

**WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**SUNDAY, January 8, 2023**

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Bible Classes and Sunday School, 9:00 AM,

Divine Service 10:15 AM

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR  
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD  
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE**

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“THE STAR PROCLAIMS THE KING IS HERE” STAND ON THE LAST VERSE

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✠ PSALM 29

Pastor: <sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,

**People: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.**

Pastor: <sup>2</sup>Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

**People: worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**

Pastor: <sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

**People: the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.**

Pastor: <sup>4</sup>The voice of the LORD is powerful;

**People: the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

Pastor: <sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;

**People: the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

Pastor: <sup>6</sup>He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

**People: and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

Pastor: <sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD

**People: flashes forth flames of fire.**

Pastor: <sup>8</sup>The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

**People: the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

Pastor: <sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare,

**People: and in His temple all cry, “Glory!”**

Pastor: <sup>10</sup>The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

**People: the LORD sits enthroned as King forever.**

Pastor: <sup>11</sup>May the LORD give strength to His people!

**People: May the LORD bless His people with peace!**

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✠SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **♪ And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

**ALL: 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. ♪Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING --- ISAIAH 42:1-9**

Reader: The Old Testament reading for the Baptism of our Lord is from the forty-second chapter of Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>Behold 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. <sup>2</sup>He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice, or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup>a bruised reed He will not break, and a faintly burning wick He will not quench; He will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup>He will not grow faint or be discouraged till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for His law. <sup>5</sup>Thus 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: <sup>6</sup>"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, <sup>7</sup>to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup>I am the LORD; that is My name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to carved idols. <sup>9</sup>Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL** (*Psalms 117:1-2a; 96:8*)

Pastor: Praise the LORD, all nations!

People: **Extol Him, all peoples!**

Pastor: For great is His steadfast love toward us,

People: **and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

People: **bring an offering, and come into His courts!**

**THE EPISTLE -- ROMANS 6:1-11**

Reader: The Epistle reading is from the sixth chapter of Romans.

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup>We 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. <sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. <sup>6</sup>We 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. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. <sup>9</sup>We

know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. <sup>10</sup>For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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**✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL -- MATTHEW 3:13-17**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the third chapter.

People: **♪ Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup>John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" <sup>15</sup>But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. <sup>16</sup>And 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; <sup>17</sup>and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: **♪ Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

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**“TO JORDAN CAME CHRIST, OUR LORD”**

**THE SERMON “WELL PLEASSED”**

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**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR THE 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**✠ THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**OFFERING**

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**“BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY”**

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**NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS:** Psalm 40:1-11; Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42a

**NEXT WEEK:** What does water and the Word of God give you?

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**TODAY'S LIGHT READERS**

**TODAY'S LIGHT:** Isaiah 24--41

1. Reflecting on the words of Isaiah 32:3-4, how has the Holy Spirit worked in your life to enable you to see and hear and understand?
2. Isaiah 36-39 records God's grace in the life of Hezekiah. God delivered him from the dreaded armies of Sennacherib when the angel of the Lord put to death 185,000 Assyrian soldiers. God also delivered him from an illness that brought him to the point of death, after which God added fifteen more years to Hezekiah's life. What acts of deliverance has God worked in your life?

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**LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**

**January 8 – Baptism of Our Lord- Matthew 3:15 – “But Jesus answered him, ‘Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.’”** The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. Here, Jesus plunges Himself into our sins and soaks them up in His Baptism, so that in our Baptism we might be cleansed and renewed. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us.

**LIFE “QUOTES” FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE**

**January 8 -** “When an abortion is performed, we proclaim that we know better than God. We disregard His wisdom, for He taught us that we should never kill innocent human beings. We proclaim that we do not want or need a gift from God. And in doing so, we seek to make ourselves more powerful than God. We seek to make ourselves God.” *Archbishop Samuel Aquila –A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life — [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR**

**January 8 – Epiphany I/Baptism of Our Lord –** No conception—human or otherwise—comes about without God's express will and Word (Psalm 29:9). He intentionally breathes life (Isaiah 42:5) and gives strength (Psalm 29:11) to every member of our race, including those whom others despise (Isaiah 42:3, 7). How could we involve our bodies in death when Jesus has removed us from its dominion (Romans 6:9-11)?

