

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

5th Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 AM Worship Service • February 8, 2026



Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex. Please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information. In an effort to welcome all there are pew cushions and sensory headphones in the narthex.

The nursery is available, however since there are no attendants at this time, feel free to use it as needed.



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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The Peace May Be Exchanged

Dan Locklair

GATHERING

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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

Rise, Shine, You People!
WOJTKIEWIECZ

ELW 665

The congregation turns to face the processing cross.

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

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

ACS 1087



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.

Text: Paul M. Vasile, b. 1976, based on the Gloria Patri

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-12

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

Shout out; do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,

to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments;

they want God on their side.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day

and oppress all your workers.

You fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush

and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,

a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the straps of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,

and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry

and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover them

and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

and your healing shall spring up quickly;

your vindicator shall go before you;

the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”

If you remove the yoke from among you,

the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The Lord will guide you continually
and satisfy your needs in parched places
and make your bones strong,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112:1-10



Psalm 112:4

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Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord
and have great delight in God's commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last forever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion. R

It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.

For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;

they will hold up their head with honor.

**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
the desires of the wicked will perish. R**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12-16

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him” –

God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

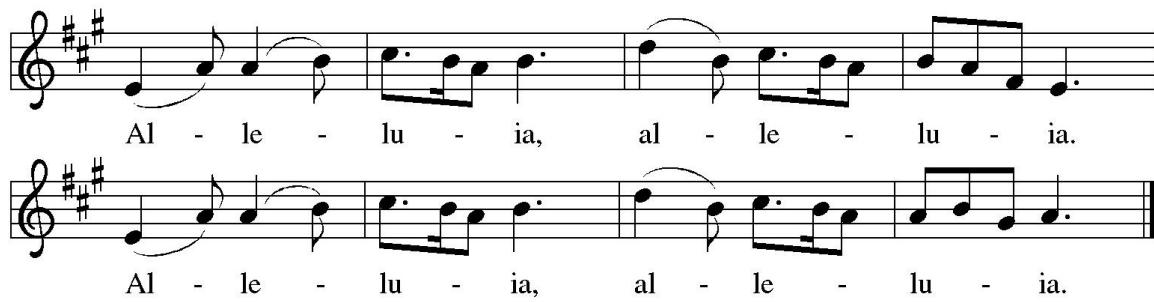
“For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly Stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Pastor Tina Toburen

SERMON

Pastor Tina Toburen

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, Be Our Light
CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

ELW 715

APOSTLE'S 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 INTERCESSION

Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

The assembly is seated.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine

arr. Joel Raney

*When the world grows dark around you,
there's a way to make things right.
Just reach out and help a neighbor.*

Reach down deep in your heart and turn on the light.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine...

No more walkin' in darkness, I'm gonna let it shine....

We've got to love our brother. We've got to let our light shine through.

We've got to love our sister. That's what the Bible tells us to do.

God sent his Holy Spirit to light the way for me and you.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Heavenly sunlight; heavenly sunlight,

Flooding my soul with glory divine.

When the world grows dark around you, there's a way to make things right.

Just reach out and help another.

Oh, reach down into your heart, let it shine, let it shine!

Reach out and let your light shine!

