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***God of all creation who gives us this beautiful day
and life itself,
who hung the stars in the sky,
and who also generously provides our daily bread,
we welcome you into our presence.
Dear Lord, what can I do for you today?***

January 14, 2018 — Second Sunday after Epiphany



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Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10

All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just the clergy but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to the story of the vision of Jacob, who called the place of his vision “the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven” (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

PRAYER

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Loving God,

C we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

P Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of ☩ Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak*

ELW HYMN 676

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



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 high 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 Fa - ther'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

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: 1ST SAMUEL 3:1-10 [11-20]

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." ¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Sam-

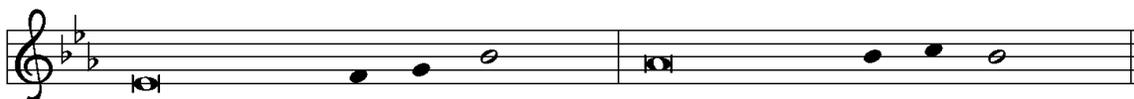
uel and said, “Samuel, my son.” He said, “Here I am.” ¹⁷Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, “It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.” ¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.]

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

Sung responsively



¹LORD, you have | searched me out;
O LORD, you | have known me.

²**You know my sitting down and my | rising up;
you discern my thoughts | from afar.**

³You trace my journeys and my | resting-places
and are acquainted with | all my ways.

⁴**Indeed, there is not a word | on my lips,
but you, O LORD, know it | altogether.**

⁵You encompass me, behind | and before,
and lay your | hand upon me.

⁶**Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me;
it is so high that I cannot at- | tain to it.**

¹³For you yourself created my | inmost parts;
you knit me together in my | mother’s womb.

¹⁴**I will thank you because I am mar- | velously made;
your works are wonderful, and I | know it well.**

¹⁵My body was not hid- | den from you,
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths | of the earth.

¹⁶**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were
written | in your book;
my days were fashioned before they | came to be.**

¹⁷How deep I find your | thoughts, O God!
How great is the | sum of them!

¹⁸**If I were to count them, they would be more in number | than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to | be like yours.**

SECOND READING: 1ST CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the first chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:43-51

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S TIME & SERMON

INTERIM PASTOR ALAN SAATKAMP

HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW HYMN 798

Please stand for the final stanza of the hymn.

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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.

THE PRAYERS

A Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

A For the church throughout the world and for all called to its various ministries, including the Peace Parish of Ada Lutheran in Courtland and Amana Lutheran in Scandia, and American Lutheran in Belleville, Kansas, that the Holy Spirit invite us and others to “come and see,” let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For the well-being of creation, for plants that provide nourishment, for animals that tend their young, that your goodness will be revealed through all creation, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For the nations and all in authority, for advocates, for those who work for racial justice, and for our community, that all people may thrive together in harmony and order, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For all who are oppressed; for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Naomi Walker, Gay Marker, Howard Kunard, Don Longren, Lucille Brill, Kathryn Axelton, Jane Velen, Evelyn Johnson, and Russell Winsor; for caregivers and families; for those who grieve and cannot sleep, that comfort will come to those in any distress, let us pray. Lord, in your mercy,

C Have mercy, O God.

A For travelers and those unable to attend worship today, for members of our community celebrating special events, especially Ben Carlson, Danny Erickson, Linda Longren, and Edwin Bennett as they celebrate their birthdays, and Betty Quarnstrom as she remembers her baptism, and for those who request prayers, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A In thanksgiving for those who followed Christ and now rest from their labors, that their witness provide a model of prophetic leadership and tireless justice-making, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

P Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERING

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 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 to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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 We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited forward to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing.

Note: we now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.

COMMUNION HYMNS	<i>O Jesus, I Have Promised</i>	ELW HYMN 810
	<i>Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am</i>	ELW HYMN 814

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P May Christ, who by his incarnation has filled us with grace and truth, give you peace this Christmas and always. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN	<i>Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult</i>	ELW HYMN 696
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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Alan Saatkamp, 605-214-1469.

Please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments after worship.

