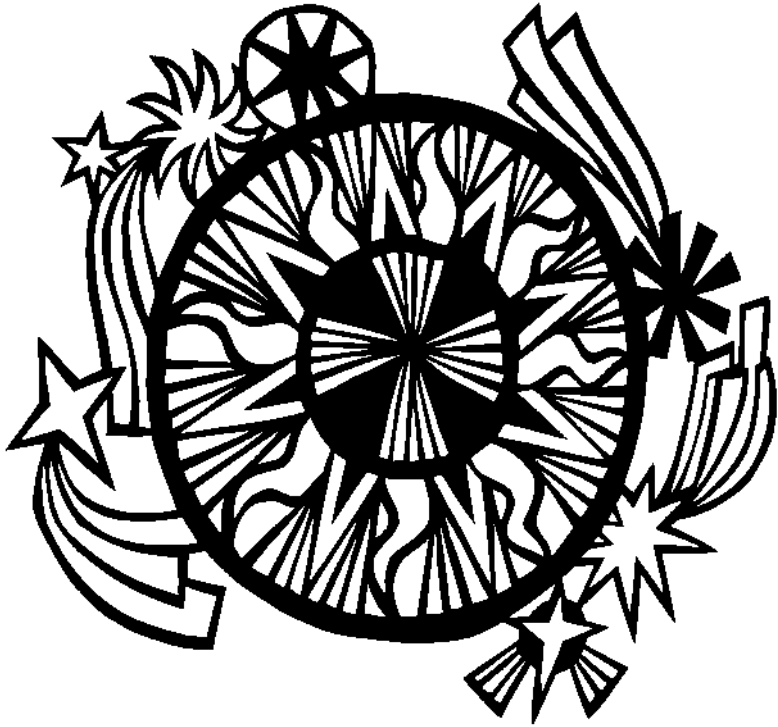


**Trinity Evangelical  
Lutheran Church**



**January 4, 2026  
2nd Sunday of Christmas**

**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, Millie Merkel, Sandy Schaffer and Jenn McCarron.

**Friends & Family:**

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Martha Van Parys, Joyce Kemp, Linda Gilbert, Dennis Weller, Tanner Antalosky, David Turner, Scott Thomas, Rev. Michael Ware, Robert McCarron, Glenn Monesmith and Scott McCarron.

**Family of:**  
Jean Daily.

**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](http://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 1 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!**

**Today we share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.** We invite everyone to the Lord's table who recognizes Christ's presence in His holy sacrament. We will be communing using the continuous method this morning. When the time comes, the usher will direct you forward-simply receive the bread from the Pastor and move to the side to the communion server to receive the wine (or grape juice). When you have received both elements, please return to your seat by the side aisle.

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**The Altar Flowers** are presented to the glory of God by Ms. Elizabeth Anderson, in Memory of her Mother Helen Grofe Anderson.

**The Bulletins** are presented to the glory of God in Honor of Our Military, keeping us safe and to Our First Responders by Jerry Bryce.

**The Eternal Flame Candle** is presented to the glory of God by LaRue C. Sheetz, in Honor of the Cantata Choir.

**This Morning's Worship Assistants:**

Assisting Minister: Jenn McCarron

Server: Waynette Shafer

Ushers: Howard Shafer\* & Dan Kuser

Lector: Jenn McCarron

Acolyte: Vicki Mest

Pole Candles: Bob & Diane McElwee

- (those who are able may stand)

**Announcements and Concerns**

**Prelude**

"O Come, Little Children"

