



# Trinity Lutheran Church

*Fifth Sunday After Epiphany*

February 4, 2024

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304 E. Ferris St.  
Galesburg, IL 61401  
*“the welcome place”*

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### Introduction

In Isaiah the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars also strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (*diakonia*). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up and healed to serve. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

### +++GATHERING+++

#### Prelude

We Come to You for Healing Lord

John Leavitt,  
Robert Hobby

Welcome, Announcements, & **Friendship Registry-Please Sign In**

*(Stand)*

#### Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth,  
wind sweeping over the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

**God, our rock and refuge,  
we pour out our hearts before you.  
We have known you but have not always loved you.  
We have wounded one another  
and sinned against you.  
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit  
dwelling in each of us.  
Remember your covenant.  
Renew your creation.  
Restore us,  
that we might proclaim your good news to all.  
Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.  
God has spoken:  
The time of grace is now.  
In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.  
By the authority of † Jesus Christ,  
your sins are forgiven.  
You are God's beloved.  
**Amen.**

**Gathering Song ELW#843**      Praise the One Who Breaks the  
Darkness

## **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.**

# Hymn of Praise ACS#1087    Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
World with - out end, . . . . . with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

+++WORD+++

*(Sit)*

**First Reading Isaiah 40:21-31**

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;  
who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see:

Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the Lord,

and my right is disregarded by my God”?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

*Sung responsively by whole verse.*



<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God!  
How pleasant it is to honor | God with praise!

<sup>2</sup>**The Lord re- | builds Jerusalem,  
and gathers the ex- | iles of Israel.**

<sup>3</sup>The Lord heals the | brokenhearted  
and binds | up their wounds.

<sup>4</sup>**The Lord counts the number | of the stars  
and calls them all | by their names.**

<sup>5</sup>Great is our Lord and might- | y in power;  
there is no limit | to God's wisdom.

<sup>6</sup>**The Lord lifts | up the lowly,  
but casts the wicked | to the ground.**

<sup>7</sup>Sing to the Lord | with thanksgiving;  
make music upon the harp | to our God,

<sup>8</sup>**who covers the heav- | ens with clouds  
and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow  
up- | on the mountains.**

<sup>9</sup>God provides food | for the cattle  
and for the young ravens | when they cry.

<sup>10</sup>**God is not impressed by the might | of a horse,  
and has no pleasure in the speed | of a runner,**

<sup>11</sup>but finds pleasure in those who | fear the Lord,  
in those who await God's steadfast love. | Hallelujah!

## Second Reading 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting,  
for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not

proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia

WOV Setting 4



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **Gospel Mark 1:29-39**

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Sit)*

**Children's Message**

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

*(Stand)*

**Hymn of the Day ELW #617**

**We Come to You for Healing, Lord**

## **Apostles' Creed**

*Let us join together in the confession of our faith.*

**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 power of 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.**

*(Sit)*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Everlasting God, you bring your healing power to the church. Give your church a spirit of unity and prayer, that we discern your way for us in the world. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Creator of the ends of the earth, you make the grass grow and send rain for the soil. Bring your creation into harmony and balance. Give animals their food and provide healthy shelter for your people. Inspire us to honor the miraculous beauty of all you have made. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

God without equal, your steadfast love endures forever. Bring the leaders, elected officials, and peacekeepers of our towns and countries into understanding and unity. Guide them to serve with compassion and understanding. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

God who strengthens, you lift up with your hand any who are suffering. Heal those who are brokenhearted and strengthen the weak and all in need especially Bev, Layton, and Angela. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

God who gives power to the faint, challenge us to share the faith stories of what God has done in our lives. Open us to receive the unique ways God is at work in your people, especially those whose perspectives challenge our own. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

God who calls each star by name, we remember all who have died. Shelter all who mourn with your mercy and care, and give us hope in your promised salvation. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our hearts. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**+++MEAL+++**

**Offering Song** Praise the One Who Breaks Darkness Wayne Wold

*(Stand)*

## **Offering Prayer**

Blessed are you, Holy One,  
for all good things come from you.  
In bread and cup you open heaven to us.  
Meet us at this table,  
that we receive what we seek  
and follow your Son, Jesus,  
in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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:

The musical score is written on five staves in G-clef, 3/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,

who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and  
ascension,

we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Let us pray together as Christ taught us.*

**Our father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your  
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our  
sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from  
the time and trial and deliver us from evil. For the**

kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

## Invitation to Communion

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.  
Come and see.

*All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten-free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.*

(Sit)

## Distribution of Communion

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

*Robert Hobby*

# Post Communion Hymn ELW #460

# Now the Silence

Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed  
Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come  
Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing  
Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion  
Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing  
Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny  
Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

*(Stand)*

## Prayer After Communion

Giver of every gift,  
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.  
Raise us to life by your power  
for the benefit of all and to your glory,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

**+++SENDING+++**

## Blessing

God who names you,

Christ who claims you,  
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,  
✠ bless you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Song** ELW #886      Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing      Michael Burkhardt

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***As you leave, please take a moment, and greet one another.***

## **Worship Participants**

**Audio:** Sarah Brakenbury

**Video:** Matthew Hutchings

**Ushers:** Mike Gehring, John & Lynn Armstrong

**Communion Setup:** Jen Robinson

**Assisting Minister:** Hillary Hoffman

**Reader:** Jen Robinson

**Wine Servers:** Nick Elders, Bill Sime

**Closing Duties:** Sarah Brakenbury

**Acolyte:** Henry Gray

**Acolyte Communion @the Rail:** Emma Helvey

**Coffee Fellowship:** Kristy Johnson, Kathy Bell

**Organist:** Bette Mohr

**Director of Choirs:** James Hutchings

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes



Today's Altar Flowers were donated by **Mike & Marilyn Gehring**, *to God be the Glory!*

Today's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Brenda Patterson**, *Glory to God who deserves all praise.*

## Announcements

**Join us after service** in Fellowship Hall for Coffee Fellowship

**Sunday School**-After Worship

**Bells**- Will practice at 11 am

**Non-Availability forms are Due Monday February 5<sup>th</sup>!**

**Brews & Views**-Monday, February 5th at Carriage House with Pastor Carrie

**Choir Practice**-Wednesday at 6:30 pm

**Ash Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>**: Ashes from 12-1 pm and Worship Service at 6:30 pm

**College Care Packages: Are Making a Comeback!**

We're planning on starting back our college care packages. Please stay on the lookout for additional information on ways you can help make this successful. We want to show support for our college TLC Members as they're away school. If you're the parent/guardian of one please reach out to the office with their mailing address so they can be included.



## Vanco QR Code

Use your phone to scan the code  
When the Vanco website populates, you  
can pick where to donate your funds,  
WHA is an option!

**Prayer Requests**-If you or a loved one needs prayer please complete the salmon-colored sheet in the cups on the table in the Narthex and turn it into the communion plate.

### Current Prayer List:

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|-----------------------|---|
| <b>Bev Powell</b>     | Prayers for healing & recovery  |
| <b>Layton Sandall</b> | 1/17 Hip Replacement.<br>Prayers for a quick healing and recovery.              |
| <b>Angela Kohl</b>    | Lost home & belongings in a house fire 1/16. Prayers for assistance & guidance. |

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**Vision Statement**  
**Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ**

**Mission Statement**  
**Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.**

**Welcome Statement**  
 Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is frequently an unloving place. We extend welcome to all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for racial equity, justice, peace and love in all the earth.

- Our Guiding Principles**
1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
  2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
  3. We invite and welcome everyone.
  4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
  5. We serve local and global com