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
Jan. 14, 2018	Vickie Jacobs	Duane Pomeroy	Mitchell Bean	Ted Murphy	Cindy McGinnis	Charlotte Blenden & Team Three	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy	Ted Murphy	Pr. Alan Saatkamp
Jan. 21, 2018	Martha Nemeth	Howard Reece	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Ted Murphy	Charlotte Blenden & Team Three	Howard & Loni Reece	Vickie Jacobs	Pr. Alan Saatkamp
Jan. 28, 2018 Annual Meeting	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy	Ted Murphy	Laurie Jackson	Ted Quast	Loni Reece	Charlotte Blenden & Team Three	Dean McGinnis	Bob Horton	Pr. Alan Saatkamp

Please Notice This



Members & visitors, please take note of the pew record books in your pew, fill out the information for yourself and pass it along to the other persons in your pew. This will help us keep up with prayer needs in your family and maintain our records of membership and attendance. Thanks!

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Jan. 14	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Children's Sunday School.....	9:00 AM
.....	Adult Sunday School.....	9:15 AM
.....	Confirmation Class	9:15 AM
Mon., Jan. 15	Women's AA.....	5:00 PM
Tues., Jan. 16.....	Quilters	9:00 AM
Wed., Jan. 17	Priscilla Circle Bible Study.....	1:00 PM
.....	Women's AA.....	5:30 PM
Thurs., Jan. 18.....	February Trinity Tidings deadline	
.....	Men's AA	7:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 21	Worship with Holy Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Children's Sunday School.....	9:00 AM
.....	Adult Sunday School.....	9:15 AM
.....	Confirmation Class	9:15 AM
.....	Youth Group Meeting	5:30 PM

Pr. Alan will be in Topeka on Monday, January 15th & Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

You may have noticed that an altar flower sign-up chart has not been posted on the narthex bulletin board. There are two reasons for this: 1) while the chart itself is not expensive, shipping costs just about triple its price; 2) so few people have used the chart during the past two years that the expense does not seem justifiable.

If you want live altar flowers on a certain, please call, 233-0767, or email, office@topekatlc.org, the church office with the information for the bulletin.

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS								
Date	General	Building Fund	Other	Flowers	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Dec. 17	\$2,175.00	\$130.00	\$174.97	\$0.00	\$2,479.97	-\$2,643.92	-\$163.95	44/37
Dec. 24	\$1,844.00	\$40.00	\$68.00	\$0.00	\$1,952.00	-\$2,643.92	-\$691.92	59/49
Dec. 31	\$424.00	\$0.00	\$102.00	\$0.00	\$526.00	-\$2,643.92	-\$2,117.92	22/19
Jan. 7	\$2,435.00	\$235.00	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$2,730.00	-\$2,643.92	\$86.08	44/41
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.								
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead			
		December 2017	\$18,871.00	-\$9,543.90	\$9,327.10			
		Jan. thru Dec.	\$123,441.25	-\$122,481.47	\$959.78			

A FIBER ARTS WORKSHOP will be held at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37th and Wanamaker, on Saturday, February 17th from 8:30-noon. Workshops will include quilt art, weaving, penny rugs, felting and silk scarf dying. This event is free and sponsored by The Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka and Yak 'N Yarn, Topeka.

The Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka will be sponsoring a **CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOP** featuring local artist Lila Bartel on Saturday, March 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to noon with fun projects for children to take home. The free event is for children grades 2 to 6 and will be held at the former Avondale East Elementary school at 455 SE Golf Park Blvd. Questions and reservations-call Ann Mah at 266-9434 or email at annmah@att.net.

Please call the office, 233-0767, promptly about hospitalizations in our church family.



To share a prayer request please contact Barbara Apps at 249-7244 She will get the prayer chain started.

Remember our shut-ins!

Kathryn Axelton
 Lucille Brill
 Peggy Buchholz
 Marlene Hassan
 Marie Henriksen
 Howard Kunard
 Don Longren

Shawn Nowak
 Roy O'Neil
 Ron Owensby
 Keith Springer
 Naomi Walker
 Evelyn Johnson





The mission of
**Trinity Evangelical
 Lutheran Church**
 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

Together in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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