



February 13, 2022

6th Sunday of Epiphany

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Special Valentine Service

Saint Valentine was a third century priest in Rome that was martyred by Emperor Claudius II for not rejecting the faith. During his last moments of life before being beheaded, he wrote a note to be sent to a follower that he recently healed from being blind. He told her to keep Chris's love in her heart. This note of Christ's love is the reason that we continue to give cards and we remember those we love during this time.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

P Rejoice in this good news: In ☩ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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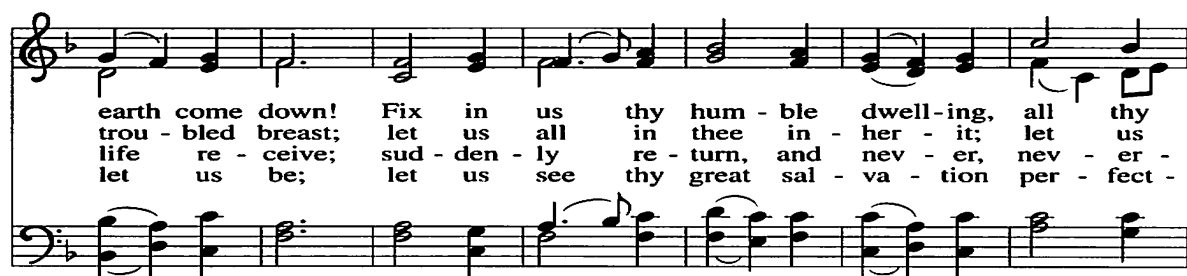
GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

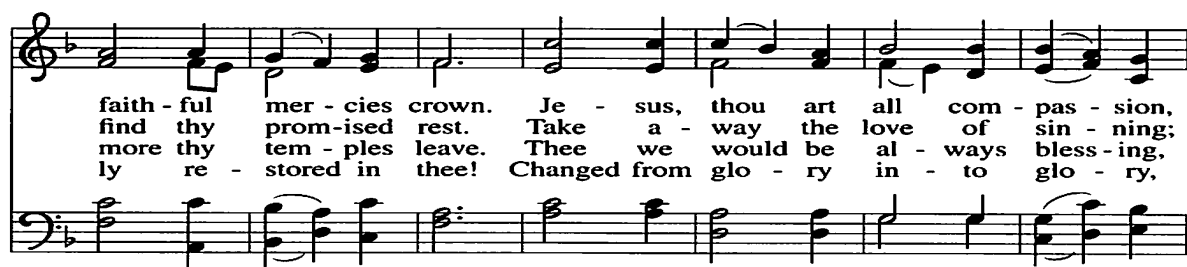
C And also with you.



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing;
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

KYRIE

P For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;
for life and for love, for our work and our play,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be
 peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
Refrain
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of
 vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -
 le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
 glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the
 Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P God of love, you are always present with your abundant blessing in our homes and families. We are especially thankful this day for those in our lives that you have given us, our partners and best friends in the journey of life. Fill us with tenderness and patience, and give us love toward you, toward each other, and toward the world. Be with us today and until that day when we all celebrate the marriage feast that has no end; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 24:59-67

⁵⁹So they sent off their sister Rebekah, her nurse, Abraham's servant, and his men. ⁶⁰And they blessed Rebekah, saying to her: "May you, our sister, become thousands of ten thousand; may your children possess their enemies' cities." ⁶¹Rebekah and her young women got up, mounted the camels, and followed Abraham's servant. So the servant took Rebekah and left her hometown. ⁶²Now Isaac had come from the region of Beer-lahai-roi and had settled in the arid southern plain. ⁶³One evening, Isaac went out to inspect the pasture, and while staring he saw camels approaching. ⁶⁴Rebekah stared at Isaac. She got down from the camel ⁶⁵and said to the servant, "Who is this man walking through the pasture to meet us?" The servant said, "He's my master's son." So she took her headscarf and covered herself. ⁶⁶The servant told Isaac everything that had happened. ⁶⁷Isaac brought Rebekah into his mother Sarah's tent. He received Rebekah as his wife and loved her. So Isaac found comfort after his mother's death.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Psalm 100

Sung responsively



¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence | with a song.

³**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom | we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep | of God's pasture.**

⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the ¹ courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's ¹ holy name.

