

**COME,
LORD  JESUS**

Trinity Lutheran Church

**Fourth Weekend in Advent
December 17 & 18, 2011
5:00 p.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m.**

*The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to be a loving
Christ-centered community actively reaching out to all people.*

Sunday School Opening (10:00)

Prelude

Choral Anthem (10:15)

**Come Now O Prince of Peace
(with flute)**

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

We welcome you to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church, a historic parish serving today's people. We pray that your worship experience will bring you closer to God's love in Jesus Christ and equip you for living out your faith life in Him. Visitors and regular attendees are reminded that there is a nursery on Sunday from 10:00-11:30a.m. for infants -3 years of age. The nursery is staffed by adults and located in the parish house, attached to the sanctuary

Sunday School occurs during the service in the parish house for children 3-10 years old. Sunday School children will then join back in the service before celebrating the Lord's Supper. Please ask an usher for directions to the nursery and Sunday School. Hearing assistance is also provided for those who need it. See an usher or the sound board operator for help. Prayer Request Forms are attached to the bulletin. If you would like a prayer spoken in the worship service or placed on our prayer chain, fill out a yellow card and prepare to hand it to the aisle during the sermon hymn.

Lighting of the Advent Candle (5:00 and 10:15)

An Advent Candlelighting Carol

Light the Candle

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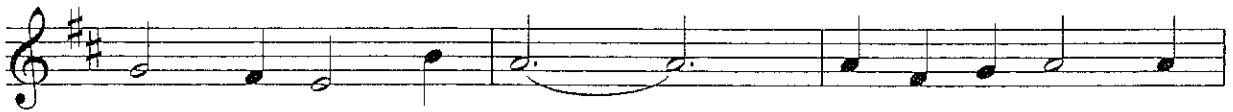
Carl Schalk



(Advent 1) Light the can - dle of LOVE to - day, the Giv - er of love is
 (Advent 2) Light the can - dle of PEACE to - day, the Giv - er of peace is
 (Advent 3) Light the can - dle of JOY to - day, the Giv - er of joy is
 (Advent 4) Light the can - dle of HOPE to - day, the Giv - er of hope will



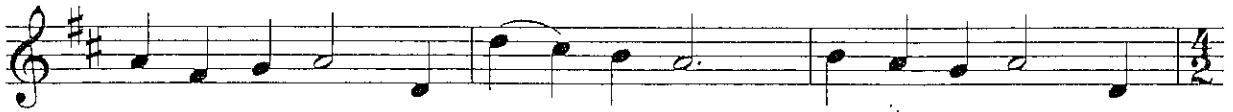
here! _____ Wel - come the love we live and die for, but
 here! _____ Wel - come the peace we fight and cry for, but
 here! _____ Wel - come the joy we crave and pay for, but
 come! _____ Wel - come the hope we long and wait for, but



on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and
 on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and
 on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and
 on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and



glow _____ with love, light up the world a - round you.
 glow _____ with peace, light up the world a - round you.
 glow _____ with joy, light up the world a - round you.
 glow _____ with hope, light up the world a - round you.

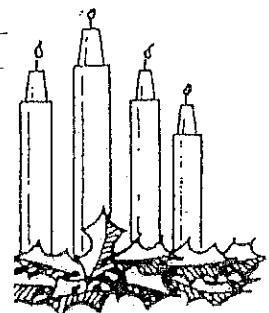


Flick - er and flame and glow _____ with love, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow _____ with peace, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow _____ with joy, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow _____ with hope, light up the world a -



round _____ you. _____
 round _____ you. _____
 round _____ you. _____
 round _____ you. _____

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Invocation and Confession

Leader/Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader/Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,

People: that the King of glory may come in.

Leader/Pastor: Who is this King of glory?

People: The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

Leader/Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him for the sake of His promised Son to grant us forgiveness and grace.

