

**Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church**



**November 30, 2025
1st Sunday of Advent**

Good Morning and welcome! We invite you to worship with us often, and ask if you need any assistance! If you are visiting us today, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex, please include your address and phone number. Please place your offering envelope in the plate in the Narthex. Thank You!

Remember in your prayers:

Lynn Wolfgang, Oscar & Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Brandon Stauffer, Betty Moore, Barbara Stewart, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Richard Eck, Becky Yescavage, BillyRay Pearce, Sr., Kathy Sell, Dennis Brooke, Donna Day, Linda Allmendinger, Elaine Dotterer, Jeff Reitnauer, Ralph Rothenberger, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Pete Schmoyer, John Logan, Carole Mest, Bob McElwee, Tammy Strunk, Mary Snyder, Wendy Bowers, Linda Bewley, Sherri Schaeffer, Tammy Kemp, Mike Wyda, Marcia Auge and Millie Merkel.

Friends & Family:

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Martha Van Parys, Joyce Kemp, David Glauser, Linda Gilbert, Krista Buchert, Sandy Melcher, George Bayer, Dennis Weller and Dennis Groves.

Families of:

Coke Spence, Wanda Levensgood, Donald Hays and John Moore.

Also members, relatives and friends in the community who are serving in the military including:

Christopher Heffner, BillyRay Pearce, Jr., Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic, Seth Kurtz, Clinton Bowen, Eli Abner and Johnne Knepp.

Our sister congregation, the Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.

(Website: Kirche-bornaer-land.de)

Please note, names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, these names will then appear in the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will normally be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year if needed. If you wish for names to remain longer, please speak to Pastor Gene, Linda Ritter or contact the church office. Thank you for helping us keep the prayer list current!

This morning we welcome the Vintage Brass Quintet

The Vintage Brass Quintet formed in 2014 when a group of friends got together to play music. The name was chosen because we love to play the great melodies from all the ages. The quintet has Tom McHugh and Ed Galick on Trumpet, Dave Ermold on Flugel Horn, Greg Mest on trombone and George McBlane on Tuba. The Vintage Brass can be heard playing at churches and community events in the Boyertown area and beyond. We are thankful to be able to play for Trinity Lutheran Church.

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The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God by Ms. Elizabeth Anderson, in Memory of her Nephew William C. Anderson III.

The Bulletins are presented to the glory of God in Memory of Jerry & Carolyn Bryce.

The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the glory of God by Howard & Waynette Shafer, in Memory of Family.

This Morning's Worship Assistants:

Ushers: Janice Sheetz* & Heidi Yescavage
Lector: Sheila Eddinger
Acolyte: Erika Zaiser

- (those who are able may stand)

Prelude by The Vintage Brass Quintet

"Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People" *Marchand*

Announcements and Concerns

• Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

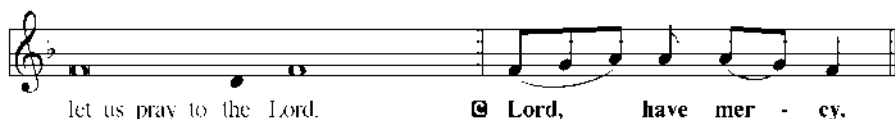
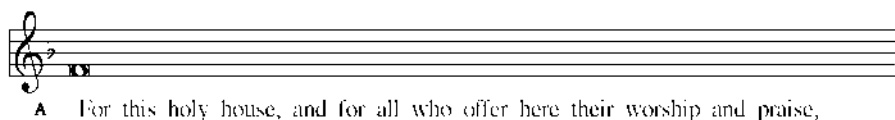
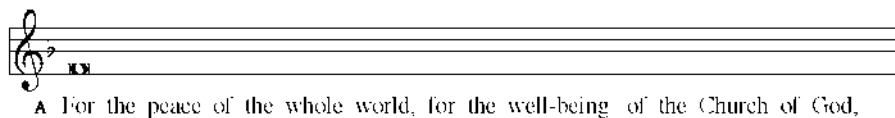
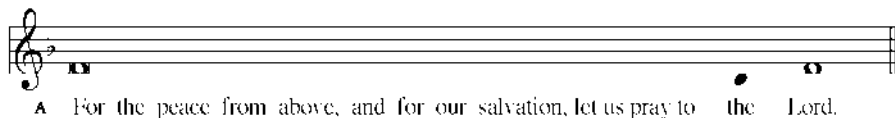
- **Processional Hymn** LBW# 32
"Fling Wide the Door"

