

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Hayfield, Minnesota

Rev. Kristen Anderson, Pastor

Denise Phillippe, Director of Christian Education

1st Sunday of Christmas

9:00am

January 1, 2023

## Welcome to worship at Trinity!

As we celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas, our gospel today confronts us with the death of innocent children at the hands of Herod. The birth of Christ does not remove the power of evil from our world, but its light gives us hope as we walk with all the “holy innocents” of past generations and today who have suffered unjustly. In our gathering around word and meal, God continues to redeem us, lift us up, and carry us as in days of old.



### Trinity Mission Statement

*To proclaim God's grace in Christ through Word and Sacrament; To nurture faith through Christian education and fellowship; and To bring the Gospel to the world community through Christian witness, sacrifice, and love.*

**Musician:** Nancy Matti

**Lector:** Frank Moon

**Ushers:** Mark & Mary Carlson and Glenn & Kim Pollock

**Communion Assistant:**

**Acolytes:**

**Videographer:**



Congratulations to Joyner Knox Zelinske, son of Jacoby & Kaity Zelinske, who will be baptized during the worship service today. Sponsors for Joyner are Kara, JayDe, and Keefe Zelinske and Christopher Peterson. Grandparents are Mark & Kathy Peterson and Kathy Hegna Zelinske, Heath Hegna and the late Jeff Zelinske.

## GATHERING

\*Stand if able

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **GATHERING HYMN:** “*O Little Town of Bethlehem*”

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**APOSTOLIC 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.

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O Lord God, you know that we cannot place our trust in our own powers. As you protected the infant Jesus, so defend us and all the needy from harm and adversity, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
Amen.**

**BAPTISMAL HYMN:** “*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*”

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**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM:** Joyner Knox Zelinske

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## WORD

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 63:7-9

<sup>7</sup>I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD,  
the praiseworthy acts of the LORD,  
because of all that the LORD has done for us,  
and the great favor to the house of Israel  
that he has shown them according to his mercy,  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

<sup>8</sup>For he said, “Surely they are my people,  
children who will not deal falsely”;  
and he became their savior  
<sup>9</sup>in all their distress.

It was no messenger or angel  
but his presence that saved them;  
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;  
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.



## PSALM: Psalm 148

- L. <sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise God in the heights.
- C. <sup>2</sup>**Praise the LORD, all you angels;  
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**
- L. <sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD, sun and moon;  
sing praise, all you shining stars.
- C. <sup>4</sup>**Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens.**
- L. <sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
who commanded, and they were created,
- C. <sup>6</sup>**who made them stand fast forever and ever,  
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**
- L. <sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all deeps;
- C. <sup>8</sup>**fire and hail, snow and fog,  
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**
- L. <sup>9</sup>mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars;
- C. <sup>10</sup>**wild beasts and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds;**
- L. <sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the world;
- C. <sup>12</sup>**young men and maidens,  
old and young together.**
- L. <sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.
- C. <sup>14</sup>**The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful  
servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!**

## SECOND READING: **Hebrews 2:10-18**

<sup>10</sup>It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup>saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

<sup>13</sup>And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Here am I and the children whom God has given me.”

<sup>14</sup>Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup>For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God



**\*GOSPEL: Matthew 2:13-23**

**P:** The Gospel according to Matthew

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

<sup>13</sup>Now after [the wise men] had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” <sup>14</sup>Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, <sup>15</sup>and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.”

<sup>16</sup>When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. <sup>17</sup>Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

<sup>18</sup>“A voice was heard in Ramah,  
wailing and loud lamentation,  
Rachel weeping for her children;  
she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.”

<sup>19</sup>When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, <sup>20</sup>“Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.” <sup>21</sup>Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup>But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. <sup>23</sup>There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, “He will be called a Nazorean.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON:**

“Sanctuary”

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** “*What Child is This?*”

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## MEAL

OFFERING/CHILDREN'S NOISY OFFERING

Offertory: *"Let The Vineyards be Fruitful, Lord"*

LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL, LORD,  
AND FILL TO THE BRIM OUR CUP OF BLESSING.  
GATHER A HARVEST FROM THE SEEDS THAT WERE SOWN,  
WE MAY BE FED WITH THE BREAD OF LIFE.  
GATHER THE HOPES AND DREAMS OF ALL;  
UNITE THEM WITH THE PRAYERS WE OFFER.  
GRACE OUR TABLE WITH YOUR PRESENCE,  
AND GIVE US A FORETASTE OF THE FEAST TO COME.

\* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

\* LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(All are invited to receive the Sacrament today...the Bread of Life from heaven! If you prefer juice (instead of wine) or a gluten-free wafer (instead of bread), please let the server know. Let the usher know if you'd like Communion brought to your pew.)

**HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION:** *"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"*

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\*COMMUNION BLESSING

\*THE BENEDICTION

## SENDING

\* **SENDING HYMN:** *"Angles We Have Heard on High"*

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\* DISMISSAL

**P: GO IN PEACE AND SERVE THE LORD!      C: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

**Sun:1** 9:00am: Worship—Communion  
9:00am: Zelinske Baptism  
10:00am: No Sunday School

**Mon :2** Office Closed  
7:00pm: AA

**Tues:3** 8:30am: SAIL Exercise Class  
10:00am: Bible Study

**Wed:4** 3:00pm: No WASS  
5:00pm: No Wednesday Supper  
6:30pm: No Confirmation  
6:30pm: No Youth Group

**Thur:5** 8:00am: SAIL Exercise Class

**Sun:8** 9:00am: Worship  
10:00am: Sunday School  
11:00am: Youth Board

The 2022 Offering Envelopes are in the Narthex. Please make sure to pick yours up.

2022 Confirmation pics are in! Pick up in the church office.

### December Attendance

**December 4:90**

**December 11:151**

**December 18:233**

**Christmas Eve Services:269**

**December 25: 26**

### Prayer Concerns

**For strength and healing:** Arlan & Sharon Scharberg, Russell Boullion, Sharyl Herrick, Tom Brown, Dale Ulve, Dylan & Kayla Wildeman, Steve Demmer, Denise Phillippe, Gary Mindrup, and Dale Ulve. Gary Ewpe and family on the death of his sister, Caroline.

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#### Church Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

### November 2022 Finances

Nov. Offering Income:	\$18,784.45
Nov. Budgeted Expenses:	<u>\$22,673.11</u>
Difference:	(\$3,888.66)
2021 Year-to-date Income:	\$251,371.88
2021 Year-to-date Expenses:	<u>\$285,648.23</u>
Difference:	(\$ 34,276.35)