



*Our mission, as God's people, is to **gather** in worship, **grow** in faith, and **go** in service in the name of our Risen Lord.  
Our vision – Sharing God's love, hope and healing.*

**Sunday, January 12, 2025**  
**Baptism of Our Lord**

**Prelude:** "Land of Rest" arr. by Charles Callahan © 1993 Morning Star Music Publishers

**Welcome to Worship and Announcements**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness:**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Merciful God,

C **you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In + Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

C **Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" ELW 310**

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1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph - et, priest, and king su - preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak - ened bod - y, faint - ing soul;  
4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,  
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;  
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill:  
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.  
Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702

**\*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.**

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*The Prayer of the Day:**

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

**Kids Word:** Pastor Jerry O'Neal

**Our first reading is from Isaiah 43:1-7**

*Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring the people home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them from all their enemies. God declares them precious and honored, and God loves them.*

<sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; <sup>6</sup> 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—<sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

**L** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 29:** (Read responsively between Lector and Congregation.)

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> **Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> **The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup> **The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup> **The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

<sup>11</sup> May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

**Our second reading is from Acts 8:14-17**

*Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.*

<sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup> The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup> (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup> Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.


L Word of God. Word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation: ACS Setting 12**



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

*Repeat alleluia*

**\*Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

*The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.*

P The holy gospel according to Luke the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup> 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 strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> 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."

\*Please stand as you are able.

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup> 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."

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

Sermon - Pastor Jerry O'Neal

**\*Hymn of the Day:** "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now" ELW 448

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1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,  
2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;  
3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day  
4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.  
to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.  
that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

Text: Thomas E. Herbranson, b. 1933

Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional

Text © Thomas E. Herbranson, admin. Augsburg Fortress

**\*Apostles' Creed:**

**P&C 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.**

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Prayers:** (Congregation's response in bold type.)

L For our prayers today, I will conclude each petition with "God of grace," and your response is, "**receive our prayer.**"

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

You call us by name and form us. We give thanks for the gift of baptism. Nurture the baptized and equip people sent to proclaim the good news, especially Young Adults in Global Mission and international congregations. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Your voice sounds over the waters. Speak words of healing over the rivers and lakes, seas and oceans. Heeding your voice, lead us to care for water, and the land and creatures it nourishes. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

You give strength to your people. Uphold all who serve the common good. Guide federal and state legislators, city and county officials, judges and juries. Strengthen our resolve to serve all in need. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

You are with us in challenging times. Draw near to all who are ill, undergoing treatment, or recovering from surgery especially for those we now name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts (*pause*). Accompany individuals and families affected by addiction or mental health challenges. Uphold each person as your beloved. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

You draw us into community. Embolden ministries of racial reconciliation, nurture work on behalf of immigrants and refugees, and equip each to use their gifts for the sake of neighbors near and far. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

You lead us by your guiding light. Guide this congregation in the E-Connect transformational ministry process. Help us to discern how Holy Trinity's ministry is called to work in our neighborhood, Muncie community and the world. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

You grant us peace. Comfort all who grieve. Dwell with us in this life and, at the last, join us with the saints whom you have created, formed, and named. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**Amen.**

**\*Sharing the Peace:**

P The peace of our Risen Savior be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

\*Please stand as you are able.

## Offering:

If you would like to give electronically, you may

1. Download the ELCA Giving App from Google Store or Apple Play, or
2. Go to our website [www.holytrinitylutheranchurch.com](http://www.holytrinitylutheranchurch.com) and click on the green "Give" button.
3. Using your bank's online BillPay features.

Thank you for your support of Holy Trinity and our ministries!

**Offering Music:** "Greensleeves" arr. by Thomas Keesecker ©2008 Augsburg Fortress

**Offertory Presentation:** "As the Grains of Wheat" ELW 465

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*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

*Refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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## \*Offering Prayer:

L 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 and generosity, now and always.

C Amen.

