
WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church! In today's Gospel, Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower blessing, forgiveness, generosity, mercy, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. The Holy Spirit likewise guides us into merciful lives with the power of forgiveness to reconcile what is fractured and divided. God's blessings to you and your loved ones!

- Pastors Alicia and Ben Hilding

PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers this week: Al G., Allen K., Chenelle J., Cheryl G., Darbie B., John S., Karen H., Laura C., Matt G., Michelle N., and Ray M.

**If you would like to be added to this public prayer list, please contact Pastor Alicia (alicia@holyltrinityonline.org).*

SPONSORS

Thank you, LuAnn Leach, for sponsoring the Radio Ministry this week!

The Hospitality Ministry has openings for sponsors.

Sponsoring a week is a great way to support the church, honor a special event, or memorialize a loved one. The Radio Ministry is \$70, and the Hospitality Ministry (Wednesday evening meals) is \$300 (full week) or \$150 (half week). Please contact Jamie at office@holyltrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513 to support these important ministries. Thank you!



WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *Come, All You People, ELW #819*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

MUSICAL OFFERING *Who Am I*

CREW TIME DISMISSAL

SCRIPTURE READINGS *Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 (read responsively)*

GOSPEL *Luke 6:27-38*

MESSAGE *Pastor Susan Engholm*

HYMN OF THE DAY *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service, ELW #712*

CREW TIME RETURNS

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN *Mighty to Save*

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

NOTES

HEARING DEVICES: Please visit the Soundbooth for assistance.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Holy Trinity is located on the original homelands of the Wahpekute (Dakota) people.

NURSERY: If you have someone who needs room to move, check out the Nursery! Exit the Sanctuary and turn right. You'll find comfortable seating, toys for little ones, and a TV to view worship.

OFFERING: Experience the joy of giving! Give via cash or check using the envelopes near your seat. Place it in the collection plate as the ushers pass your row. Give electronically by scanning the QR code (select "General Operating"). Lastly, all are welcome to make a joyful noise by placing your loose change in the metal milk can or giving your coins to a child to deliver your "noisy offering." 10% of the offering supports Holy Trinity's Mission Outreach projects. Thank you!



QR CODES: Easy as 1, 2, 3! Open your smartphone camera, hold it over the QR code, and tap the link.

RESTROOMS/CHANGING TABLES: Located directly outside the Sanctuary in the Lobby and the Fellowship Hall (north side).

WIFI: Username: HTLC-Guest, Password: Fellowship

FINANCES

Finances as of December 31, 2024	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
Revenue	\$650,632	\$641,278	\$758,425
Expenses	\$650,520	\$629,204	Gifts to receive
Revenue - Expenses	\$112	\$12,074	\$493,974

\$150K RESERVE MATCH FUND: Holy Trinity received a generous gift of up to \$150,000 of matching funds towards Holy Trinity's Reserve Fund. This fund is intended to exceed any Ministry Offering and NEXT Capital Campaign gifts. It prevents costly borrowing to cover short-term expenses due to fluctuating monthly cash flow. Please consider donating toward Holy Trinity's designated "Reserve Fund" in 2025. Thank you for helping Holy Trinity achieve more financial stability!

RESPOND

WELCOME BACK, PASTOR SUSAN: Thank you, Rev. Susan Engholm, for serving as a guest pastor this week! Pastor Susan and her husband, Jeff (pastor at Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, MN) are friends of Pastors Alicia and Ben. In fact, they surprised the Hildings by showing up to Holy Trinity's RibFest last year! Please give Pastor Susan a warm "welcome back!"

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY: Today's opening hymn, *Come, All You People (Uyaimose)*, was transcribed and recorded for the World Council of Churches as the first entry in *African Songs of Worship* (1986). In the ELW hymnal, it's the first "Praise and Thanksgiving" hymn. Alexander Gondo, a pastor and church musician in Zimbabwe, wrote it.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Wednesday, March 5, 6 pm. Even if you typically worship on Sundays, please come to partake in this meaningful service. During this service, the people of God will be marked with a cross of ashes. Hope comes from recognizing God has already brought beauty from ashes and God can do it again.

CULTIVATING CONNECTIONS: Lent Small Groups are a great way to meet new people while diving deeper into your faith. Groups are offered during a variety of times and days. Sign up by scanning the QR code or contact Jamie at 952.758.3513 or office@holyltrinityonline.org.

FAITH MILESTONE CLASS: Sunday, March 2, 4:30 - 6:30 pm: *First Communion - 4th grade students.* These family-friendly classes include dinner! RSVP to kate@holyltrinityonline.org by Wednesday, Feb. 26.

MARDI GRAS SENIOR LUNCHEON: Tuesday, March 4, Noon - 1 pm, Fellowship Hall. Yes, Lutherans celebrate Fat Tuesday! Anyone age 55+ is invited to enjoy delicious food, fun games, and great conversations. Cost is a free-will offering (suggested donation of \$5). **RSVP to Jamie by Tuesday, Feb. 25** by calling 952.758.3513 or emailing office@holyltrinityonline.org.

SERMON NOTES

Listen closely to the pastor's message, take notes, and discuss them with your Confirmation small group.

Name: _____

1. When you hear and read Luke 6:27-38, which part is the most difficult for you to do? Why?
2. What Bible story came immediately before this Gospel story? What did Jesus just finish saying?
3. What part of Pastor Susan's sermon connected with you the most? Why?



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FEBRUARY 23, 2025

SUNDAY: 9 AM

FEBRUARY 26, 2025

WEDNESDAY: 6 PM

Share God's love for all people from one generation to the next.

Welcome • Worship • Respond

