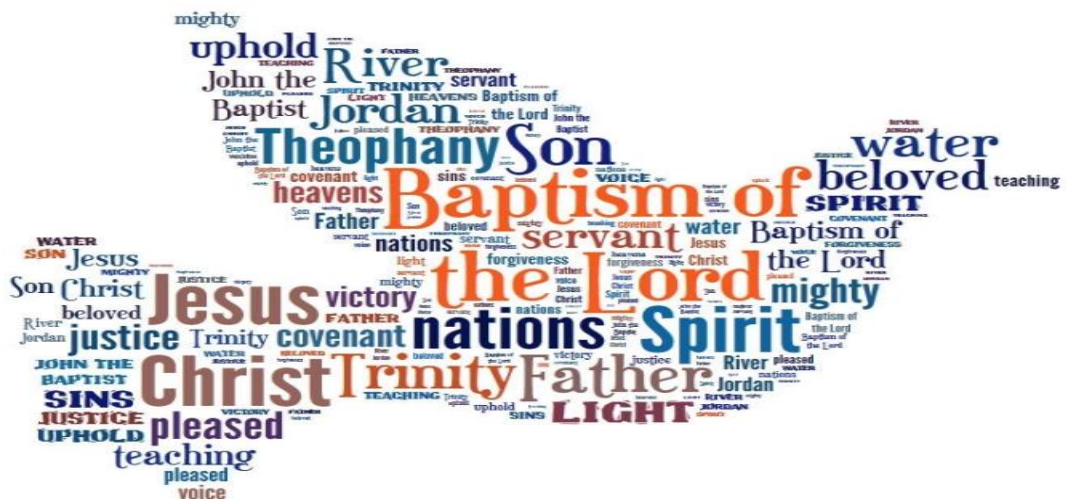
The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod

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The Baptism Of Our Lord

January 12, 2020



Adult Bible Study Opportunities

10:15 A.M. Today

Adult Bible Study

“The Gospel Of Mark”

10:00 A.M. Thursday

Adult Bible Study

“Genesis”

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend our Bible based study.

Our hymns for today: 537, 405, (602, 362), 390

AS WE GATHER

Welcome to all who join us for worship today. We pray that God will bless you with a stronger faith through our worship service. Greet one another before and after the service, especially our visitors. Please fill out an attendance card available in the pew racks and introduce yourself at the door. If you would like a visit, prayer, or just information, please note that on the card.

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O God, you give faith to believe in the healing power of your Word: Put away from us, we entreat you, temptations to doubt Your providential care and give us those things that are profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Opening Hymn

“Beautiful Savior”

LSB 537

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. Therefore, in the stead and by the command of my Lord, Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Introit

Ps. 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Is. 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear,
and rejoice with trembling,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.

**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.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

Kyrie

LSB 204



© Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit.

Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:1–9

¹Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ²He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. ⁵Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶“I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, ⁷to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. ⁹Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle

Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter, vs. 13-17.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented.

¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Sermon Hymn

“To Jordan's River Came Our Lord”

LSB 405

Sermon

“Jesus Is Stepping Into Our Sin”

Sermon Text

Matthew 3:13-17

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering

Stand

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

The Lord's Supper offers us the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus, for the forgiveness of our sins (see Matthew 26:26-28). The Lord's will is that we would be 'one in the faith', in everything that God's Word teaches, before we commune together (see Acts 2:42 and Corinthians 1:10). Finally, the Bible teaches us that the Lord's Supper can actually be taken to one's harm, if it is taken wrongly (see I Corinthians 11:27-32). As we seek to uphold God's Word, and to make sure that no one communes to their harm, Trinity Lutheran practices Close Communion. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, we humbly ask that you would not commune yet, until our pastor can visit with you about the teachings of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and about communing in the future. Guests who are not communing are still welcome to come to the communion rail, bow their heads and fold their hands, to receive a prayer of blessing from our Pastor.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

“The Gifts Christ Freely Gives” “O Sing of Christ”

LSB 602
LSB 362

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

“Let Us All with Gladsome Voice”

LSB 390



TRINITY'S MONTHLY YOUTH MEETING IS TODAY!!!

Trinity's Monthly Youth Meeting - for Grades 9-12) is today. We will first enjoy the Church Potluck. We will then leave church to attend the **Decatur Blaze Hockey Game at 12:15 pm**. Parents, the youth chaperones can provide rides home for those youth who need a ride. Finally, youth, **the cost of the ticket to the hockey game is: \$7, and you might want to bring a few extra bucks in case you need refreshments at the game.** See you there!



Please let Pastor Verseemann know if you or a family member are going in the hospital

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS may be found on the stand just outside the center sanctuary doors.
P.A. DEVICE AVAILABLE - Please see an usher if you have difficulty hearing.

PEW CUSHIONS are available from a box near the Usher's Stand. Help yourself and please feel free to leave them in your seat after services.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TODAY AT 10:15 A.M.