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*The Great Thanksgiving:**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

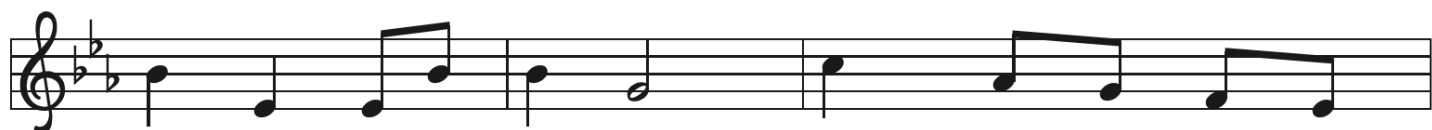
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P 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. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

\*Please stand as you are able.



P Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

All creation sings your praise. Sun, moon, and stars reflect your glory. Mountains, lakes, and forests declare your wonders.

With Sarah and Abraham we go out in faith, trusting your promise.

With Miriam and Moses we celebrate our deliverance from bondage.

With Naomi and Ruth we bind ourselves together in covenant love.

With Jonathan and David we delight in the gift of deep and abiding friendship.

With Mary and Elizabeth we welcome your presence in the birth of Jesus, the Holy One.

With Lazarus, Martha, and Mary we give thanks for the blessings of family.

With disciples and followers we marvel at the reign of God come near.

With saints through the ages we ponder the mystery of Christ's dying and rising.

*(The Words of Institution will be said in Spanish, then English.)*

P La noche en que fue entregado,  
nuestro Señor Jesús tomó pan y dio gracias;  
lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, diciendo:  
Tomen y coman; esto es mi cuerpo, dado por ustedes.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

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.

De igual manera, después de haber cenado, tomó la copa,  
dio gracias y la dio a beber a todos, diciendo:  
Esta copa es el nuevo pacto en mi sangre,  
derramada por ustedes y por todo el mundo para el perdón del pecado.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

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.

P With hearts full of memories and hopes, we break this bread and share this cup, remembering the death and resurrection of Christ, and his promise to be with us always as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P O Divine Lover, you are the breath within us. You are our heart's desire. You are our priceless treasure. You are the garden of paradise.

P Come down, O Love divine. Come among us, O passionate Fire. Come within us, O Spirit of unity. Come, Holy Spirit.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. Bless our table and the feast we share. Bless us with gladness of heart. Come, Holy Spirit.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P At this table make us your body. Form us to be people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed. Come, Holy Spirit.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Praise to you, Author of creation. Praise to you, O Beloved One. Praise to you, O Giver of all good things. Praise to you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**\*Lord's Prayer:**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All 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.**

**\*Invitation to Communion:**

P The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

## Communion Hymn: "O Lamb of God" (ACS Setting 12)



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, grant us peace.

### Distribution:

*This is the Table of Grace for all who belong to Christ and seek his gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. We extend to you all that we have in the Lord Jesus and invite you to his Holy Supper. Those communing with us who haven't been baptized and desire God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation in Holy Baptism are invited to talk to the Pastor. Communion is continuous as we kneel at the altar. White grape juice is offered as an alternative to wine. Communicants come to the altar down the center aisle, fill in the communion rail from left to right and return by the side aisles.*

# Communion Hymn: "What Feast of Love" ELW 487

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- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en?  
What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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**\*Post Communion Blessing**

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

**All Amen.**

**\*Post Communion Prayer**

L Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

**C Amen**

**\*Sending Call and Response:**

L God's work!

**C Our hands!**

L God's love!

**C Our hearts!**

L God's story!

**C Our voices!**

**\*Benediction:**

P "Barocha" - Michael Card

**C Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" ELW 543**

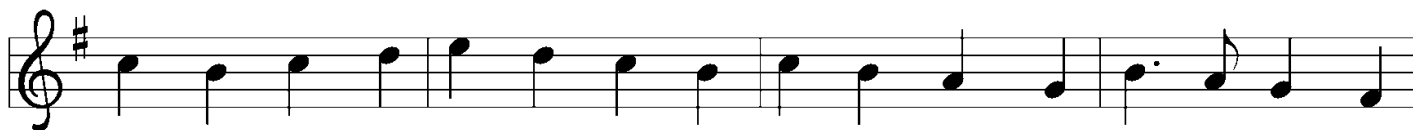
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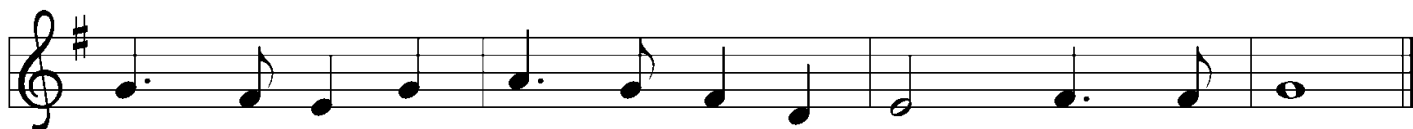
1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional

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**\*Dismissal:**

L Go in peace. Live in hope.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Announcements for January 12, 2025

### **Serving in Worship Today:**

**Acolyte:** Essilee Smith

**Ushers:** Roger Hollands and Dick Elias

**Greeter:** Sue Elias

**Lay Worship Leader, Communion Assistant and Lector:** Diane Calvin

**Altar Guild:** Diane Scholer and Amy Norris

### **Flowers at the Altar:**

The first bouquet of flowers at the altar are given by Becki Bergs in celebration of Essilee Smith's 11th birthday. The second bouquet of flowers at the altar are given in loving memory of Dorothy Ashby.

*(If you would like to purchase a \$10 flower arrangement to decorate the altar, please fill out the flower chart on the closet door in the lobby/narthex and make sure to fill out a slip and put the slip in the envelope with your check or money and put it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Thank you.)*

### **Prayer Requests:**

We invite you to send us any prayer requests that you want included in our weekly emails or the Holy Trinity Prayer Chain. Send requests to: [holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com).

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Amy Pike, Bill and Bonnie Hoodlebrink's great niece

Chrissy Miller, friend of Kent Barlow

Sue Donnellan

Douglas Watters, Kristen Dashler's Uncle

Debbie Singer, Sherri Elwood's sister-in-law

Victims of Hurricane Helene and Milton

Susie Peterson's cousin Joan

Rosemary Young

Tony Brinkman

Betty Haffner

The Roach Family

Pam Carr

Sandra Duke

Nancy Parkison

Solom and Mary Miller

Shelle Richardson

Kent Windmiller, Karen Wenger's brother

David and Jency Engle, Susie Peterson's parents

Janis Foster, Shirley Foster's daughter-in-law

Matthew Santoni

Roberta Debolt

Chuck Cook

Maria and her family in Ukraine

Dan Haynes

John Paul Metzcar

Mary Broughton

For those not named

For all who are sick and suffering

### **Inclement Weather:**

If there is inclement weather and Muncie Community Schools are closed (or have e-learning) due to weather, then the church office will also be closed. Please call the church office at 765-282-0619 for assistance. Someone will answer your call between 9am and 4pm.

\*Please stand as you are able.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries for January 12-18, 2025:**

### **Birthdays:**

January 12 - Sherri Elwood  
January 13 - Essilee Smith  
January 17 - Cathy Bryan  
January 17 - Patrick Montano

### **Anniversaries:**

No anniversaries on record.

## **Calendar of Events for the Week of January 12:**

**Sunday, January 12** – Bible Study/Sunday School (9am) and Worship (10am) - **Annual Report are Due**

**Monday, January 13** – Bible Study (10am) and Choir Practice (4pm)

**Tuesday, January 14** - Walking Group meets (9am), Staff Meeting (9:30am), Binding Ties Group (10am) and Council Meeting (6pm)

**Thursday, January 16** - Volunteers to work CMDC Food Pantry (9am), E-Connect Team Meeting (5:30pm) and Girl Scout Meeting-Kelli Smith (6:30pm)

**Friday, January 17** - Volunteers to work CMDC Food Pantry (9am), and Better Together Wellness (8:30am & 10am)

**Saturday, January 18** – Outreach Meeting (8:15am), Open Hands (8:30am) and Step Aerobics (9:30am)

## **Volunteers Needed to Work Christian Ministries (CMDC) Food Pantry:**

Please sign up on the sign up sheet in the gathering space to volunteer to work the Christian Ministries Food Pantry on Thursday, January 16 and Friday, January 17. We need two people per day beginning at 9am. Thank you!

## **Outreach Meeting:**

There will be an Outreach meeting Saturday, January 18, at 8:15 AM, before the Open Hands distribution. All are welcome.

