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**Divine Service III  
The Baptism of Our Lord  
January 12, 2025**

Preservice Music (Chloe Cales)

Hymn of Invocation

No. 395

"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's  
2 Come, heav'n - ly Bride-groom, Light di - vine, And deep with - in  
3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls  
4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in Your Son You loved us when



own truth and light, A - glow with grace and mer - cy!  
our hearts now shine; There light a flame un - dy - ing!  
from God a - bove A ray of pur - est plea - sure.  
not yet be - gun Was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's race, King Da - vid's son, Our Lord and mas -  
In Your one bod - y let us be As liv - ing branch -  
Your Word and Spir - it, flesh and blood Re - fresh our souls  
Your Son has ran - somed us in love To live in Him



ter, You have won Our hearts to serve You on - ly!  
es of a tree, Your life our lives sup - ply - ing.  
with heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure!  
here and a - bove: This is Your great sal - va - tion.



Low - ly, ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, All vic - to - rious,  
Now, though dai - ly Earth's deep sad - ness May per - plex us  
Let Your mer - cy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, To us giv - ing



Rich in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!  
And dis - tress us, Yet with heav'n - ly joy You bless us.  
For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.  
Life for - ev - er, Keeps us Yours and fails us nev - er!

**5** O let the harps break forth in sound!  
Our joy be all with music crowned,  
Our voices gladly blending!  
For Christ goes with us all the way—  
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!  
His love is never ending!  
Sing out! Ring out! Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story!  
Great is He, the King of Glory!

**6** What joy to know, when life is past,  
The Lord we love is first and last,  
The end and the beginning!  
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,  
Transport us to that happy place  
Beyond all tears and sinning!  
Amen! Amen! Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness! We are  
yearning  
For the day of Your returning!

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*Stand*

## **Confession and Absolution**

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

**P:** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P:** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a*

P: Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

**C: my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

P: I will tell of the decree:

**C: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.**

P: Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,

**C: and the ends of the earth your possession.**

P: You shall break them with a rod of iron

**C: and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."**

P: Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

**C: be warned, O rulers of the earth.**

P: Serve the LORD with fear,

**C: and rejoice with trembling,**

P: for his wrath is quickly kindled.

**C: Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

**C: my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

### Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

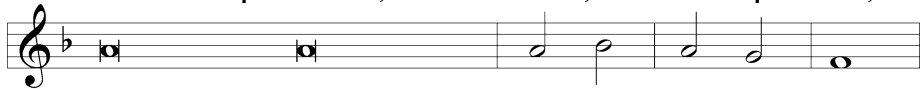
## Gloria in Excelsis



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



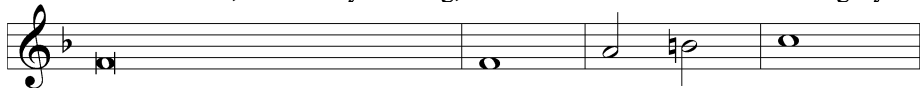
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



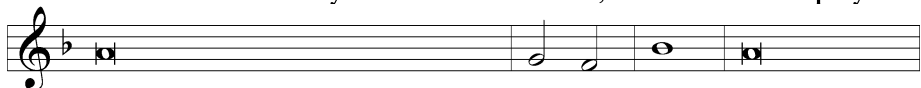
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



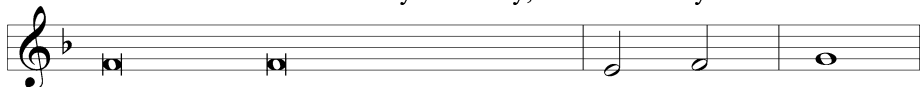
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



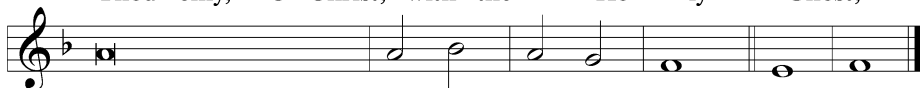
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

P: Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.

<sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

<sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my eyes,  
and honored, and I love you,

I give men in return for you,  
peoples in exchange for your life.

<sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you.

<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, Give up,  
and to the south, Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from afar  
and my daughters from the end of the earth,

<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Memory Verse

*Isaiah 9:6*

**To us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder. And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

## Epistle

*Romans 6:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Alleluia



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 3:15-22*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His

winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☩ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### **Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

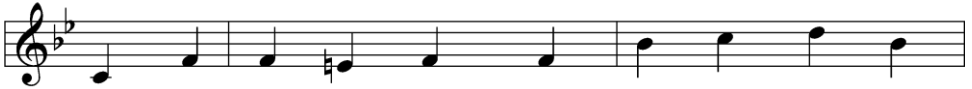
**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**



## Hymn of the Day "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord" No. 405



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own



heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was



Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight  
Anointed Christ in glorious sight  
As God's own choice, from Adam's fall  
To save the world and free us all.

6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;  
This man is Christ, our substitute!  
He was baptized in Jordan's stream,  
Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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### Sermon

*Stand*

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

### Offertory



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

*Sit*

**Offering** (music – Hank Pike)

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church - After each petition**

P: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface**

P: The Lord be with you.

☐ And with thy spir - it.

P: Lift up your hearts.

☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

☐ It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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 Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**A** - men.