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, THROUGH SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<b>Christian Education Hour</b>
	10:15 A.M.	<b>Divine Worship</b>
MONDAY	5:30 P.M.	Board of Evangelism Meeting
	7:00 P.M.	Bible Study
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	Ruth Bible Study
	5:30 P.M.	Bell Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M.	Men's Bible Study
	10:30 A.M.	TOPS
SUNDAY	11:30 A.M.	PEO Meeting
	9:00 A.M.	<b>Christian Education Hour</b>
	10:15 A.M.	<b>Divine Worship/Communion</b>
		<b>Mission Sunday-Ysleta Lutheran Mission</b>

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**ALTAR FLOWERS**

*The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Matt and Cindi Anderson in honor of their daughter-in-law, Maryel's birthday.*

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**20 YEARS OF SERVICE**

All are invited to a potluck dinner following the worship service on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> to commemorate Pastor and Cyndi's twenty years of service here at Trinity Lutheran Church. Pastor was ordained at Trinity in January of 2003. Bring a potluck dish to share and join in the celebration.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** The 2023 offering envelopes are out. If you give your contribution monthly please keep your boxes from last year as they didn't send us the monthly envelope boxes.

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN:** Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> is Sanctity of Life Sunday and the kick-off for the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign to raise funds for the Pregnancy Resources Plus. Baby bottles will be passed out that day for you to fill with coins, cash and/or checks and return them no later than Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming next week.

**FLOWER CHART:** **There are plenty of empty spaces that need to be filled in for the Flower Chart for 2023.** Please sign up for your special occasions or in memory of someone. The cost is \$36.00 for two arrangements or if you would like to share with someone the cost is \$18.00. I would like to ask that you come to the front of the church after the service on the Sunday you have flowers and I will give you the flower arrangements. Thank you to all of you who have been faithful in providing flowers. Cheryl Richey

**LWML:** Thanks to all who provided gifts for the people on the LWML Gift Tree. Gifts were given to 3 different families. Everyone was excited to see us when we delivered their gifts. It was a successful Christmas project for LWML and we thank God for all your generosity!

**BUILDING SECURITY:** Recently it was noted on entry to our building that the alarm had not been set by whomever previously exited. Please remember to set the alarm if you are the last person to leave the building.

**LCEF** (Lutheran Extension Fund) is offering special incentives for investors in the form of good interest rates. There is a limited time to take advantage of this offer. Details may be found on their offering letter posted in the narthex.

**SYNOD OFFICE NOMINATIONS:** Nominations for officers of our synod are due before February 28. Thus far we have received recommendations to nominate President Matthew Harrison for another term. I request that any other nominations or comments on President Harrison's nomination be given to me before the next BOD meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Dick Dommers, Congregation President.

**LUTHERAN WITNESS:** It's time to renew your 2023 Lutheran Witness subscription ***or to be a new subscriber.*** The 2023 subscription begins in March 2023. The price remains at the regular price of \$22.56 per subscription for one year. The June/July issue is a combined issue, so there are eleven issues, though billing is spread over 12 months. Please let me know if you wish to renew your subscription or to begin taking the subscription. If so, please make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church (be sure to indicate on the memo line that it's for the Lutheran Witness) and place your check in the offering plate or leave it in the box on the church office door. Please let the church office know ASAP.

**MISSION FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2023:** The Mission for January and February is the Ysleta Lutheran Mission Care in El Paso. This very active mission needs the support of other churches to survive. Pastor Karl Heimer ministers with nine other churches in the Juarez area through support of their pastors' worship services, Bible studies, Sunday School, VBS and young meet the needs of the poor along with servant events building and repairing homes, and much, much more.

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFYO.org:** Happy New Year! The Twelve Days of Christmas programming continues through January 8, with special music, readings, and greetings for the season. Regular programming

resumes January 9!

**WORSHIP ANEW**™ is a National Lutheran TV program sponsored by Terry Marquardt and Trinity Lutheran Church of Alamogordo. It's on KVBA Vision Broadcasting, on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. or Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. It's streaming on KVBATV.org or 14.1 Digital, 19 Analog, 22 Cable. (times listed below).