(Silence for personal reflection)

Leader/Pastor: Lord God, we confess to You

People: that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Our thoughts have wandered from Your Word of mercy and truth. Our own words have not bestowed honor and glory upon Your name. We have acted contrary to Your holy will. We have betrayed the covenant of grace bestowed upon us in our Baptism. We have frequently diminished the importance of our confirmation vows. Believing in Jesus' death and resurrection for us, we plead that You would forgive our sins and by Your Holy Spirit, strengthen our resolve to live a life to the glory of Your holy name.

Pastor: As a called and ordained servant of the Word, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

1 Now sing we, now re - joice, Now raise to heav'n our voice;
 2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise to Thee.
 3 Now through His Son doth shine The Fa - ther's grace di - vine.
 4 Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav'n - ly ground?

He from whom joy stream - eth Poor in a man - ger lies;
 Cheer my wea - ried spir - it, O pure and ho - ly Child;
 Death was reign - ing o'er us Through sin and van - i - ty
 Where the an - gels sing - ing With all His saints u - nite,

Not so bright - ly beam - eth The sun in yon - der skies.
 Through Thy grace and mer - it, Blest Je - sus, Lord most mild,
 Till He o - pened for us A bright e - ter - ni - ty.
 Sweet - est prais - es bring - ing In heav'n - ly joy and light.

Thou my Sav - ior art! Thou my Sav - ior art!
 Draw me un - to Thee! Draw me un - to Thee!
 May we praise Him there! May we praise Him there!
 Oh, that we were there! Oh, that we were there!

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Psalm

Psalm 24

Leader/Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
People: **that the King of glory may come in.**

Leader/Pastor: Who is this King of glory?
People: **The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

Leader/Pastor: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Leader/Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
People: **that the King of glory may come in.**

Leader/Pastor: Who is this King of glory?
People: **The Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord mighty in battle!**

Leader/Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
People: **that the King of glory may come in.**

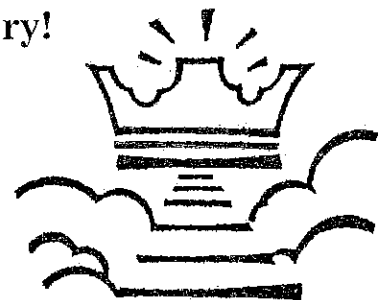
Leader/Pastor: Who is this King of glory?
People: **The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

Prayer of the Day

Leader/Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Leader/Pastor: Lord Jesus, we invite You to come to us today and, through the power of the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacrament, stir up our hearts that we would be ready for Your final coming in glory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**



Service of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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From Heaven Above to Earth I Come

Ah, Lord, though You created all,
How weak You are, so poor and small.
That You should choose to lay Your head
Where lowly cattle lately fed!

Were earth a thousand times as fair
And set with gold and jewels rare,
It would be far too poor and small
A cradle for the Lord of all.

Instead of soft and silken stuff
You have but hay and straw so rough
On which as King, so rich and great,
To be enthroned in royal state. 7

Epistle Lesson

I Thessalonians 5:16-24

¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. ¹⁹Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰Do not despise prophecies, ²¹but test everything; hold fast what is good. ²²Abstain from every form of evil. ²³Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

From Heaven Above

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This simple truth revealed to me:

That worldly honor, wealth, and might

Are weak and worthless in Your sight.

Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,

Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,

A quiet chamber set apart

For You to dwell within my heart.

My heart for very joy must leap;

My lips no more can silence keep.

