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December 4, 2022, 5 p.m. at St. Paul's

*By the Preaching of Repentance,
We Are Prepared for the Coming of the Lord*

"John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 'Repent'" (Matt. 3:1–2). His preaching of repentance for the forgiveness of sins prepared people for the coming of Christ into the world. St. John's work was historically complete with the incarnate advent of Jesus, but his vital ministry continues in preaching Law and Gospel. The Son of God has come in the flesh, *"a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots"* (Is. 11:1), and continues to bear the fruits of righteousness. His good tree of the cross is *"a signal for the peoples"* (Is. 11:10), by which He calls the nations to repentance. *"With the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips"* (Is. 11:4), He slays the wicked and brings the dead to life, making sons of Abraham out of lifeless stones. So also the *"root of Jesse"* comes to us, *"even he who arises to rule the Gentiles"* (Rom. 15:12), that *"we might have hope"* and be filled *"with all joy and peace in believing"* (Rom. 15:4, 13).

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, *LSB* 184

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 344 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 346 "When All the World Was Cursed"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 341 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

LSB 634 "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 936 "Sing Praise to the God of Israel"

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

John Was a Preacher of Grace

Matthew 3:1–11

IN OUR PRAYERS **

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF OUR MEMBERS: SP: Justin Everson, Jean Gerlach, Elmer Sorensen, Jerry Boyd, David Merrill, Chris Heismeyer, Jean and Hazel Kern, Merlyn Haak, Kendra Will, and Cathy Albrecht.
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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Mindi Kieffer Rana 12/4; Ann Borgmann 12/10

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Jenna Haak 12/5; Andrea Morenz 12/10

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

December 4, Advent II: Our sinfulness once left us lifeless as stones, but God has taken us for His own beloved children (Matthew 3:9) by becoming a little one among us Himself (Isaiah 11:6). Now we get to welcome others as Christ has welcomed us. We proclaim the sanctity of every human life to defend the cause of the poor, and we put it into practice to give deliverance to the children of the needy (Psalm 72:4).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to the members of Trinity who built the 2nd Place entry in the White Lake Parade of Lights this past Saturday, December 3, 2022. "O Holy Night" was our float's theme.

Pastor Jenson will be at Offutt December 15–17, 2022. Pastor Loeslie (605-630-1896) will be on call for him during those days. Pastor Jenson will be back for everything on Sunday, December 18.

No Advent Services at Trinity nor St. Paul's this year. You are invited to attend Redeemer Armour's Advent Service this Wednesday at 7 p.m. or watch via their YouTube channel, Redeemer Lutheran – Armour.

The print December Newsletter is available this evening. **Correction:** Trinity Hope Circle's December meeting will be on Tuesday, December 6, *not* Monday, December 5. The special color edition on our websites (under News) is correct; the print edition is incorrect.

2022-12-04 Second Sunday in Advent

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

CALENDAR

Sun. Dec. 4	3:45 p.m. Confirmation Class at St. Paul's Children's Christ. Eve practice at St. Paul's 5 p.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's 6 p.m. Bible Class at St. Paul's
Tues. Dec. 6	2 p.m. LWML Hope Circle at Trinity
Wed. Dec. 7	2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time Class 6 p.m. LWML Ruth Circle at Trinity
Sun. Dec. 11	3:45 p.m. Confirmation Class at Trinity Children's Christmas Eve practice at Trinity 5 p.m. Divine Service at Trinity 6 p.m. Bible Class at Trinity

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH DECEMBER 2022

St. Paul's - December

Elder: Mike Tuschen

Ushers: Kurt Fink

Stan Johnson

Lennis Titze

Acolyte:

Altar: Deb Haak

Trinity - November

Elder: David Bogenhagen

Ushers: Ben Bogenhagen

Scott Meier

Acolytes: Jacob Doering

Taelyn Clark



Altar: Barb Gilbertz

LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS

	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance November 27 at TR	15	22
Offering November 27 at TR		\$2412

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Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or elder.

