



"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat..." Matthew 25:35

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AS WE GATHER

A new season in the Church Year begins today. Following Advent hope and Christmas joy in the Savior born for us, we enter Epiphany, which can be summed up with words such as *revealing*, *shining forth*, and *manifestation*. The Word we hear today is fitting as epiphanies are things the Lord has done since the beginning of time. The first creation was light shining forth on the first day. From that day of creation to the fall into sin to the first promise of the Savior, God has shone His light and enabled His people to see and know what is needed. As the time was right for Jesus to begin His earthly ministry, it began with His Baptism. With John the Baptist in the Jordan River, the Lord reveals and shines forth the manifestation of the Word made flesh for us when He says: "You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased" (Mark 1:11).

OPENING HYMN BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY LSB 590, vs. 1, 2**INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Those who have been baptized during the past year and their families gather at the front of the church for the Baptismal Remembrance. The entire congregation joins in the reflection and response.

BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE *Romans 6:4, 36; Acts 2:38; Titus 3:5–6; 1 Corinthians 6:1; Mark 1:11*

- P We remember our Baptism with the trinitarian invocation, recalling and confessing before heaven and earth all that God has given us in our Baptism: victory over death and the devil, forgiveness of sin, God's grace, the entire Christ, and the Holy Spirit with His gifts. How do we rightly use our Baptism?
- C **We rightly use our Baptism when we live in repentance and faith in the triune God, who has made us His beloved children. (*Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation* [2017] Question 324).**
- P When Jesus was baptized by John in the water of the Jordan River, the Father declared Jesus as His Son with whom He is well pleased. In our Baptism, Paul wrote, we were joined to our Lord's death and resurrection, enabling us to walk in newness of life. We also learn in the Small Catechism, all centered on God's Word, the lasting gifts received in Baptism including the forgiveness of sins, rescue from death and the devil, and eternal life to all who believe this. Let us reaffirm our faith in what God has done for us through Holy Baptism.
- P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
C **I do renounce them.**
- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
C **Yes, I believe.**
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into

hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

C **Yes, I believe.**

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

C **Yes, I believe.**

P Is it your earnest intention to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of your Baptism, as a member of the Church, to be diligent in the use of the means of grace and prayer?

C **Yes, with the help of God.**

P Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven all your sins strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

HYMN **BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY** **LSB 590, vs. 3, 4**

***CONFESSION**

Romans 6:1–2, 4

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father. In today's Epistle from Romans, the apostle Paul asks, "Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? . . . How can we who died to sin still live in it?"

C **We are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved God with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

P "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."

C **For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

***ABSOLUTION**

Romans 6:6–7, 10–11, adapted

P 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.

C **For one who has died has been set free from sin.**

P The death Christ died He died to sin, once for all,

C **but the life He lives He lives to God.**

P So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life † everlasting.

C **Amen.**

*KYRIE

LSB 186

C **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154

*SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1–5

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 29

¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD
flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

EPISTLE

Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We 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.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We 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. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:4–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN

ON JORDAN'S BANK THE BAPTIST'S CRY

LSB 344

SERMON

WHAT JESUS DOES IN YOU

Rev. Robert Weinhold, Food For The Poor

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After our petitions:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

Please complete a worship attendance card and place in the plate as it passes. Those who support this church and its ministry by giving electronically are invited to place the "I Give Online" cards located in each pew in the offering plate as a way of participating in this act of worship.



*PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*PROPER PREFACE

*SANCTUS

LSB 161

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

*LORD'S PRAYER

*PAX DOMINI

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

DISTRIBUTION Distribution is at the rail, with both common cup and individual cup; de-alcoholized wine in center of tray. Gluten free wafers available by signifying to pastor/elder. Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion.

