# Trinity Lutheran Church

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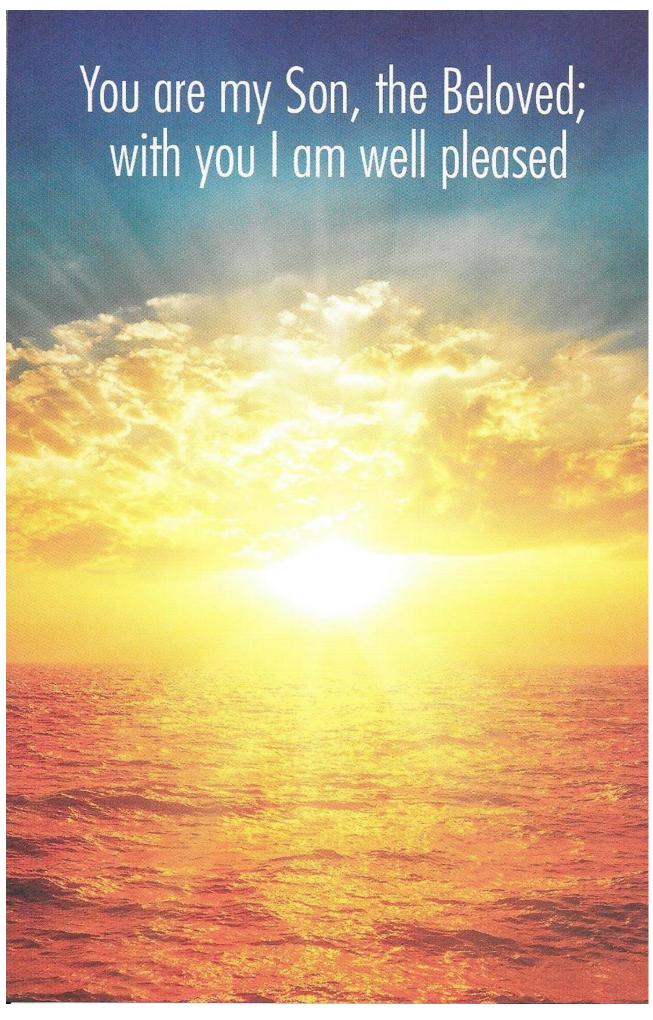
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# BAPTISM OF OUR LORD SERVICE OF THE WORD



# 9:00 AM JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

**THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL!** We are gathered in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who beckons us to come to Him in faith and repentance. May the gospel of the Lord inspire and fill you with the Spirit! Fellowship & refreshments are available in the Library immediately following our Sunday worship.

If you are worshipping in person and unvaccinated, thanks for keeping your mask on over your nose and mouth all the time you are in the building. You help protect us all.

# **GATHERING**

WE PREPARE: The Baptism of Our Lord cannot help but recall our own and all baptismal blessings. We recall and celebrate our adoption as daughters and sons, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we "pass through the waters . . . the rivers . . . fire." On this day the heavens open again for this assembly, and we receive the gift of the beloved Son of God in Holy Baptism.

# PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/ RINGING OF THE BELL

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. **Amen.** 

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Source of all life,

we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **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.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, 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 Isaiah 43:1-7

The first reading is in Isaiah chapter 43, verses 1-7.

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers,

they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, Give them up, and to the south,

Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth —

everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



# Acts 8:14-17

### SECOND READING

The second reading is in Acts chapter 8, verses 14-17.

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

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GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

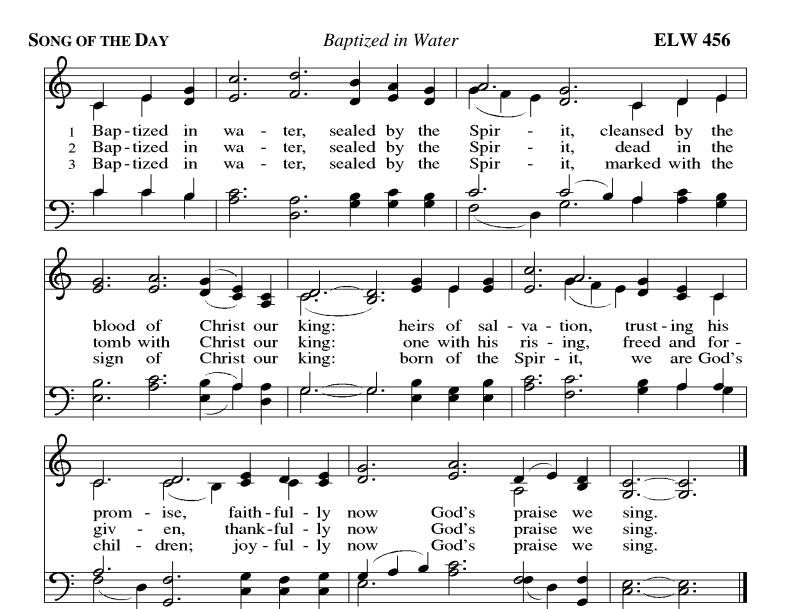
As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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



SERMON Pastor Tim Mason



# **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

# **THANKSGIVING**

# **OFFERING**

(The offering is brought forward by the ushers to the acolyte)

### **PRAYERS**

# 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.

# **SENDING**

# **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.







### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

#### OUR THANKS TO ALL WHO SERVE THE BODY OF CHRIST

SUNDAY 9:00am Worship				
Accompanist	Mary Mulry			
Acolyte	Kaden Braun			
Readers	Sarah Lendt			
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen			
Greeters	Larry & Sherry Baumgardt			
Ushers	Ed Ecker & Mark Miller			
Altar Guild	Sarah Lendt & Mary Renberg			



Sunday School Classes resume today at 10:10am. Please join us as we welcome Travis Aufderneide and Linsey Scheid to learn about Green Lake Camp this summer. Watch for information! See you there!