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 181

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

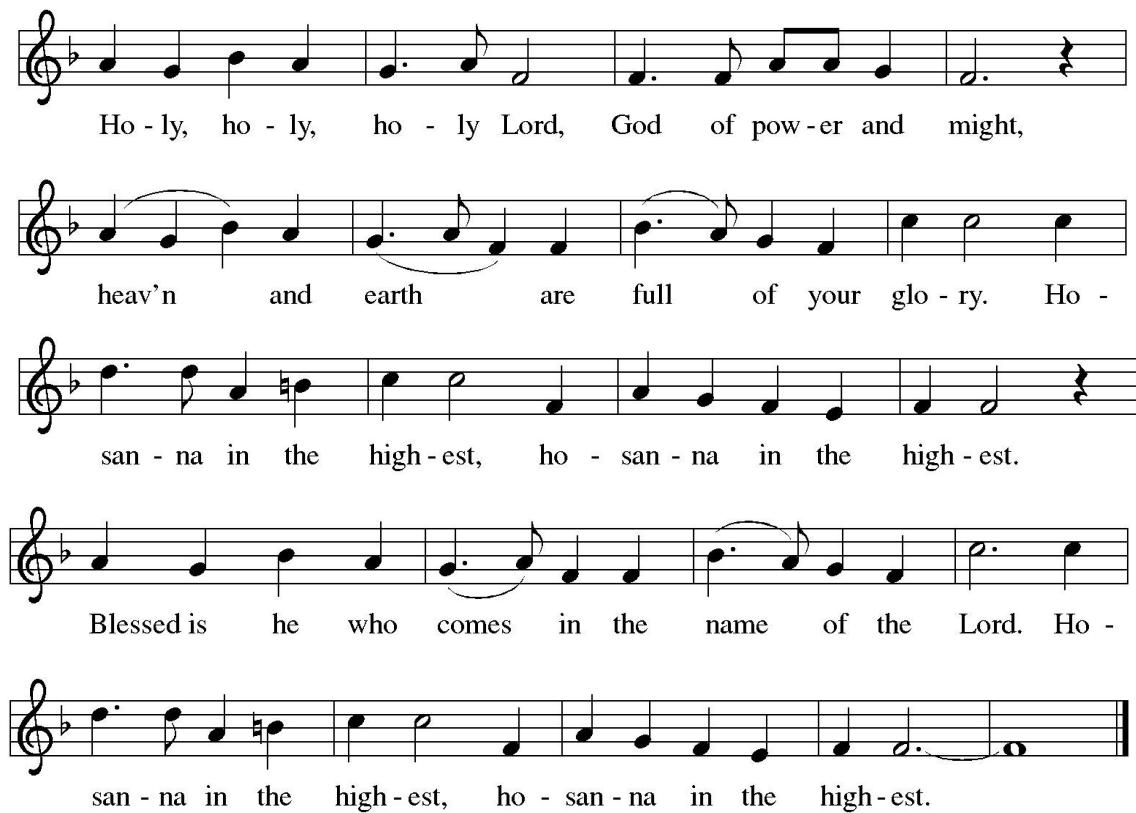
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering; within this meal;
among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

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.**

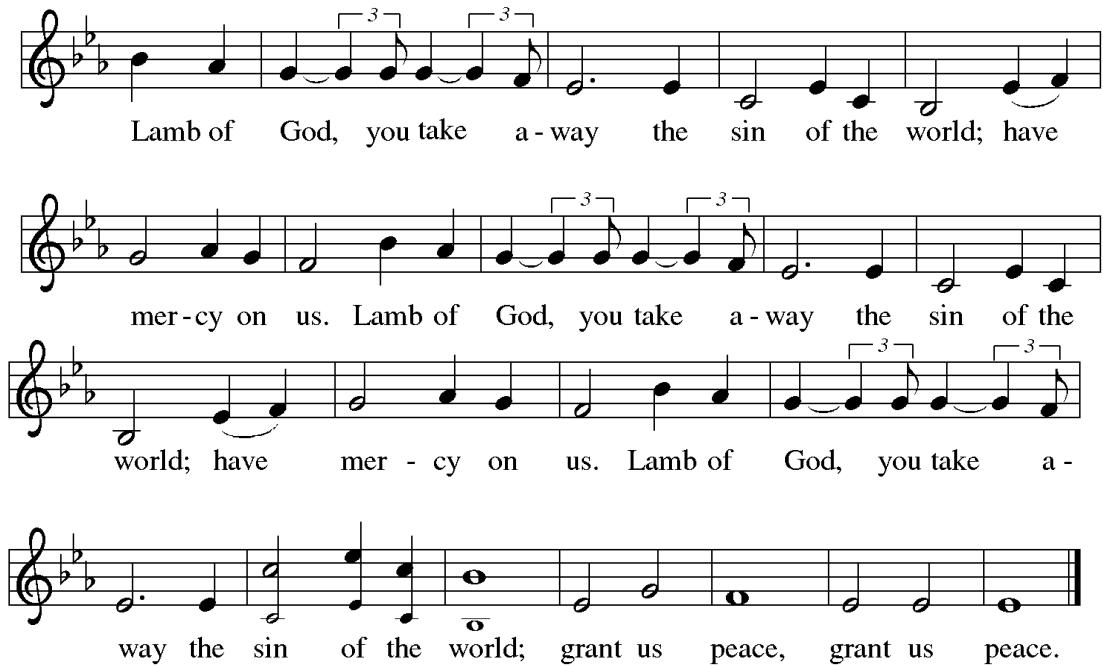
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those**

**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.**

The assembly is seated.

