

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, PA**

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We want to be a congregation who continues:  
Trusting God  
Loving and Connecting with God and one another  
Reaching out to all God's children

**BAPTISM OF OUR LORD  
January 11, 2026 10:15 AM**

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Mission – To Share Christ in Word and Deed  
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## WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. If you are seeking a church home, please contact the Pastor.
- Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. All are welcome to the table. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation.
- The Worship Service will be available on You Tube and the Website after the service.
- Congregational responses are in bold.

\* *Please stand*

### Welcome, Announcements, Opening Prayer

## GATHERING

**Call to Worship**      *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (ELW #310)* 4 verses

### Installation of Congregational Council

**\*Gathering Hymn**      *How Great is Our God* (CCLI #2823825) 2 verses  
2004 worshiptogether.com songs/sixsteps Music/Alleluia Music

**\*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:** We pray together: **O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### First Lesson – Isaiah 42:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
    my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my spirit upon him;  
    he will bring forth justice to the nations.

<sup>2</sup> He will not cry out or lift up his voice  
    or make it heard in the street;

<sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

<sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth,  
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

<sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people upon it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:

<sup>6</sup> I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;  
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;  
I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
a light to the nations,  
<sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

<sup>8</sup> I am the LORD; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to idols.

<sup>9</sup> See, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;  
before they spring forth,  
I tell you of them.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 29 (Read responsively)**

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,  
    ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;**  
**worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
    the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> **The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;**  
**the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup> **the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD  
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<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 makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, “Glory!”

<sup>10</sup> **The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup> O LORD, give strength to your people;  
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

## **Second Lesson – Acts 10:34-43**

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## \*Gospel Acclamation

### Hallelujah! Words of Life!

*A Gospel Acclamation*

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

The musical notation is in 4/4 time, treble clef, and key of C major (indicated by a C-sharp sign). The lyrics are: "Hal-le - lu - jah! Where else would we - go? Hal-le - lu - jah! Words of life! Hal-le - lu - jah! Where else would we - go? Hal-le - lu - jah! Words of life! Hal - le - lu - jah! Words of life!" The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some sustained notes. The lyrics are punctuated by capital letters (E, A, B) which likely correspond to specific notes or chords in the original score.

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\*The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the third chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\*Gospel – Matthew 3:13-17**

<sup>13</sup> Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from the heavens said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children’s Message**

**Sermon**

Dave Wolfe

**Time of Silence:** *Let us respond to God’s Word and God’s love for us by becoming still, closing our eyes and opening our hearts to God’s presence.*

## Hymn

*He is Our Peace* (CCLI #2823825)

1975 CCCM Music/Universal Music – Brentwood Benson Publishing

### \*Affirmation of Baptism

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit, you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. **Amen.**

**Hymn**

*Baptized in Water* (ELW #456) verses 1-3

**\*Prayers of the Church -** (*Each petition ends with "Merciful God," The Congregation responds "receive our prayer."*)

**\*Sign of Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** (*If you are joining us on Facebook, please share Christ's peace with one another in the comments.*)

## **MEAL**

*You are invited to come forward for the traditional distribution of Communion or if you prefer, take a prepackaged kit available from the Usher and remain seated. The Pastor will give instructions to you prior to communing the Assistants.*

**\*Offertory Prayer**

God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**\*Dialogue**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

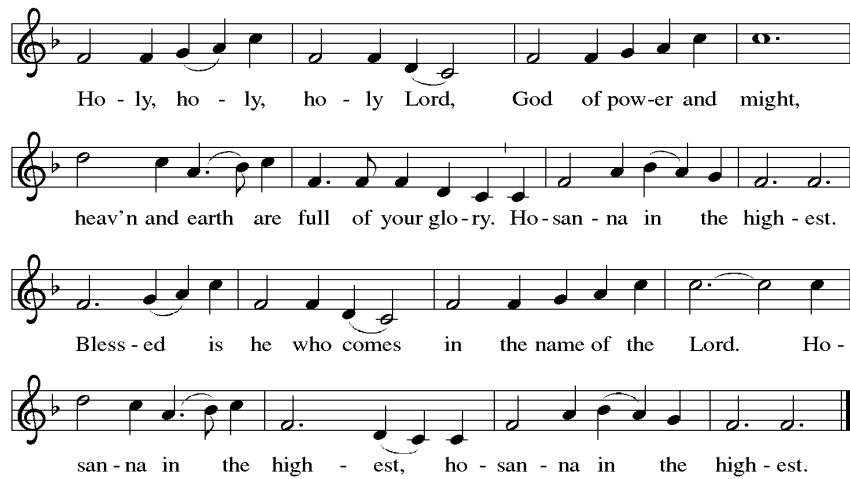
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## \*Preface

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-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*Words of Institution

Last week we celebrated Communion together, blessing the bread and cup we share today. 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. 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.

## \*Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table; taste and see.

**Pew Communion:** *Those who wish to commune from their seats using the prepackaged kits please open them now. Take and eat and drink, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.*

### **Assistants Commune**

### **Communion**

The body of Christ given for you.  
The blood of Christ shed for you.

### **Communion Hymns:**

*When Jesus Came to Jordan* (ELW #305) 3 verses

*Now We Join in Celebration* (ELW #462) 3 verses

*Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal* (ELW #664) 4 verses

### **\*Table Blessing**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

### **\*Post Communion Prayer**

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **\*Benediction**

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise  $\pm$  bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

### **\*Sending Hymn**

*Borning Cry* (ELW #732) 4 verses

## **\*Sending for Service**

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**Thanks be to God.**

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*Thank you to Dave Wolfe for leading our service today.*

## **SERVING TRINITY TODAY**

Director of Music – Saundra Wingert

Assisting Minister – Ella Swart

Communion Assistants – Wendy Hall and Carol Swart

Communion Cups – Josie Thomas

Musician – Phyllis McCullough

Usher – Don Swart

Greeter – Shirley Freeman

IT Ministry – IT Team

Communion Preparers – Don and Carol Swart

**TODAY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Gust Barbuzanes, Debbie Boggs, Marie Dean, Sue Deardorff, Terry and Laura Ellis, Shirley Freeman, Nancy Freshman, Sally Funk, Sue Gardenhour, Desarie Dean Gregory, Jake Johns, Tracy Loucks, Doug McCullough, Beth Miller, Don Swart, Bud and Donna Wolfe., and the family of Carroll “Rudy” Freshman.

*The prayer list will be purged at the end of the month. If you wish a name to be retained (other than homebound members) please call or email the office – 717-597-9348/ [tlcsecoffice@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecoffice@gmail.com).*

Each week we also remember four members and friends of our congregation: Joan Hall; Rev. Martin, Rev. Denise, Michael and Rachel Horn; Jacob Johns; Roger Johns.