

**Trinity  
Lutheran  
Church**

**February 1,  
2026**

**Fourth  
Sunday  
of Epiphany**

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*Blessed are those*  
**WHO HUNGER AND THIRST  
FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS,  
FOR THEY WILL BE FILLED.**

MATTHEW 5:6



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**  
**9:00 A.M. ~ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026**



**THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL WHO ENTER THIS HOUSE OF WORSHIP!** The risen Christ calls all to faith and invites you to come and partake of the Lord's real presence and free grace given and shed for you through the bread and cup of salvation today. May you be filled with new life to love and serve God and neighbor as a child of God!

Children not yet instructed in Communion are always welcome to come forward and receive a personal blessing. Following the Sunday morning worship you are invited to join in fellowship and refreshments served in the Library.

**WORSHIP AIDS**

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available from an usher.

**ACTIVITY BAGS** for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return after services. Thanks.

**THANK YOU** for signing the Friendship Pad as it is passed to you during Communion distribution today.

**PREFERENCE** to receiving grape juice is indicated by raising your index finger to the server.

**I WISH CARDS** are in your pews; please let us know your ideas to improve our Trinity home.

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**GATHERING**

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**WE PREPARE...** *Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, the meek, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who mourn, and those who hunger for righteousness. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.*

**RINGING OF THE BELL/ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**TREK**

**NOISY OFFERING**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, † one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

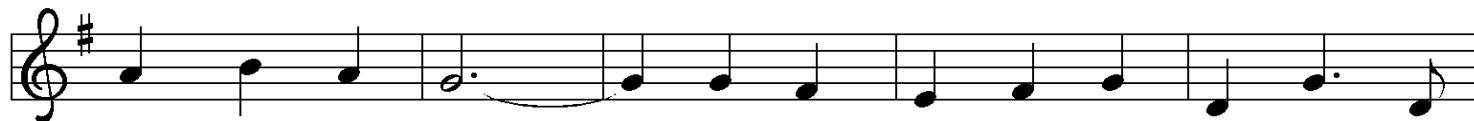
*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Loving God,

**we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the  
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in  
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to  
 fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so  
 one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.  
 ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.  
 sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



*Refrain*  
 We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

### GREETING

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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# WORD

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## FIRST READING

1 Timothy 4:11-13

The First Reading is in 1 Timothy, chapter 4, verses 11-13.

*Teach these things and insist that everyone learn them. Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. Until I get there, focus on reading the Scriptures to the church, encouraging the believers, and teaching them.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 95

*Come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come to him with thanksgiving. Let us sing psalms of praise to him.  
For the LORD is a great God, a great King above all gods.  
He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the mightiest mountains.  
The sea belongs to him, for he made it. His hands formed the dry land, too.  
Come, let us worship and bow down.  
Let us kneel before the LORD our maker, for he is our God.  
We are the people he watches over, the flock under his care.*

## SECOND READING

Micah 6:6-8

The Second Reading is in Micah, chapter 6, verses 6-8.

*What can we bring to the Lord?  
Should we bring him burnt offerings?  
Should we bow before God Most High  
with offerings of young calves?  
Should we offer him thousands of rams  
and ten thousand rivers of olive oil?  
Should we sacrifice our firstborn children  
to pay for our sins?  
No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good,  
and this is what he requires of you:  
to do justice, to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God.*



