



# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church



*Come Together   Grow in Faith   Serve the Lord*

**February 27, 2022 9:30 AM – Transfiguration of Our Lord**

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# WELCOME

## to Holy Trinity

### Reconciling in Christ

*At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—*



*regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.*

*You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.*

*You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.*

*Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.*

*You are wanted here.*

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### A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today!

Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God.

Your presence at worship is a gift!

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**We love having children worship with us!** At this moment, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

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**Prayer Requests:** Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

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**Emergency Pastoral Contact:** If you need a Pastoral Visit, or you're experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact Mark in the Church office and he will provide you with the Contact Pastor information during daytime and after work (emergencies) hours. Email [office@htelc.com](mailto:office@htelc.com) or call (603)436-1704.

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**Donate to Holy Trinity:** You can place your offering in the offering plate by the entrance of the sanctuary. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you. To give online, visit [www.elixiogiving.com/App/Giving/htelc](http://www.elixiogiving.com/App/Giving/htelc) OR scan this QR code with the camera app on your phone.



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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Health Issues:** Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, George Parseghian, Sarah Meier, Judy Hollister, Byrl Short, Judy Hollister.

**Homebound:** Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin.

**Military:** Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

### Friends

Sharon Connors (Bonnie & Larry Sanders' daughter), Stephanie & Chuck Pelesky (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Casey Lavoie (Stephanie Goupil's friend), Estelle Lewis (Paulette Sirois' sister), Tony Marques (Paulette Sirois' friend), Sue Fischer (Lois Kfoury's cousin), Sherry & Lauren (Shirley Jackson's sister and daughter), Bill Casale (Jessica Feeley's friend), Stephanie Vocell (Jeremy & Krystal Small's friend), Martha LaPerle (Betty King's friend), Cinda DeWerff (Rich Wilcox's sister), Evertt Thorne (Rich Wilcox's friend).

*Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at [office@htelc.com](mailto:office@htelc.com).*

## NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

## LECTIONARY (Readings)

**This Week:** Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2; Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

**Next Week:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

## LAST WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Attendance for Sunday, February 20:  
100 (*In-Person*) + 22 (*Online*) = 122

Offering: \$5,123.40

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, March 2

9:30 AM: Bible Study

12:00 PM: Ash Wednesday Worship - Noon

7:00 PM: Ash Wednesday Worship - 7PM

THURSDAY, March 3

8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, March 6

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Jonathan Bock  
*Pianist*

Jon Koelker  
*Guitar*

Dick Topping  
*Bass Guitar*

Bonnie Sanders  
*Lector*

Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue  
*Sound System & Live Stream*

Barry & Phyllis Philbrick  
*Counters*

## Announcements

**Ash Wednesday worship services** will be held on March 2. Services will be held in-person at 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The 12:00 PM service will be livestreamed and posted on [htelc.com](http://htelc.com).

**Reconciling in Christ celebration has been officially rescheduled for Sunday, April 3 at 9:30 AM.** The Sunday morning service will feature special liturgy and the dedication of an RIC pastoral stole. Stay following the service for a free concert by the New Hampshire Gay Men's Chorus. A special offering will be split between Seacoast Outright (supporting LGBTQ+ youth) and Ascentria Care Alliance's Afghan Evacuee Resettlement Program (helping to support the Afghan family we will be welcoming to our community).

**Graduation Sunday** will be celebrated in June. If you know someone from Holy Trinity who will graduate from High School, College, Grad School, or another school this year and would like to be recognized, please speak with the Church Office or Helen Goransson. Any graduating Seniors who wish to apply for our annual Faith and Service Award, please contact Helen Goransson at [heleng@Bondgarden.net](mailto:heleng@Bondgarden.net).

**The new highway sign** has been released for manufacturing in Alabama and is scheduled to be completed and shipped to our installer in New Hampshire by April 7. I am hopeful we will have the new sign in place by Easter. We engaged another sign company (Portsmouth Sign Company) to upgrade the lighting for the informational sign near the chapel. This work has been completed. I have not yet seen the results, but I have heard from a couple of folks who tell me the sign is now well lighted. Hopefully, this upgrade will help inform passers-by and people entering our property, especially in these dark days of winter. – *Dave Mercer*

**Weekend at Calumet March 4-6, 2022:** Due to the ongoing uncertainty with the pandemic, we are going to push off the Women's Retreat for another year. However, Calumet is open and the Conference Center rooms are still available. A group of Holy Trinity members and attenders are planning on going to Calumet on March 4-6, 2022. If you're thinking of joining us for that weekend, please sign up in the Gathering Area on the rolling kiosk near the Library. Further details are next to the signup sheet.