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December 11, 2022, 5 p.m. at Trinity

The Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ Brings True Rejoicing, Even Under the Cross

Sometimes life requires the astonishing patience of Job. Like him, we are to rejoice in the midst of affliction, be grounded in repentance under the cross of Christ, and hope relentlessly in His resurrection, that we might see *“the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful”* (James 5:11). In the promise of the Gospel, therefore, *“be patient”* and *“establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand”* (James 5:7, 8). Like St. John the Baptist, whatever your own kind of prison or suffering may be, call upon Jesus and receive the strength of His Word from those He sends to you. For as *“the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up,”* so is the Good News of Jesus preached to you also (Matt. 11:5). He comes and restores the fortunes of Zion, His Holy Church, so that *“sorrow and sighing shall flee away”* (Is. 35:10).

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, LSB 184

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 308 “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 346 “When All the World Was Cursed”

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 334 “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”

LSB 514 “The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us”

Closing Hymn:

LSB 849 “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

Jesus Is the Christ
 Matthew 11:2–15

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TRINITY BIRTHDAY: Marilyn Markhardt 12/10

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Collin & Anastasia Borgmann 12/12

ST. PAUL’S BIRTHDAYS: Larry Hoffman 12/12; Addisyn Everson 12/13; Billie Madsen 12/13; Tessa Overweg 12/17; Robert Fink 12/17

ST. PAUL’S ANNIVERSARY: Mike & Jean Johnson 12/14

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE

December 11, “As sure as Christmas will come again on December 25, our Lord will come again. As we look forward to the Last Day, let’s dress for the occasion, putting on godliness and repentance. Let’s celebrate everything He did the first time He came to assure us of our home of righteousness. Let’s be spiritually awake and alert for His coming again, knowing that we will enjoy God’s perfect paradise, our eternal home.” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

White Lake Dakota Senior Meals Christmas dinner fundraiser will be Thursday, December 15, 2022, at the White Lake Senior Center from 11:30 a.m. to 12 Noon. All White Lake Area Seniors are invited to attend this meal. There will be a free-will donation. Thrivent Financial will be serving desserts and providing door prizes. **Please RSVP to Bev by Tuesday morning, December 13 at 249-2367** if you plan to attend.

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Christmas Services

Children’s Christmas Eve Service, Saturday, 3:30 p.m. at Trinity.
 Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th, 11:30 a.m. at St. Paul’s.

2022-12-11 Third Sunday in Advent

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Dec. 11 3:45 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve practice at Trinity
 5 p.m. Divine Service at Trinity
 6 p.m. Bible Class at Trinity
Wed. Dec. 14 2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time Class
Sun. Dec. 18 3:45 p.m. Children's Christ. Eve practice at St. Paul's
 5 p.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's
 6 p.m. Bible Class at St. Paul's

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH DECEMBER 2022

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Lennis Titze

Acolyte:

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Elder: David Bogenhagen

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LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS

	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance December 4 at SP	32	17
Offering December 4 at SP	\$1501.25	

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December 18, 2022, 5 p.m. at St. Paul's

God's Word Is Fulfilled for Us in the Flesh and Blood of Christ Jesus, the Son of Mary

The Fourth Sunday in Advent turns our attention toward the Nativity of Our Lord. With the blessed Virgin Mary, we await the coming of the Christ, her Son, conceived in her womb by the Word and Spirit of God. This fulfillment of the sign once given to the house of David, that *"the virgin shall conceive and bear a son"* (Is. 7:14), is now given to us in the Gospel. It declares that salvation is by His grace alone, entirely His work and a free gift. It also is the way and means by which the Lord our God is Immanuel, "God with us." The almighty and eternal Son of God is conceived and born of Mary, and is thus *"descended from David according to the flesh"* (Rom. 1:3-4). He comes in this way to save us with His own flesh and blood; wherefore, He is called *"Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins"* (Matt. 1:21). As Joseph received this sign in faith and immediately *"did as the angel of the Lord commanded him"* (Matt. 1:24), we also live by faith in this Holy Gospel.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, *LSB* 184

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 350 "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 338 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1-2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 357 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

LSB 900 "Jesus, Name of Wondrous Love"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 354 "Arise O Christian People"