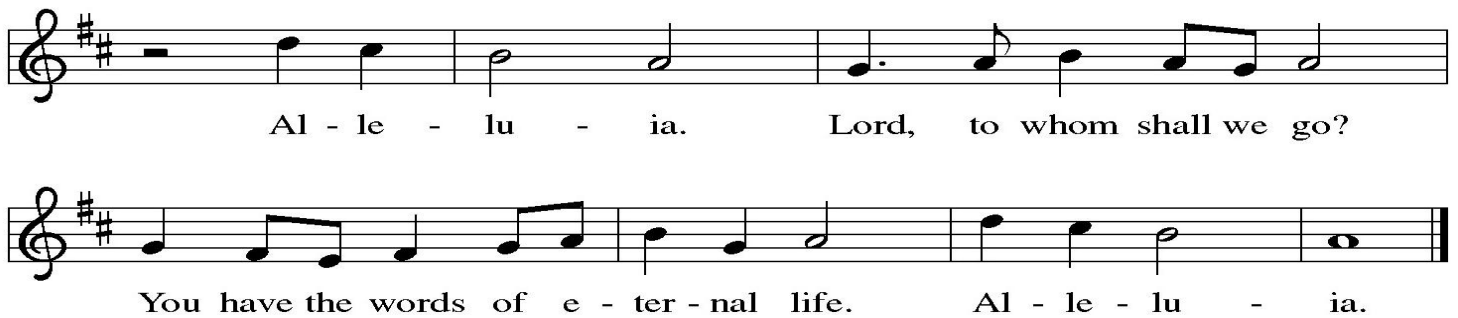
**DO JUSTICE ...**  
*love kindness ...*  
**WALK HUMBLLY**  
*with our God.*

MICAH 6:8



The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:*

*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*

*Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.*

*Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*

*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called  
children of God.*

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all  
kinds of evil against you falsely on my account Rejoice and be  
glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way  
they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

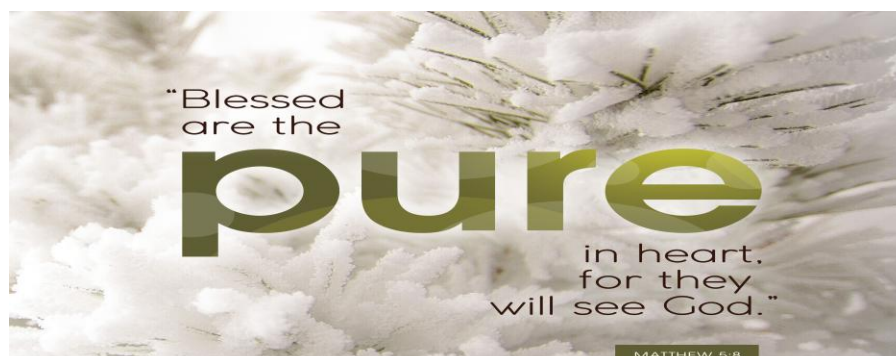
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.”**



MATTHEW 5:3

## SERMON

Pastor David Nissen



Leader or All



1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the  
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones; . . . they shall in -  
 3 Blest are they . . . . . who show mer - cy; mer - cy  
 4 Blest are they . . . . . who seek peace; . . they are the  
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, . . . all . . . be -



king - dom of God. Blest are they,  
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who  
 shall . . . be theirs. Blest are they, the  
 chil - dren of God. Blest are they who  
 cause . . . of me. Re - jice, be glad,



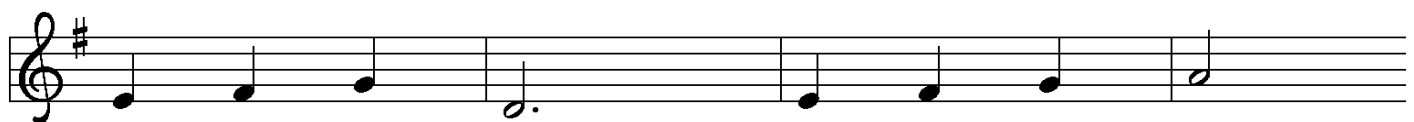
full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.  
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.  
 pure of heart; they . . . . . shall see God.  
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.  
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

Refrain

All



Re - jice and be glad!



Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you!



Re - jice and be glad!



Yours is the king - dom of God!

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# HOLY BAPTISM

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In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.



I present **Remi Rae Steffl** for baptism.

As you bring Remi to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach Remi the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Remi may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Remi grow in the Christian faith and life? **I do.**

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Remi in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? **I do.**

People of God, do you promise to support Remi and pray for her in his new life in Christ?  
**We do.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Remi Rae Steffl**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Remi with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

**Remi Rae Steffl**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized. **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

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## THANKSGIVING

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OFFERTORY

*Christ Be Our Light*

ELW 715

5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.  
*Refrain*  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the  
dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your  
church gath - ered to - day.

