

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church
December 31, 2023
First Sunday After Christmas

HE IS LIGHT
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that will
shine upon
the nations
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Worship Service 9:00AM
Sunday School 10:30AM
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Communion Invitation

Dear Guest: If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, please speak to pastor before taking the Lord's Supper.


We love you! We want you to be able to receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and the wine for your forgiveness. If you would like to be part of our communion, please set up a time to visit with pastor during the week. You can contact Pastor after the service or call the church office at 532-2717.

You may, however, come up to the altar today to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest while you are kneeling at the communion rail. You may also remain in your pew during Communion if you so desire.


Confession and Absolution

388 Go Tell It on the Mountain


Refrain




Go tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;



Go tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!



1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night,
2 The shep-herds feared and trem - bled When lo, a - bove the earth
3 Down in a lone - ly man - ger The hum-ble Christ was born;



Refrain

Be - hold, through - out the heav - ens There shone a ho - ly light.
Rang out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Text (sts. 1-3): John W. Work II, 1873-1925, alt.
Text (ref) and tune: African American spiritual

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 93:1, 3–4; antiphon: vv. 5, 2

Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

**Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.**

The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.

**Yes, the world is established;
it shall never be moved.**

The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.

**Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the
sea, the LORD on high is mighty!**

Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

**Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.**



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie

LSB 186



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

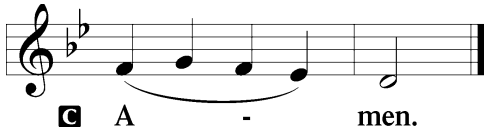
Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

P O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1–5

- ¹ Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse,
And a branch from his roots will bear fruit.
- ² The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him,
The spirit of wisdom and understanding,
The spirit of counsel and strength,
The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- ³ And He will delight in the fear of the LORD,
And He will not judge by what His eyes see,
Nor make a decision by what His ears hear;
- ⁴ But with righteousness He will judge the poor;
And decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth;
And He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth,
And with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked.
- ⁵ Also righteousness will be the belt about His loins,
And faithfulness the belt about His waist.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Galatians 4:1–7

¹ Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he does not differ at all from a slave although he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by the father. ³So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, ⁵ so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. ⁶ Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son

into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”⁷ Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22–40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²² And when the days for their purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every *firstborn* male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”), ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what was said in the Law of the Lord, “A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” ²⁵ And there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. ²⁷And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for him the custom of the Law, ²⁸then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said,

²⁹” Now Lord, You are releasing Your bond-servant to depart in peace,
According to your word;

³⁰ For my eyes have seen Your salvation,

³¹ Which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² A light of revelation to the Gentiles,
And the glory of Your people Israel.”

³³And his father and mother were amazed at the things which were being said about Him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this *Child* is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign to be opposed- ³⁵ and a sword will pierce even your own soul – to the end that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years and had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷and then as a widow until the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple, serving night and day with fastings and prayers. ³⁸ At that very moment she came up and began giving thanks to God and continued to speak of Him to all those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹When they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The Child continued to grow and become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

392 God Loves Me Dearly



1 God loves me dear - ly, Grants me sal -
 2 I was in slav - 'ry, Sin, death, and
 3 He sent forth Je - sus, My dear Re -
 4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Him - self did
 5 Now I will praise You, O Love E -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, Loves e - ven me.
 dark - ness; God's love was work - ing To make me free.
 deem - er, He sent forth Je - sus And set me free.
 of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Paid all I owed.
 ter - nal; Now I will praise You All my life long.

Refrain



There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, Loves e - ven me.

Text: August Rische, 1819-1906; tr. composite
 Tune: German

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192



C 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 Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Sit

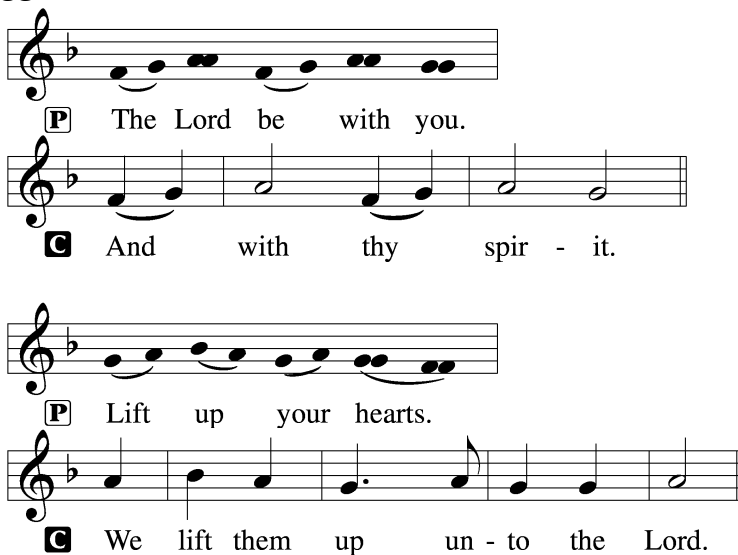
Presentation of Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir-it.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up un-to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196



P Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it



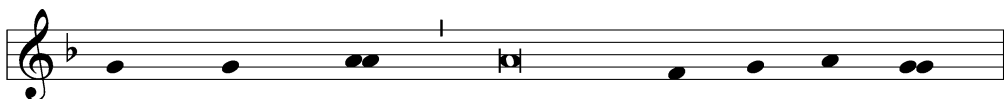
is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;



and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who



tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Sit

Distribution

389 Let All Together Praise Our God

sts. 1-4

1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His
 2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
 3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -
 4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our

glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To
 in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
 at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The
 hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His

give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.
 in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
 splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.
 glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

Text (sts. 1, 3-4): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913-2001; (st. 2): tr. August Crull, 1845-1923, alt.
 Text and tune: Nicolaus Herman, c. 1480-1561

622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

sts. 1-5



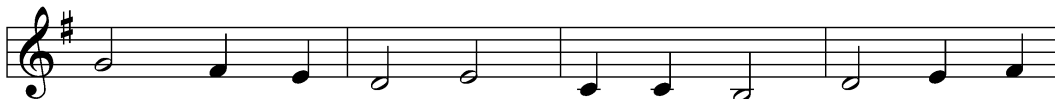
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious
 5 Though rea - son can - not un - der - stand, Yet faith this



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing; That Your true bod - y
 truth em - brac - es: Your bod - y, Lord, is



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.
 e - ven now At once in man - y plac - es.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are
 I leave to You how this can be; Your Word a -

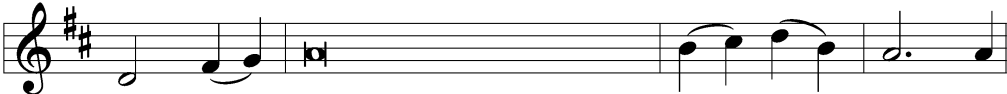


You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.
 lone suf - fic - es me; I trust its truth un - fail - ing.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-




cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,




which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



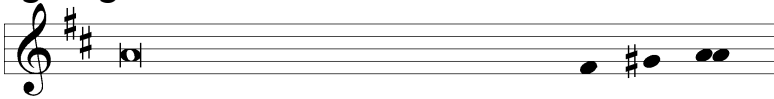
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



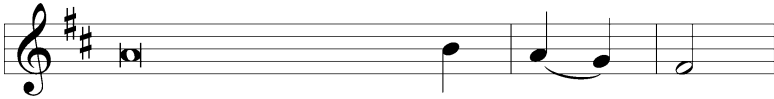
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.



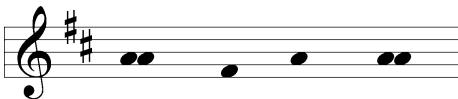
P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

LSB 202



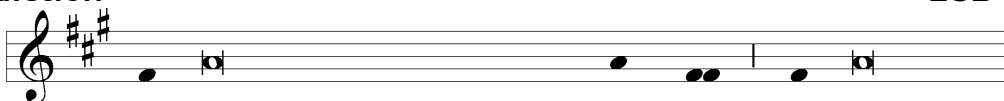
A Bless we the Lord.



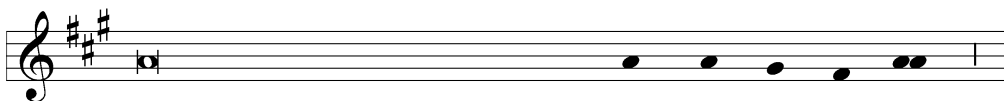
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

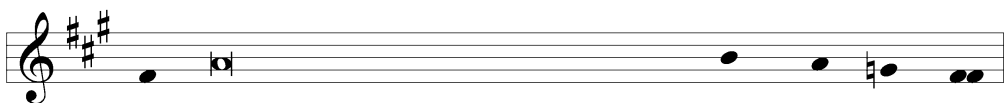
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P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



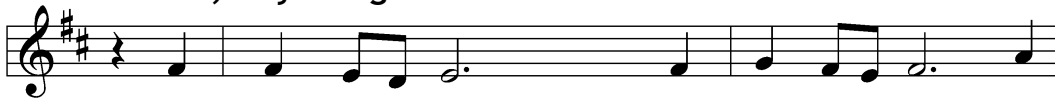
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