PRE-K – Blain Powell and Denise Roberts – Downstairs

KINDERGARTEN – 1ST GRADE – Cathy Kurecki – Downstairs

2ND – 4TH GRADE – Linda Staff – Downstairs

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY – Elizabeth Verseemann – Conference Room

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – Pastor Verseemann – Classroom across the hall from the church office

THE CHURCH OFFICE regularly scheduled hours: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Tuesday through Friday.
Pastor Verseemann's hours are 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (tentative), Tuesday through Friday. If you need to speak with him, please call the church office at 422-3630 to make an appointment.

Offering for January 5, 2020	\$2,832.00
Weekly Average Offering for 2020	\$2,832.00
Weekly Offerings Needed for 2020 Budget	\$3,833.87
Weekly Average Attendance for 2020	67
Attendance for January 5, 2020	67

Sunday, January 12, 2020

9:00 AM – Worship Service

10:15 AM – Sunday School, High School Bible Study, Adult Bible Study

11:30 AM – All-Church Potluck

12:15 PM – Youth Attending Hockey Game

Monday, January 13, 2020

No office hours, Pastor's Day Off

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

10:30 AM – Circuit Pastor's Meeting Meeting

7:00 PM – Church Council Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2020

8:30 AM – Quilters

10:00 AM – Midweek Bible Study

Sunday, January 19, 2020

9:00 AM – Worship Service

10:15 AM – Sunday School, High School Bible Study, Adult Bible Study

11:30 AM – Ladies Bible Study

Leading us in worship today:

The Officiant	Rev. Matthew Verseemann
The Organist	Rachel Verseemann
The Elders	Jeremy Zientara-Kelly, Kent Birmingham
The Acolyte	Adam Hunt
The Ushers	Zeb Poland, Blain Powell, Harold Oldinski
The Greeters	Holly Flanigan, Sally Kelly, Loraine Birmingham
The Altar Guild	Sharon Harper
The Offering Counters	2 Volunteers Needed

Our Volunteers for Sunday, January 19

The Officiant	Rev. Matthew Verseemann
The Pianist	Erika Flickinger
The Elders	Jim Harper, Dave Morris
The Acolyte	Rachel Verseemann
The Ushers	Allen Bork, Bill Buechenschuetz, Kent Birmingham
The Greeters	Sharon Harper, Diana Buechenschuetz, Tracie England
The Altar Guild	Susan Birmingham
The Offering Counters	Bill Buechenschuetz, Diana Buechenschuetz

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TRINITY'S YOUTH

(We'd like to encourage Trinity's members to attend these events in the lives of our youth and cheer our youth on!)

Mar. 4th, 7 pm – Band Concert at St. Teresa multipurpose room (south end of building) (Brandon Kurecki)



Initial Offering Envelopes: If you use the box of offering envelopes at Trinity, would you please consider using the Initial Offering envelope included to cover this item in Trinity's budget? The cost is approximately \$4.00 per box of envelopes. Thanks & Blessings for your help. *Harry Kaminski*,
Stewardship Committee

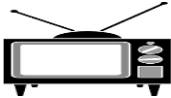
Volunteers to make coffee and clean up afterwards for Sunday Adult Bible class:

January 12

John and Kristy Pranschke

January 19

Jeremy Zientar-Kelly and Sally Kelly



LUTHERAN WORSHIP

Worship Anew celebrates the new life all people have in Jesus with a 30-minute broadcast service on COMCAST TV every Sunday morning at 7:30 am on channel 19, as well as on DIRECTV every Sunday morning at 10:30 AM on channel 377.



Our January Potluck is today, after Bible Class and Sunday School.



REMINDER: Because of privacy concerns, hospitals no longer notify us when a member has been admitted so, if you or a family member are hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit, please make the pastor or the church office aware. Thanks!



SCRIPS HELP THE KFF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM!

<u>Order Date</u>	<u>Delivery Date</u>
01/19	02/02
02/02	02/16

LIFE THOUGHTS in the CHURCH YEAR

“[A] bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench” (Isaiah 42:3a). He who went into the water with sinners (Matthew 3:6, 13) doesn’t let human impairments impede His redeeming. A body broken by deformity He will not discard in abortion, and a person incapacitated by disease He will not abandon in physician-assisted suicide.



This week on KFUO.org, begin studying the book of Joshua on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), continue in the Gospel of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and hear words of comfort on Moments of Assurance (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. CT).



The next Ladies Bible Study is January 19th.

A Very Happy Birthday to:

<i>Vanessa Miller</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>Louie Hall Jr.</i>	<i>January 17</i>
<i>Stacey Hoadley</i>	<i>January 17</i>
<i>Sarah Casebeer</i>	<i>January 18</i>
<i>Phillip England</i>	<i>January 18</i>
<i>Joe Flanigan</i>	<i>January 20</i>
<i>Blair Olson</i>	<i>January 21</i>
<i>Cynthia Reed</i>	<i>January 21</i>

Family prayers for

Kent and Susan Birmingham and Loraine Birmingham

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
Ed and Ilene McQuality for blessings received*

*The worship folders are given to the glory of God by
Bernard and Edythe Bork for blessings received*

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