*(The offering is brought forward by the ushers during the song)*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: respond after Lord, God of grace,



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

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## MEAL

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THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION

Come, eat, drink, and live the life God has for you.



**COMMUNION BLESSING** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THANKS

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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## SENDING

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### BLESSING

May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all,  
and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

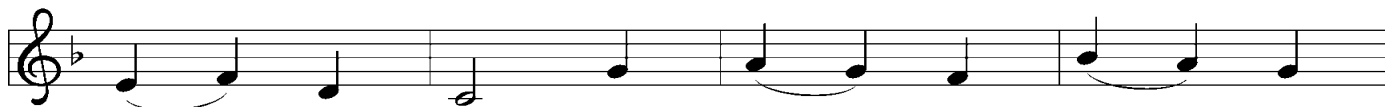
### SENDING SONG

*The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

**ELW #551**



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream and help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

**DISMISSAL** Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

## Our Thanks To All Who Serve The Body Of Christ

SUNDAY		9:00 am Worship
<b>Accompanist</b>	Mary Mulry	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Kendall Haala	
<b>Reader</b>	Josie Heiderscheidt, Aaliya Fuchs, Karmela Voigt	
<b>Prayers</b>	Grace Wersal, Theo Nissen, Yendi Trevino, Calvin Sellner, Trygve Coulson	
<b>Communion</b>	Larry Baumgardt at the rail	
<b>Sound Tech</b>	Russ Sorensen	
<b>Greeter</b>	Brian & Carol Polesky, Brandon Hardin, Henry Stevermer	
<b>Ushers</b>	Eric & Juliann Wahlborg	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Joleen Dittbenner	

**WE WELCOME** into the Trinity family **Remi Rae Steffl**, daughter of Adam and Megan Steffl. Remi was born December 4th, 2025. She is sponsored by Alexa Steffl & Toby Sengvongxay, and Jaden & McKenna Sellner. May God give them the servant faith to fulfill the promises made before God and this congregation today, bringing Remi to share eternally in the Kingdom of God. God bless Remi Rae in her life of faith!



### **MEALS THAT MATTER**

The delicious meals are available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room and we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty, readymade dinner. Remember, you are the hands of Jesus in our world.

*Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!*

**CAN YOU HELP?** We are asking for drivers to deliver Meals on Wheels. 1-2 people are needed per week from March 3 through March 31. This is a half of an hour to 1hour daily commitment to help feed people in our community. Contact Lee Johnson to sign up or if you have any questions. Call 507-276-3515. Thanks! Trinity has committed to aiding our community with this program for many years.

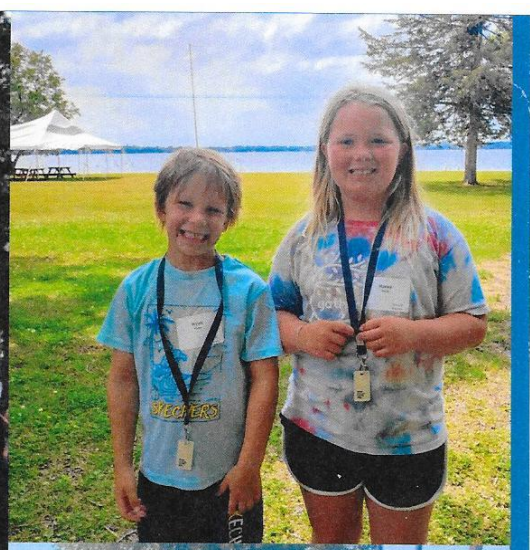


### **Volunteers Needed:**

Can you help? Join Russ Sorensen and learn a new skill by assisting with the video of our worship services. You can contact Russ at 507 227-7693.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Altar Guild is seeking additional members. Duties include light cleaning, setting up & cleaning up following communion services, handling floral arrangements, refilling candles, changing colors and other similar weekly tasks. For more information, please contact Joleen Dittbenner or leave your name and number in church office. Thank You.