## **Annual Reports:**

We will need a report from the church leadership and all Ministry Teams, as well as special groups and ministries associated with Holy Trinity. These reports serve as an important historical document for the church. **Annual Reports are due to Jenni in the church office by Sunday, January 12. Please send them to her via email to [holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com).**

## **Annual Meeting and Pitch-In Meal Sunday, January 26, 2025:**

Congregation Annual Meeting will be called on Sunday, January 26, 2025 following worship in fellowship hall. We will enjoy a carry-in meal, please bring a dish to share! Hospitality will provide ham for the meat. Please see the following page for more information regarding the Annual Meeting.

## **Walk A Mile In My Shoes for Muncie Mission:**

As part of our E-Connect transformational ministry process we have been given an assignment to participate a congregation service activity. The E-Connect Team decided as a congregation we will support and participate in the Walk A Mile In My Shoes for the Muncie Mission on Saturday, February 15 at 9am. The walk is from the Fieldhouse to Muncie Mission.

You are invited to participate in Muncie Mission's Annual Walk a Mile event by walking and/or donating a monetary gift to the Muncie Mission.

Please sign up on the display in the gathering space. Or use the link below to register online for the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Team or scan the QR Code.

If you would like to donate money to the Walk A Mile you may put a check in the offering plate, marked for Walk A Mile or you may use the link below or scan the QR Code to donate online.

<https://secure.qgiv.com/event/walkamileinmyshoes2025/team/977205>.



\*Please stand as you are able.



## Annual Meeting and Pitch-In Meal - Sunday, January 26, 2025

In accordance with Holy Trinity's Constitution, the Congregation Annual Meeting will be called on Sunday, January 26, 2025 following worship in-person with the purpose of electing 2025 Council Members, approval of the 2025 proposed budget, and answer any questions regarding the annual reports from the various ministries of Holy Trinity.

C12.02.01 of the Constitution state that notice of candidates must be given by the nominating committee at least two weeks prior to the meeting. C12.02.02 states that the congregation may nominate additional candidates providing that the nominees have agreed to stand for election and the names of such nominees are submitted to the Secretary of the congregation no later than 5 days in advance of the election.

The nominating committee submits the following names for the election:

Member-At-Large [to elect 3]:

**Linda Hamilton** - *(Finishing Jari's 1st Term)* - After some church hopping at Missouri Lutheran churches in Marion and Muncie, I settled at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on September 24, 2006. I have served as Parish Nurse and the Wellness Chairman, and lead the Tuesday morning walking group each week. I have taught Sunday school here and continue to be a part of learning at our Sunday Morning and Monday Morning Bible studies.

I am currently the Program Chairman for the BSU Association of Lifelong Learners, and Membership Chairman for the Rinard Orchid Greenhouse. I am also a member of the Y.M.C.A. and enjoy the water aerobics classes. I belong to 4 book clubs and love to attend programs at the Muncie Civic Theater, Minnetrista, MasterWorks Chorale, America's Hometown Band, Orchestra Indiana and the many musical programs at Sursa Auditorium on the BSU campus.

I have served on the HTLC council in the past and look forward to being a member this coming year.

**Diane Calvin** - *(2 year term)* - I'm a life-long Lutheran who had the good fortune to join Holy Trinity in December 1999. Almost 2 years ago, I retired from Ball State University Libraries. Retirement gave me more time to volunteer for Holy Trinity events, at the Second Harvest twice-monthly food tailgate, and the Christian Ministry pantry. I served on Council twice and found it an interesting and fulfilling experience. I appreciated learning how much work goes on behind the scenes that make things happen seamlessly. I look forward to another opportunity in this role.

**Cody Voga** - *(2 year term)* - My name is Cody Voga. I was born in Jewell, Iowa, where I attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church. I've been married to my wife, Kelsey, since 2019, and we are expecting our first child around Christmas. We are both former college soccer players at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa.

We first attended Holy Trinity for a Christmas service in 2023 and decided this was our new home. We officially became members during the summer of 2024 and are grateful to be welcomed into such a caring and supportive family.

*Thank you to the Nominating Committee: Jan Segedy, John Huff, Nancy Carlson, Becki Bergs and Roger Hollands for their work and for our nominees' willingness to serve!*

**Annual Reports are due to Jenni in the church office by Sunday, January 12. Please send them to her via email to [holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitymuncie@gmail.com).**



# Worship Notes