Tríníty Lutheran Church

Brewster, New York



2nd Sunday after Epiphany January 19, 2025 9:30 AM



WELCOME as we gather in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely,

we know that Christ is truly present in our midst.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

If you know of others who are in need of signs of God's love and grace, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us for worship in person or through our social media channels. They may also contact the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

You are invited to worship with us each week. There is a spoken in-person service on Thursdays at 12 noon and on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page. Services may also be viewed on Comcast channel 21 at 11 am (note, they are a week behind). The service will be posted later on our YouTube page. The weekly bulletin is posted on our website:

Website: http://trinitybrewsterny.org

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PARENTS: Please help your children follow the worship service, including standing up with the assembly. Thank you.

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INTRODUCTION

Jesus reads scripture in the synagogue he grew up in, and shares with those gathered, the scripture has been fulfilled. But those gathered couldn't believe that was the case. After all he was Joseph's son, not a prophet.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: Toccata #1 in g minor by Girolamo Frescobaldi

We invite you to take a time of prayer during the prelude. We look to focus our hearts and minds on God, seeking God's spirit to infuse our time of worship and this community of faith. This is the first day of the week and we long to be reminded of who we are in Christ Jesus. If you need particular prayers to help center you in this time, you can use any of the hymns as well as prayers that are listed in the hymnal (pg. 72-87)

Welcome and Announcements

You are invited to share any prayer requests that you would like Pastor Jen to include in this morning's worship. If you would like someone to be put on our weekly prayer list in the Trinity weekly, please fill out a prayer list request form found in the pew rack. Place it in the offering plate or give to Pastor Jen following worship.

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Listen! In Christ, God speaks.

In our hearing, may the word be fulfilled.

Listen! God's voice goes out to the world.

The word calls us in and sends us out.

Listen! But don't just listen.

As we attend to the word, may we also enact it.

CONFESSION

We gather in God's holy presence, seeking to more fully trust in God's promises. We pause in these moments to confess our lack of trust as well as our tendencies to trust in other people and things. We offer up to God our brokenness, longing for restoration and grace in all parts of our lives.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

You are a God on a mission, always going out to the world, sending your liberating and healing grace to those most in need.

We confess we want more of your attention,

and we have confused our belonging to you, thinking instead that you belong to us.

We want some ownership, some control, over how you use your power, though of course we would never admit that out loud.

We confess we have too often given in to the temptation to conform to expectations,

and we think you should do that too — specifically, our expectations.

Forgive us when we try to control you

and keep you for our benefit first, misunderstanding what and who your power is for.

Forgive us when we insist

that any care for others must come only after we've cared for our own comfort.

Forgive us when we are perfectly willing to give but only from our leftovers.

As you move away from the centers of power and privilege and ease, take us with you on the journey

and set us free to serve those who most need your upside-down kingdom,

so that we may in turn become good news embodied, in your most holy and precious name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Jesus' mission is freedom from all that harms us. Jesus' mission is to give us vision to see the kingdom of God among us even now. Jesus' mission is good news life abundant for all. Through God's forgiving grace, receive these gifts today: liberation, vision, and good news. And through God's forgiving grace, hear the Spirit's call to join Jesus on his mission to the world God so loves. Receive the fullness of God's love and grace in the name of the Father, and of the + Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN Hark! The Glad Sound FLW 239

Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long; let ev'ry heart prepare a throne and ev'ry voice a song.

He comes the pris'ners to release, in Satan's bondage held.
The gates of brass before him burst, the iron fetters yield.

He comes the broken heart to bind, the bleeding soul to cure, and with the treasures of his grace to enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, your welcome shall proclaim, and heav'n's eternal arches ring with your beloved name.

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751 Music: Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820

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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



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

We are excited to hear your word today, O God, and we rejoice that you continually speak to us.

Amaze us once again with your grace, and fix our eyes on you so that when you begin to lead us out of our comfort zones, we will be ready to follow without fear. Amen.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

CHILDREN'S SONG

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine. (sing 3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Hide it under a bushel - NO! I'm gonna let it shine. (sing 3x) Let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. (sing 3x) Let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me; I'm gonna let it shine. ((sing 3x) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

+ WORD +

READING: Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes,

in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth;
on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith for ever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous.
The Lord watches over the strangers;
he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

Gospel Acclamation



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THE GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-30

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his

mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." 'And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.' When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

HYMN OF THE DAY He Comes to Us as One Unknown

ELW 737 Verses 1,2,3,5

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard; as though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown, a pulse of being stirred, a pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart; half-seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky of night within the heart, of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam; yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored; the Christ in all the scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown, our Savior and our Lord, our Savior and our Lord.

