



## Sunday, January 9, 2022

### Baptism of Our Lord

#### Announcements

#### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

*A reading from Revelation:* Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of

the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. (*Revelation 22:1-2*)

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, holy and gracious God,  
for you created the waters of the earth: wide oceans, rushing streams, clear lakes, mighty rivers -for the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans, Sandusky Bay, Lake Erie, Pickerel Creek, Cold Creek, and the Blue Hole.

You led your people through the sea and called them to life in covenant with you.  
Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us.  
You pour out your Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Through this water remind us of the gift of baptism.

Renew us in your promise so that we may serve this world in all its need;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

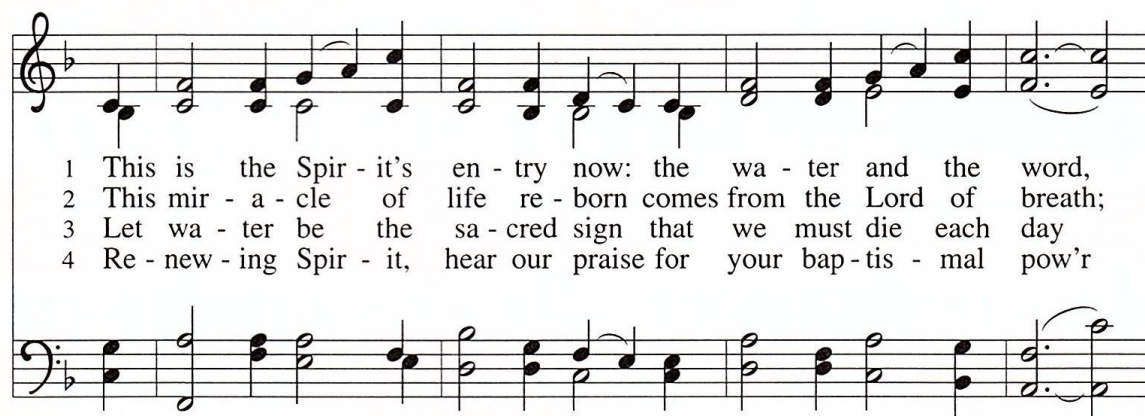
**Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who gives us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit  
and forgives us all our sins,  
strengthen us in all goodness  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
keep us in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

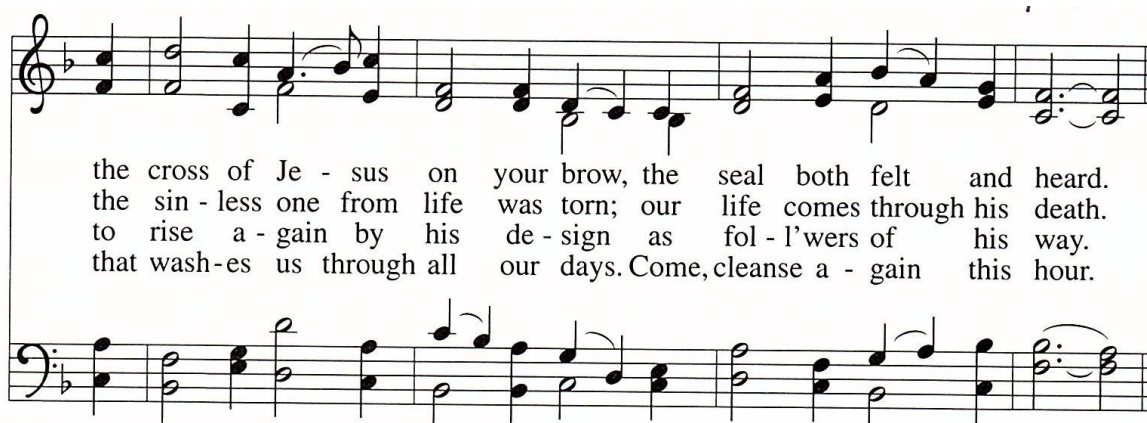
**Amen.**

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## This Is the Spirit's Entry Now



1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,  
 2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;  
 3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day  
 4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



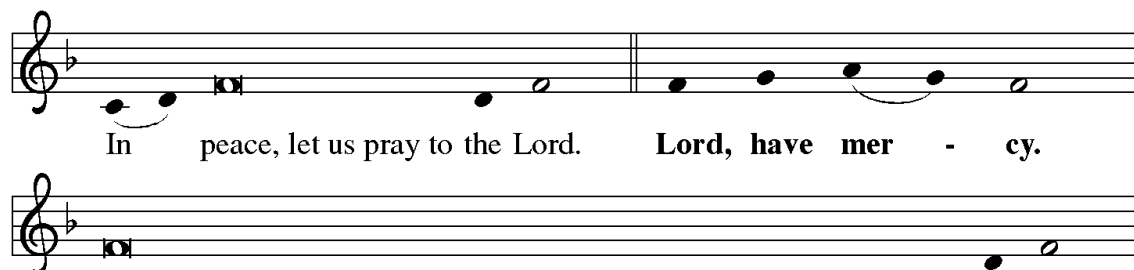
the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
 the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.  
 to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.  
 that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

