

First Sunday after Christmas

December 28, 2025

Our Mission...

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

To joyfully share the Abundant Life in Jesus' cross with all people today, embracing His hope for tomorrow.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!

Jesus gives new life wherever His Gospel is preached! If you are a visitor, we welcome you in Jesus' name. Please come again to join us in worship and become acquainted with our family in Christ.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN of INVOCATION

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child ~ LSB 374

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HOLY BAPTISM

Praise His name in

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Being baptized today is Holly Marie Young daughter of Mathea (Mattie) Young

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says 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." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. 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 should not perish but have eternal life.

- **P** How are you named?
- R Holly Marie Young
- *Holly Marie Young*, 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.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold *Holly* according to Your boundless mercy and bless *her* with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in *her*, which has been inherited from Adam and which *she herself has* committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, *she* would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

- From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.
- **P** Is it your intention to serve *Holly* as sponsors in the Christian faith?
- **R** *Yes, with the help of God.*
- God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
- C Amen.
- P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not

receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- **C** 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.

- The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even + forevermore.
- C Amen.
- **P** Holly, do you renounce the devil?
- **R** Yes, I renounce him.
- **P** Do you renounce all his works?
- **R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- **R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- R Yes, I believe.

- Do you 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?
- **R** *Yes, I believe.*
- Do you 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?
- **R** *Yes, I believe.*
- **P** Holly, do you desire to be baptized?
- **R** *Yes, I do.*
- *Holly Marie Young,* I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- The almighty God and 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.
- C Amen.
- Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.
- Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

- In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you *a member* of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our *sister* in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.
- **P** 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 *Holly* the new birth in Holy Baptism and made *her a member* of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as *she has* now become Your *child*, You would keep *her* in *her* baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure *she* may faithfully grow to 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.

- C Amen.
- **P** Peace + be with you.
- C Amen.

SERVICE of the WORD

INTROIT

Jeremiah 31:15–17; antiphon: Hosea 11:1



When Israel was a child, I \mid loved him,* and out of Egypt I \mid called my son.

Thus says the Lord: "A voice is heard in | Ramah,*

lamentation and bitter | weeping.

Rachel is weeping for her | children;*

she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they | are no more."

Thus says the Lord: "Keep your voice from | weeping,*

and your | eyes from tears,

for there is a reward for your work, de- | clares the Lord,* and they shall come back from the land of the | enemy.

There is hope for your future, de- | clares the Lord,* and your children shall come back to their own | country."

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

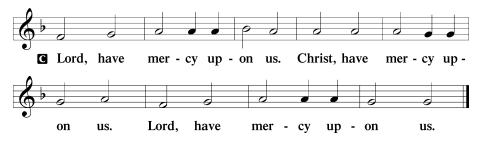
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

When Israel was a child, I | loved him,* and out of Egypt I | called my son.

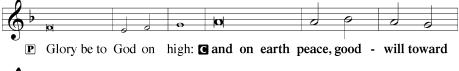
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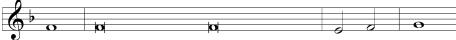
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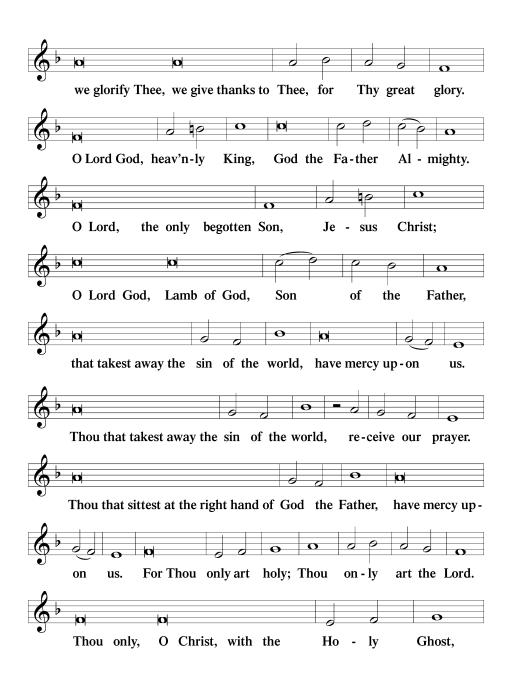
GLORIA in EXCELSIS ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

