

Moe Parish Worship
First Sunday after Christmas
Dec. 29, 2024

Preparation for Worship – We Bow Before You, O Lord!

Prelude Organist
Welcome and Announcements
Invocation and Confession of Sins.....Inside cover of hymnal

Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!

Opening Hymn....."Angels, from the Realms of Glory"#131
Liturgical Reading....."The Messianic King"#634
Prayer of the Day...(below the order of worship).....Bulletin

Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

First & Second Lesson Lector.....
The Gospel.....Luke 2:22-40
Children's Sermon.....Pastor Chris
Passing of the Peace (greet as you are comfortable)
Hymn....."I Wonder as I Wander"#139
Sermon....."From One Servant to Another" ...Luke 2:22-40.....Pastor Chris

Dedication in Worship – We Honor You, O Lord!

Offering Hymn....."Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"#160
Response....."We Give Thee But Thine Own"#620
Apostle's Creed.....Inside cover of hymnal
Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer
Closing Hymn....."Go, Tell It on the Mountain"#138
Benediction

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Prayer of the Day Dear Heavenly Father may our Christmas season be a time of reconciliation and peace. We pray that Christ will dwell in us, and that His love will surround us as we begin a New Year. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

First Lesson Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15 [1](#) The LORD said to Moses, [2](#) "Consecrate to me all the firstborn. Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine."[3](#) Then Moses said to the people, "Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the LORD brought you out from this place. [11](#) "When the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as he swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, [12](#) you shall set apart to the LORD all that first opens the womb. All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the LORD's. [13](#) Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. [14](#) And when in time to come your son asks you, 'What does this mean?' you shall say to him, 'By a strong hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery. [15](#) For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.'

Second Lesson Colossians 3:12-17 [12](#) Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, [13](#) bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. [14](#) And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. [15](#) And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. [16](#) Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. [17](#) And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Gospel Luke 2:22-40 [22](#) And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord [23](#) (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") [24](#) and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." [25](#) Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. [26](#) And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. [27](#) And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, [28](#) he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, [29](#) "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; [30](#) for my eyes have seen your salvation [31](#) that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, [32](#) a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your

people Israel."33 And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him.34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed35 (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."36 And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin,37 and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day.38 And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.39 And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.40 And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Dec. 29th, 2024-Jan. 5th, 2025

Today: SUN: Dec. 29th First Sunday after Christmas

10:00 a.m. Parish Worship at Romsdal

WED: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SUN: Jan. 5th Second Sunday after Christmas w/ Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Parish Sunday School at Trinity

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Please remember in prayer: Sue Sandvig, Orville & Carol Sorlie, Alan Perry, Lynn Rodway, Gary Johnson, Barb Gillespie, Don Paulson, special prayers for Emmerson Paulson, Norm Gravely, Sharon Dominisse, Cassandra Sunderland (Niece of Mary Eliason), all those experiencing hardships due to the flooding in our communities as well as large parts of the Midwest, our Nation, nursing homes, hospitals, schools, and all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

REMINDER: Parish Council is one week later than usual, meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity on **Jan. 8th**

UPCOMING: ANNUAL MEETINGS

Lands-Sunday, Jan. 12th Potluck Dinner after worship with Annual meeting to follow

Romsdal-Sunday, Jan. 19th Potluck Dinner after worship with Annual meeting to follow

Trinity-Sunday, Jan. 26th Potluck Dinner after worship with Annual meeting to follow

NOTE: Financial Reports for 2024 and all 2024 Parish Reports along with 2025 Budget Proposals & Ballot nominations are due one week prior to your Annual Meeting. You can email, mail, put in Paul Sogn's mailbox at Lands or hand deliver. Thanks for your help!

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