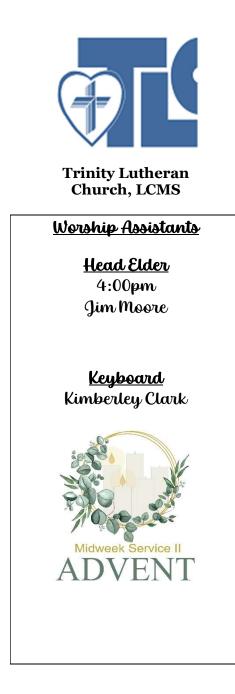


Wednesday, December 11, 2024 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 17330 South Highway 441, Summerfield, FL 34491 352-307-4500

Worship Times: Sundays 8:00am and 10:30am TrinitySummerfield.com Email us at <u>office@trinitysummerfield.org</u>



Trinity Lutheran Church Reverend Blair Clark

Our Mission

"To share the good news of Jesus Christ"



"To serve as God guides us to bring people closer to Jesus Christ through worship, Bible studies, prayer and fellowship"

WELCOME!!!

A warm joyous welcome to all who gather to bear witness to the resurrection of Jesus, our King of Kings!

OUR RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:

Members and guests: Please register your attendance in the red pad located at the end of each row. <u>We ask our guests to please print</u> your complete address and phone number. When it reaches the other end of the row, pass it back. Upon its return note the other names; you may meet a new friend in Christ today.

Please turn off your cell phone.

If you desire a hearing assistance unit, speak with an usher.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



Midweek Advent Worship Service 2 December 11, 2024

We welcome Pastor Bryan O'Connor and thank him for sharing God's Word with us today. It is our prayer that you are blessed with today's message and that it strengthens you in your faith walk with Jesus Christ.

PRESERVICE MUSIC – *Kimberley Clark*

"HOW MAJESTIC IS YOUR NAME" By Michael W. Smith

"BEHOLD WHAT MANNER OFLOVE" By Patricia Van Tine

"BIND US TOGETHER" By Bob Gillman

"CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER" By Caroline V. Sandell-Berg

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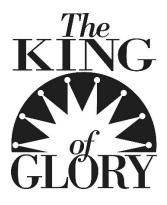
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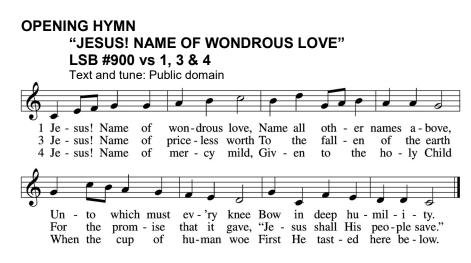
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[The Congregation may remain seated]

CALL TO WORSHIP

- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- All: Amen.
- **P** The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it;
- C The world, and all who live in it;
- **P** For he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.
- **C** Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- P Who is this King of glory?
- **C** The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- **P** Lift up your heads, O you gates;
- **C** Lift them up, you ancient doors; that the King of glory may come in.
- P Who is he, this King of glory?
- **C** The LORD Almighty, he is the King of glory.
- **P** Lo! He comes with clouds descending.
- **C** Once for every sinner slain.
- P Thousand, thousand saints attending;
- **C** Swell the triumph of his train. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- P Christ the Lord returns to reign as our Mighty God!





CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

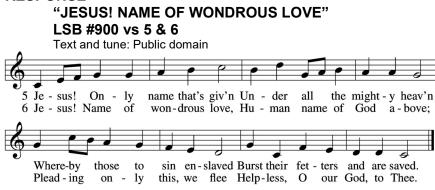
- Our Mighty God came into the flesh as one of us, and He knows our needs and weaknesses. Let us therefore confess our sins to our heavenly Father.
- I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

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By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

C Amen.

RESPONSE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Open our eyes, heavenly Father, that we may see all that You have done.

By coming in the person of Your Son and by His sacrifice for us, You have assured us that the worldly forces around us shall be a thing of the past when Your Spirit ushers us into Your eternal presence;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

ANTHEM

"INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY"

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"LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING"

LSB #359

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Rick Carlson on Clarinet

THE WORD

FIRST READING

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

- P O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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Isaiah 9:2–7

EPISTLE

Titus 2:11–14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

[Please stand]

HOLY GOSPEL

John 5:16–18 & John 8:48-59

P A reading from John, Chapters 5 & 8

Glory to You, O Lord

And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I am working." This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

The Jews answered [Jesus], "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P This is the gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

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SERMON

"His Name Shall Be Called - Mighty God" Isaiah 9-6 Pastor Bryan O'Connor



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PRAYERS

Wonderful Counselor, we come to You, Lord Jesus, thankful that You have enlightened us with the counsel of Your wonderful gracious word of forgiveness for all our sins. Help us, we pray, as we interact with people who may be entrapped by their sin, not knowing Your full forgiveness, and unable to rejoice at the anniversary of Your birth. Wonderful Counselor, use us and all we have, to bring others to hear and believe the Good News. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Mighty God, we come to You in faith, gracious Lord, trusting that You were and are God in the flesh, our Immanuel. Strengthen all who are in distress from the worldly forces that surround them. Assure them of Your presence, strengthen their faith, and lead them to Your home above, where we may all rejoice together in Your love and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

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C hear our prayer.

Everlasting Father, we come to You, O Lord, who conquered sin and death as ruler of creation while also serving Your people as a caring Father. Grant us to know always Your eternal presence among us and help us to amend our lives and pass on the joy of Your eternal forgiveness to our neighbors, friends, and family. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Prince of Peace, we give thanks that You came to earth and paid the penalty that our sins deserved. Grant us steadfastness of faith to be at peace with one another, knowing that because of Your grace and love for us, we will be with You in eternity. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

 P These things we pray to You, Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

BENEDICTION

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The one who calls us is faithful and He will do it

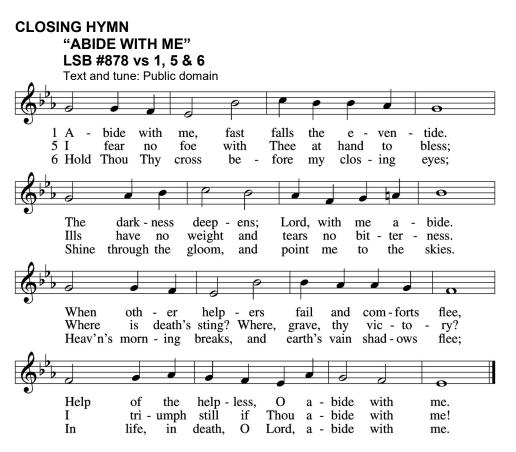
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PRAYER

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.



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Vision and Ministry Sunday

Worship Service & Communion December 15 @ 10am Trinity Voters' Assembly Meeting @11:15am Followed by a Trinity Christmas Reception

<u>Christmas Cantata</u>

Wednesday, December 18 @ 5pm Dinner to follow in Fellowship Hall @6:00pm

> <u>Christmas Eve Candlelight Service</u> Tuesday, December 24 @ 4pm

<u>Christmas Day Communion Service</u> Wednesday, December 25 @ 10am