# TRINITY CAMP SUNDAY

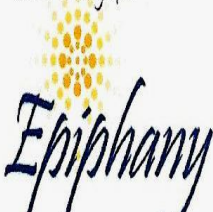

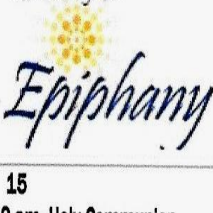





LOOK FOR OUR  
EVELOPE  
FUNDRAISER!

**FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2026**

Join us for worship service celebrating the fun and energy of Bible camp. TREK students will lead us in song, prayer, and scripture. Wear tie dye or camp shirts if you have them!

# FEBRUARY 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1 Camp Sunday!</b> 9 am- Holy Communion/Baptism 10 am Fellowship Hour</p> <p><i>Fourth Sunday after</i></p>  <p><b>Epiphany</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 9 am Quilting</p>	<p><b>3</b> 6:30 pm AA</p>	<p><b>4</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study 10:15 pm Evangelism 5:15 pm WELCA 6 pm TREK 6:30 Bell Choir 7 pm Confirmation 8:15 pm Parish Planning Council</p> 	<p><b>5</b> 8 am-Men's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>6</b> ACT Practice in Fellowship Hall</p>	<b>7</b>
<p><b>8</b> 9 am- Worship 10 am Fellowship Hour</p> <p><i>Fifth Sunday after</i></p>  <p><b>Epiphany</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> 9 am Quilting 3:30 pm Prokindship for Kids</p>	<p><b>10</b> 6:30 pm AA</p>	<p><b>11</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study 6 pm TREK 6:30 Bell Choir 7 pm Confirmation</p>	<p><b>12</b> 8 am-Men's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>  <p><b>Happy Valentine's Day!</b></p>
<p><b>15</b> 9 am- Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship Hour</p>  <p><b>Transfiguration of the Lord</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 9 am Quilting</p>  <p><b>President's Day</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> 4:45 pm Social Ministries 6:30 pm AA</p>	<p><b>18</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study <b>Noon Worship</b> 5:30 pm Lenten Supper 5:45 pm Bell Choir 6 pm TREK 7 pm Worship</p>  <p><b>ASH Wednesday</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> 8 am-Men's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>Tidings Articles Due</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> 8 am Community Quilting in the Fellowship Hall</p>
<p><b>22</b> 9 am- Worship 10:00 am Fellowship Hour</p>  <p><b>First SUNDAY IN LENT</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> 9 am Quilting</p>	<p><b>24</b> 3:30 pm Prokindship for Kids 5 pm Property Board 6:30 pm AA</p>	<p><b>25</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study <b>Noon Worship</b> 5:30 pm Lenten Supper 5:45 pm Bell Choir 6 pm TREK 7 pm Worship</p>	<p><b>26</b> 8 am-Men's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p>



## Trinity Lutheran Church – 2025 Building Fund Campaign

"Rooted in Faith" – Preserving Trinity for Generations to Come

Thank you for your faithful support of Trinity Lutheran Church. **We are launching a vital campaign to raise \$75,000 over the next two years to fund capital improvements approved by the congregation—specifically, the removal of the sanctuary's north and south wall windows and repairs to the parking lot.** We are grateful for your past generosity and ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this campaign as well.

### Campaign Summary

- **Goal:** \$75,000
- **Timeline:** Now through the end of calendar year 2025
- **Purpose:** Fund congregation-approved property repairs and upgrades
- **How to Help:** **One-time gifts or pledges over time! The Stewardship Board is asking members for contributions toward the \$75,000 goal via direct payment(s) and/or pledging payments on a schedule of their choice over a two-year period.**

### Bridge Financing Options (if required)

1. **Member Loans:** Promissory notes starting at \$5,000. 2% interest, repaid in installments through 2027.
2. **Commercial Financing:** Will be considered only if needed.