Greeting

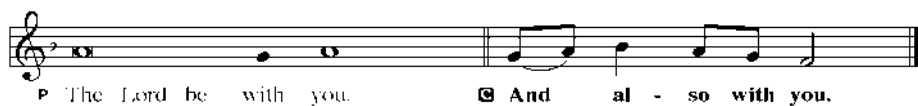
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, The love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

• Kyrie



• **Prayer of the Day**



P Let us Pray ...

C Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Lighting the Advent Wreath

WOV# 630

“Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah” (v. 1)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

The visionary message presented in this reading focuses on a future day when God establishes a universal reign of peace. Divine decisions will make war obsolete, and the worshipping community responds: “Let us walk in the light of that Lord now!”

¹ The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

² In days to come
the mountain of the LORD’s house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

³ Many peoples shall come and say,
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴ He shall judge between the nations
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation;
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵ O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

PSALM: Psalm 122

- ¹ I was glad when they¹ said to me,
 “Let us go to the house¹ of the LORD.”
- ² **Now our¹ feet are standing
 within your gates,¹ O Jerusalem.**
- ³ Jerusalem is built¹ as a city
 that is at unity¹ with itself;
- ⁴ **to which the tribes go up, the tribes¹ of the LORD,
 the assembly of Israel, to praise the name¹ of the LORD.**
- ⁵ For there are the¹ thrones of judgment,
 the thrones of the¹ house of David.
- ⁶ **Pray for the peace¹ of Jerusalem:
 “May they pros-¹per who love you.**
- ⁷ Peace be with-¹ in your walls
 and quietness with-¹ in your towers.
- ⁸ **For the sake of my kindred¹ and companions,
 I pray for¹ your prosperity.**
- ⁹ Because of the house of the¹ LORD our God,
 I will seek to¹ do you good.”

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn. We live our lives today in light of Christ's coming in the future.

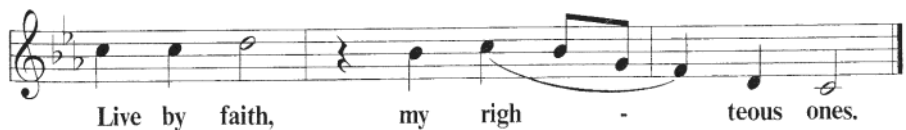
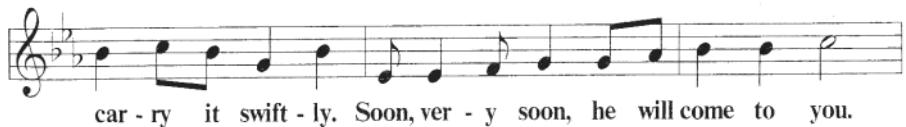
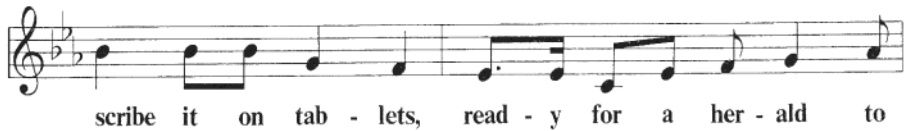
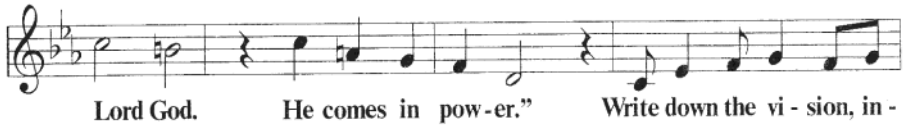
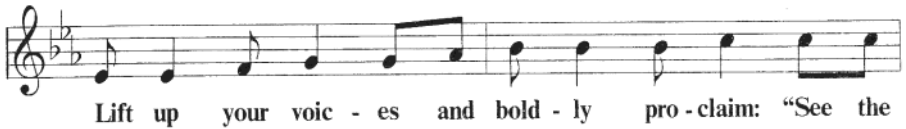
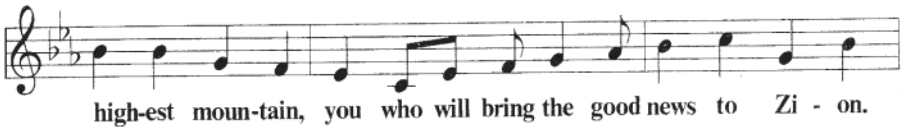
- ¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus describes his second coming as a sudden, turbulent event that will bring about deep change to our normal, day-to-day lives. Therefore, he urges people to stay awake, be aware, and wait expectantly, because the Son of Man will come unannounced.