I, too, must sing with joyful tongue

That sweetest ancient cradlesong:

Gospel

Luke 1:67-79

Leader/Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, ⁶⁸“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people ⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, ⁷⁰as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, ⁷¹that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; ⁷²to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, ⁷³the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us ⁷⁴that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. ⁷⁶And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, ⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, ⁷⁸because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high ⁷⁹to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

Leader/Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

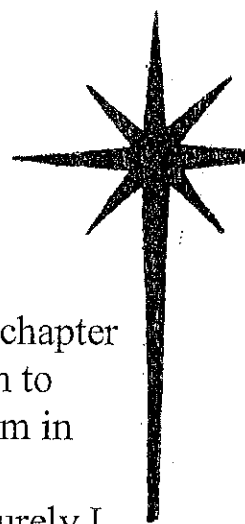
Order of Holy Baptism (10:15)

Pastor: (to the one being baptized)

Our Lord commanded Baptism, saying to his disciples in the last chapter of Matthew: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age.” The holy apostles of the Lord have written: “The promise is for you and your children,” and: “Baptism now saves you.”

We also learn from the Word of God that we all are conceived and born sinful and so are in need of forgiveness. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent his Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.



Pastor: (to the parents and sponsors)

It is your task as parents and sponsors to confess with the whole Church the faith in our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in whose name Addison Rose Tapp is to be baptized. After she has been baptized you are at all times to remember her in your prayers, put her in mind of her Baptism, and, as much as in you lies, give your counsel and aid, that she share in the true knowledge and worship of God. As she grows in years, you are to place into her hands the Holy Scriptures, bring her to the services of God's house, and provide for her further instruction in the Christian faith. Our prayer is that, abiding in her baptismal grace and in communion with the Church, she may grow up to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ. If you intend to do this act of love gladly and willingly, then answer, "Yes, with the help of God."

Parents and Sponsors: Yes, with the help of God.

Pastor: (to the congregation)

We shall all, together with sponsors and parents, faithfully speak on her behalf in testimony of the forgiveness of sin and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

People: I do renounce them.

Pastor: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

People: Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?

People: Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

People: Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Congregation: I am Jesus' little lamb,
Ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me,
Knows my need and well provides me,
Loves me ev'ry day the same,
Even calls me by my name.

Day by day, at home, away,
Jesus is my staff and stay.
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me,
Into pleasant pastures leads me;
When I thirst, he bids me go
Where the quiet waters flow.

The Baptism

Pastor: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with his grace to life everlasting. Peace be with you.

People: Amen

Pastor: Receive this burning light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for his coming that you may meet him with joy and enter with him to the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom, which shall have no end.
Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise you that you graciously preserve and enlarge your family and have granted Addison Rose Tapp the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, an heir of your heavenly kingdom. We humbly beseech you that, as she has now become your child, you would keep her in her baptismal grace that according to all your good pleasure she may lead a godly life to the praise and honor of your holy name and finally with all your saints obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen

Pastor: Lord and giver of life, look with kindness upon Jason and Monica and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them.

Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their child.
Strengthen them in their own baptism so that they may share eternally with their child the salvation you have given her; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen

Congregation:

**Who so happy as I am,
Even now the Shepherd's lamb?
And when my short life is ended,
By his angel host attended,
He shall fold me to his breast,
There within his arms to rest.**

Pastor: Through Baptism God has added Addison Rose Tapp to his own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

People: **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in his kingdom.**

Pastor: And you, Addison, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forevermore.

People: Amen

Choral Anthem (10:15)

Wait! Watch!

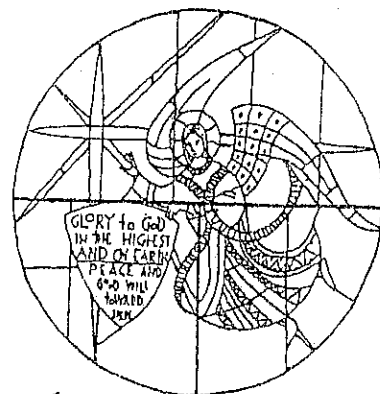
Sermon

"Turn on the Lights"

Prayers of the Church

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings (10:15)

Service of the Sacrament



Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,

People: that the King of glory may come in.

Pastor: Who is this King of glory?

People: The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for in the days of Isaiah You promised a sign to Your people: that a Child would be born of a virgin. In fulfillment of that promise, Your Son, Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary and has come among us to bring redemption and forgiveness of sins.