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men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,





SALUTATION and COLLECT of the DAY

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2 Timothy 4:22



O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 63:7-14

⁷I will recount the steadfast love of the Lord, the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. ⁸For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely." And he became their Savior. ⁹In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he

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lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. ¹⁰But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them. ¹¹Then he remembered the days of old, of Moses and his people. Where is he who brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of his flock? Where is he who put in the midst of them his Holy Spirit, ¹²who caused his glorious arm to go at the right hand of Moses, who divided the waters before them to make for himself an everlasting name, ¹³who led them through the depths? Like a horse in the desert, they did not stumble. ¹⁴Like livestock that go down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord gave them rest. So you led your people, to make for yourself a glorious name.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a



To us a child is born, to us a son is | given;*

and the government shall be upon his | shoulder.

And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, | Mighty God,*

Everlasting Father, | Prince of Peace.

Sing to the Lord a | new song,*

for he has done | marvelous things!

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 4:4–7

⁴When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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Alleluia. My eyes have seen your salvation; *

a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 2:13-23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



¹³When [the wise men] had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." ¹⁴And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

¹⁶Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸"A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation,

Rachel weeping for her children;

she refused to be comforted, because they are no more."

¹⁹But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, ²⁰saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." ²¹And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. ²² But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. ²³And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled: "He shall be called a Nazarene."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN of the DAY

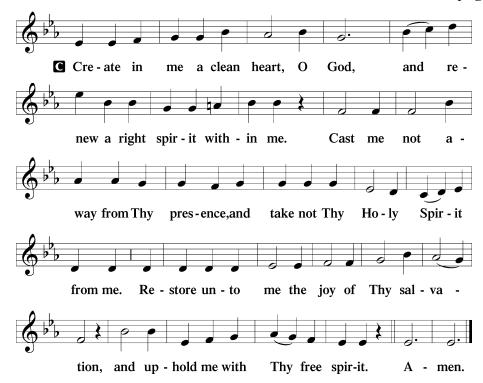
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OFFERTORY

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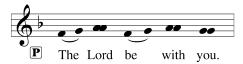
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1 Timothy 2:1-4

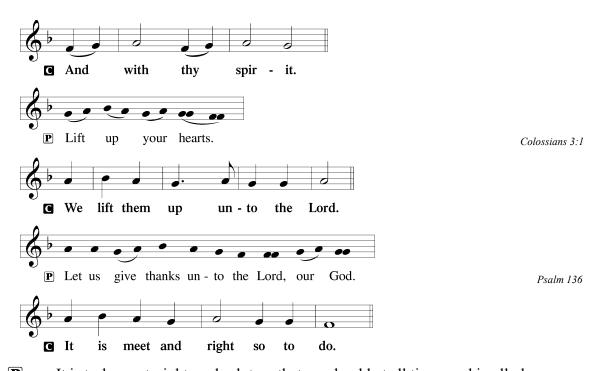
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SERVICE of the SACRAMENT

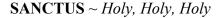
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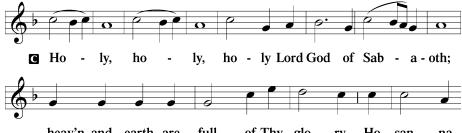
2 Timothy 4:22



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

THE WORDS of OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

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."

PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

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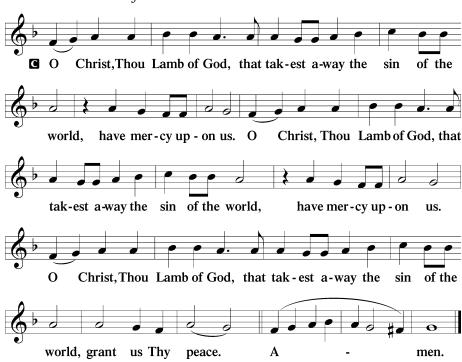