"CLIMB TO THE TOP OF THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN"

Advent



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter



Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

[Jesus said to the disciples,] ³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Special Selection by The Vintage Brass Quintet

“Gesu Bambino” - *Frackenspohl*

Sermon

• Hymn of the Day

LBW# 27

“Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending”

- Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only
Son of God, eternally begotten of the
Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not
made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and
was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance
with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead, and his kingdom
will have no end. We believe in the Holy
Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who
proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the
Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look for the
resurrection of the dead, and the life of the
world to come. Amen

- The Prayer Of The Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in
Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their
needs.

A brief silence.

After each portion of prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy.

C **hear our prayer**

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

- **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

- **Our Mission Statement**

P People of Trinity, what is our mission?

C We shall, as individuals and as a congregation, strive through word, worship, and witness to further the kingdom of God by knowing and sharing Christ's Love in our hearts, in our homes, in His church, in the community, and in the world.

- **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be
 gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with
 favor and give you peace.

C **Amen, Amen, Amen.**

- **Recessional Hymn** WOV# 627
 “My Lord, What a Morning”

Postlude by The Vintage Brass Quintet

“Mary, Did You Know?” - *Graf*

Reprinted from Sundays & Season

November Update on Church Financial Status From The Finance Committee:

As will be reported in the next Newsletter (Financial Reports Section), the General Fund now has a **Positive** balance of \$949 - this is a significant improvement from Negative \$1817 at the end of September, and from when we started examining and communicating this back in May (Negative \$13,772). The October improvement was due to the successful Craft Show and additional help across the congregation.

Thank you to all responsible for this dramatic improvement - it has been a "team" effort!

Now.....Let's keep this positive momentum going, and if you haven't reviewed the following and taken action, please consider doing so as we approach the end of the year.

Our request for your consideration :

The committee has met 4 times this year to discuss and is asking all members to consider the following actions to help us continue to recover from the current situation:

- Increase your giving - even a small increase by many will help.
- Start to buy, or increase your purchases of, Gift Cards from the church on the 1st Sunday of each month. The church receives a % of each sale.
- Review the Simply Giving program and consider setting up automated donations to the church which helps smooth the income stream over the whole year, and makes your giving easier and typically more consistent.
- Support fundraisers and special events at the church - note that not all fundraisers and events benefit the General Fund.

If you own products through Thrivent that generate Thrivent Choice Dollars, consider directing them to our church as we generally receive over \$1000 of Thrivent Choice Dollars per year.

Kindly consider how you can help, with respect to your current individual or family situation.

If you have already done or are doing these, we thank you for your prayerful consideration and any resulting actions.

The Finance Committee thanks everyone for their financial support of the church and our 2025 budget along with all other donations and contributions you are providing to the church to support our mission.

The committee will continue to monitor our Financial situation closely and will communicate further as needed.

If you have any questions related to this information, please reach out to a Finance Committee member as listed in the monthly newsletter, or chairperson Kurt Yescavage.

A Special Thank You to The Vintage Brass Quintet for sharing their talents with us this morning.

Winter Weather In the event of inclement winter weather, news of cancellations or postponements of church activities will be posted on the following: 1) Channel 69 2) Online at WFMZ.com, or log on to the Trinity's website: www.trinitybech.com

The 2026 General Fund Envelopes are on the table in the Parish Hall, please pick up your envelopes.

The Updated Church Directory is on the table in the Narthex, please take one.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING – Please join us to decorate the church for Christmas the evening of Wednesday, December 3 at 6:00 pm. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided.

