



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter

First Sunday of Christmas
December 29, 2024

Welcome Visitors!

We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! Please fill out the connection information via the QR code below, and let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

We hope you'll join us again next week at 10:30 for worship. Our Sunday School classes start at 9:30 am if you would like to join in on those.







If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to scan the code.

Restrooms: Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.


Families with Children: If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshipping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

If you have more questions about any of the above items or if you have questions about anything else, please feel free to ask an usher.

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 Please stand as you are able where denoted during the worship service.

First Sunday of Christmas: A Service of Lessons & Carols December 29, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Karen McKnight

† Hymn

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

LBW Hymn 45

Psalm 98

L: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

C: The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sign of the nations,

L: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

C: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

L: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

C: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

L: Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

C: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy

L: at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Children's Chat

Lesson

Isaiah 60: 1-5

¹ Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

- ³ Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
- ⁴ “Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip.
- ⁵ Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Lesson Luke 2: 1-7

- ¹ In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.
- ² (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.)
- ³ And everyone went to their own town to register.
- ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.
- ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.
- ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,
- ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† Hymn “What Child is This” LBW Hymn 40

Lesson Luke 2: 8-20

- ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.
- ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.
- ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.
- ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.
- ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

- ¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,
- ¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”
- ¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”
- ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.
- ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child,
- ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.
- ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.
- ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† Hymn “Angels From the Realms of Glory” LBW Hymn 50

Lesson Matthew 2: 1-12

- ¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi[a] from the east came to Jerusalem
- ² and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”
- ³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.
- ⁴ When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.
- ⁵ “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:
- ⁶ “‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.’[b]”
- ⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared.
- ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”
- ⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.
- ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.

- ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.
- ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† **Hymn** “The First Noel” LBW Hymn 56

Lesson John 1: 1-14

- ¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- ² He was with God in the beginning.
- ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.
- ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.
- ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome[a] it.
- ⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John.
- ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe.
- ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.
- ⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.
- ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.
- ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—
- ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.
- ¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “A look back at 2024”

† **Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

† **Sharing of the Peace**
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.
P: Let us share the peace of Christ.

† **Offering Anthem** “The First Noel/Pachelbel’s Canon” Choir

† **Presentation of the Offering**

† **Offertory Response** “Let’s Worship and Adore Him”
Let’s worship and adore Him
Let’s worship and adore Him
Let’s worship and adore Him
Christ the Lord.

† **Prayers of the People**

† **The Lord’s Prayer** LBW Page 71

† **Benediction**

† **Sending Hymn** “Go Tell It on the Mountain” LBW Hymn 70

† **Dismissal**
P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

† **Postlude** Karen McKnight

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God.

Prayer Concerns: Elizabeth Nahouse, Emma Sloop, Doris Pless, Duane Ellis, Ron Beaver, Juanita Alexander, Frances Staton, Jan Dixon, MD McKnight's Family.

If you would like to offer **Special Music** during worship services, please let Karen McKnight know. We welcome anyone that would like to share their talents.

Outreach:

Due to the extensive support that is needed to help with WNC, the deadline for healthcare kits has been extended to Jan. 30th. Please view our Amazon Gift registry to view what items are still needed and to help fill in the gaps!

Trinity Lutheran Church, Landis OUTREACH



Messages to the Congregation:

Dear Church Friends,

Thank you for all the calls, cards, concerns, visits, and love and prayers given to M.D. and our family the last 2 months. We appreciate everything you did for us. Thank you for the Christmas cards and calls also. We wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,

Mary Ann, Scarlett, and Laura

Thank all of you for your patience and knowledge graciously given to me since I was blessed with the Secretary role at Trinity in July. Everyday I aim to give you the most that my time can offer and it has been more rewarding than I could have imagined. Thank you for the Christmas cards, treat bags for me and my family, and the extremely generous Christmas gift. I am thankful that God led me to this role and I will continue to work hard for this wonderful congregation.

Love,

Alicia

Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week

Sunday	Sunday School - 9:30 am Worship Service - 10:30 am (<i>*No Children's Church</i>)
Monday	Girl Scouts - 6-7:00pm NO ZUMBA
Tuesday	New Year's Eve
Wednesday	Office Closed - New Year's Day
Thursday	Office Closed
Friday	Office Closed
Saturday	

Worship Service Notes

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Giving Report for December 22, 2024

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	142	\$5,294	\$4,337.44
Sunday School	60	\$23	
Building Fund		\$50	
Other Funds		\$2,050	

Those Serving Today

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Karen McKnight	Music
Kathy Patrick	Lector
Quinn Parker & Maggie Deal	Acolytes
Kathy Patrick	K-5 Sunday School
Elizabeth Rodgers	HS Sunday School
TBD & John McKnight	Nursery

Those Serving Next Week

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Michael Hiskey	Music
TBD	Lector
TBD	Acolytes
TBD	Children's Church
TBD	K-5 Sunday School
TBD	HS Sunday School
TBD	Nursery

Assignments for 2025 In Process

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