



Trinity Lutheran Church



February
16
2025
6th Epiphany

Together
in Community
Living
with Christ
Caring
for Neighbors

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven...
Luke 6:22-23

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We are glad you are here!

***It is always good to be together, hearing the Word proclaimed
and sharing in the Lord's Supper.***

Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed ones" and the "woe to's" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

PRELUDE

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 4

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity...our wellspring of life.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting that God receives our words...let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God,

C **you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P God proclaims these words of assurance:...live anew as beloved children of God.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW 434

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the pris'ners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our king;
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

GREETING

P The grace ...be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord

ELW PAGE 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast

ELW PAGE 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Most holy God,...our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 17:5-10

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1

Sung responsively



¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

² **Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,**
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that | do not wither;
everything they | do shall prosper.

⁴ **It is not so | with the wicked;**
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶ **For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,**
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:12-20

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go* **ELW PAGE 151**

P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the sixth chapter.

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

GOSPEL: LUKE 6:17-26

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA JONES

HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World

ELW 726

Please stand for the last verse.

1 Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity.

Light dawns on a weary world: the promised day of justice comes.

Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing! We shall go out in joy,
and be led forth in peace, as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

2 Love grows in a weary world when hungry hearts find bread and children's
dreams are fed.

Love grows in a weary world: the promised feast of plenty comes. *Refrain*

3 Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once forlorn, find wilderness
reborn.

Hope blooms in a weary world: the promised green of Eden comes. *Refrain*

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APOSTLES CREED

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

ELW PAGE 127

THE PRAYERS

A With the Spirit of Christ...and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A Blessed is your church,...God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed are those saints....God of grace.

C **hear our prayer.**

P We entrust our prayers to you...your promise is revealed among the people.

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.

MEAL

OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG **ELW 188**

OFFERTORY PRAYER *Please stand as you are able.*

A God of grace,...now and always.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *The Lord be with you* **ELW PAGE 152**

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...join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY **ELW PAGE 153**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER **ELW PAGE 154**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *Please be seated.*

We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. Grape juice is available as an alternative to wine as well as gluten-free wafers. 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.

Everyone who goes to the Altar for communion will be viewed on camera. Should you prefer not to have your image recorded, please stay in your seat and tell an usher you would like to have communion served to you in your pew.

LAMB OF GOD **ELW PAGE 154**

COMMUNION HYMN *When the Poor Ones* **ELW 725**

1 When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving; when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;
when the wounded offer others strength and healing:

Refrain

We see God, here by our side, walking our way; we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

2 When compassion gives the suffering consolation; when expecting brings to birth hope that was lost; when we choose love, not the hatred all around us: *Refrain*

3 When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness; when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth; when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble: *Refrain*

4 When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings; when the nations work to change war into peace; when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor: *Refrain*

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Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body...keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Nourishing God,...In the name of Christ we pray,

C Amen.

P Gracious God, ...comfort of your abiding presence.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P The Spirit of the triune God...and send you in love.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *We Know That Christ Is Raised* **ELW 449**

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Hallelujah!

2 We share by water in his saving death. Reborn, we share with him an Easter life, as living members of our Savior Christ. Hallelujah!

3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God. Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Hallelujah!

4 A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing: Hallelujah!

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live in hope.

C Thanks be to God. Our worship has ended. Now our service begins.

POSTLUDE

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Feb. 16..... Community Relations meeting 9:30 AM
 1st Communion Class 9:45 AM
 Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM

Mon., Feb. 17..... March Trinity Tidings deadline
 Stroke Support Group 6:00 PM

Tues., Feb. 18.....Quilters..... 9:00 AM

Sunday, Feb. 23 Children's Sunday School 9:45 AM
 1st Communion Class 9:45 AM
 Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM

Worship Assistants

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Feb. 16	Cindy McGinnis	Marcy Carlson, Howard Reece	Laurie Jackson	Shelley Andrews	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Troy Abbott & Jeffrey Schafersman
Feb. 23	Brayden Winsor	Diane Bottorff, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Debbie Pomeroy	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Parker Jackson	Pr. Barb Jones	Heather Klamm

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Jan. 19	\$2,646.00	\$0.00	\$2,646.00	-\$2,211.54	\$434.46	33/32
Jan. 26	\$1,110.00	\$120.00	\$1,230.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$981.54	33/29
Feb. 2	\$7,854.95	\$700.00	\$8,554.95	-\$2,211.54	\$6,343.41	48/38
Feb. 9	\$2,342.00	\$27.00	\$2,369.00	-\$2,211.54	\$157.46	49/36
		Jan. 2025	\$9,922.94	-\$13,337.78	-\$3,414.84	
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OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

Together in Community

Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President Diane Bottorff

Vice-President Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

Secretary Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Parker Jackson (Administration)

Steve Luoma (Community Relations)

Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

Janelle Meredith (Community Relations)

Duane Pomeroy (Spiritual Care)

Treasurer Bob Kobbeman