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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 INTERCESSION

We pray for the church, the world, and all of creation, trusting in your gracious love and care.

A brief silence.

Help us embody Jesus' message of freedom and justice in our communities. Grant us the courage to stand firm in faith, and may all that we do reflect the transformative power of your love. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

Your call for justice and transformation extends to all of creation. Teach us to be good stewards of the earth, and inspire us to advocate for sustainable practices that benefit creation. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

Empower your people around the world to work toward a future where all are welcomed and embraced. May dignity and compassion guide our interactions and decisions. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

We lift up those who are burdened by physical, emotional, and spiritual afflictions. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.... (pause). We also lift up in prayer: Vinnie, Lois, Madeline, Carole, Peter, Joan, Steve, Sara, Ron, Lucia and Nicole and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Help us create spaces of support and understanding for all who suffer. God, draw near, Receive our prayer.

The challenges we face today can seem insurmountable. Help us turn to you for hope and strength, and help us create a world where all can experience the fullness of life that Jesus' proclaims. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

Thank you for the saints who have paved the way for us to continue their labors of love and justice. Help us to keep striving to better the world for future generations. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer**

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or online in the comments.

Pastor: We humbly offer up all these prayers before you, trusting in your steadfast love and grace revealed through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always And also with you

You are invited to share signs of peace with others Please check with those around you if they are comfortable with a handshake, elbow bump or other physical signs before reaching out. Peace signs and humble bows are a healthy alternative.

PLEASE BE SEATED

OFFERING



You are invited to use this time as moments of silence for prayer and reflection. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)

+ MEAL +

Anthem: "Now Are the Days Fulfilled" by Ahasverus Fritsch

OFFERING HYMN: God, We See What You Have Given

(Tune: NETTLETON 8.7.8.7 D ("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

God, we see what you have given;
Signs of grace are everywhere!
All around are gifts from heaven —
Gifts enough for all to share.
We are stewards of your bounty,
Called to give as we've received;
And your blessings have been plenty
From the day we first believed.

We are stewards, sent out sharing, Offering you our very best.
Through our serving and our caring May we give as we've been blessed. God of love, may faithful living Be much more than Sunday talk. Send us loving, serving, giving; Help us daily walk your walk!

Biblical References: Psalms 148, 22, 100, 150; Luke 1:46-55

Tune: John Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813 ("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

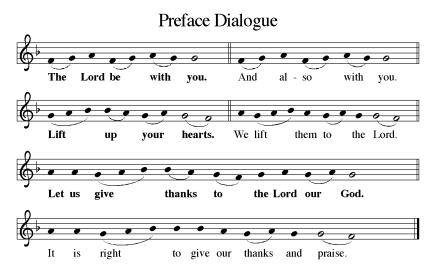
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PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

OFFERING PRAYER

Abundant God, you have filled us with all good things, and lavished your goodness upon us. With joyful hearts we return to you these, our gifts and tithes, and ask that you would bless them for the work of loving our neighbors. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

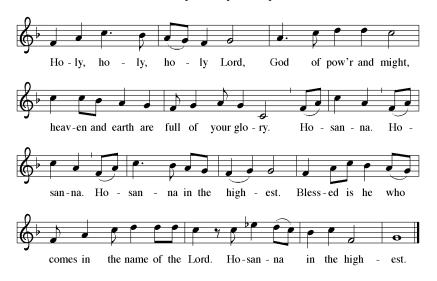


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PREFACE

It is indeed right, our responsibility and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who share our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light, and so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church one earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

and all who dwell therein,
we give you thanks for all that surrounds us.

We thank you for making us
but a little lower than the angels,
children of your grace.
We are grateful for your mercy,
forgiving our human pride
and our blindness to those in need.
We rejoice in the hope and salvation
found in the person of Jesus Christ,
who shared our earthly suffering and joy.

Eternal God. Creator of the heavens and the earth

We remember Christ's death, celebrate with joy Christ's resurrection, and seek to follow in Christ's way, serving those around us. In the steadfast comfort of the Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to your service as we unite our voices to glorify you.

At this table we recall the night...

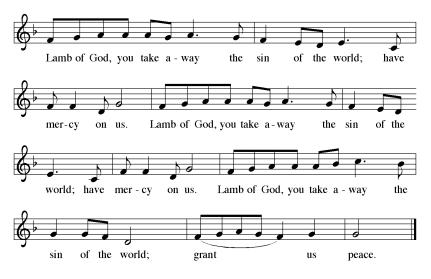
...By partaking at this table,
we proclaim Christ's death,
celebrate Christ's resurrection,
and await Christ's return.
Bless this meal and all who receive it
That we may glorify your name as we do so
We glorify you as the Creator, as the Sustainer
And the Savior who taught us to pray...