HYMN

ALL CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED

LSB 596

HYMN

TO JORDAN'S RIVER CAME OUR LORD

LSB 405

***NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 165

***POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

***CLOSING SENTENCES**

Romans 6:10–11, adapted

P The death Christ died He died to sin, once for all,

C **but the life He lives He lives to God.**

P So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

***BENEDICTION**

HYMN TO DEPART

ALL WHO BELIEVE AND ARE BAPTIZED

LSB 601

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Serving Our Lord

		Sunday, January 7, 2024	Sunday, January 14, 2024
Musician		Diane Streich	Merlin Simon
Cantor		Andy Koch	David Workman
Altar Guild		Connie Kohn and Nancy Nord	Connie Kohn and Nancy Nord
Elder(s)	8am	Rob Orr	Bill Breitinger
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	TBD
Reader	8am	Rob Orr	TBD
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Tim Morris
Usher Team	8am	Brian Nack	Layne Streich
	10:30am	Terry Stoerzinger	Ben Swenson
Greeter(s)	8am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Open	Open
Acolyte	8am	Sophia Orr and Mason Kolb	Open
	10:30am	Sebastian Ness and Andrew Swenson	Ethan Swenson
Projection	8am	Jean Peterson	Tim Morris
	10:30am	Ben Swenson	Ben Swenson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	Roxanne Foley	Megan Naas and Bethany Olander



Baptism Remembrance

Trinity Lone Oak celebrates the baptisms that occurred in our congregation during the past year. Each child is receiving a Baptismal remembrance gift from the congregation. Please pray that these children would grow and stay strong in their love and trust in Jesus.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Baptism date</i>
Charlotte Louise Berg	September 17, 2023
Rhea Ann Kolb	November 19, 2023
John Alan Rahn	May 7, 2023
Millie Louise Sattler	April 30, 2023
Sasha Allison Vazquez	May 7, 2023



Thank you

What a gift it is that Rev. Robert Weinhold, returning as our guest preacher from Food for the Poor, can be with us this morning. You're invited to learn even more at our adult Bible class at 9:15am, and a Youtube link dear to Pastor's heart can be found at this link: <https://youtu.be/DZ6W3WJyggM>. A free-will offering at the door supports FFTP's work.

Pastor Weinhold has been speaking for Food for the Poor for over 4 years and enjoys sharing the opportunity that we have as Christians to care for the poorest of the poor in the 17 countries of the Caribbean and Latin America that Food for the Poor serves. He has served in full time parish ministry in the LCMS for 35 years in five different congregations and has been retired for 5 years. He has three grown children and four grandsons and lives with his wife, Lisa, in Dubuque, Iowa. We pray God's blessings upon the message that he shares with us as God guides us in His response to this tremendous need.



Social Media Seminar

Saturday, January 27 | 9am-3:30pm

Do you think TLO's social media could be improved?! So do we! Come January 27 to give your input and learn to use social media for our good and God's glory. Led by Craig Mattes Services, the purpose of this **Social Media Seminar** is to train for social media marketing success both inside and outside the church and school walls. Bring your laptop (optional) and get ready to expand your influence on social media. Lunch is included. Register with the church office by January 26.

COMING UP AT TLO — January 7, 2024 — January 14, 2024

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD SUNDAY

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion and guest preacher Bob Weinhold	
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages	
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion and guest preacher Bob Weinhold	
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship	
	6:00pm	Hoops	
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study	
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study	
	8:15am	Chapel	
	4:00pm	Midweek confirmation class	
Thur	6:30pm	Board of Christian Education	
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW) Bible study	
	6:00-9:00pm	Family Game Night - you're invited!	
Sat	9:00am	Women's Bible study	
	2:00-8:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities	

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sun	8:00*am	Worship — Life Sunday!
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship — Life Sunday!
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	6:00pm	Hoops



Family Game Night
Friday, January 12 | 6-9pm | TLO Gym

Come for a night of food and fun with your TLO friends. Bring your favorite board game to share or learn how to play a new one. See you there!