AGNUS DEI



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

COMMUNION

Communion will be held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a communion cup with wine from the outside edge of the tray or a grape juice cup from the center of the tray. Recycle baskets are located outside of the sanctuary doors for your plastic cups.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
HOUSTON

ELW 815

The assembly stands.

SENDING

TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

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.

SENDING HYMN

This Little Light of Mine
THIS JOY

ELW 677

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY**CRUCIFER** — Elliott Jay**ACOLYTES** — Elena Stevens and Ellie Wessler**LECTOR** — Andrew Rummel**USHERS/GREETERS** — Kevin Prussia and John Lunsford**CAMERA/LIVESTREAM** — Kelly Rummel**ANNOUNCEMENTS****PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Trinity Pancake Breakfast will be held following worship on Sunday February 15th.

GALENTINE'S DAY!!

We are celebrating Galentine's a day early this year! Gals of all ages are invited to Salsa's in City Center for dinner and fellowship on Thursday, February 12 at 6:00. Please RSVP to Pastor Tina by February 10.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Congregation Members, your 2026 offering envelope boxes are available in the library. Please note that, if your offering number was in the 200 range, that number has now been changed for 2026. Please find your envelopes by *name* rather than number.

ARCHIVERS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Need something else to do indoors during this frigid weather? The archives committee suggests you scroll through all those photos on your phones and text any of church-related activities to Judy Hunt at 757 652 8216. We'd love to have them to add to our collection. Thanks in advance.

FFF: BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Please join us for a time of fellowship, conversation, and education to honor and celebrate Black History Month today, Sunday 2/8 following worship. We will be watching a recording of the National Day of Racial Healing presentation and then reflecting on African American art, poetry, and music. All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED

We are looking for a Sunday school teacher; please see Kathy Stevens if you are interested.

RED FOOD BOX

We are looking for food donations, especially items with protein and also in great need of water bottles. Thank you so much to all who are so faithfully donating items for the Red Food Box!

PORT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Newport News homeless shelter night (PORT) that Trinity supports is coming up on Monday, February 23rd. The host church for that night is Denbigh United Presbyterian Church in Newport News. We need volunteers to prepare a chicken casserole, provide various salad items and breakfast bag items. We will also need volunteers to help prepare and serve the dinner, support guest check-in, and support guest check-out on Tuesday morning (February 24th). Copies of the casserole recipe will be in the narthex, or you can request one by email (cliffordobara@cox.net). To sign up for food donations or volunteer to work, please use the Sign-Up Genius link below or contact Cliff or Anne Obara:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DADA72AA3FBC34-61611261-port>

Together we can make a difference to those that struggle with the basic needs of shelter and food. mark it as such on your check.

A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund has a variety of uses. The pastor may purchase items for Children's Chat with these funds or help an individual in the congregation who might need temporary financial assistance or even help someone outside of the congregation who is experiencing hard times but does not necessarily qualify for institutional aid. In short, these funds are used in several ways to support our mission as a church.

These funds have seen a lot of use lately and are running a bit low. If you would like to make a donation to this fund *in addition to your offering to the general fund*, simply mark it as such on your check. Your donation to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund will be appreciated almost as much as your donation to the general fund! Thank you!

YOUTH CORNER

"Souper Bowl" Sunday: Join us at the Rummel house on Sunday, February 8 at 6 PM to watch the Seattle Seahawks and the New England Patriots battle it out. Your entry fee is a can of soup which will be donated to Thrive. Bring \$5 for pizza and a fun football snack to share with everyone (side dish or dessert). This is a fun family event so all members of the family are invited to come and watch the game.

March 7-9, 2026 7th Day Event: All 5th and 6th graders are invited to attend the 7th Day Youth Event at Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg, VA. This is a great introduction to our Synod events as it is only an overnight event at our famous Eagle Eyrie. During the weekend, each youth participant is part of a Shepherd Group and get to explore a story of the

Bible through drama, games, crafts, and music. Youth and parents will spend the evening relaxing in their cottage with their congregation. Please see the VA Synod website for details and speak with Kathy Stevens or Kelly Rummel if you would like to attend as they serve on the planning team for this event. We will need a parent to travel with our 5th and 6th graders to and from the event.

