

Trinity Lutheran Church

Brewster, New York



5th Sunday after Epiphany
February 9, 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 (trinelutheranoffice@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>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>.

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeBfzqqPtuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber

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

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INTRODUCTION

Jesus heals a Roman centurion's slave, then takes things up a notch and raises a man from the dead, so that his widowed mother might have a chance in life.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: "Adoration" by Florence Price
played by Juergen Tempel, violoncello

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

We gather in this time and space

We come into God's holy presence

We come to Jesus for healing,

Whether or not we feel worthy.

Jesus sees our faith and loves us,

We are healed and made whole.

Suffering is an inevitable part of life,

But we are never alone in our suffering.

Jesus walks with us and holds us in our pain,

Whether we are powerful like the Roman centurion,

Or anonymous, like the widow and her son.

Jesus hears our cries for help,

And gives us comfort, strength, and healing,

So that we might endure and find peace and joy in our lives, no matter what happens.

CONFESSION

We come to gather in God's holy presence, seeking to more fully trust in God's promises. 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 good, O God,

and your mercy is from generation to generation.

You call us to love our neighbor,

and we confess that we are happy to love them in the abstract.

In the moment, though, we feel compassion

but rarely act on it.

We confess we think about it

but don't do it,

we come up with reasons why we can't reach out,

why they're not worthy,

why their faith — or our faith — is not strong enough,

why our small action wouldn't be important in the big picture anyway.

And so we pray for your mercy,

but mostly we skip our opportunities to be your hands and heart.

Forgive us, O God,

for all the times we have talked ourselves out of our impulse to compassion.

Forgive us for letting the perfect be the enemy of the good,

and so doing nothing rather than something.

Forgive us for abandoning the work you give us to do in the world.

Open our hearts and hands to extend your love,

not only in our thoughts and words and prayers but our deeds as well, to all whom you call our neighbor.

We ask in the name of the One who reached out in compassion bringing life and wholeness and hope, Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In Christ, God continually reaches out to us in love, even before we are able to respond in faith. This is grace, and it is for you. Trust in God's gracious mercy, and let it flow through you to the world. 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: Take My Life, That I May Be (ELW 685 vs 1-4)

**Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.**

**Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.**

**Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
ev'ry power as thou shalt choose.**

Text: Frances R. Havergal

Music: William H. Havergal

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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



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for

4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for

hun-gry and the poor; that

friends and fam-i-ly; for

wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,

we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,

life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,

nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

You told us who you are, Lord Jesus Christ.

You embody the prophet's promise,
you bring to life the ancient stories,
you reveal God's ongoing care
in your words and actions.

Your life among us is love in the flesh.

Make us more like you today,
unafraid to be who you made us to be:
your Body doing justice, loving kindness,
and walking humbly with you. 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, let it shine.

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

Text & Music: African American Spiritual (arr. Horace Clarence Boyer)

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+ WORD +

READING: Psalm 119:105-107

Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to observe your righteous ordinances.

I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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THE GOSPEL: Luke 7:1-17

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 7th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, 'He is worthy of having you do this for him, for he loves our people, and it

is he who built our synagogue for us.’ And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, ‘Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, “Go”, and he goes, and to another, “Come”, and he comes, and to my slave, “Do this”, and the slave does it.’ When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, ‘I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.’ When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother’s only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, ‘Do not weep.’ Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, ‘Young man, I say to you, rise!’ The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, ‘A great prophet has risen among us!’ and ‘God has looked favourably on his people!’ This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

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: Healer of Our Every Ill (ELW 612)

Refrain:

Healer of our ever ill, light of each tomorrow

Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow

**You who know our fears and sadness
Grace us with your peace and gladness
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts *Refrain***

**In the pain and joy beholding
How your grace is still unfolding
Give us all your vision, God of love *Refrain***

**Give us strength to love each other
Every sister, every brother
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide *Refrain***

**You who know each thought and feeling
Teach us all your way of healing
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart *Refrain***

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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 the gracious love and care of the Lord our God.

A brief silence.

Help us to live in humility and recognize our dependence on you. May we be continually in awe of your mercy and power. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

Many parts of creation are suffering. Bring rain where there is drought, and relief where there have been too many storms. Nourish the earth and all that you have made. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

We lift up doctors, nurses, and all medical staff who care for those who are ill. Guide them in their work, and be present in all that they do. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer**

Grant comfort and peace to all who cry out to you for help. Strengthen the hearts and bodies of all who face difficulties. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts... (pause). We also lift up in prayer: **Charlie, Brandon, Karen, Barbara, Melanie, The Myers Family, Martin, Sara, Jim, and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

Provide refugees and all displaced peoples with safety, comfort, and new opportunities and communities. May they find deep welcome and hospitality wherever they go. God, draw near, **Receive our prayer.**

We remember with love and longing those who have been a part of this congregation in years past. Thank you for their faithfulness and for working through their lives to reach us today. 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: “The Widow of Nain’s Son” by Julianne Ingram

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

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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OFFERING PRAYER

Life-giving God, all we have is from you. Accept now these gifts out of your abundance. Bless them for the work of bringing life to all who are in need, in this community and in the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Preface Dialogue

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

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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

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

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eternal God, Creator of the heavens and the earth
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.**

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...