**Worship Anew can also be viewed at any time over the internet. Simply to go <https://worshipanew.org/>**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 12:30 PM</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Friday 8:00 AM</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Friday 6:30 PM</b>

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### **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE**

**NEW'S EVE, DEC. 31, 2022: WORSHIPPED: 29 COMMUNED: 27**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023: WORSHIPPED: 58 COMMUNED: 49**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE, DEC. 31, 2003, GENERAL FUND: \$1,068.00**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023 GENERAL FUND: \$4,025.00**

**DOLLAR PROJECT: \$11.00**

**FLOWERS: \$72.00**

**LUTHERAN WITNESS: \$22.56**

**MISSION-LUTHER CLASSICAL COLLEGE: \$100.00**

### **ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**PIANIST: Cyndi Heithold**

<b>HOSTS:</b>	Lewis & Kelly Thomas	<b>ELDER:</b>	Matt Anderson
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Gayan Moore	<b>TELLERS:</b>	Bob Klose
	Hannah Keeler		Joyce Macon
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Diane Kline	<b>SOUND TECH:</b>	Bob Klose
<b>USHERS:</b>	Marvin Bunker, Susan Kelly		
	Glen & Christine Schlehuser		
<b>1ST LESSON:</b>	Shirley Enyeart	<b>2ND LESSON:</b>	Dick Dommers

### **ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**ORGANIST: LISA CRAMM**

<b>HOSTS:</b>		<b>ELDER:</b>	Robert Rentschler
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Gayan Moore	<b>TELLERS:</b>	Yvonne Steeby
	Hannah Keeler		Becky Worley
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Diane Kline	<b>SOUND TECH:</b>	Matt Anderson
<b>USHERS:</b>	Ray Krueger, Bob Thede		
	Robert Johnson, Trey Johnson		
<b>1ST LESSON:</b>	Bob Klose	<b>2ND LESSON:</b>	Sandy Klose

**HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO YOU IN  
PRAISE AND PRAYER**

**FOR COURAGE, GRACE, FAITH, AND HEALING WITHIN YOUR WILL**

Arlene Calixto, Ellen Clark, Carol Collins, Harriet Douglas, Zac Epps, Franco DiPaolo, Dino DiPaolo, **Valerie English**, Rosemary Ferguson, Ruth Fogelman, Owen Frantz, Winnie Hardson, Darwin Haslid, **Cyndi Heithold**, Greg Hodgdon, Wayne Holmes, Scout Hughes, Stephanie Jaffee, Ronda Jones, Shannon Jones, Doug Lake, Brody Mahlendorf, Janet Marsh, Maria Martin, Jerry Miller, Melissa Miller, Lorraine Nuernberger, Chad Parks, Pastor Chris Patterson, Logan Radford, Randall Rentschler, Dick Richey, Connie Rogers, Lucy Schmidt, Jessica Schroeder, Lynn Skinner, Christine Vertein, Ann Waghorn, Ron Wilkes, **Lee Wood**, Martyrs for the faith, Our Nation's Leaders,

*We also pray for those who are on the long-term prayers in the Trinitarian.*

**FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN THE MILITARY**

Tom Bass, Heather Beck, Warren Black, Shannon Bowman, **Zac Collins**, Caleb Jaecks, Jason Lee, **Natasha Thomas**, Anthony Uttke, Tanner Wedd, and all troops serving in harms way

**LEST WE FORGET**

Family and friends of Clarence Hust (Yvonne Steeby's uncle)

**PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING**

**FOR OUR HOMEBOUND**

**Kay Burger, Lothar Butzkies, Rodney Greer, Denise Griffiths, Shirley Hill**

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**AMEN**

**PRAYER REQUEST CARDS**

If you wish to place a name on the prayer list, you must complete a **blue prayer request card**. **The cards are located on the credenza to the right as you leave the sanctuary**. If the individual needs to remain on the prayer list, the requester will have to update the request card every two weeks by calling the church office or completing a new card. If not updated after two weeks on the weekly prayer list, each name will be transferred to the extended prayer list which will be published in the Trinitarian.