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

Jesus Saves from Sin

Matthew 1: 18-25

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TRINITY BIRTHDAY: Lindsay Zobrist 12/22

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Carol Schaeffer 12/18; Brent Morenz 12/21; Sandy Tuschen 12/22; Elmer Sorensen 12/23; Ruth Merrill 12/23

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

December 18, Advent IV: Surprise pregnancy once redeemed the whole world. Joseph would have aborted the undertaking, but the Lord explicitly forbid it (Matthew 1:19-21). Even human limitations could not prevent the Heavenly Father from keeping His promises (Romans 1:2-3). So, every surprise pregnancy we encounter—along with our lives and everyone else's (Psalm 24:1)—belongs to Almighty God, and we may rejoice to say so.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR TAKING SOME VACATION DAYS. Pastor Jenson is planning on taking some time off, December 27-30, 2022. Pastor Lemcke (605-572-8263) will be on call those days.

Christmas Services

Children's Christmas Eve Service, Saturday, 3:30 p.m. at Trinity.

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th, 11:30 a.m. at St. Paul's.

Sanctity of Life Sunday is January 22, 2023. In observance of this day, **Trinity Lutherans For Life** will be placing an insert in the bulletin and taking a free-will collection after the Divine Service on that day. The collection will be used for ongoing Trinity LFL projects. They will also hold their Annual Meeting following the Divine Service. Everyone is welcome!

2022-12-18 Fourth Sunday in Advent

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Dec. 18 3:45 p.m. Children's Christ. Eve practice at St. Paul's
 5 p.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's
 6 p.m. Bible Class at St. Paul's
Sat. Dec. 24 2:30 p.m. Children's Christmas practice at Trinity
 3:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Service at Trinity
Sun. Dec. 18 11:30 a.m. Christmas Day Service at St. Paul's

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Offering December 11 at TR		\$1943

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December 25, 2022, 11:30 a.m. at St. Paul's

God's Word Is Fulfilled for Us in the Flesh and Blood of Christ The Living and Life-Giving Word of God Dwells Among Us in the Flesh

The Lord sends out His ministers of the Gospel to make disciples *"of all the nations,"* so that *"all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God."* The Lord has *"bared his holy arm"* in the incarnate Christ (Is. 52:7, 10). The child in the manger, born of the Virgin Mary, is the very Word of God, the only begotten Son of the Father, *"whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world"* (Heb. 1:2). As *"all things were made through him"* (John 1:3), so are all things redeemed and made new in Him. In His body of flesh and blood, we behold *"the radiance of the glory of God"* (Heb. 1:3), *"glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth"* (John 1:14). He dwells among us in peace, that we might have life and light and salvation in Him. For by His Word of the Gospel, we are born again as the children of God, bearing His name and sharing His eternal life.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, *LSB* 184

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 379 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 383 "A Great and Mighty Wonder"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 368 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

LSB 380 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

LSB 358 "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 352 "Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord"

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

God Became Man for Our Salvation

John 1:1–14

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Richard & Diana Kieffer 12/30

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

December 25, The Nativity of Our Lord: The Lord bared His holy arm (Isaiah 52:10) not just by appearing in the form of a full-grown man. The Word became flesh (John 1:14) first as an embryo and a fetus. The clearest revelation of God's glory (Hebrews 1:2-3) also designates every human life precious, no matter what age, appearance, or ability. We can no more keep quiet about the sanctity of life than we can leave out Christmas or Jesus from the Gospel!

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The January newsletter will be available on/after January 1, 2023. Articles due to Nancy Tuesday, December 27, 2022.



2022-12-25 Fourth Sunday in Advent

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Sun. Dec. 25	11:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Service at St. Paul's
Sun. Jan. 1	5 p.m.	Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's
Tues. Jan. 3	2 p.m.	LWML Trinity Hope Circle
Wed. Jan. 4	2:15 p.m.	TR Release-Time
	6 p.m.	LWML Trinity Ruth Circle
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Ushers: Kurt Fink	Kieth Albrecht	Ushers: Ben Bogenhagen
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