Musical staff with lyrics: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might:

Musical staff with lyrics: Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

Musical staff with lyrics: san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

Musical staff with lyrics: comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

The Words of Our Lord

Peace of The Lord

Pastor: The Son of God who came as a sign of God's love for you and who now comes to you in His body and blood, be with you always.

People: Amen.

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.

Distribution

Once He Came in Blessing

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1 Once He came in bless - ing, All our sins re -
2 Now He gent - ly leads us; With Him - self He
3 Soon will come that hour When with might - y
4 Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, From our sins re -

dress - ing; Came in like - ness low - ly,
 feeds us Pre - cious food from heav - en,
 pow - er Christ will come in splen - dor
 lease us. Keep our hearts be - liev - ing,

Son of God most ho - ly; Bore the cross to
 Pledge of peace here giv - en, Man - na that will
 And will judg - ment ren - der, With the faith - ful
 That we, grace re - ceiv - ing, Ev - er may con -

save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
 nour - ish Souls that they may flour - ish.
 shar - ing Joy be - yond com - par - ing.
 fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

Text: Johann Horn, c. 1490–1547; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, sts. 1, 4, alt.;
 tr. *Lutheran Service Book*, 2006, sts. 2–3

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Luke 4:17–19; Gal. 4:4; Rev. 22:20

Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

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1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for
 2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and
 3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -
 4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our

sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!
 Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,
 ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,
 sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scepter, crown,

O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty
 Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es
 Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I
 Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er

let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.
 will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!
 will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.
 we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

Text: Johann Gottfried Olearius. 1635–1711; tr. August Crull. 1845–1923, alt.
 Tune: *Neu-verfertigtes Darmstädtisches Gesang-Buch*, Darmstadt, 1699;
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MEINEN JESUM LASS' ICH NICHT (DARMSTADT)
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Dismissal

Pastor: May this, the true body and blood of Jesus, who is Immanuel, God with us, strengthen you in faith toward God, empower you in love toward others and fill you with the hope of His coming.

People: Amen.

Closing Collect

Leader/Pastor: Almighty, everlasting God, You sent Your Son as a sign of Your love for us. We see in His life, death, and resurrection Your willingness to stop at nothing to forgive our sins and bring us into Your kingdom. Instill in us a love for others that we may show them, through our word and witness, Your love for them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Benediction

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be - hold, the King of
2 A righ - teous Help - er comes to thee; His char - iot is hu -
3 How blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the rul - er
4 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a tem - ple
5 Re - deem - er, come and o - pen wide My heart to Thee; here,



glo - ry waits. The King of kings is draw - ing near; The
mil - i - ty, His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness, His
is con - fessed! O peace - ful hearts and hap - py homes To
set a - part From earth - ly use for heav'n's em - ploy, A -
Lord, a - bide! O en - ter with Thy grace di - vine; Thy



Sav - ior of the world is here. Life and sal - va - tion
 scep - ter, pit - y in dis - tress. The end of all our
 whom this King in tri - umph comes! The cloud - less sun of
 dorned with prayer and love and joy. So shall your Sov-'reign
 face of mer - cy on me shine. Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



He doth bring; There - fore re - joice and glad - ly sing. To
 woe He brings; There - fore the earth is glad and sings. To
 joy is He Who comes to set His peo - ple free. To
 en - ter in And new and no - bler life be - gin. To
 guide us on Un - til our glo - rious goal is won. E -



God the Fa - ther raise Your joy - ful songs of praise.
 Christ the Sav - ior raise Your grate - ful hymns of praise.
 God the Spir - it raise Your hap - py shouts of praise.
 God a - lone be praise For word and deed and grace!
 ter - nal praise and fame We of - fer to Thy name.

