

HYMN SING ALONG — JANUARY 12, 2025

HYMN

In the Bleak Midwinter

ELW 294

- 1 In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.
- 2 Heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain; heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign; in the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.
- 3 What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb; if I were a wise man I would do my part; yet what I can I give him—give my heart.

Text: Christina Georgina Rossetti, 1830-1894

HYMN

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

ELW 304

- 1 Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came, as peaceful as a dove, and yet as urgent as a flame, as urgent as a flame.
- 2 God called you, "My beloved Son"; you are God's servant true, sent to proclaim the reign of heav'n, God's holy will to do, God's holy will to do.
- 3 Straightway and steadfast until death you then obeyed the call to serve with free and willing heart, to give your life for all, to give your life for all.
- 4 Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord; your cross on us be signed, that likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find, may perfect freedom find.

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HYMN

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

ELW 314

- 1 Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.
- 2 Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door; proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.
- 3 Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born, bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.
- 4 Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

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HYMN

Cold December Flies Away

ELW 299

- 1 Cold December flies away at the rose-red splendor. April's crowning glory breaks while the whole world wonders at the holy unseen pow'r of the tree which bears the flow'r. On the blessed tree blooms the reddest flow'r. On the tree blooms the rose here in love's own garden, full and strong in glory.
- 2 In the hopeless time of sin shadows deep had fallen. All the world lay under death. Eyes were closed in sleeping. But, when all seemed lost in night, came the sun whose golden light brings unending joy, brings the endless joy of our hope, highest hope, of our hope's bright dawning, Son belov'd of heaven.
- 3 Now the bud has come to bloom, and the world awakens. In the lily's purest flow'r dwells a wondrous fragrance. And it spreads to all the earth from the moment of its birth; and its beauty lives. In the flow'r it lives, in the flow'r, and it spreads in its heav'nly brightness sweet perfume delightful.

Text: Catalanian carol; tr. Howard Hawhee, b. 1953 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

- 1 Alleluia, song of gladness, voice of joy that cannot die; alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high; in the house of God abiding thus they sing eternally.
- 2 Alleluia you are sounding, true Jerusalem and free; alleluia, joyful mother, bring us to your jubilee; here by Babylon's sad waters mourning exiles still are we.
- 3 Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below; alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forgo; for the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin shall flow.
- 4 In our hymns we pray with longing: Grant us, blessed Trinity, at the last to keep glad Easter with the faithful saints on high; there to you forever singing alleluia joyfully.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.



Trinity's annual meeting is set for January 19, 2025.

Reports from all entities were due by January 6th. If you have not yet submitted your report, please do so no later than January 13th. Thank you!

And...

Please plan to attend this important meeting. We need input from everyone as we elect new officers and representatives and approve the 2025 budget.



2025 Pledges

\$115,000 is the estimated amount needed to fully operate Trinity Lutheran Church in 2025. The most recent pledge total is \$83,660.