Christmas Cookies: It is that time of year again where cooler weather and holidays are approaching. The Annual Cookie Baking will occur Saturday, December 6, 2025, beginning at 9:00am. Pick up will be on Sunday, December 7, 2025 after worship. We will be baking peanut butter, chocolate chip, sugar, oatmeal raisin, and snickerdoodles. If you want gluten free, please note GF on signup sheet in the respective column(s). Cost will be \$8.00 per dozen or \$14 for 2 dozen. There is a signup sheet in the narthex. Thank you for your support!

The Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit 21st Holiday Concert will be Saturday, December 6th at 7PM, at Morning Star Church, Bechtelsville. Free Admission. Light refreshments before the concert. A Free Will Offering will be taken for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 7th, immediately following the 10:30 service. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect council members for 2026 and to consider the proposed budget for 2026. The Finance Committee with Church Council approval will be discussing the proposed church budget for 2026. We look forward to seeing you there!

The TLC Stitches has a table set up in the Parish Hall with many items that are available for free or a donation would be greatly appreciated. The items will be available until December 7th.

The Christmas Cantata, “Favorite Christmas Selections, Through the Years”, will be Sunday, December 14th at the 10:30AM Worship Service. There will be a Potluck Luncheon following the Cantata. Snow Date and Encore Presentation is Sunday, January 4th at 3:00PM.

Christ Lutheran Church, Niantic, will be hosting a Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 14th 3PM-6PM, featuring an uplifting evening of classic Christmas Carols performed by the talented pianist Jill Watkins, followed by a heartwarming visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Homemade cookies will be available.

The deadline for the January Newsletter is Sunday, December 14th (week earlier due to Christmas week), please submit your information to Karen in the church office.

Prayer List: Any changes to the prayer list, please contact Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or the church office, in order for the change to be made in the January Newsletter.

Attic Treasures— Christmas items you are no longer using, please donate for the Christmas Cantata Party Games. Donations can be left in the Choir Room. Thank you for your donation.

POINSETTIAS and LUMINARIES – Orders are being taken for poinsettias for Christmas Eve. The price is \$10 (Single-branched 6½” pot, 5 blooms +). Envelopes are available in the narthex. Please write your name, specify color (pink, red or white), and who your order is in memory or honor of. **Poinsettia orders due December 7. Labeled luminaries** will be set out for the Christmas Eve services. Envelopes are available to reserve a luminary, one for \$3 or two for \$5, in honor or in memory of loved ones. **Luminary orders are due December 14.** Please place envelopes in offering plates.

Angel Tree: Trinity will once again be participating in the Angel Tree project for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. The tree and tags are ready. Please remove a tag from the tree and purchase a gift. Return the gift unwrapped. Gift bags/wrapping paper included with your gift is greatly appreciated. Please put the tag with your gift. Thank you for your participation in making a child's Christmas brighter this year. **Gifts and Tags must be returned by Sunday, December 7th. Thank you for making a child's Christmas brighter!**

All are invited to our Longest Night service on Thursday, December 18th, at 7PM. It is a service of comfort and healing for all who are trying to celebrate the holidays this year while in the midst of loss and grief. Those of you who have attended the service in other years know how beautiful and uplifting it is, so please make plans to attend.

Christmas Card Bags for our Homebound Members are now on the table in the Parish Hall until Sunday, December 21st, for the following: Linda Allmendinger, Richard Eck, Kathy Gamler, Janet Kehl, Dorothy Romig, Ralph Rothenberger, Barbara Stewart and Becky Yescavage.

Christmas Eve Services: Please join us for services of candlelight and Holy Communion at 3 PM and 8 PM.

Coffee Hour—Volunteers are needed to host Coffee Hour for December 28th. Please sign up for this time of fellowship. The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

2026 Sign Up Sheets are now posted:

Bulletin Sponsors....Eternal Flame Candle Sponsor (you may do so in memory/honor of. Please Note: Price has increased to \$34.00)

Eternal Flame Candle Volunteer Sheet (This is to light the candle each week for 1 month.) Sign Up Sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost is \$32.00 for one vase and \$64.00 for 2 vases, please contact Mary Snyder. If you wish to sponsor flowers and that date is not available, you can always sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for \$40.00. When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope "Flowers". If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder 610-473-8885 or the church office know. You may also sponsor the bulletins for \$15.00 per week, this helps offset the cost of printing them.