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus, who fulfills prophecy and brings good news to all who suffer, invites you now to the feast of healing and wholeness in his name. In the bread and wine, be joined with your siblings in Christ throughout the world and be strengthened to carry the message. **Thanks be to God!**

Lamb of God



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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS

All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing.

All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.

Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time.

Communion Hymn: As the Grains of Wheat ELW 465

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill Were gathered into one to become our bread; So may all your people from all the ends of the earth Be gathered into one in you.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,

May we share the presence of your love. Refrain

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come When all creation shares this feast with you. Refrain

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: Marty Haugen

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Words for additional Communion hymns may be found on the card inside the back cover of your hymnal.

AFTER ALL HAVE RETURNED TO THEIR PLACES, THE ASSEMBLY STANDS.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Because the broken bread has meant our healing, because the outpoured cup has meant our life, because our common sharing has meant the communion of our souls, and because we have been here graced by your merciful presence, O God, we give you thanks and pray that our lives may be renewed in the life and love of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

+ SENDING +

Mission and Ministry Announcements

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

BLESSING

Response: Amen.

SENDING HYMN Jesus Shall Reign ELW 434

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.

People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the pris'ners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
Music: attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Correnti 1 and 2 by Girolamo Frescobaldi

Worship notes: Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- + Call to Worship, Confession, Words of Forgiveness, Prayer of the Day (© 2024 Teri Peterson. Usage rights granted to BibleWorm subscribers at the LiturgyWorm Level and higher (https://patreon.com/biblewormpodcast)
- + Introduction, Prayers of Intercession, Offering Prayer, Invitation to Communion (© Clergy stuff)
- + **Post-communion prayer** (Flames of the Spirit, ed. Ruth C. Duck)
- Other parts of worship are from the hymnals, Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Lutheran Book of Worship and All Creation Sings

MUSIC NOTES:

Girolamo Alessandro Frescobaldi (1583 -1643) was an Italian composer and virtuoso keyboard player. Born in the Duchy of Ferrara, he was one of the most important composers of keyboard music in the late Renaissance and early Baroque periods. A child prodigy, Frescobaldi was appointed organist of St. Peter's Basilica, a focal point of power for the Cappella Giulia, from 21 July 1608 until 1628 and again from 1634 until his death. Once, he gave a concert where 10.000 listeners gathered in St. Peter's Square to hear him. Between 1610 and 1613, Frescobaldi began to work for Cardinal Pietro Aldobrandini. He remained in his service until after the death of Cardinal Aldobrandini in February 1621. In 1613, he married Orsola Travaglini and had five children. He was also the church organist at Santa Maria in Trastevere, recorded as "Girolamo Organista", and was also employed by Guido Bentivoglio, the Archbishop of Rhodes, and accompanied him on a trip to Flanders where Bentivoglio had been made nuncio to the court. Pieces from his celebrated collection of liturgical organ music, Fiori musicali (1635), were used as models of strict counterpoint as late as the 19th century.

Ahasverus Fritsch (1629 –1701) was a German jurist, poet, and hymn writer of the Baroque era. Fritsch was born in Mücheln as a son of the mayor. In 1631, the family was forced to flee when the city was burned down. Later he attended the Gymnasium in Halle, and in 1650 he enrolled at the law faculty of the University of Jena. In 1657 he was appointed Hofmeister by Count Albert Anton von Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt. In his legal career, he was clerk of the Court in 1665, and in 1687 Chancellor of Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt. He was the first German legal scholar to deal with the danger of influencing the people by the press.



Today's altar flowers are given by Barbara Roden in loving memory of her husband Erich Roden who went home to the Lord twenty years ago (on January 17th).

SCHEDULED TO SERVE

	Assisting Minister	Ushers	Acolyte
January 19 th @ 9:30 AM	Kathie Ruhs	Charlie Germain Ralph Rudolph	Fiona Cioffi

Let's Wish a Happy Birthday to:



Stephanie Ann Dudowitz, Jan 20 Jake Groundwater, Jan 23 Erin Markert, Jan 23 Jennifer Morello, Jan 24 Thomas DeMarchi, Jan 25 Kyle Steike, Jan 25 Daniel Minieri, Jan 27 Heather Larocchia, Jan 29 Anna Trieller, Jan 31



The organ prelude and preparatory time for worship begins approximately ten minutes before each service.

WORSHIP SERVICES — JANUARY 2025

Sunday, Jan 19, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM Sunday, Jan 26, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

A complete **CALENDAR** can be found at <u>www.trinitybrewsterny.org</u>

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