# Trinity Lutheran Church



**February 2, 2025** 

#### WELCOME

#### **GATHERING HYMN:**

God of Grace and God of Glory (ELW 705)  $\downarrow = 105$ 



#### LITANY

Our hope is in God all of our lives.

God is a rock of refuge: a fortress against threat and shame.

God has held us since our birth.

So we are never in the full grasp of the unjust and cruel.

In love, God saves and supports us.

Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. We pray together,

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

Though we know only in part, we are fully known to God. By the grace of + Christ, God forgives us in love, **Amen.** 

#### GREETING

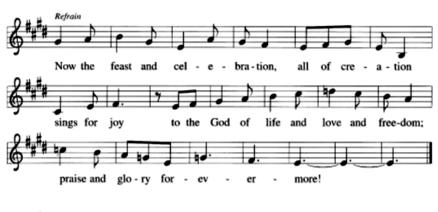
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

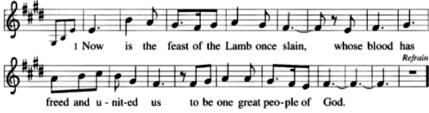
#### KYRIE

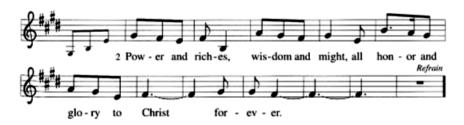




#### NOW THE FEAST









#### PRAYER OF THE DAY



Let us pray together.

Gracious God, as Jesus was presented this day in the temple, help us to remember the faithfulness of Simeon and the devotion of Anna. Guide us to live with the same steadfast faith, always seeking Your presence and Your will. May we, like Simeon, recognize your salvation and proclaim you with joy and thanksgiving. May we, like Anna, be constant in our devotion and bring our prayers before you in all that we do. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Malachi 3:1-4

<sup>1</sup> See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. <sup>2</sup> But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; <sup>3</sup> he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. <sup>4</sup> Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 71:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup>In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;

incline your ear to me and save me.

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold.

<sup>4</sup>Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord God,

my confidence since I was young.

<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;

from my mother's womb you have been my strength;

my praise shall be always of you.

#### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

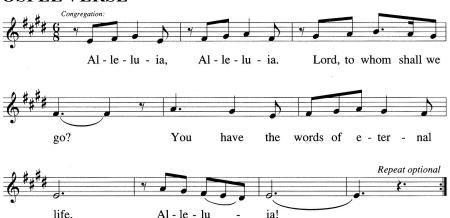
<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL VERSE**



#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 2:22-40

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), <sup>24</sup> and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law,

<sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

<sup>29</sup> "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;<sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

which you have prepared in the presence <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles

and for glory to your people Israel."

<sup>33</sup> And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup> so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

<sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup> At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup>When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup> The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

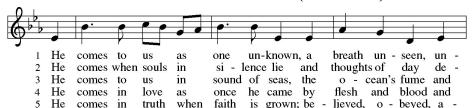
The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY:**

comes in

truth

#### He Comes to Us as One Unknown (ELW 737)





though with - in shriv-eled seed in heard; as a heart of stone, or part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, fall - ing star a a small and still up - on wind that stirs the foam; yet the breeze, a birth: to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



pulse of be - ing dark-ness sown, a stirred, a pulse of be-ing stirred. cross the sky of night with-in the heart, of night with-in the heart. home, a voice to call us tops of trees, a voice to call us say - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth. not un-known, our Say-ior and our Lord, our Say-ior and our Lord.

#### APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of all goodness, we live in times of stress and controversy, injustice and cruelty.

At times we cry to you for rescue and remember that we have leaned on you since our birth.

As the reader closes each petition:

O God of all creation,

The people respond:

be our hope and trust.

God our Wisdom, enable us to be humble and kind in all things. Remind us that, whatever the issue, today we know only in part. And even now faith, hope, and love abide.

Help us to be, like you, Love;

through Jesus Christ, our friend and savior.

Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

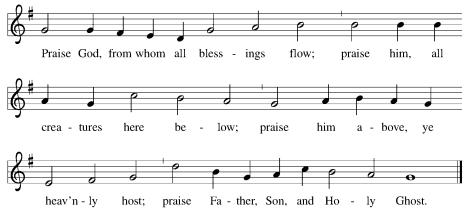
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERING**

Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.