Trinity's Gift Card Program - Gift card orders are accepted before and after the church service the first Sunday of each month and distributed the second Sunday. Order forms for Redners, Giant and Raise Right (for other retail gift cards) are available in the narthex. The Raise Right order form is also available for download on Trinity's website. Payment must be submitted with your order. **Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and include your phone number on your order form.** If you have any questions regarding this fund raising program please see Sharon Kemp, Kathy Kuser or Kurt Yescavage.

WAWA Hoagie Coupons Available 1st Sunday of the month at the Scrip Table. Coupons are also available in the church office Monday—Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00PM. Tickets are \$5.00. This project benefits the Social Ministry.

Scout Troop 511 Hoagie Sales: Orders are due by Tuesday, December 2nd and Pick up will be Wednesday, December 10th. 8" hoagies are made from Dan's Deli, **Cost is \$7.00.** There are ham w/onion, ham no onion, turkey w/onion, turkey no onion, Italian w/onion, Italian no onion, cheese hoagie w/onion, cheese hoagie no onion, mayo, Italian dressing, no tomatoes, no lettuce, no cheese. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Bibles are available in the rack in the Narthex for you to reference during worship. You may also take home to reference, please return when you are finished.

HOSPITAL INPATIENT STAY: Please contact Pastor Gene if you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit, due to privacy laws, the hospital no longer contacts the church.

Social Ministry provides meals for shut-ins/members who are in need of meals. If a meal is needed, please contact Kathy Kuser at 610-754-6293.

Need a ride? We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Monthly Free-will Offerings 2025

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

Trinity's events for the upcoming week:

Sunday, November 30th-	9:15	Sunday School
	10:30	Worship Service
Monday, December 1st-	6:30	Scouts
Tuesday, December 2nd-	6:30	Scouts
Wednesday, December 3rd-	6:30	Church Decorating
Thursday, December 4th-	6:30	Sr. Choir Practice
	7:30	Cantata Practice
Saturday, December 6th-	9:00	Cookie Baking
Sunday, December 7th-	8:00	Cont. Worship Service w/Communion
	9:15	Sunday School
	10:30	Worship Service w/Communion Congregational Mtg.

Next Week's Worship Assistants:**Sunday, December 4th:**

Assisting Minister: Vicki Mest
 Server: Waynette Shafer
 Ushers: Howard Shafer* & Bob McElwee
 Lector: Pat Beekley
 Acolyte: Jenn McCarron

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS: 11/23/2025

Attendance
Worship/S.S.
 72/17

Offerings
General Hunger
 \$3,715.00 \$55.00

Benevolence Bldg. Maint.
 0 \$5.00

The Community Clothing Rack Schedule

1st Wednesday
Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays
Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday
Shoppers Welcome
6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday
CLOSED

Hours
1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only
June-August
9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.
In the case of inclement weather,
Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.
CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church
Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing
necessary clothing to the underserved.

www.StLukeGilbertsville.org

Readings for Personal Devotion



M	Genesis 6:11-22
T	Genesis 8:1-19; 9:8-13
W	Matthew 24:23-35
Th	Isaiah 54:4-10
F	Hebrews 11:1-7, 32-40
Sa	Psalms 124

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The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Zaiser, DMin.,
Pastor

Ms. LaRue Sheetz, Director of Music

Mrs. Karen J. Smith, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Catherine M. Yoder, Sexton

The Members of this Congregation are its
Ministers

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

(Or by Appointment)

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Fling Wide the Door

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1 Fling wide the door, un-bar the gate; The King of glo-ry
 2 He is the rock of our be-lief, The heart of mer-cy's
 3 Oh, hap-py towns and bless-ed lands That live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav-ior, Je-sus Christ; Our hearts are o-pen

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comes in state; The Lord of lords and King of kings, The
 gen-tle self. His king-ly crown is ho-li-ness; His
 king's com-mands. And bless-ed be the hearts he rules, The
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love-ly grace, Up-

F C F Am F G C B^b

Sav-ior of the world who brings His great sal-va-tion
 scep-ter is his love-li-ness; He brings our sor-rows
 hum-ble plac-es where he dwells. He is the right-ful
 on our sor-rows shine your face, And let your Ho-ly

F Dm B^b F

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho-ly mirth And
 to an end. Now glad-ly praise our king and friend, And
 Son of bliss Who fills our lives and makes us his, Cre-
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For sav - ing us from wrong.
Our on - ly strength for good.
From age to age the same!

