

# Christmas Day - Trinity Lutheran Church

10:00 a.m. December 25, 2022

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

**Advent Candle Reading**.....Sara Schroder

**Opening Hymn**.....“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”.....#133

## Call to Worship

L: Come let us worship and bow down, for Christ has been born in a manger!

**C: We praise His name as the Chosen Messiah and rejoice at the goodness of God!**

## Christmas Litany

L: As was prophesied long ago, a Savior and Chosen Redemer would come

**C: In God's own time, and in His way, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.**

L: In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

**C: We beheld Him as the Only Begotten of the Father**

L: For the Law was given through Moses

**C: But grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.**

L: Today we welcome the Newborn King!

**C: We give honor to the Prince of Peace!**

L: Kings and princes will bow down and bring gifts from afar

**C: Many will hear his Name and have hope**

L: He is the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God

**C: Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace**

L: Let us worship and adore Him.

**All: Glory to God in the highest! And on earth peace and goodwill towards men!**

**Confession of Sins** C: Almighty God, Before you all hearts are opened, all desires are known and no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you with a whole heart and praise your everlasting Name. We acknowledge that we have a sinful nature, and instead of doing good, we have often done wrong. Grant us forgiveness, according to the grace and mercy that comes through your Son, Jesus. Help us to live a righteous and holy life. In His Name we pray, Amen.

**Lector**.....William Rosgaard

**First Lesson** Micah 5:1-5a **1** Now gather yourself in troops, O daughter of troops; He has laid siege against us; They will strike the judge of Israel with a rod on the cheek.**2** "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The

One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting."**3** Therefore He shall give them up, Until the time that she who is in labor has given birth; Then the remnant of His brethren Shall return to the children of Israel.**4** And He shall stand and feed His flock In the strength of the Lord, In the majesty of the name of the Lord His God; And they shall abide, For now He shall be great To the ends of the earth;**5** And this One shall be peace.

**Hymn**..... “O Little Town of Bethlehem”.....#141

**Second Lesson** Ephesians 3:8-21 **8** To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,**9** and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;**10** to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places,**11** according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord,**12** in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him. **13** Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.**14** For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**15** from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,**16** that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man,**17** that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,**18** may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height--**19** to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

**20** Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,**21** to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

**Hymn**.....“Away in a Manger”.....#157

**Gospel** Luke 2:1-20 **1** And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. **2** This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. **3** So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city.**4** Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David,**5** to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. **6** So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered.**7** And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.**8** Now there were in the same country shepherds living out

in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.<sup>9</sup> And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.<sup>10</sup> Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.<sup>11</sup> For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.<sup>12</sup> And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."<sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"<sup>15</sup> So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us."<sup>16</sup> And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.<sup>17</sup> Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child.<sup>18</sup> And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds.<sup>19</sup> But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.<sup>20</sup> Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

**Children's Sermon** **Pastor Chris**  
**Sermon** "Special Delivery" Luke 2:1-7 **Pastor Chris**  
**Offering Hymn**....."What Child is This?" .....#137

**Apostle's Creed** (inside cover of hymnal)  
**Words of Institution and Holy Communion**  
**Special Music**..(during communion).. "Hallelujah" **Kaiden Larsgaard**

**Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Hymn**....."Silent Night" .....#147

**Benediction**

**Please remember in prayer:** Marlys Anderson, Don Cole, Cindy Gubbrud, Sue Sandvig, Carol Sorlie, Doris Stensland, Jim Jervik, Rev. James Thvedt (Joyce's father-in-law), nursing homes, hospitals, schools, and all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

**Upcoming Worship Opportunity**  
**Sunday, Jan. 1st 10:00 a.m. New Year's Day Parish Worship at Lands**



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