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus who brings healing and wholeness to all people regardless of who they are or where they come from welcomes you and all people to this holy feast. Come with all your siblings in Christ to share the bread and wine of Jesus' presence. **Thanks be to God!**

Lamb of God

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.

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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.

Special music: The Deserted Garden by Florence Price
played by Juergen Tempel

Communion Hymn: I Am the Bread of Life (ELW 485)

**I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger
And who believe in me shall not thirst
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons**

Refrain:

**And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up
And I will raise you upon the last day**

**The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever, you shall live forever. *Refrain***

**Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of his blood and drink of his blood
You shall not have life within you *Refrain***

**I am the resurrection, I am the life
If you believe in me, even though you die
You shall live forever *Refrain:***

**Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ
The Son of God
who have come into the world. *Refrain:***

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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: For the Fruit of All Creation (ELW 679)

**For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
thanks be to God.**

**In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.**

**For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.**

**For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.**

**For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.**

Text: Fred Pratt Green

Music: Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

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DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin

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

POSTLUDE: “Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen” by Florence Price

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

- + **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>))

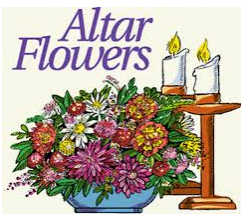
- + ***Introduction, Call to Worship, Prayers of Intercession, Offering Prayer, Invitation to Communion*** (© Clergy stuff)

- + **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:

Florence Beatrice Price (1887 – 1953) was an African-American classical composer. She was the first African-American woman to be recognized as a symphonic composer, and the first to have a composition played by a major orchestra. Florence Beatrice Price was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, one of three children in a mixed-race family. Despite racial issues of the era, her family was well respected and did well within their community. Her father was a dentist and her mother was a music teacher who guided Florence's early musical training. She had her first piano performance at the age of four and went on to have her first composition published at the age of 11. At the New England Conservatory, she was able to study composition and counterpoint with composers George Chadwick and Frederick Converse. She taught in Arkansas briefly before moving to Atlanta, Georgia, in 1910, where she became the head of Clark Atlanta University's music department. In 1912, she married Thomas J. Price, a lawyer, and moved back to Little Rock, Arkansas. The family moved to Chicago, where Florence Price began a new and fulfilling period in her compositional career. She studied composition, orchestration, and organ with the leading teachers in the city. Florence became a single mother to her two daughters. To make ends meet, she worked as an organist for silent film screenings and composed songs for radio ads under a pen name. During this time, Price lived with friends and eventually moved in with her student and friend, Margaret Bonds, also a black pianist and composer. This friendship connected Price with writer Langston Hughes and contralto Marian Anderson, both prominent figures in the art world who aided in Price's future success as a composer. Her e minor Symphony premiered in 1933, making Price's piece the first composition by an African-American woman to be played by a major orchestra.



Today's altar flowers are given by Today's altar flowers are given by Michelle and Paul Zabko with gratitude and in thanksgiving for God's grace and His many blessings.

SCHEDULED TO SERVE

	Assisting Minister	Ushers	Acolyte
February 9 th @ 9:30 AM	Charlie Germain	John Bertone Jo-Ann Nestor	Solomon Bettcher

Let's Wish a Happy Birthday to:

Joseph Maston, Feb 11
Alyssa Nastasi, Feb 12
Olivia Giacomelli, Feb 13
Brian Van Vlack, Feb 13
Adam Beal, Feb 14
Andrea Tiersch, Feb 14
Michael Masucci, Feb 16
Mary Gerhardt, Feb 20

Bruce Foley, Jr., Feb 21
Andrew Klammer, Feb 21
Jeffrey Von Bargen, Feb 22
Adelina Zhang, Feb 22
Erin Corbi, Feb 23
Carol Fendt, Feb 24
Lorraine Van Vlack, Feb 29

welcome
let's worship together



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

WORSHIP SERVICES —JANUARY 2025

Sunday, Feb 2, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM
Sunday, Feb 9, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM
Sunday, Feb 16, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM
Sunday, Feb 23, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

A complete **CALENDAR** can be found at www.trinitybrewsterny.org

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