⁵**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is ¹ everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from ¹ age to age.**

SECOND READING: 1ST CORINTHIANS 13:4-13

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

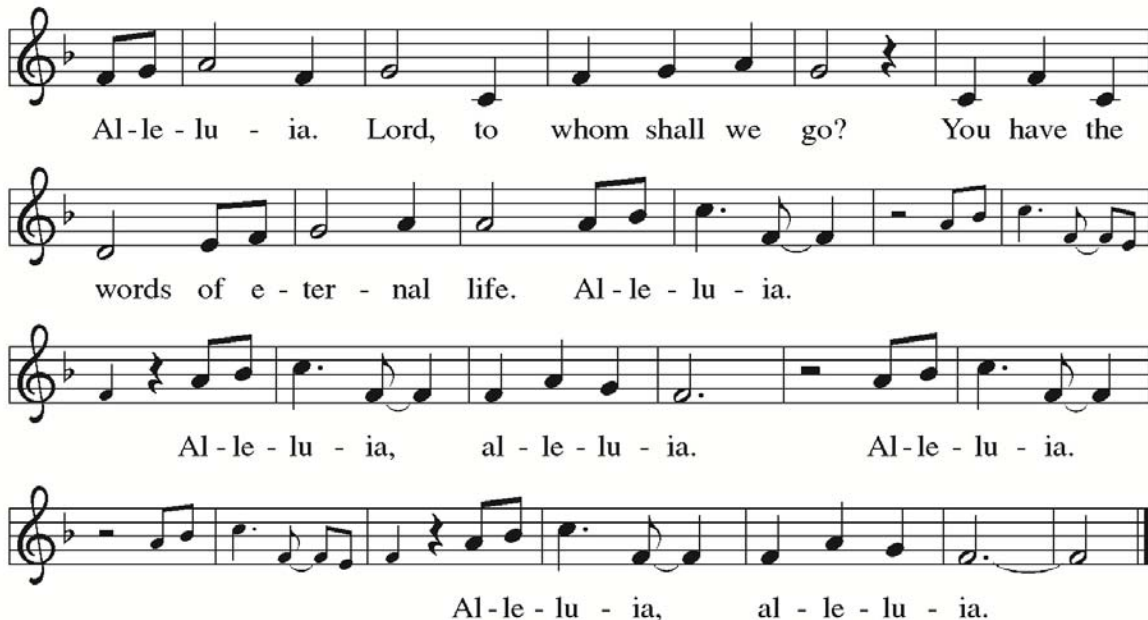
⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 15:9-17

Jesus said: ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

This Is a Day, Lord, Gladly Awaited

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

1 This is a day, Lord, glad - ly a - wait - ed; thank - ful our
2 Bless now their vows, Lord, seal - ing com - mit - ment; deep - en their
3 Sow in their hearts, Lord, seeds of com - pas - sion; reap in their
4 Hal - low the years, Lord, they spend to - geth - er, grow - ing in
hearts, Lord, joy - ous our praise. See here be - fore you two whom we
trust, Lord, lov - ing - ly won. Work - ing your won - ders, knit them to -
lives, Lord, care for your earth. May they en - cour - age oth - ers by
love, Lord, as you in - tend; free - ly for - giv - ing, time with - out
cher - ish; keep them be - side you all of their days.
geth - er so noth - ing sun - ders two be - come one.
be - ing signs of God's new age com - ing to birth.
num - ber; self - less - ly liv - ing, time with - out end.

AFFIRMATION OF VOWS

P All those with married partners are invited at this moment to reaffirm your vows. Please rise in your pews and join hands with your partner.

Please repeat after the Pastor these vows

C In the presence of God and this community, I affirm my vow to you, say your partner's name. With thanksgiving, I promise to share with you all that is still to come and to be faithful to you until death parts us.

ACCLAMATION

P In the presence of God and this assembly, we affirm and give thanks for their life together. Those whom God has joined together let no one separate.

C Amen. Thanks be to God.

P Families, friends, and all those gathered here, will you continue to support and care for them, sustain and pray for them in times of trouble, give thanks with them in times of joy, honor the bonds of their covenant, and affirm the love of God reflected in their life together?

C We will.

MARRIAGE BLESSING

P Most gracious God, we give you thanks for your tender love. Bless them so that their lives together may bear witness to your love. Bless them in their work and in their companionship; in their sleeping and in their waking; in their joys and in their sorrows; in their life and in their death.