2025-2026 MMCS (Mildred McDaniel Concert Series) -Reformation Lutheran Church 13100 Warwick Blvd. Newport News, VA. Please visit: <https://mmcsonline.org/2025-2026-mmcs/>

4pm Trio Niche Sunday, February 15, 2026.

4pm I. Sherman Greene Chorale Sunday March 15, 2026.

4pm Jae Sinnott Trio Sunday, April 26, 2026.

4pm Peninsula Concert Band with Ice Cream Social, Saturday, May 16, 2026.

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS – Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:

Millie Christensen, Barbara Olson; At Home: Tony Flores, Shirley Anderson, and Bonnie Carlson; Jerry Cobb, Williamsburg Landing Rehab; Virginia Hamby, Harmony on Peninsula, Room 121. Bob Sumpter, Tricia Wessler's Stepfather, requested by Tricia Wessler.

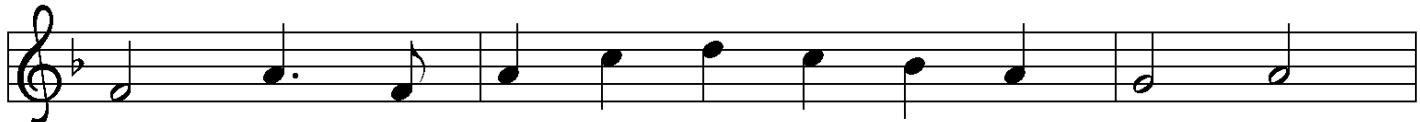
PRAYER REQUESTS: Amanda Griego and family, *requested by Diane and Dave Roselius*; Reverend Tom Bosserman, *requested by Patricia McClelland*; Ken Hoffman, may he find new employment, *requested by Ken Hoffman*; the Family of Garrett Feiner, who passed away on December 26th, *requested by Karoline Ardis*; David Nelson, Susan Piland's brother; *requested by Susan Piland*, Susan Piland; *requested by Tricia Wessler*, Family and friends of Guy Self (brother of Bob Self), *requested by Dottie Self*; Mike Cobb; *requested by his mother Sandy Cobb*, Karina Stevens's psychology teacher Jacob Lelesch; *requested by Karina Stevens*, Mary Cherry Hewett, friend of Tricia Wessler; *requested by Tricia Wessler*; Lee Owens, Grant's brother, *requested by Grant Owens*; Tom Lenahan; nephew of Sandy's cousin, *requested by Don and Sandy Sniady*, Easton Aland, Children's Hospital, *requested by Don and Sandy Sniady*; Family & Friends of Chelsea Simonsen. *requested by Kathy Stevens*; Butch Klapperich, *requested by Dee Klapperich*; Michele and Tom Leonard, *requested by Dottie Self*; Eddie Bateman & Karen Vodenichar, *requested by the Sniady Family*; Bonnie Carlson, *requested by Pastor Tina*; Blaine Pearsall, *requested by Lina Valdez*; Family and friends of Scott Campbell, *requested by Todd Recupero*; Stephanie Beauvais, *requested by Jarvis Edwards*; Sarah Miller, *requested by John and Sandy Lunsford*; Wayne Skinner, Carroll Emerson, and Judy Wagner St. Pierre, *requested by the Dail family*; Scully, Pastor Tina's dog, *requested by Tricia Wessler*; Ahlen family, *requested by Kathy Stevens*. Izzy Perez, *requested by Pastor Tina*.

THOSE WHO SERVE, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN DUTY – Garrett Mynoymany, Naval Station Great Lakes, LTJG Courtney Duff, USCG, stationed in sector New Orleans; James Fielding, Tokyo, Japan; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB.

GATHERING HYMN

Rise, Shine, You People!