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



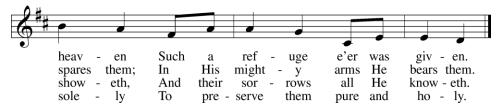
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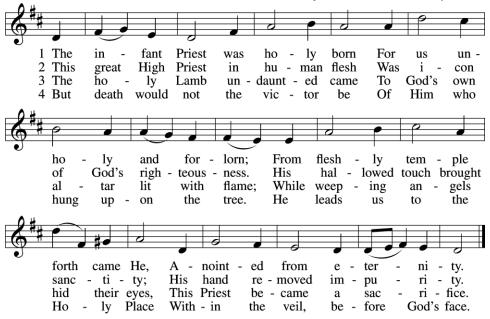
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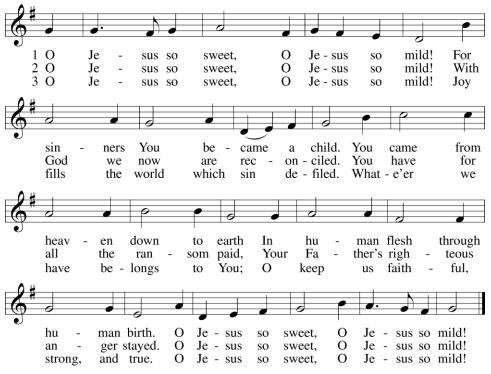
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The Infant Priest Was Holy Born ~ LSB 624



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- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see, As at the rail on bended knee Our hungry mouths from Him receive The bread of immortality.
- The body of God's Lamb we eat, A priestly food and priestly meat;
 On sin-parched lips the chalice pours His quenching blood that life restores.
- With cherubim and seraphim Our voices join the endless hymn, And "Holy, holy, holy" sing To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

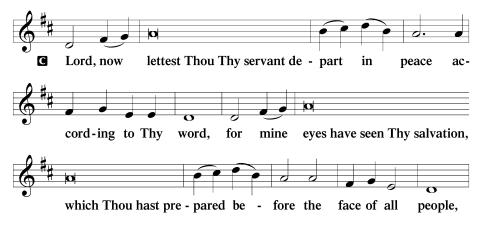


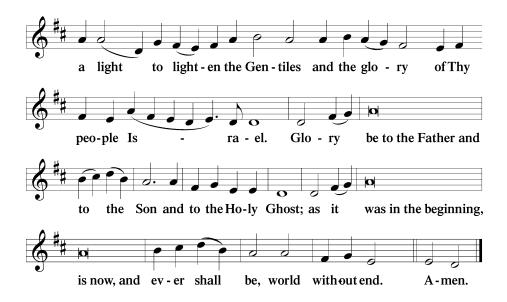
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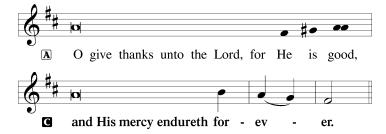
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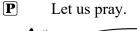
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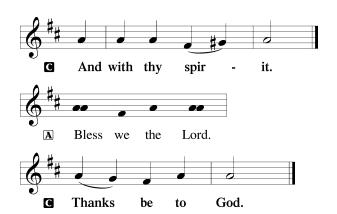


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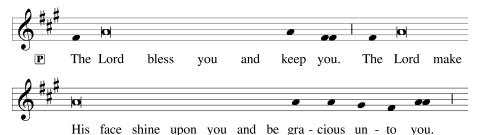
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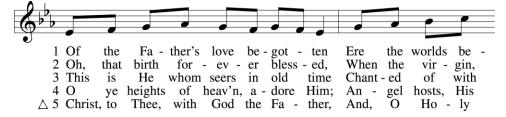


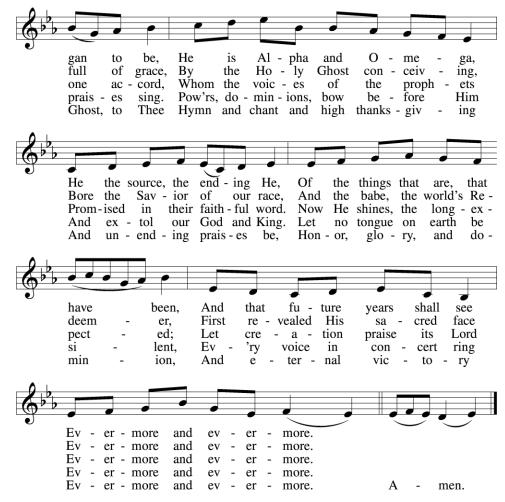
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



HYMN to DEPART

Of the Father's Love Begotten ~ LSB 384





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