## Greeting

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, the love of Christ that guards our hearts and minds, and the joy and consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Kyrie

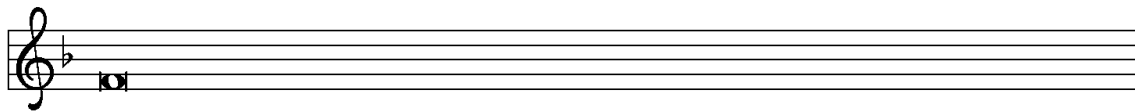


In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



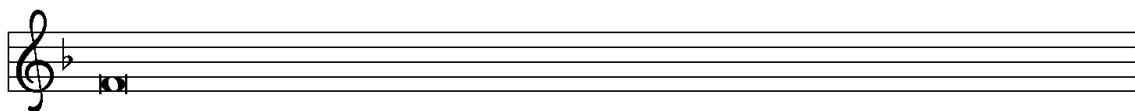
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



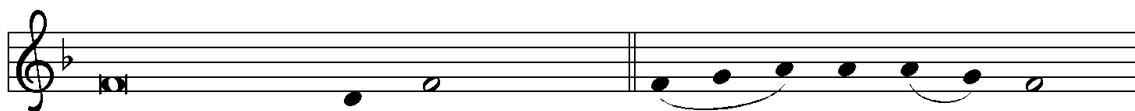
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

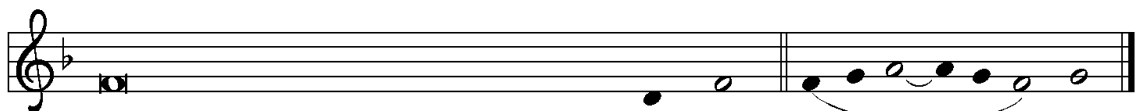


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## Canticle of Praise

Assisting minister

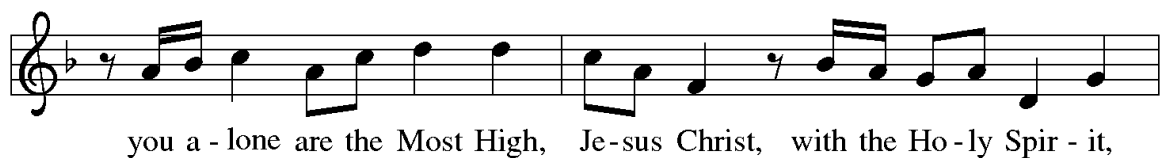
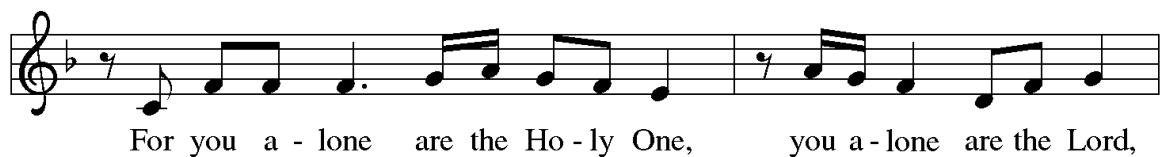
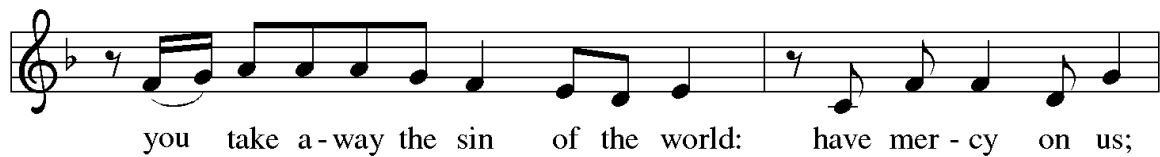
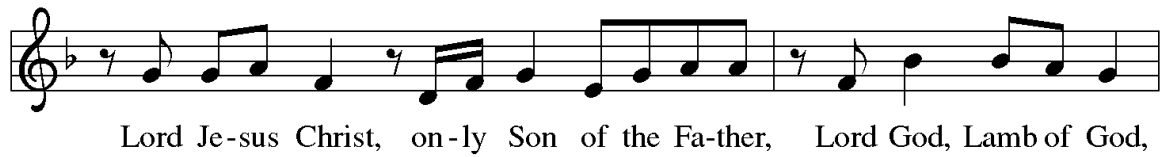
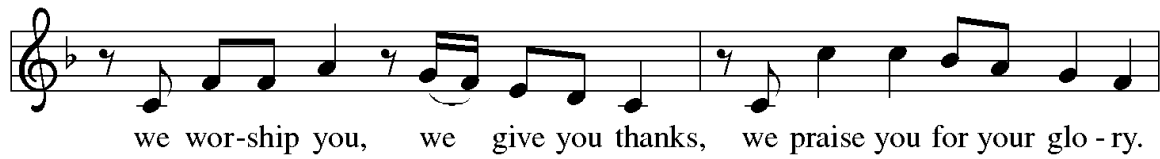


Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## First 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:  
Do not fear, 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,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
- <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.
- <sup>5</sup>Do not fear, 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 them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
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."

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 29

- <sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- <sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**
- <sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- <sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**
- <sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;

- the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;  
<sup>6</sup>**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**  
<sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD  
 bursts forth in lightning flashes.  
<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
 the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**  
<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
 And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"  
<sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
 the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**  
<sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength to your people;  
 give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

## Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

<sup>14</sup>Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

## 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.

## Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The holy gospel according to Luke  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

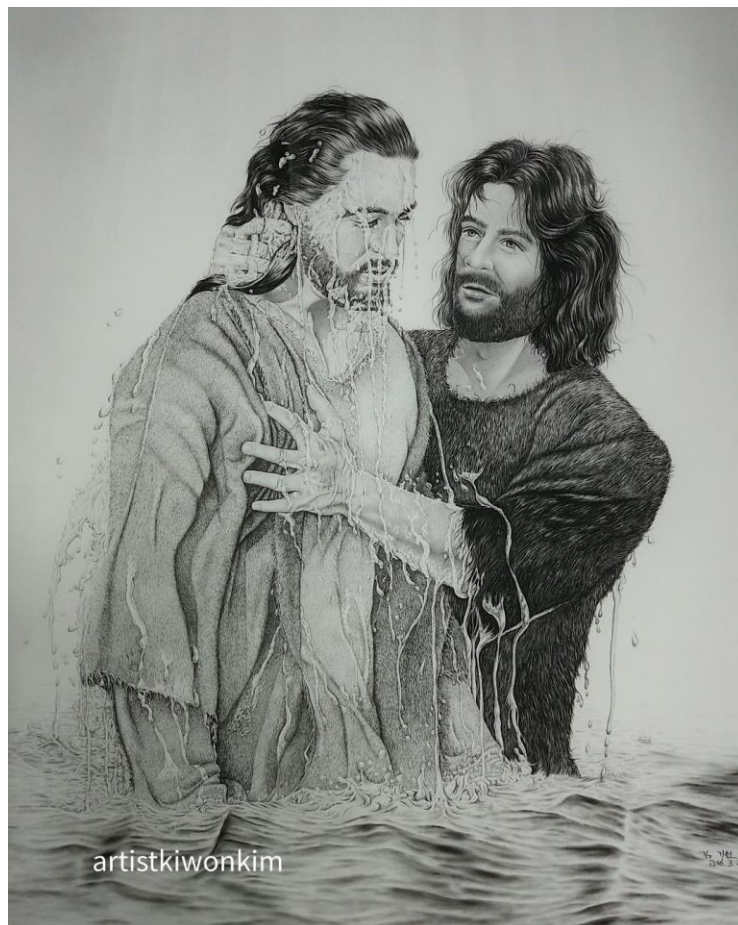
<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

## Children's Message

## Sermon

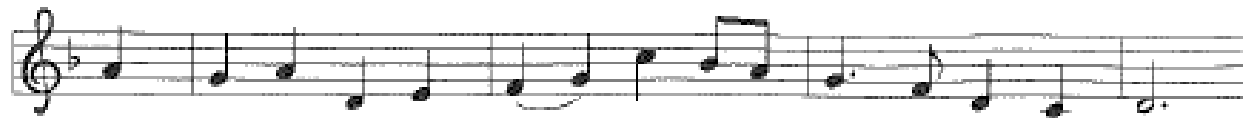
Hymn of the Day: When Jesus Came to Jordan

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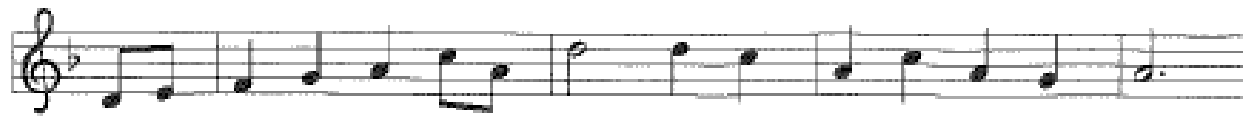


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## When Jesus Came to Jordan



1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John,  
 2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,  
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;



he did not come for par - don but as the Sin - less One,  
 for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.  
 this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - 'ry bond-age break.