*D. Bish*

**• 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.

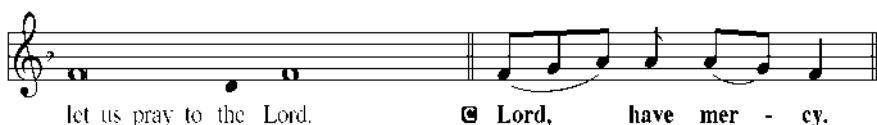
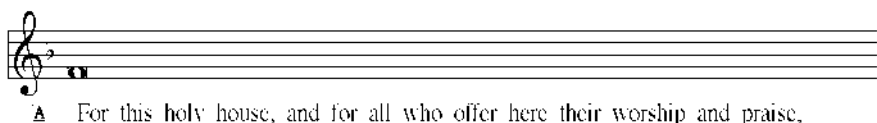
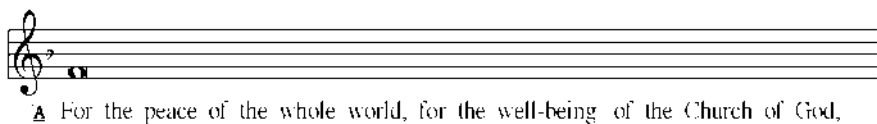
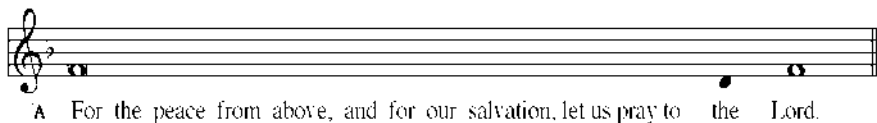
**C Amen**

- **Processional Hymn** LBW# 56  
"The First Noel"
- **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



• Hymn of Praise


# Go Tell It on the Mountain

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*Refrain*



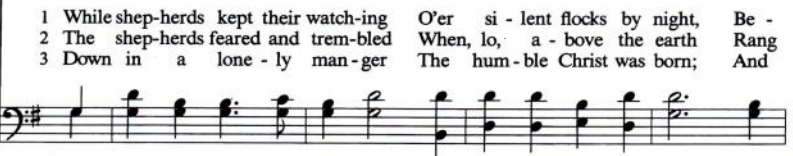

Go tell it on the moun - tain, O - ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;

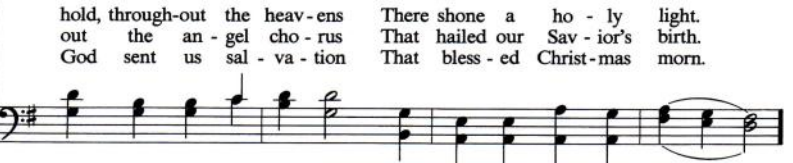
Go tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!

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

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



© Text: Negro spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1871-1925, stanzas, alt.  
 Tune: Negro spiritual

GO TELL IT  
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• **Prayer of the Day**



P Let us Pray . . .

**C** Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-14**

*God promises to bring Israel back to its land from the most remote parts of exile. In Zion Israel will rejoice over God's gift of food and livestock. Young women will express their joy in dancing; God will give gladness instead of sorrow.*

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
“Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.”

<sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

<sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.”

- <sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.
- <sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.
- <sup>13</sup>Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
- <sup>14</sup>I will give the priests their fill of fatness,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,  
says the LORD.

## PSALM: 147:12-20

- <sup>12</sup>Worship the LORD, | O Jerusalem;  
praise your | God, O Zion,
- <sup>13</sup>**who has strengthened the bars | of your gates  
and has blessed your chil- | dren within you.**
- <sup>14</sup>God has established peace | on your borders  
and satisfies you with the | finest wheat.
- <sup>15</sup>**God sends out a command | to the earth,  
a word that runs | very swiftly.**
- <sup>16</sup>God gives | snow like wool,  
scattering | frost like ashes.
- <sup>17</sup>**God scatters | hail like bread crumbs.  
Who can stand a- | gainst God's cold?**
- <sup>18</sup>The LORD sends forth the | word and melts them;  
the wind blows, and the | waters flow.
- <sup>19</sup>**God declares the | word to Jacob,  
statutes and judg- | ments to Israel.**
- <sup>20</sup>The LORD has not done so to any | other nation;  
they do not know God's judgments. | Hallelujah!



## SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

*In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

## GOSPEL: John 1:1-18

*John begins his gospel with this prologue: a hymn to the Word through whom all things were created. This Word became flesh and brought grace and truth to the world.*



P The Holy Gospel According to St. John, the first chapter



## Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

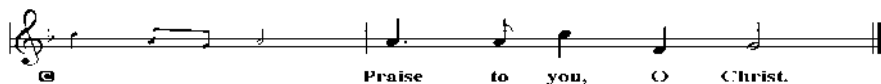
[<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.]

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



**Piano & Organ Selection by LaRue Sheetz & Erika Zaiser**

"What Child Is This?"

## Sermon

### • Hymn of the Day

LBW# 54

"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

- 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.

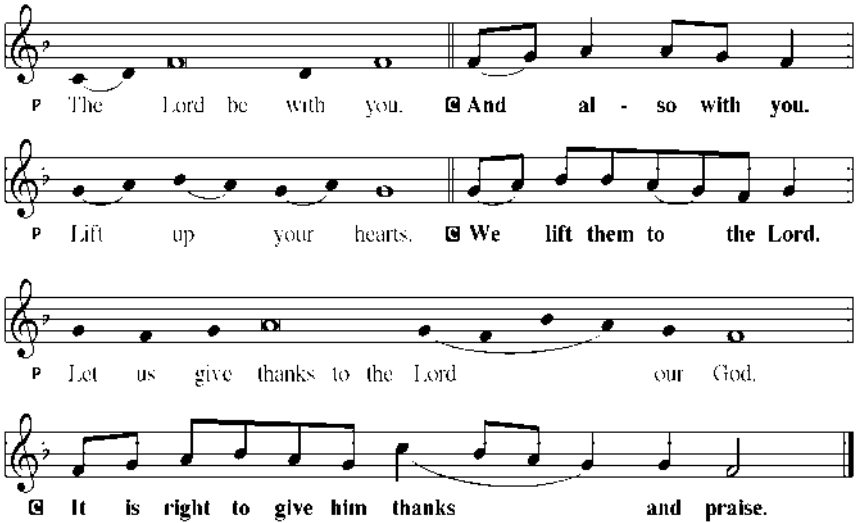
**C Amen**

- **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## • The Great Thanksgiving



P The Lord be with you. ☐ And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. ☐ We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☐ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## • The Proper Preface

P It is indeed right and salutary...  
 (Here the minister continues with the preface  
 appropriate to the day or season,  
 concluding) ...we praise your name and join their  
 unending hymn:



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

- **Eucharistic Prayer**

P        Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.  
 In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only  
           Son, that all those who believe in him  
           should not perish, but have eternal life.  
 We give thanks to you for the salvation you have  
           prepared for us through Jesus Christ.  
 Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that  
           we may receive our Lord with a living faith  
           as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**C        Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

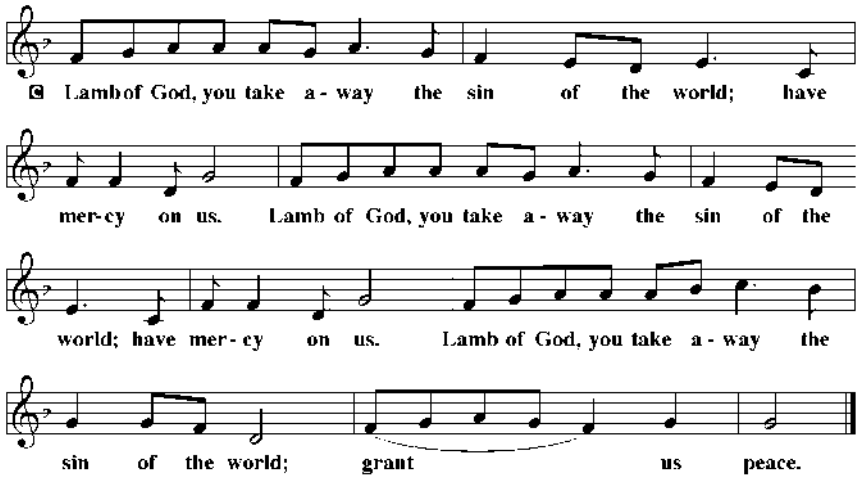
P        In the night in which he was betrayed, our  
           Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
           broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
           saying: Take and eat; this is my body,  
           given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

          Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave  
           thanks, and gave it for all to drink,  
           saying: This cup is the new covenant in my  
           blood, shed for you and for all people for  
           the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

- **The Lord's Prayer**  
           **(Sung by Choir & Congregation, See Insert)**



☩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

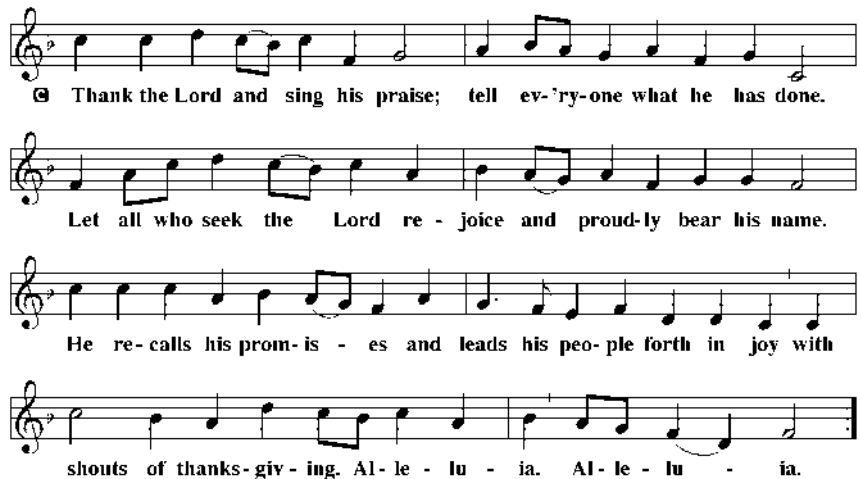
## Communion

### • Post-communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

### • Post Communion Cantic



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
 He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with  
 shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

- **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** LBW# 60  
"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

- **Dismissal**

P      Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C      **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** "O Sanctissima"  
D. Bish

*Reprinted from Sunday & Seasons*



## **December Update on Church Financial Status From The Finance Committee:**

The latest monthly report from the Treasurers' shows:

-The General Fund has a Negative Balance.

-During November 2025, the General Fund decreased \$2,532 from \$949 to -\$1,583.

Please see the report and additional details including suggested action items from the Finance Committee in the Newsletter, which is available by mail or on the church website.

Questions or input? Kindly reach out to a Finance Committee member as listed in the monthly newsletter, or chairperson Kurt Yescavage.

**A Special Thank You to Erika Zaiser for sharing her talents with us this morning.**

**Thank you for the wonderful Christmas gift. We thank God for your generosity as always! - Pastor Gene and Erika.**

**Thank You All for your very generous Christmas Gift, I greatly appreciate it, so thoughtful and I would like to thank you very truly much for all of your thoughts and prayers these past couple of months. Your support meant so much to me, more than words can say. I am doing well and feel blessed! Karen Smith**

**Heidi Yescavage would like to thank the congregation for your generous Christmas Gift. It was very much appreciated.**

**Special Thanks to the congregation, cantata choir, senior choir and bell choir for all of your gifts. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and your commitment to the music here at Trinity has always been wonderful for me. LaRue C. Sheetz**

**THANK YOU to Dennis Brooke and Shelly Fullwood and Family for sponsoring the Christmas Tree in Memory of Ruth Brooke and in Honor of Brady, Sallyann, and William Fullwood.**