**Please prayerfully consider how you can support this important campaign. Your ongoing support is a blessing to our church and God's mission. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do!**

Please return pledge cards to the church office or contact Pat Stevermer with any questions.

**Blessings in Christ,  
The Stewardship Board**

*"It is more blessed to give than to receive."* — Acts 20:35

February 1, 2026

## Jesus teaches us about the ways of God.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	Matthew 5:1-12	The sermon on the mount
Monday	Isaiah 57:14-19	God will revive the lowly
Tuesday	Isaiah 51:12-16	Our God of comfort
Wednesday	Jeremiah 22:1-5,15-16	Do what is just and right
Thursday	Matthew 9:10-13	Jesus speaks of mercy
Friday	James 3:13-18	Sowing in peace
Saturday	Psalms 15	Living on God's holy hill
Sunday	Matthew 5:13-20	Salt and light



*Fourth Sunday After*  
**EPYPHANY**

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

**“The Lord has told you what he wants from you: to do what is right to other people, love being kind to others, and live humbly, obeying your God.”** Micah 6:8

### **SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

A Prayer for the Week:

God, help us to live in peace with one another, and to bring peace where there is trouble. Amen. (Matthew 5:9)

Mealtimes Prayer:

God, you have blessed us with daily bread. Bless us also with gratitude, generosity and compassion for others. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with a thirst for what is pure, right and good. May the Lord make your life a great blessing to others. Amen.

### CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Name a teacher whom you admire or respect. What have you learned from them?
- One day, Jesus taught his followers up on a mountain (Matthew 5:1-11). He said that God blesses those who are humble, those who stand up for what is good and right, those who are forgiving, and those who work for peace. Share some real life examples of these behaviors with one another.
- Which of Jesus' teachings do you find the hardest to follow?

### DEVOTIONS

Read and discuss Matthew 5:3-11. Write the key words from Jesus' sermon onto cards (e.g. humility, goodness, mercy, purity, peace-loving, etc.) and attach these to blocks, small containers or boxes. Then, build a "mountain" to display these in a prominent place. In your home devotion times this week, talk about what it means to show those godly qualities in your lives. Pray for God's help to obey Jesus' teachings.

### SERVICE

The prophet Micah told God's people that God wanted them to worship not only with their words but with their actions—to show kindness and mercy to others and to treat them in good and right ways. Decide on a "Micah" challenge you can take on as a household to bless your community this month.

### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Matthew 5:3-11 speaks of blessings. A wonderful ritual to practice regularly in your home is that of blessing one another. When we bless another person, we are calling forth the goodness of God that is within them as well as demonstrating our own caring and concern. There are three basic elements to a personal blessing—God's name, words and touch (e.g. a hand on a shoulder, or making the sign of the cross on their forehead or palm). Good times for using blessings in the home are mealtimes, bedtimes and at daily farewells (e.g. when children leave for school or parents leave for work). Duplicate this week's "Blessing to Give" for each member of your household and experiment with the practice throughout the week.

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***Please take your bulletin home for weekly devot***



## Trinity's Mission Statement

*We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.*

**TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN** Send an email to [secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org) or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

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Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You. *Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!*

### Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	79
Website	62
Bible Studies Attendance:	6+7= 13
TREK/Confirmation	57
Weekly Giving: (5730.00 Needed)	\$3314.63
January Giving: (\$23,640.00 .Needed)	\$16,302.58
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## This Week's Prayer Concerns

*Pray for Trinity*...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

*Pray for the Church*...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

*Pray for our World*...that pain which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

*Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering*...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Nicole, Dave, Susie, Rod, Gary, Jane, Mark, Sherry, Kali, Isak, Vivian, Kim, Pam, Pat, Trish, Beth, Harold, Rita, Paul, Ray, Lorinda, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Duane, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

*Pray for the beloved*... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones.... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

*Pray for all families*...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

*Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home*...for **Brady Augustin** and his family...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

*Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)*...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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