#### Agnus Dei

world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the  
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

**THE DISTRIBUTION** *As we come to the altar, we come confessing our sins, looking to Christ for forgiveness, asking the Holy Spirit to change our sinful lives, and recognizing Christ's body and blood in the bread and wine.*

*In faithfulness to God's Word, our congregation practices close communion. We invite to our altar all who have confirmed their faith with us before a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation or who have met with Pastor. Our practice in no way implies that people of other denominations are not Christians but allows us to maintain a clear confession of our faith and affords proper pastoral care of individuals.*

### Distribution Hymns

#### "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

No. 594

1 God's own child, I glad-ly say it: I am bap-tized  
 2 Sin, dis-turb my soul no long-er: I am bap-tized  
 3 Sa-tan, hear this proc-la-ma-tion: I am bap-tized  
 4 Death, you can-not end my glad-ness: I am bap-tized  
 5 There is noth-ing worth com-par-ing To this life-long  
 in-to Christ! He, be-cause I could not pay it,  
 in-to Christ! I have com-fort e-ven strong-er:  
 in-to Christ! Drop your ug-ly ac-cu-sa-tion,  
 in-to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad-ness  
 com-fort sure! O-pen-eyed my grave is star-ing:  
 Gave my full re-demp-tion price. Do I need earth's  
 Je-sus' cleans-ing sac-ri-fice. Should a guilt-y  
 I am not so soon en-ticed. Now that to the  
 To in-her-it par-a-dise! Though I lie in  
 E-ven there I'll sleep se-cre. Though my flesh a-

trea - sures man - y? I have one worth  
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism  
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has  
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance  
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -

more than an - y That brought me sal -  
 did re - lease me In a dear for -  
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your  
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized

va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?  
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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## "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy"

No. 590

1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and  
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your  
 3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly  
 4 All that I am and love most dear-ly— Re - ceive it all, O

Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,  
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me  
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er  
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;

A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and  
 The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 If words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I  
 Help me Your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I

dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
 com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.  
 come de - filed; For - give, lift up, re - store Your child.  
 am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.

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# "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

No. 722



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,  
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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# "Father Welcomes"

No. 605

*Refrain*



Fa - ther wel - comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,

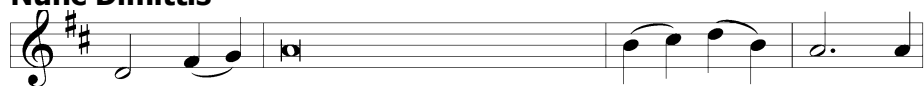


Mer - cy for your sin.  
Shall be born a - gain.  
Live in the peace of God.

*Refrain*

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# Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



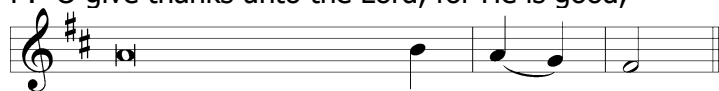
a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy



people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



☐ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P: Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

P: Bless we the Lord.



☐ Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Sit*

**Closing Hymn**

**"How Firm a Foundation"**

**No. 728**

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✝ **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Patty Tharp in honor of Anniversary

✝ **IN OUR PRAYERS** we remember all who are ill or under medical care, Kimmee Cash (Sherri Mulanix's daughter-in-law), Cindy Griffith (Debbie Smith's sister), Duane Oestmann, Barb Sweet, Marty Viller, Diana Trent, Randy Sweet, Sue Krueger, Marcie Wellday, Dana Anderson, Janet Shrewsberry, Tyler Voegele, Deanna Hegedus, David Holloway (Jim Sr's brother), Joyce Holloway

**Trinity Lutheran Church** will be using our fellowship hall on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month to play volleyball. They would like to invite Redeemer High Schoolers and Adults to join in.


**Thank you** to all those that volunteered to assist with preparing Christmas Eve treat bags for the children. Your help was appreciated.

**The Trinity Youth Lock-In** is scheduled for January 18th, starting with the 5:00 pm worship service for grades 6-12 only. Redeemer youth have been invited to participate also. A permission form **to be signed by parents** is located in the office. It should be turned in on the day of the event. It also includes the rules that the youth will need to abide by and sign. We will go over this at arrival, but it's helpful if they are aware of expectations ahead of time. Friends are welcome so make sure the permission form is completed for them too. Debbie Dennet - 620-229-1991

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS –**  
**OLD TESTAMENT:** Isaiah 62:1-5  
**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians: 12-1-11  
**GOSPEL:** John 2:1-11

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**THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER**

**TODAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service with Holy Communion  
 **AFTER SERVICE: Take down and pack away decorations**

**MONDAY:** 7:00 pm Council Meeting

**WEDNESDAY:** 6:00 pm Confirmation Class  
7:00 pm It's All About Jesus Class

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Sunday School  
10:15 am Divine Service without Holy Communion  
8:00 am Lutheran Hour on 1280 AM  
10:30 am Lutheran Hour on 95.9 FM

**INFO: Pastor Warneke will be out of the office from January 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>. He is attending the Fort Wayne Symposium.**

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**THOSE SERVING AT REDEEMER**

**Officiating Elder:** Jim Holloway, Sr.  
**Altar Committee:** Ellen Kelly, Ann Headrick, Darcy Richardson  
**Greeter:** Linda Headrick  
**Acolytes:** Hank Pike

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**December 31, 2024 – New Year's Eve –** Worship – 15  
Missions – Heineys - \$401.00

**January 5, 2025 –** Worship – 18

**Budget Needs Weekly - \$3,421.94**

**Home Budget Offering - \$,1654.00**

**Trinity Lutheran Church - \$1,834.78**

Endowment - \$50.00

Missions - \$50.00

TRUTH Talk - \$25.00

**January 6, 2025 - Epiphany –** Worship – 18

Fairmount Ministries - \$190.00