**Please join us today, for an Encore Presentation of our Christmas Cantata, at 3PM, followed by light refreshments.**

**Please join us on Monday, January 5 at 6:00PM to take down Christmas decorations.**

**TODAY is the deadline for the Annual Report, please submit your report to Karen in the Church Office.**

**The February Newsletter deadline is Sunday, January 18th, please submit your information to Karen in the Church Office.**

**Prayer Listing: Any changes to the prayer listing please see Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or contact the church office, in order for the change to be made in the February Newsletter.**

**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.**

**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, January 6th and pick up will be Wednesday, January 14th.** 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.

**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](http://www.trinitybech.com)

**Coffee Hour** - Volunteers are needed to host Coffee Hour for January & February. Please sign up for this time of Fellowship. The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

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

**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.

**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.

**Trinity's events for the upcoming week:**

Sunday, January 4th-	8:00 Cont. Worship Serv. w/Communion
	9:15 Sunday School
	10:30 Worship Service w/Communion
	3:00 Encore Christmas Cantata
Monday, January 5th-	6:00 Undecorate Church
	6:30 Scouts
Tuesday, January 6th-	6:30 Scouts
Wednesday, January 7th-	6:30 TLC Stitchers
Thursday, January 8th-	6:30 Sr. Choir Practice
Sunday, January 11th-	9:15 Sunday School
	10:30 Worship Service

**Next Week's Worship Assistants:****Sunday, January 11th:**

Ushers:	Cathy Yoder* & Karen Irely
Lector:	Laura Moser
Acolyte:	Mark Sheetz

**CHRISTMAS EVE 3PM STATISTICS**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
<u>Worship</u>	<u>General</u>
92	\$1,793.00

**CHRISTMAS EVE 8PM STATISTICS**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
<u>Worship</u>	<u>General</u>
81	\$3,420.00

<b><u>Total Attendance</u></b>	<b><u>Total Offering</u></b>
173	\$5,213.00

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS: 12/28/2025**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	
<u>Worship/S.S</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>
60/12	\$2,266.00	\$55.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>
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**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.  
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## Readings for Personal Devotion



M	Exodus
T	Isaiah 53:1-12
W	Matthew 9:14-17
Th	Isaiah 48:12-21
F	Acts 8:26-40
Sa	Psalms 40:6-17

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## The First Noel

1 The first No - el the an - gel did say Was to  
 2 They look - ed up and saw . . a star Shin - ing  
 3 And by the light of that . . same star Three .  
 4 This star drew near to the . . north-west, O'er .

cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; In fields where .  
 in . . the east . . be - yond . . them far; And to the .  
 Wise . Men came . . from coun - try far; To seek for a  
 Beth - le - hem . . it took . . its rest; And there it .

they lay, keep - ing their sheep, On a cold win - ter's  
 earth it gave . . great light, And . . so it con -  
 king was their . . in - tent, And to fol - low the  
 did both stop . . and stay Right . . o - ver the

*Refrain*

night . that was . . so deep.  
 tin - ued both day . . and night. No - el, No - el, No -  
 star . . wher - ev - er it went,  
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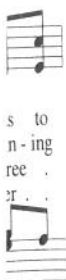
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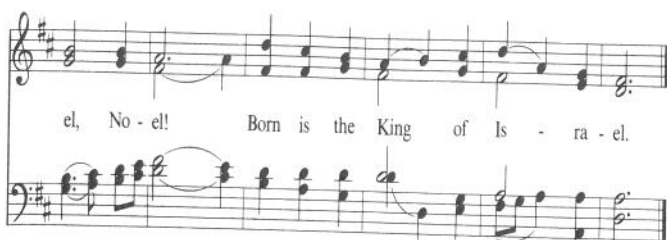
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5 Then entered in those Wise Men three, And offered there in his presence  
Full rev'rently upon their knee, Their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.