He came to share re - pen - tance with all who mourn their sins,  
 So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,  
 Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:



to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.  
 the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.  
 to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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 Music: English folk tune  
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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 was 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 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

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

By the Holy Spirit, you gather your church and send it out in mission to share the good news of Jesus. Inspire your faithful people to be fervent in prayer and service, that all people know they are precious in God's sight. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You reveal your love and power through water and the Spirit. Guard rivers, seas, and all bodies of water from destruction and pollution. Secure access to clean water for all, and protect the land from drought and flood. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Establish among the nations the blessings of peace. Raise up leaders who will protect vulnerable people in their care. Strengthen advocates who risk reputation or retaliation for the sake of mercy and justice. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You protect us through the fires and troubled waters of this life. Assure us that we will not be cut off from you by illness or despair, anxiety or pain, confusion or weakness. Comfort all who are in need (*especially*). God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We are joined in baptism to Christ and to one another. Bless those who are newly baptized and those who are preparing for baptism. Help us to be faithful in fellowship, worship, evangelism, service, and justice-seeking. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You created each of your saints for your glory. We give thanks for those you have called by name into your eternal embrace (*especially*). Comfort us in grief and release us from fear. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:  
**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.  
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 forever.  
Amen.**

### **Blessing**

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,  
who rejoices over you,  
and who calls you by name,  
✠ bless your going out and your coming in,  
today and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized**


**No. 304**



# Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized 304



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you  
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant  
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed the  
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as  
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's  
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to  
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.  
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.  
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.  
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

## Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world.  
 Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:**

At 8:00...

Interim Pastor:	Pastor Cathy Schibler
Lector:	Millie McCready
Usher:	Cindy Norman

At 10:30...

Interim Pastor:	Pastor Cathy Schibler
Lector:	Candy Beatty
Usher:	Ken Schenk

January Altar Care:	Pat Wiedenheft
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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God by Linda Gantz in celebration of her grandson, Teddy's 12th birthday.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Family and friends of Phyllis Nuber who passed away on Tuesday;  
For all directly or indirectly effected by the COVID-19 virus;  
FAITH members, including; Bernie & MaryAnn Neidler;  
the people of Grace, Castalia, and their pastor,  
Kathleen Suggitt;

Teachers, administrators, and staff of the schools of the greater Sandusky area.

## **ATTENDANCE**

January 2: 41 + 20 = 61

**DONATIONS TO OUR "PENNY JUG"** support the global relief and habilitation efforts of ELCA World Hunger, a mission of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

**THIS MORNING'S LOOSE CASH OFFERING** (money not in an envelope or given without other designation) benefits our Current Expenses Fund. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.



## **LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE**

is looking for donations to help support the tornado victims of Kentucky and that region. If you would like to support this mission, please note on your check or envelope "Tornados" and we will send that support out to them.

## **END OF THE YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS**

are available in the office hallway. Please pick yours up along with your 2022 Giving Envelopes if you have not done so already. If you have any questions on

your statement, please give Carol a call in the church office.

**PATCHWORK PRAYER HEARTS** are available on the table in the office hallway. Please feel free to take one or several and pass them out to friends and family. Thank you to Nancy Vollmer for sharing her talents with us.

**LAY LEAD WORSHIP SERVICE** will be taking place on January 30. Barry Gill is looking for volunteers to help him with the services. Please contact Barry or the church office if you can help at either of the services.



## **This Week at Trinity**

TODAY	Worship Services	8:00 am & 10:30 am
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Jam Session	9:30 am
WEDNESDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	7:00 pm
SATURDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Communion Services	8:00 am & 10:30 am
	Sunday School	9:00 am





# FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Open to anyone in the community!

Grace Lutheran Church  
203 S. Washington St.  
Castalia, OH 44824

Wed., Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm (or until gone)

Drive-thru pickup (free) in the back of church

**PULLED PORK, SAUERKRAUT,  
MASHED POTATOES, APPLE SAUCE,  
& DESSERT**

You crown the year with Your goodness,  
And Your paths drip with abundance.

Psalms 65:11

Delivery is available for shut-ins, call 419-357-3672 to schedule a delivery.