Text: Georg Weissel. 1590-1635; tr. Catherine Winkworth. 1827-78. alt.
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Ps. 24:7-10; Is. 60:4-5

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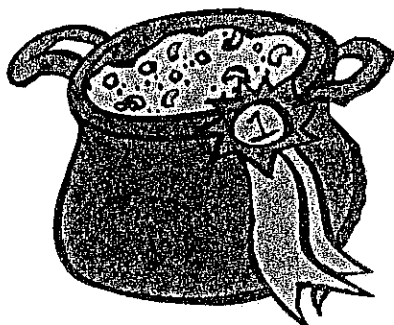
Sunday	Youth Confirmation Class	8:30 a.m.
	German Worship Service in the Sanctuary	8:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class	8:45 a.m.
	English Worship Service in the School	8:45 a.m.
	Sunday School Opening	10:00 a.m.
	Morning Eucharist	10:15 a.m.
	VintageTen Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Monday	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Morning Bible Class	10:30 a.m.
Saturday	Christmas Eve Worship Services	7:00 & 10:30 p.m.
Next Sunday	Christmas Day Worship Service	10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS – Please remember the following in prayer this week:

those celebrating their birthdays throughout the remainder of December –

Kathy Leitner (12/19), Matt Peters (12/19), Michael Speckhard (12/19),
Michael Stahl (12/20), Caitlin Kothe (12/21), Jacob Bender (12/22),
Chris Vassonei (12/22), Jamie Speckhard (12/24), Nancy Conover (12/25),
Greg Driver (12/25), Dorothy Lesch (12/26), Josh Dehne (12/27),
Alex Castro (12/27), Alan Cogo (12/28), Dorothy Gronemeyer (12/28),
Lucie Wildman (12/28), Emerson Guidry (12/29), Hannah Ireland (12/29),
Colleen Wilson (12/29), George Hlava (12/30), Laura Schenk (12/31),
and Chase VanOosten (12/31).

FLOWERS – The flowers adorning the chancel this weekend are gifts to the glory of God from Lorene and Jim Mazdra in thanksgiving for their parents; and from Chris and Kim VanOosten as they celebrate their wedding anniversary.



Mark Your Calendars!

Annual Chili Cookoff

Friday, January 13th

Worship Leaders

Ministers: The People of Trinity Lutheran Church
 Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. David B. Marth
 Liturgists: Seminarian Matt Peters (5:00)
 Seminarian Paul Rieger (10:15)
 Lectors: Norbert Krausz (5:00)
 Cameron Witheft (8:45)
 Jan Kraemer, David Giuntoli (10:15)
 Organist: Jim Munden
 Pianist: Nancy Adams (8:45)
 Choirs: Trinity Adult Choir (10:15)
 Trinity Handbells (10:15)
 Flutist: Jessica Anderson (10:15)
 Crucifer: Nicole Manhart (10:15)
 Acolyte: Megan Manhart (10:15)
 Communion Distributors: John Lautenschlager, Gordon Freese (10:15)
 Greeter: Melissa Giuntoli (10:15)

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES REPORT – As we head into the final month of the calendar budget year, Treasurer Clay Degenhardt reports our 11-month totals:

	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	2010 Actual
Member Contributions	\$ 412,373	\$ 440,000	\$ 424,962
Other Income	\$ 123,854	\$ 143,000	\$ 145,265
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 536,227	\$ 583,000	\$ 570,227
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 561,169	\$ 583,000	\$ 602,881
	(\$ 24,942)	-0-	(\$ 32,654)

POINSETTIAS – If you would like to place a poinsettia plant in the chancel for Christmas, use an envelope on the back table to let us know. \$15 per plant.

CD copies of weekend worship services are available FREE by calling the Church Office. Allow a few days for mailing delivery.