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The King Shall Come

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1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And light tri - um-phant breaks,
2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, To bear and fight and die,
3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn When Christ, vic - to - rious, rose
4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race

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When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.
But crowned with glo - ry like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.
And left the lone - some place of death, De - spite the rage of foes.
The day when Christ in splen - dor comes, And we shall see his face.

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- 5 The King shall come when morning dawns
And light and beauty brings.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
Come quickly, King of kings.

© Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925, alt.
Tune: A. Davidson, Kentucky Harmony, 1816

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1 *Toda la tierra espera al Salvador
y el surco abierto, la obra del Señor;
es el mundo que lucha por la libertad,
reclama justicia y busca la verdad.*

2 *Dice el profeta al pueblo de Israel:
"De madre virgen ya viene Emmanuel,"
será "Dios con nosotros," hermano será,
con él la esperanza al mundo volverá.*

3 *Montes y valles habrá que preparar;
nuevos caminos tenemos que trazar.
Él está ya muy cerca, venidlo a encontrar,
y todas las puertas abrid de par en par.*

4 *En una cueva Jesús apareció,
pero en el mundo está presente hoy.
Vive en nuestros hermanos, con ellos está;
y vuelve de nuevo a darnos libertad.*

Text: Alberto Taulé, b. 1932; tr. Madeleine Forell Marshall, b. 1946

Music: Alberto Taulé, b. 1932; arr. Skinner Chávez-Melo, b. 1944-1992

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Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah 630



1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
3 Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
4 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra - el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.
He shall feed the flock like a shepherd, gent - ly lead them home - ward.
Lift your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King of glo - ry.
He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!



Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: Yiddish folk tune, arr. Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

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Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,
 2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him
 3 Those dear to - kens of his Pas - sion
 4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee,

Text: Charles V.
 Tune: Thomas

Once for fa - vored sin - ners slain; Thou - sand thou -
 Robed in glo - rious maj - es - ty; Those who set
 Still his daz - zling bod - y bears, Cause of end -
 High on thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior, take

Savior

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sand saints at - tend - ing Swell the tri - umph of
 at nought and sold him, Pierced and nailed him to
 less ex - ul - ta - tion To his ran - somed wor -
 the pow'r and glo - ry, Claim the king - dom as

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his train: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 the tree, Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ship - ers. With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 thine own. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

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al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, Shall their true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
 Tune: Thomas Olivers, 1725-1799

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Savior of the Nations, Come

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1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Show the glo - ry of the Son!
 2 Not of hu - man seed or worth, But from God's own mys - tic breath,
 3 Won-drous birth! Oh, won-drous child Of the vir - gin un - de - filed!
 4 God the Fa - ther is his source, Back to God he runs his course;

Ev - 'ry peo - ple, stand in awe; Praise the per - fect Son of God.
 Fruit in Mar - y's womb be - gun When God breathed the Word, his Son.
 Might-y God and man in one, Ea - ger now his race to run!
 Down to death and hell de - scends, God's high throne he re - as - cends.

5 He leaves heaven to return;
 Trav'ling where dull hellfires burn;
 Riding out, returning home
 As the Savior who has come.

6 God the Father's precious Son
 Girds himself in flesh to run
 For the trophies of our souls,
 Longer than this round earth rolls.

7 Shining stable in the night,
 Breathing vict'ry with your light;
 Darkness cannot hide your flame,
 Shining bright as Jesus' name.

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My Lord, What a Morning

Refrain
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My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

1 You'll hear the trum-pet sound,
2 You'll hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der-ground,
3 You'll hear the Chris-tian shout,

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Refrain

Text: African American spiritual
Music: African American spiritual

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Text: William Gay, alt.
Music: Annabeth Gay,
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