#### **OFFERTORY:**

### Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (ELW 884)



#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

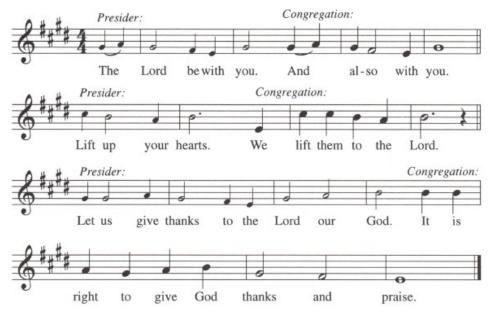
God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:

our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude, now and always. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

#### **LAMB OF GOD**



#### **COMMUNION**

All are welcome to join in the gift of Holy Communion. White grape juice is available, and altar bread is gluten-free. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

#### **DISTRIBUTION:**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (ELW 631) O Word of God Incarnate (ELW 514)

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.** 

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

May the love of God help you to bear all things.

May the love of  $\pm$  Christ enable you to believe all things. May the love of the Holy Spirit inspire you to hope all things, so that you abide in faith, hope, and love this day and forever. **Amen.** 

#### SENDING HYMN:

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* (ELW 836)  $\downarrow = 120$ 



- 1 Joy ful, joy ful we a dore thee, God of glo ry, Lord of lovel 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays.
- Thou art giv ing and for giv ing, ev er bless-ing, ev er blest,
- 5 Thou are give mg and for give mg, ever of oless,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be-fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove. stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise. well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea, Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill light chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us to re joice in thee. teach us how to love each oth - er, di-vine! lift us to the iov

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

## **Trinity Happenings:**

Sun, Feb 2: 9:00am Worship Service

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm

Mon, Feb 3: 9:00am "Becoming" in Gruver Rm

Tue, Feb 4: 5:30pm TheologyPUB

@ Coal Creek Downtown

Wed, Feb 5: 10:00am Women's Bible Study in Gruver Rm

Thu, Feb 6: 11:45am MUGG Campus Meeting

@ Rendezvous Café

Sun, Feb 9: 9:00am Worship Service w/ the Band

9:00am Sunday School in Gruver Rm

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm

10:15am Annual Meeting



Mon, Feb 10: 9:00am Becoming in Gruver Rm

Tue, Feb 11: 7:00pm Church Council in Gruver Rm

Wed, Feb 12: 10:00am Women's Bible Study in Gruver Rm

Thu, Feb 13: 11:30am MUGG Campus Meeting

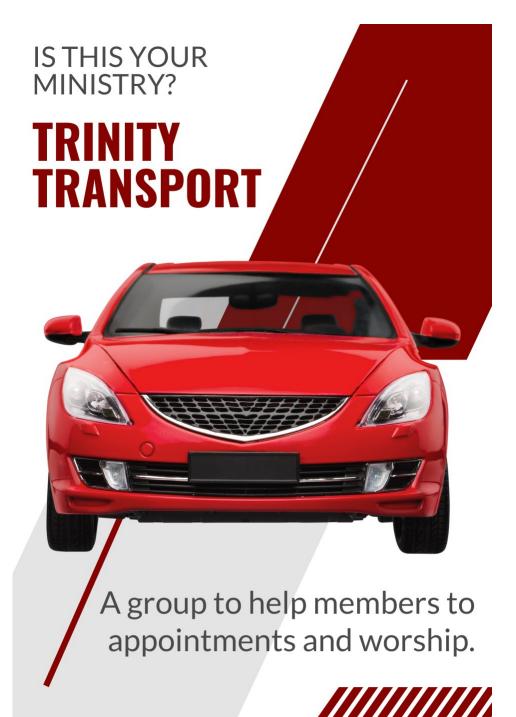
@ Rendezvous Cafe

Sun, Feb 16: 9:00am Worship Service

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm



A handyman group to help members fix small things in their homes.



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# **Serving in Worship**

#### TODAY — Feb 2, 2025

Altar: Al & Bobbie Schimek
Reader: James Apronti
Communion Assistant:
James Apronti

Fellowship: Denise Greller

#### NEXT SUNDAY — Feb 9, 2025

Altar: Al & Bobbie Schimek Reader: Martha Leonard Communion Assistant:

**OPEN** 

Fellowship: Martha Leonard

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