2011 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE at Trinity & VintageTen



Christmas and New Year's Celebrations

Christmas Eve, Christmas Day,
Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve,
7 & 10:30 PM in Soulard

Sunday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day,
10:00 AM only, in Soulard
10:30 AM at VintageTen

New Year's Eve Weekend
Saturday, Dec. 31, 7 PM in Soulard
Sunday, Jan. 1, 2012,
10:00 AM only, in Soulard
10:30 AM at VintageTen

Trinity, 1805 South 8th Street, 314/231-4092 - VintageTen, 1004 Locust (beneath the Bridge), 314/420-4546

BAPTISM – This weekend we welcome Addison Rose Tapp into the Kingdom of God through Holy Baptism. Addison is the daughter of Jason and Monica (McCollum) Tapp. Her sponsors are Carol Ann and Kyle McCollum. May the Holy Spirit keep Addison and her family growing together into Christ.

LAY BIBLE INSTITUTE

JANUARY 11, 18, 25, AND FEBRUARY 1, 2012
7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

“ARE WE STILL FIGHTING THE CRUSADES?”

Concordia Seminary
Continuing Education and Parish Services
801 Seminary Place
St. Louis, MO 63105
314-505-7486
Sieck Hall - Room 202

Cost: \$30 per person (Checks payable to Concordia Seminary)
Registration deadline: January 9, 2012

Crusade is still a powerful word. Whether applied to current armed conflicts or used as anti-Christian polemic, certain ideas and images of the crusades seem to be alive and well. But what were the crusades, really? This course will define crusade, examine the religious origins of the crusading movement, recount the conquest of the Holy Land (as well as its subsequent loss), and explore the expansion of the crusading idea beyond the Middle Ages.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Email _____

(to confirm registration; will not be shared outside this office)

Best phone number to reach you _____

MC VISA DISCOVER (circle one)

Exp Date _____

Name as shown on card _____

Total cost: \$ _____



Worship at Trinity

Saturdays at 5 P.M.

Sundays at 8:45 A.M. and 10:15 A.M.

(Children's Sunday School during 10:15 service)

VintageTen Worship – Sunday at 10:30 A.M.

(Downtown Loft Ministry)

German Worship – 4th Sunday at 8:45 A.M.

Study and Fellowship

Adult Bible Study – 9 a.m. Sunday morning

Check the bulletin or the website www.trinitystlouis.com for additional Bible study, fellowship, and service opportunities throughout the week.

Prayer Request

Prayer Request Forms are attached to the bulletin. If you would like a prayer spoken in the worship service or placed on our prayer chain, complete a yellow card and prepare to hand it to the aisle during the sermon hymn.

Participation in Holy Communion

We invite to the Lord's Table those who make this confession:



- I acknowledge that I am a sinner and desire Christ's forgiveness.
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sins, Satan and death.
- I believe that the Risen Christ is truly present in the Sacrament, and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood for my forgiveness.
- I resolve to dedicate myself to the service of my Lord in His Body, the Church, by regular group worship, sacrificial giving and thankful living.

Non-Lutherans communing for the first time at Trinity are asked to speak with the pastor before doing so.

Historic Trinity Lutheran Church 812 Soulard, St. Louis, MO 63104

314-231-4092

I am willing to serve in the following areas:

Ushering at one of the following services

- _____ Christmas Eve 7:00 p.m.
_____ Christmas Eve 10:30 p.m.
_____ Christmas Day 10:00 a.m.
_____ New Year's Eve 7:00 p.m.
_____ New Year's Day 10:00 a.m.

Preparation of Holy Communion

- _____ Saturday Evenings
_____ Sunday Mornings

Assisting refugees and immigrants

- _____ Transportation to appointments
_____ Transportation to Church
_____ Transportation to ESL classes
_____ Wherever I'm needed

Call me to help shovel snow

Nursery

- _____ Christmas Eve 7:00 p.m.
_____ Christmas Eve 10:30 p.m.
_____ Christmas Day 10:00 a.m.
_____ New Year's Eve 7:00 p.m.
_____ New Year's Day 10:00 a.m.

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____