CALLING ALL TRINITY YOUTH! Please consider going to Bible Camp this summer...all kids 1st grade through 12th grade are invited to attend Green Lake or Shores of St. Andrew June 19-23rd! Information will be handed out today. Remember that Trinity offers FULL SCHOLARSHIPS for a week full of faith-growing and fun! See Maren if you have any questions.





Attar 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.

# ALL PERSONS WRITING REPORTS FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT:

Because we would like to have the Annual Reports available to the congregation before the Annual Meeting, Sunday January 30th, it is necessary to have all reports in the office no later than January 10th. It would be appreciated if you could submit them to Darlene via email. Thanks.



(secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org) Thank You.



# JANUARY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						New Year's Day
2 Holy Baptism 9 am-Holy Communion 10:00 am Fellowship Hour	3 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm Al anon	11 am Staff Meeting 12:30 pm WELCA 2 pm Maples Bible Study 6:30 pm AA	5 9 am-Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm Parish Planning Council 6:00 pm Trinity Choir 7 pm Confirmation	Epiphany	7	8
9 Green Lake Camp Day 9 am- Worship 10 am Education Hour 10 am Lay Ministry Board 11:30 am Worship at Sundown	10 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 2 pm Ross Park 5:30 pm Al anon  Annual Reports Due ~ All Boards	11 11 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA	9 am-Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Trinity Choir 7 pm Confirmation	13 10 am Countryside Bible Study	14	15
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# I have called you by name; you are mine.

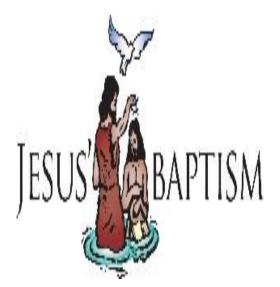
# **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

The baptism of Jesus Sunday Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Monday Isaiah 42:1-9 The Lord's servant Ezekiel 36:24-28 God will make you clean Tuesday

Acts 2:14, 22-42 Many are baptized in Jesus' name Wednesday

**Thursday** Romans 6:1-11 **Baptized into Christ's death** 1 John 5:6-13 **Friday** The witness about Jesus Christ Saturday Psalm 106:1-12 God saves through water Sunday John 2:1-11 The wedding at Cana



# SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

# "Israel, don't be afraid. I have rescued you. I have called you by name; now you belong to me." Isaiah 43:1b

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

#### A Prayer for the Week:

Lord God, please open our ears to hear your voice and our lips to shout your glory. Amen. (Psalm 29:3-9)

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Lord, your children gather in your name. Bless our table and our sharing around it. Amen.

#### A Blessing to Give:

You are a baptized child of God who loves you dearly. May God make you strong and bless you with peace. Amen. (Luke 3:22, Psalm 29:11)

# CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

What do you know or remember about the day you were baptized?

What did God do for you through your baptism?

What does it mean to you that you are baptized?

#### DEVOTIONS

As part of your household devotion times this week, say together the church's baptis-mal creed, the Apostle's Creed. Talk together about what each part of the creed means.

### **SERVICE**

Have household members decorate cards to send to their baptismal sponsors or god-parents. Use these to say "thank you" for their support and prayers over the years.

### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Do you celebrate baptismal birthdays in your home? Here are some ideas for develop-ing a practice of baptismal remembrance: List the baptism dates of each household member on your home calendar.

Celebrate each baptismal birthday with a special meal to honor the baptized person. Invite godparents or other faith mentors to attend.

Give faith-related gifts on baptismal birthdays.

Ask godparents to write a letter to their godchild each year. Keep these in a special book.

Each year take photos of the baptized person at your church font. Ask your Pas-tor to give the person a special blessing.

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In addition to Taking Faith Home, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotion



# **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 <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

# TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK CHECK IT OUT!!

"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on <a href="www.sleepyeyeonline.com">www.sleepyeyeonline.com</a> watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

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

Not Available

# This Week's Prayer Concerns

<u>Pray for the Church</u>...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...

<u>Pray for our World</u>...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, 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 Judy, Beth, Norman, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Abby, Emma, Ed, Story, Tina, Tammy, Ethan, Robyn, Beth, Carmen, Julia Ann, Nathan, Linette, Tammy, John, Sandy, Tony, Ted, Connor, Sue, Ed, Kimora, and Mary Jo.

<u>Pray for the beloved...</u> 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....

<u>Pray for all families</u>...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...

<u>Pray for those preparing for marriage and those newly</u> <u>married</u>...that God would be glorified in their union, filling every couple with the light and truth of God's grace and power throughout their lives ...

<u>Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces</u> <u>and those far from home</u>...for **Brady Augustin** and his wife (Donna Augustin's son stationed in Italy)...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

<u>Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)...</u>that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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