Finally, in your mercy, bring them to that table where your saints feast forever in your heavenly home, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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 The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

A Blessed are those whose trust is in you. Strengthen the faith of those who profess your name and bring reassurance to those who doubt or fear. Through your church speak continued blessing into the world. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation. Resurrect woodlands after forest fires. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate to protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that create more honest and just society. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer, especially Keith Springer, Peggy Buchholz, Helen Laughlin, Linda Longren, Don O'Brien, Liz Utech, Susan Fitz, and Martha Nemeth. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Renew this congregation and that of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Galatia and Kansas State Campus Ministry in Manhattan, Kansas, the Lutheran School of Theology in St. Louis, and Hope Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Missouri in our shared missions. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new projects and new ministry partnerships. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Bestow your blessings upon Jane Lewis and Howard Reece as they celebrate their birthdays and upon Sam & Charlotte Blenden as they celebrate their wedding anniversary. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

OFFERTORY

Ubi caritas et amor

The musical score is written for two voices, Soprano and Bass, in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The Soprano part begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Bass part begins with a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system of music covers the first two lines of the lyrics. The second system of music covers the next two lines of the lyrics. The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and rests, as well as slurs and a triplet marking.

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,
u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.
God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

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:

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases using slurs and ties. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The hymn consists of five lines of music.

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

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.

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

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

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

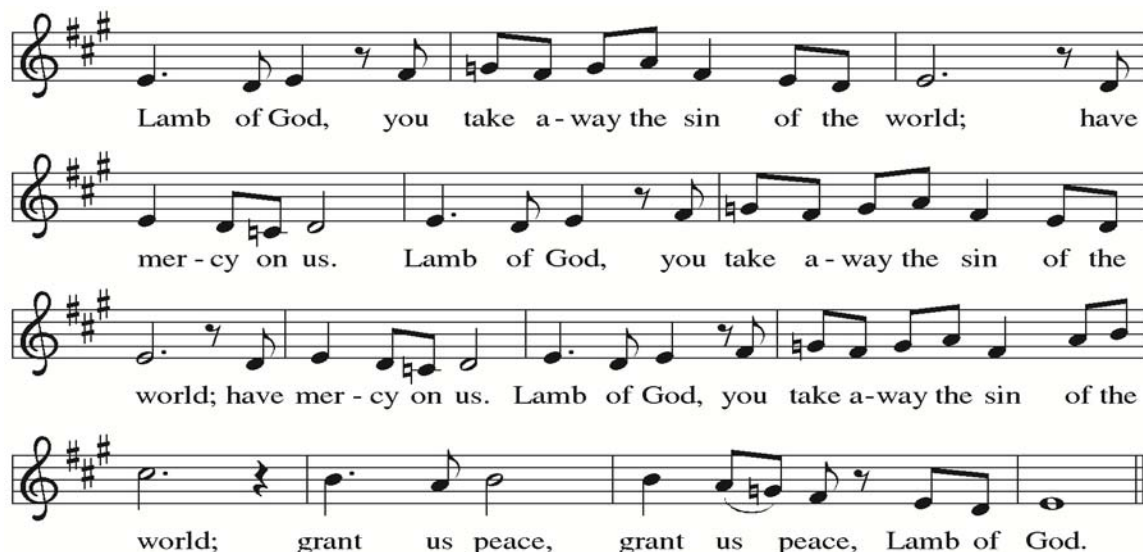
P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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 Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

LAMB OF GOD



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

COMMUNION BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C Amen

SENDING

BLESSING

P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ☩ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Love Has Brought Us Here Together

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SENDING

A Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

1 Love has brought us here to - geth - er; love of fam - 'ly,
 2 Love is gen - tle, love is pa - tient, soft in words and
 3 Love does not re - joice at e - vil; love re - joic - es

love of friends; love, our vow till death should part us; love, God's
 kind in deeds. Love is strong and nev - er pom - pous; love puts
 in the right. Keen in giv - ing and for - giv - ing, spread - ing

gift, that nev - er ends. From our birth, through - out our life - time,
 first the oth - er's needs. Not quick - tem - pered or re - sent - ful,
 love is love's de - light. When two peo - ple pledge their u - nion,

love's in - sis - tence calls our name. Floods of wa - ters
 prone to take of - fense or brood, love ex - cels in
 all who wit - ness are re - newed, feast - ing at love's

can - not drown it or put out its danc - ing flame.
 grace and mer - cy, nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er rude.
 earth - ly ban - quet, tast - ing heav'n's be - at - i - tude.

