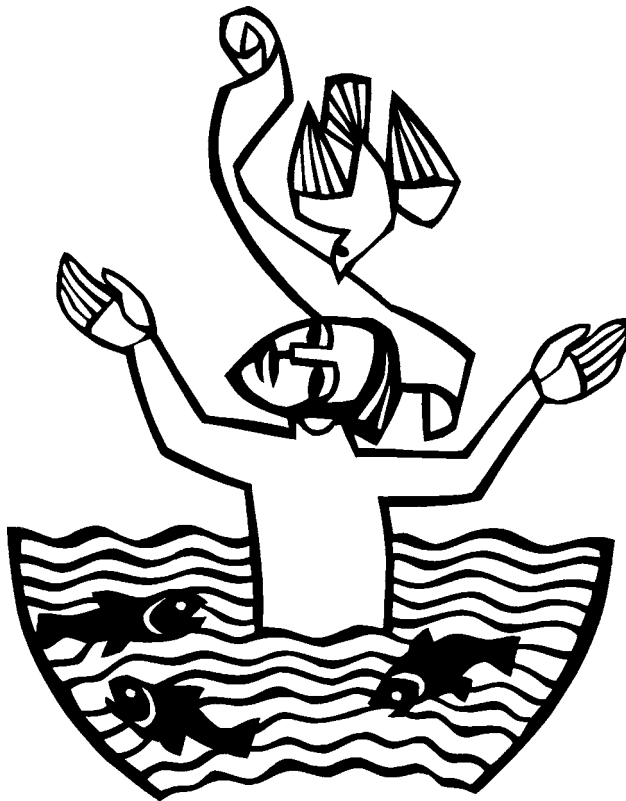


Baptism of Our Lord



TRINITY  LUTHERAN
CHURCH

Sunday, January 11, 2026
9:00 am Service

Order of Worship

**stand as you are able*

Prelude

Send Me
by Jenn Johnson

Worship Band

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters.

Amen.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Mighty God, lover of justice,

You call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in † Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

Shout to the Lord

Hymn #821

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Refrain:

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you. *(Repeat Refrain)*

***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.

Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

by Chris Tomlin

Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Hear our cry and heal our land
Let kindness lead us to repentance
Bring us back again

Chorus:

For Your Name is great, and Your heart is grace
Kyrie Eleison
Over all You reign, you alone can save
Kyrie Eleison, Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy on us now

Who is this God
Who pardons all our sin
So ready to forgive
You delight to show Your mercy *(repeat 4x, Chorus)*

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem

I Speak Jesus
by Charity Gayle

Worship Band

Children's Moment

Lydia Haller

Reading

Matthew 3:13-17
Jesus' Baptism

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

The Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Pastor Paul Lutter

Hymn of the Day

Spirit of Gentleness

Hymn #396

Refrain:

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." (*Refrain*)
2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. (*Refrain*)

3. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *(Refrain)*
4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. *(Refrain)*

***Apostles' Creed**

**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 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.

***Prayers of the Church**

Congregational Response: **Hear our prayer.**

***Sharing of the Peace / Announcements**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering

*Thank you for your continued financial support.
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you leave worship. Or give online at www.trin.org/give.*



Offertory Response

My Life is an Offering

by Pat & Joel Sczebel

1. This life is an altar, I want to offer my soul,
and my mind, and strength,
Cleansed by Your mercy,
to live a life worthy of the One, who called my name.

Chorus: Jesus, be glorified, Jesus, be magnified,
Let me be a pleasing sacrifice.
Jesus, be glorified, Jesus, be magnified,
Here at the altar, my life is an offering.

2. How could I not love you? You authored my rescue,
raised me up from death to life.
Your spirit is in me,
revealing Your glory of what joy, as I give my life. (*Chorus*)

***Closing Prayer**

Gracious God,

We entrust ourselves to your care. Shape our minds, hearts, and hands to reflect your love in all we do. Root us deeply in your Spirit, that we may share your life and grace with those around us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

***Benediction**

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth
and tuned your heart for praise † bless you now and forever.
Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

Wade in the Water
Band sings the words in {brackets}

Hymn #459

Refrain (all sing):

Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,
wade in the water, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

1. {See that host all dressed in white,}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.
{the leader looks like the Israelite.}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (*Refrain*)
2. {See that band all dressed in red,}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.
{looks like the band that Moses led.}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (*Refrain*)
3. {Look over yonder, what do I see?}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.
{the Holy Ghost a-coming on me.}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (*Refrain*)
4. {If you don't believe I've been redeemed,}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.
{just follow me down to Jordan's stream.}
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (*Refrain*)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

My Lighthouse
by Gareth Gilkeson & Chris Llewellyn

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our missionary in Papua New Guinea, Rev. Andrew Ronnevik and family

Announcements

You are invited to enjoy conversation, treats and coffee
following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Education: The Book of Jonah Study Join Pastor Paul for an adult Bible study on the Book of Jonah on Wednesdays in January from 1:30–2:30 pm in the Pioneer Room. Together, we'll explore how this ancient story speaks to our daily lives today. All are welcome—drop by on Wednesday afternoons and bring a friend!

Trinity's OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans) Fellowship Group Join the OWLS on Thursday, January 15 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall to check out an exquisite butterfly and insect collection from John Ibeling. All "older" and/or "wiser" Lutherans and friends are invited to attend.

Trinity's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 25, following worship at 10:00 am in the sanctuary. A review of the 2026 Spending Plan will also be presented following worship at 10:00 am on Sunday, January 18.

Summer Bible Camp Opportunities Water's Edge Ministries (formerly Green Lake Lutheran Ministries) offers summer Bible camps for kids in grades K–12, plus Family Camp options, at three beautiful Minnesota lake locations. Trinity offers "camperships" for Trinity youth attending Bible camp. Visit www.gllm.org for more information.