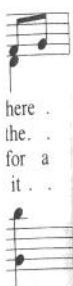
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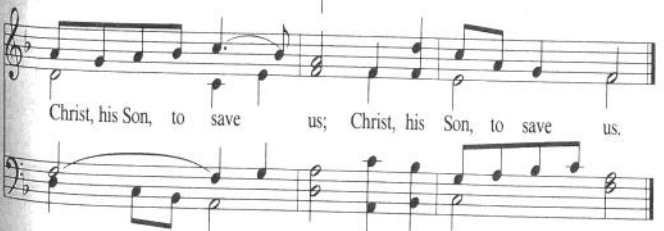
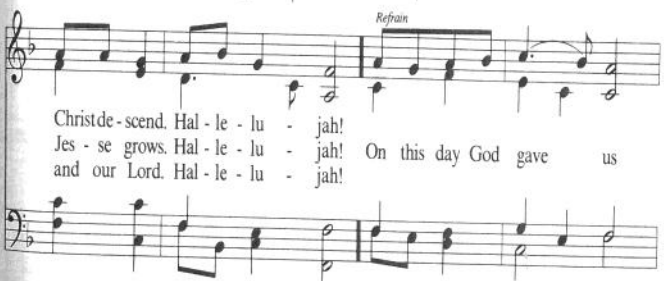
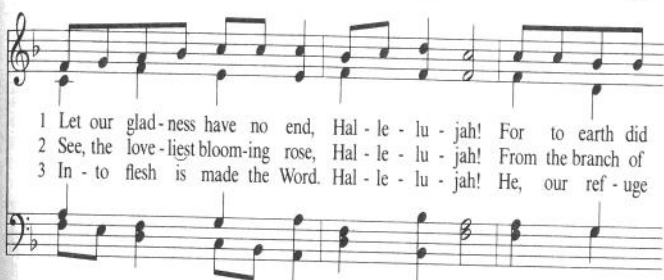
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## Let Our Gladness Have No End

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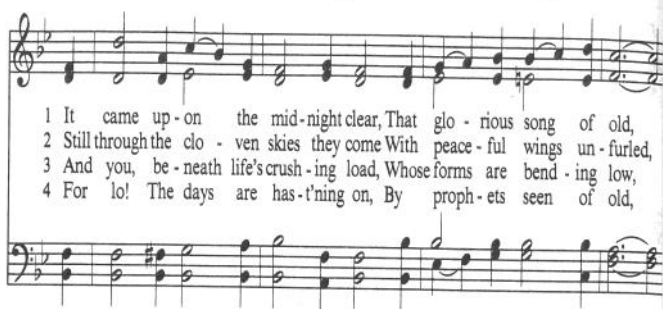
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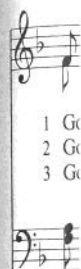
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## It Came upon the Midnight Clear

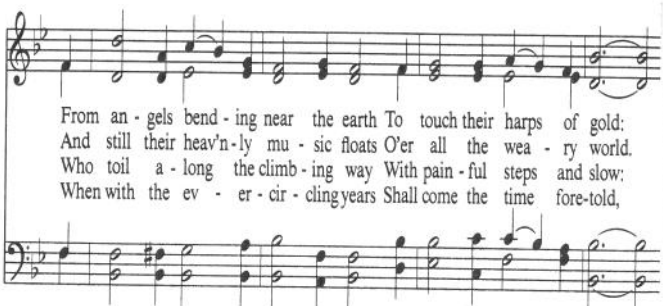
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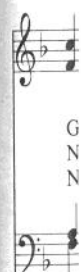
1 It came up-on the mid- night clear, That glo- rious song of old,  
 2 Still through the clo- ven skies they come With peace- ful wings un- furled,  
 3 And you, be- neath life's crush- ing load, Whose forms are bend- ing low,  
 4 For lo! The days are has- t'ning on, By proph- ets seen of old,