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, 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 contact the church office at 785.233.0767

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Jan. 16	\$2,153.00	\$0.00	\$2,153.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$58.54	12
Jan. 23	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$961.54	28
Jan. 30	\$1,727.99	\$40.00	\$1,767.99	-\$2,211.54	-\$443.55	29
Feb. 6	\$3,511.00	\$115.00	\$3,626.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,414.46	33
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		Dec. 2021	\$10,177.23	-\$16,316.62	-\$6,139.39	
		Jan. - Dec.	\$125,095.36	-\$142,812.72	-\$17,717.36	

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Feb. 13	Worship & Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Congregational Life Committee meeting.....	after worship
.....	PFLAG meeting.....	2:00 PM
Tues., Feb. 15.....	Quilters	9:00 AM
.....	Church Council meeting via Zoom	7:00 PM
.....	March 2022 Trinity Tidings deadline.....	
Sun., Feb. 20.....	Worship & Communion.....	10:30 AM
.....	Administration Committee meeting.....	after worship

MESSIAH
festival of the arts

Join the
Hallelujah!

Have you always wanted to join the Oratorio Society but are afraid that you don't have the music reading skills to be successful?

A "**How to Read Music**" class is being provided this year to boost your music reading confidence!

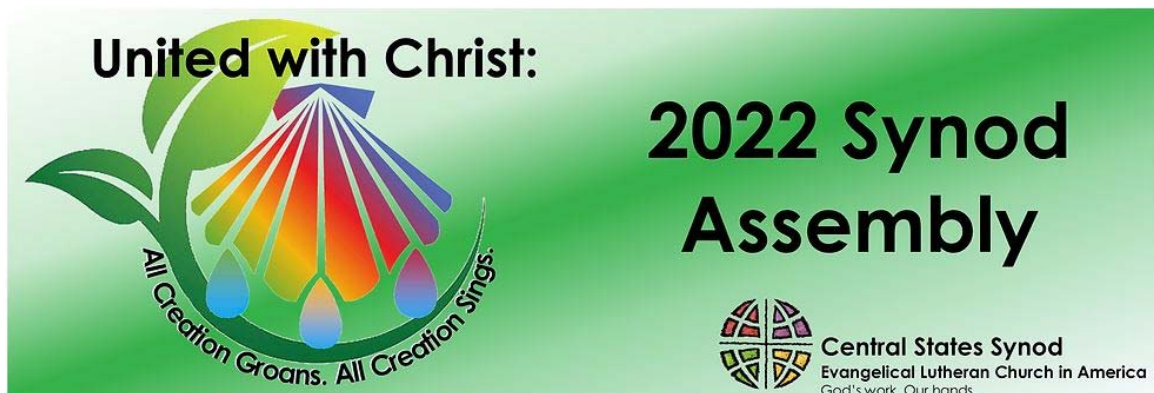
When: 2/6 & 2/27 for all interested. 2/13 for sopranos and altos.
2/20 for tenors and basses.

Time: 2:15-2:45 p.m.

Where: Presser Hall classroom 319

Questions? Contact Dr. Mark Lucas at lucas@bethanylb.edu or
Britney English benglish@smokyvalley.org

Worship Assistants						
Date	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
Feb. 13, 2022	Duane Pomeroy, Bob Horton	Laurie Jackson	Betty Quarnstrom	Cindy McGinnis & Team 1	Vickie Jacobs	Pr. Andrew Patty
Feb. 20, 2022	Dean McGinnis, Diane Bottorff	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Cindy McGinnis & Team 1	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty



The 2022 Central States Synod Assembly will begin on Thursday, June 9 and end at noon on Saturday, June 11. If anyone would like to volunteer to attend this assembly, please contact Pr. Andrew or call the office, 785.233.0767. Ideally, a male and a female would be preferable to attend as voting members, but allowances can be made if this is not possible.

The meeting take place at Embassy Suites Kansas City in Olathe where hotel rooms are also available.

More information is available on the Synod webpage.

**DOORSTEP'S
"SOUPERBOWL
SUNDAY" IS
FEBRUARY 13TH**



**BRING
SOUP**

**AND
CRACKERS**



Our Goal this year is 2.5 ton... 5,000 pounds!

**TO YOUR CONGREGATION TO HELP
STOCK DOORSTEP'S FOOD PANTRY!**



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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