

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 31, 2016

#### 40 West Nicholai Street

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#### **Our Mission Statement**

Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve and share their Savior.

## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

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January 30/31, 2016

#### **Today's Worship Services**

6:30 PM Traditional Worship [pages 1-9] 9:00 AM Traditional Worship with Holy Communion [pages 1-12] 10:30 AM Traditional Worship [pages 1-9]

#### Welcome

The purpose of the ministry of Jesus, unfolding during the Epiphany season, is forcefully expressed in these words: "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose" (Luke 4:43). Jesus preached the good news of the kingdom of God not only in His adopted hometown of Capernaum, where He was well known and comfortable, but also beyond familiar locations to Samaria and even as far the land of Tyre and Sidon. We are called to be those people who go beyond our comfort zones to share the Gospel news that we know and believe by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## **Holy Communion**

We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. If you have any questions, please speak to our pastor at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the "Fellowship Pad" in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Thank you!

PRELUDE "Son of God, Eternal Savior" - Manz

#### **GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN** "Rise, Shine, You People" LSB 825

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

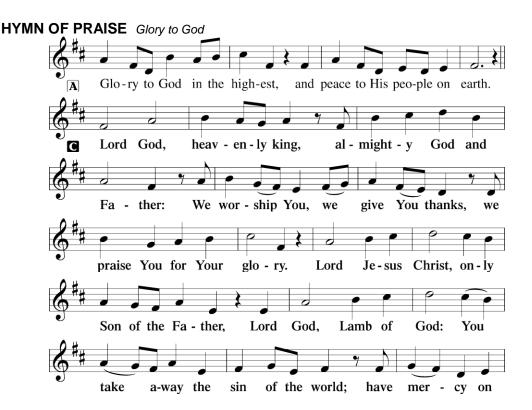
P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

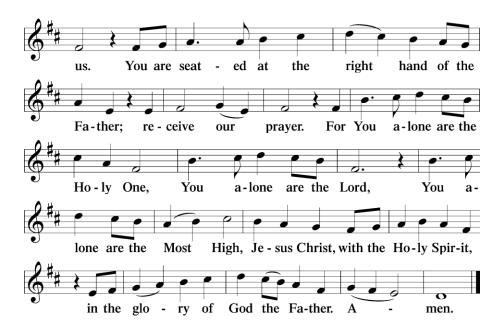
C: Amen. [Matthew 28:19b]

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [I John 1:8-9]
  - + Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination +
- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

  [John 20:19-23]
- C: Amen.





#### **PRAYER**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me,

"Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

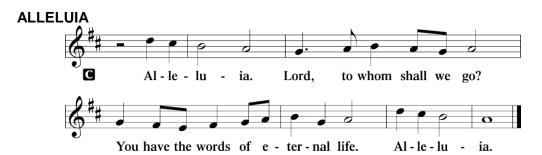
Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

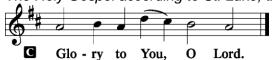
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GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:31-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



C:

And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, "Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. And they were all amazed and said to one another, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!" And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.

Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.



**HYMN** "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal" LSB 533

SERMON Pastor Michael Henn

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE + We encourage you to leave your pew and greet new people! +

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

**OFFERING** 

+ Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

TRINITY CHOIR (9:00)

"The Gift of Love"

- Hopson

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin. Come, spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen.

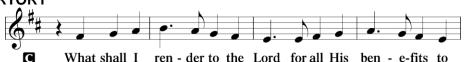
**SOUNDS OF PRAISE** (10:30)

"For Love Shall Be Our Song"

- Wagner

God is love, God is peace, God is joy and gladness. May we then live our lives in love, in peace, in joy with Christ our Lord. For love shall be our song, as we lift our hearts to the Lord; so as members of the family of God, rejoice, give thanks and praise. And when others do us wrong, patience we will show, to forgive as Christ did us; seeds of love we'll sow. God is...

**OFFERTORY** 





The Saturday and 10:30 Sunday services conclude as follows:

**HYMN** 

""Away from Us!" the Demon Cried"

LSB 541

#### 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 and DISMISSAL

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.



A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

**HYMN** "Son of God, Eternal Savior" LSB 842

**POSTLUDE** "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal" - Ore

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

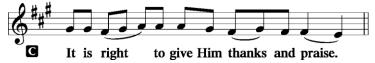


P: Lift up your hearts.

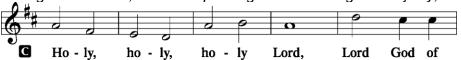
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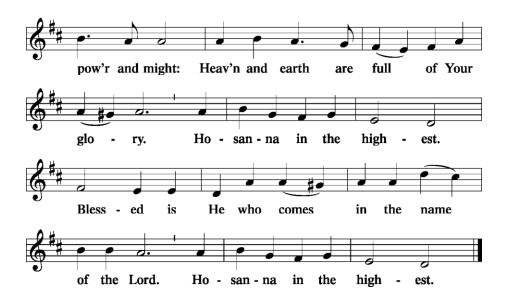


P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



P: It is our duty and our delight at all times and in all places to give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. We praise You that You sent Your only-begotten Son, and that in Him, being found in human form, You manifest the fullness of Your glory; through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You for Your great majesty, singing:





#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup after supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

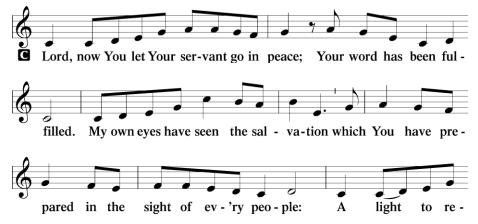
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

#### **MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**



""Away from Us!" the Demon Cried"" LSB 541
"Where Charity and Love Prevail" LSB 845

# **NUNC DIMITTIS** Song of Simeon





#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. We ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we may continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, to whom with You and the same Spirit be all honor and glory forever and ever.

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