372 O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is

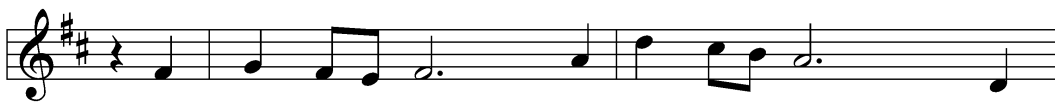
sts. 1-4



1 O Je - sus Christ,	Thy man - ger is	My
2 He whom the sea	And wind o - bey	Doth
3 Thy light and grace	Our guilt ef - face,	Thy
4 Thou Chris - tian heart,	Who - e'er thou art,	Be



par - a - dise at which my soul re - clin - eth.
come to serve the sin - ner in great meek - ness.
heav'n - ly rich - es all our loss re - triev - ing.
of good cheer and let no sor - row move thee!



For there, O Lord, Doth lie the Word Made
Thou, God's own Son, With us art one, Dost
Im - man - u - el, Thy birth doth quell The
For God's own Child, In mer - cy mild, Joins



flesh for us; here - in Thy grace forth shin - eth.
join us and our chil - dren in our weak - ness.
pow'r of hell and Sa - tan's bold de - ceiv - ing.
thee to Him; how great - ly God must love thee!

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Prayers and Announcements

In Our Prayers: Roy Meyer (recovering), Glen Tabor (Debra Mach's father, receiving chemo & radiation treatments), Kerin Beall Matthews (Lorna Beall's daughter, hospice), Greg Turner (cancer of the esophagus), Zena Bean (upcoming surgery), Dick Ferkey (health), Dena (Cheryl's friend), Gabriel Marlin, Jeff Carlson (cancer), Cathy Davis, Shut-In: Jen Perry, Sandy McCoy, Peggy Avers, Bill Riley, Gaylene Peters, Brian Pendergrass, Jeanette Seeman, Bill & Helen Donald; **In the Military:** Grady McAllister (Janet's grandson), Patrick Gardner (Jacobsen's grandson), Clay Marlin, James Beall, Zach Sparks, and those we think of privately.

Please Note the information on the back page on the Soup Cook-Off. This will be held here on Saturday, 1-06 from Noon to 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate.

Our Response to the Lord Last Week

Stewardship of Souls

Worship Attendance
9:00AM - 76
7:00PM - 110
12-25- 43
Pastor's Class - N/A
Sunday School - N/A

Stewardship of Finances

General Offering Last Week
\$5,887.00

	Serving Today	Serving Next Week
Pastor	Mickey Wilkey	John Dautenhahn
Organist	Joy Gaines	Joy Gaines
Elders	Allen Carothers Larry Jacobsen	Nick Grunwaldt Allen Carothers
Lector	Allen Carothers	Allen Carothers
Usher	Todd Kelm Bill Heller	Jeff Dautenhahn Keith Newell
Altar Guild	Christal Bailey Judy Jacobsen	Nancy Adkins

Weekly Calendar

Today	9:00AM	Worship/Communion
	10:30AM	Christian Education Hour
Tuesday	5:00PM	Board of Trustee' Meeting
Wednesday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Class
	9:30AM	Ladies' Bible Class
Thurs	9:30AM	Thursday Girls
	6:30PM	Women's Bible Study
Saturday	Noon – 3PM	Soup Cook-Off
Sun, 1-07	9:00AM	Worship/Communion
	10:30AM	Christian Education Hour

SOUP COOK-OFF

Sponsored by Thrivent Financial and Trinity Lutheran Church



Is your soup the best? Does everyone brag about your soup?

Trinity Lutheran Church, Lebanon, MO will host a Soup Cook-Off on January 6, 2024, from noon to 3 pm. The public is allowed to compete and come to eat some delicious soup. Please let me know by message on Facebook or at 4176648074 if you want to compete or have questions. You can also contact Candy Hering. Trinity Lutheran Church will provide drinks, sandwiches, and other snacks. Trinity Lutheran Church is located at 1300 Kent Drive, Lebanon, MO 65536. This is the church by Boswell Park swimming pool.

If you want to have your soup in the competition, please have your soup at the church by 11:30 am on January 6, 2024. Judging will begin at noon and will end at 2:00 pm. Winners will be announced at 2:30 pm.

This is a free event, and everyone is invited to eat soup.

We will have a devotional regarding Epiphany, board games, trivia, card games, and other fun activities. Please mark your calendar for this event.