Salad Luncheon
Sunday, January 21 | 11:45am | TLO

Ladies, the Christmas baking and shopping are behind us and a New Year is here! Let's catch up and enjoy some time together. Bring a salad if you wish (optional) and join the fun!

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: December 31, 2023

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	7,682.52
	(Our offering budget is \$8,525 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	2,025.15
	(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)		
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	2,725.49
	Donations toward new student hymnals	\$	1,873.93
	Tuition	\$	14,664.97
	140th Anniversary	\$	1,500.00
	Church and school fees	\$	5,352.26
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	35,824.32
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	235.45
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	20.00
	Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	N/A
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	255.45



**Amnion's Bottles for Life
January 14 - February 11, 2024**

Amnion's Bottles for Life Campaign is a unique and easy way to help support life ministry. Pick up a bottle at TLO January 14 and fill it with cash, checks, or coins through February 11. Learn more about Amnion at helpofferhope.org.



**Celebrate Life
January 22, 2024**

Concordia University St. Paul will host the 2024 Life Chapel Service at Graebner Memorial Chapel on January 22, 2024 at 10:30 am. Using the Lutherans for Life theme based on Charlotte Elliot’s familiar hymn, “Just As I Am,” the service will testify to the sanctity of every human life. After the Life Chapel Service, worshipers are encouraged to travel to the steps outside the Minnesota State Capitol for the Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) March For Life from 12-1 pm south of the Capitol building. Marches for Life are joyful and hopeful. Come to the party and be an advocate for life! For further information on the MCCL March for Life or to download the March flyer visit: <https://www.mccl.org/march> or contact Pastor James Kroonblawd, MNS District Life Coordinator.



Remember in Prayer

Avianna (age 2), niece of Chelsea Cardenas, battling cancer

Rich and Dixie Cliff

Alice Dornseif, new temporary address: The Deerfield ~ 575 Hospital Rd. ~ New Richmond WI 54017

Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, for peace and comfort as he struggles with dementia

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, continue prayers for resolution of autoimmune liver issues

Dan Linse, recovering at home, thanksgiving for strength increasing daily

Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, diagnosed with cancer

Ryan Kroonblawd - 1st year seminarian - Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO

LeAnn Peterson, sister of Andrea Hinrichs, recovering from foot surgery and complications

Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn

Verna Ratzlaff recovering at home

Stuart Weierke at the Minneapolis VA Home

Shelly Zeitlin and her family need our prayers as she is going through lymphoma cancer treatments.

Shelly is a longtime friend of Rob and Jane Shull.

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell. Our prayers are needed as they navigate day-to-day living



Weekly Memory Verse

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. *John 1:14*



Please keep the family of Sharon Opseth in prayer as they grieve her passing into Jesus' arms on Sunday, Dec. 31. Sharon was the mother of Mark Opseth, Executive Director at Amnion Pregnancy Center. Jesus said: "I AM the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live. . . ." ~ *John 11: 25*.



Birthdays this week

Jan 8 Greg Zinnel

Jan 9 Steve Barnes, Xander Estrada

Jan 10 Donine Leatherby

Jan 11 Audrey Martin, Irlene Schuster

Anniversaries this week

Jan 8 Tim and Julie Morris



Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children’s bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. Please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord’s Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

Joining Jesus as a Family Seminar Saturday, January 20 | 9:00am-12noon

This seminar will help us learn *together* how to mentor children to become life-long followers of Jesus. Tell a neighbor or friend about this event. Register by January 12, please.



Bring the whole family!

Experienced staff from Camp Omega will lead our K-6 children's programming. Trained TLO School staff care for preschool aged children. And nursery care is provided by loving grandmas. Light breakfast for all attendees is included and offered from 8:00-9:00am.



\$5 per person (\$20 family max). Register TODAY using the QRC code, go to trinityloneoak.org, or contact the church office. Books in the TLO lobby (optional) are \$10 each.

“Joining Jesus as a family is simpler than you think and a lot more fun!”
—Greg and Susan Finke