ELW 665



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
 3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
 4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
 he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
 your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark-ness hurl - ing. To all the
 Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
 wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
 world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
 Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

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1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

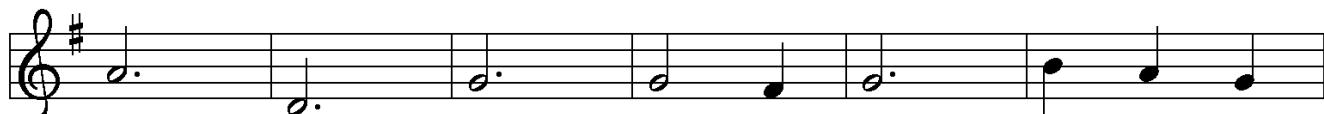


your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

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OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 181

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je sus. When we have run . . . with

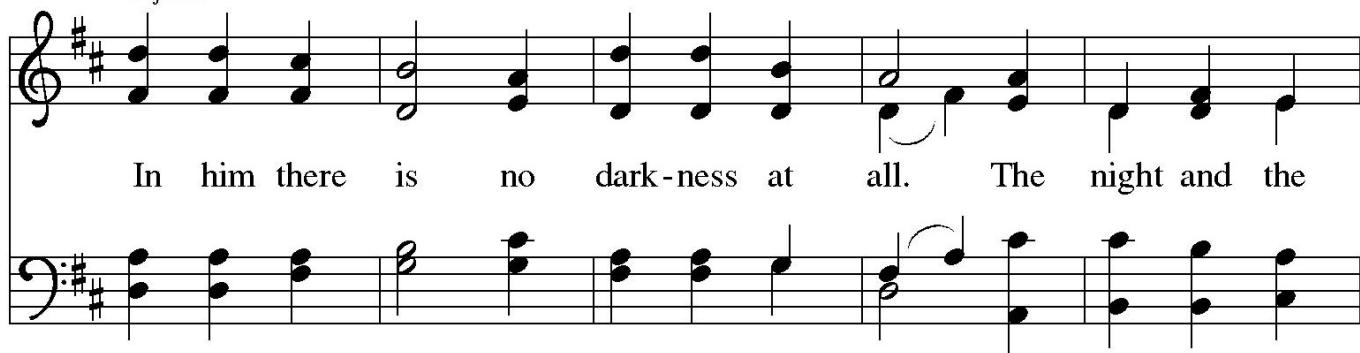
light to the world. The star of my life is Je sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je sus.

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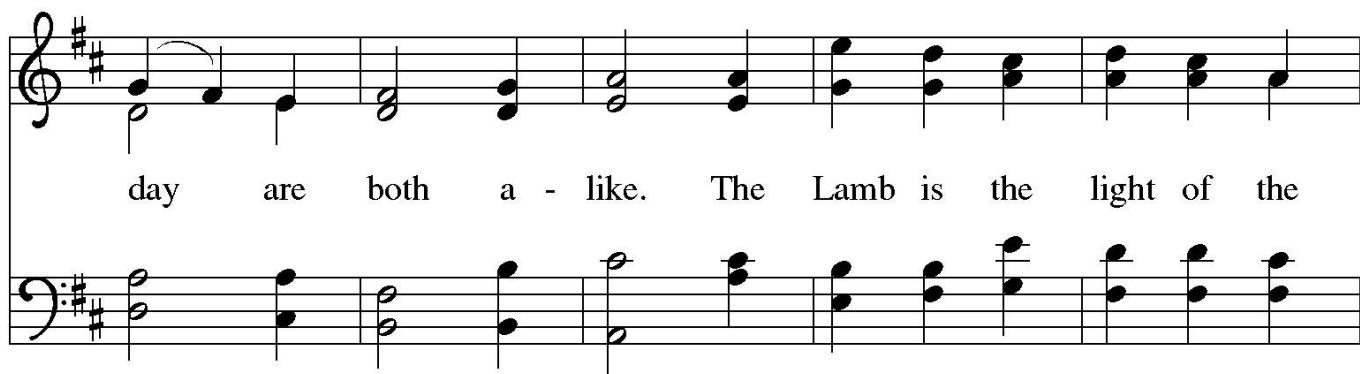
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I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

ELW 815

Refrain

Musical notation for the first part of the refrain, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the"



Musical notation for the second part of the refrain, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the"



Musical notation for the final part of the refrain, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus."

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934

Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson

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SENDING HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual

Text: African American spiritual
Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935
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