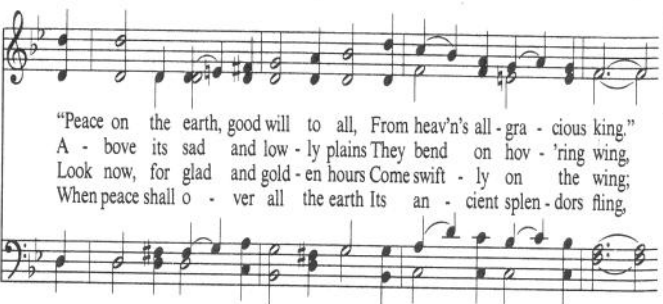
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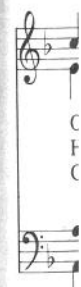
From an- gels bend- ing near the earth To touch their harps of gold:  
 And still their heav'n- ly mu- sic floats O'er all the wea- ry world.  
 Who toil a- long the climb- ing way With pain- ful steps and slow;  
 When with the ev- er- cir- cling years Shall come the time fore- told,



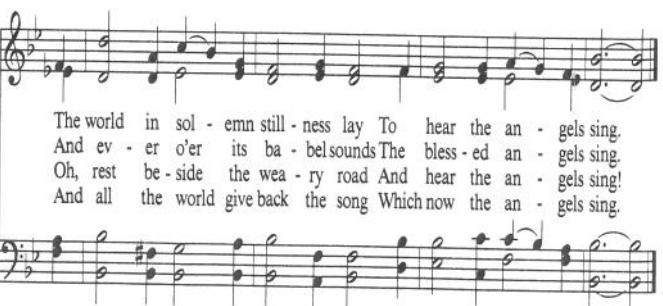
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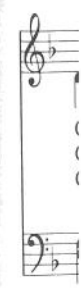
"Peace on the earth, good will to all, From heav'n's all- gra- cious king."  
 A- bove its sad and low- ly plains They bend on hov- ring wing,  
 Look now, for glad and gold- en hours Come swift- ly on the wing;  
 When peace shall o- ver all the earth Its an- cient splen- dors fling,



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The world in sol- emn still- ness lay To hear the an- gels sing.  
 And ev- er o'er its ba- bel sounds The bless- ed an- gels sing.  
 Oh, rest be- side the wea- ry road And hear the an- gels sing!  
 And all the world give back the song Which now the an- gels sing.



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## The Lord's Prayer

*And when thou hast shut thy door, pray to the Father...* — Matthew 6:6

MALOTTE

Albert Hay Malotte

Arranged by Fred Bock

Matthew 6:9-13

Unison

Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal - low - ed

The first system of musical notation for 'The Lord's Prayer'. It consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written in a unison style. The lyrics 'Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal - low - ed' are placed below the notes.

be Thy name. Thy king-dom come,

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody from the first system. The lyrics 'be Thy name. Thy king-dom come,' are placed below the notes.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody. The lyrics 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in' are placed below the notes.

heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly

The fourth system of musical notation. It concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics 'heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly' are placed below the notes.

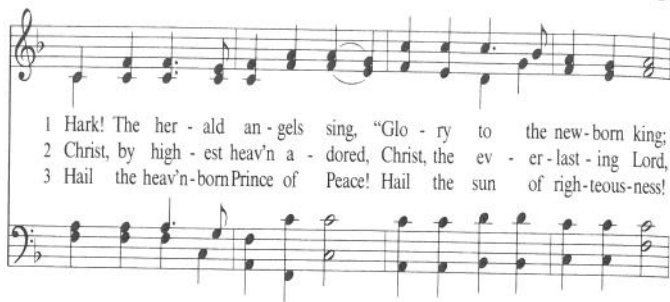
bread, and for - give us our debts as we for-give our

debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de - liv-er us from

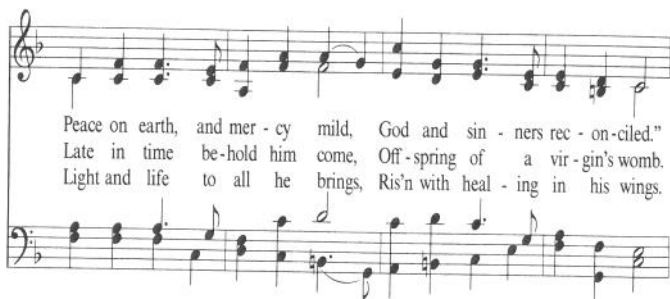
e - vil, for Thine is the King-dom and the Pow-er and the

Glo - ry, for - ev - er. A - men.

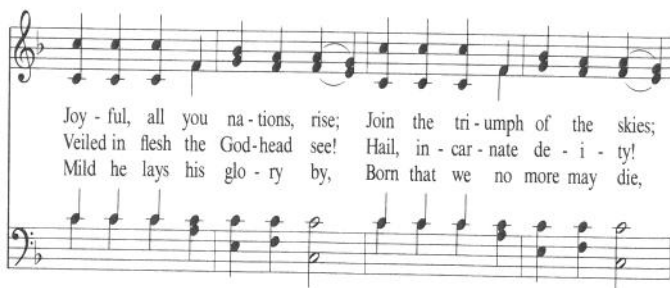
## Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



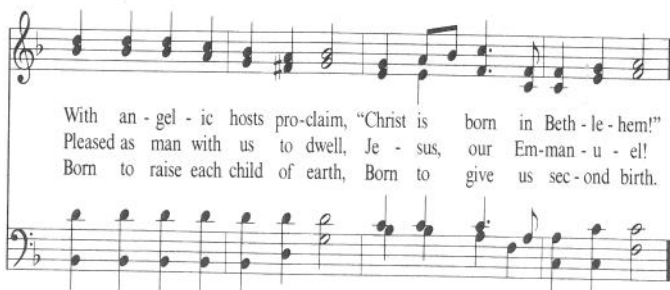
1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king;  
 2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
 3 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righ-teous-ness!



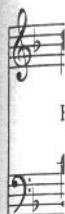
Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on-ciled."  
 Late in time be-hold him come, Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.  
 Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!  
 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,



With an - gel - ic hosts pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
 Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el!  
 Born to raise each child of earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.



Text: Charles  
 Tune: Felix

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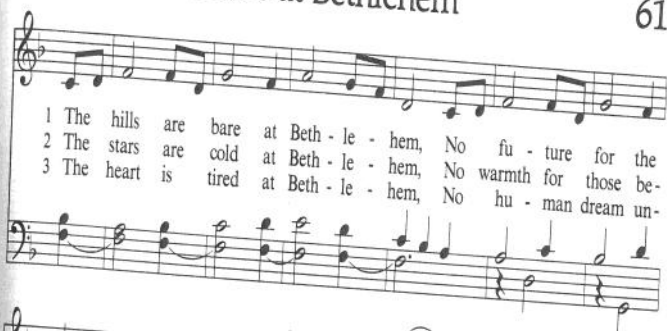
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## Refrain

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.  
Tune: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847MENDELSSOHN  
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## The Hills Are Bare at Bethlehem

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1 The hills are bare at Beth - le - hem, No fu - ture for the  
 2 The stars are cold at Beth - le - hem, No warmth for those be -  
 3 The heart is tired at Beth - le - hem, No hu - man dream un -



world they show; Yet here new life be - gins to  
 neath the sky; Yet here the ra - diant an - gels  
 bro - ken stands; Yet here God comes to mor - tal



grow, From earth's old dust a green - wood stem.  
 fly, And joy burns new, a fi - ry gem.  
 hands, And hope re - newed cries out: "A - men!"

© Text: Royce J. Schert, b. 1929, alt.  
Tune: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835