**Pop-Up Pantry is collecting Vegetable Oil** for our "Item of the Month" for February. Please drop off any donations with the Church Office, or in the outside bins near our entrances after office hours. Thank you to everyone who has donated thus far.

**Transition Team:** Three questions have been written on the white board outside of the kitchen, collected by the Transition Team. We ask all folks attending services at Holy Trinity to answer these three questions so that we can process the data and present it to the congregation. If you have not attended services in person, the three questions are as follows:

- What brought you here to Holy Trinity? What makes Holy Trinity right for you? What will keep you coming back?

# **Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

*Transfiguration of Our Lord – Sunday, February 27, 2022 — 9:30 a.m.*

## **Welcome to Worship**

### **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

**—Please stand as able—**

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

**C: Amen**

**P:** 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.

**—Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks—**

**P:** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

# Gathering Song

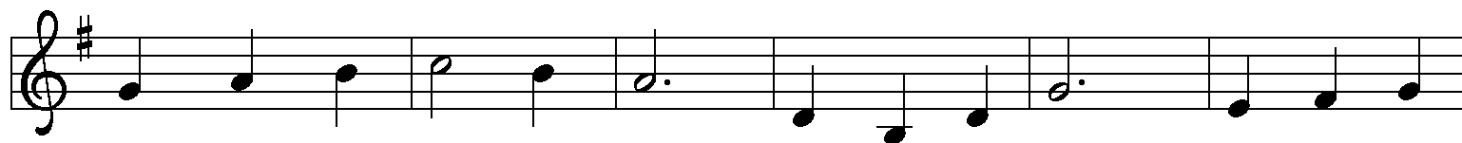
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— Please stand as able—

## Drawn to the Light



1 Peo - ple who walk in dark - ness have sought a light in the  
2 How can we tell a heav - en from hell if ev - 'ry - one  
3 Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none! The Lamb is the



heart of the dark - est night. Just when we thought all would be  
dwells in the dark of night? Morn - ing dis - pels, gent - ly com -  
one who is shin - ing bright, bids us to come! Life has be -



lost, we were drawn to the light of God.  
pels, and we're drawn to the light of God.  
gun when we're drawn to the light of God.

*Refrain*



Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the



light and the morn - ing. Glo - rious and bright, oh, what a



sight to be drawn to the light of God.

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937

Music: LA CROSSE, John C. Ylvisaker

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## Greeting

**P:** May the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

## Canticle of Praise

**ELW 314, Verses 1 & 2**

### Arise, Your Light Has Come!

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

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## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: **Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## Children's Message

**—Please be seated—**

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

## WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

## First Reading

L: A reading from Exodus 34:29-35

<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out;



and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Reading**

L: A reading from Psalm 99

L: <sup>1</sup>The Lord is king; let the people tremble.  
The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

**C: <sup>2</sup>The Lord, great in Zion,  
is high above all peoples.**

L: <sup>3</sup>Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;  
God is the Holy One.

**C: <sup>4</sup>O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

L: <sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down before God's footstool;  
God is the Holy One.

**C: <sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those  
who call upon your name, O Lord,  
they called upon you, and you answered them,**

L: <sup>7</sup>you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;  
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

**C: <sup>8</sup>O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for  
their evil deeds.**

L:     <sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill;  
          for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

L:     Word of God, word of life.

C:     **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation   ELW 314, Verse 4   — Please stand as able—**

**Arise, Your Light Has Come!**

4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun-tains burst in song!

Rise up like ea-gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

The image shows a musical score for a four-part setting of the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a soprano line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system also ends with a double bar line.

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## Gospel

— Please stand as able—

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 9:28-36 [37-43a]

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. [

<sup>37</sup>On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>Just then a man from the crowd shouted, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup>Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.” <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.” <sup>42</sup>While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the

unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43a</sup>And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

**—Please be seated—**

## **Apostles Creed**

P: Let us confess our faith using the Apostles Creed.

C: **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 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 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.**

## Prayers of the People

P: 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.

—A brief silence—

P: Transform us by your greatness, O God. Send us down the mountain to share joy with all people. Make us agents of change, confident that your hope will vanquish despair and your goodness will conquer evil. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: The mountains and valleys sing your praise. Dazzle us with your presence in every landscape: bluffs built by ancient glaciers, canyons carved by flowing rivers, flat horizons with uninterrupted views, and sands shaped by ocean tides. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Today we shout alleluia from the mountaintop; this week we enter the wilderness of Lent. Bless all who prepare and lead us in worship during this change of season: pastors, deacons, musicians, and all who contribute to our worship life. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We lift all those whose work puts them in harm's way for the sake of others, especially first responders and those serving in the military who are stationed around the world. Allow all people to return home safely and keep them close to you. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Heal those who are in distress. Give patience to those waiting for answers. Grant hope to those who have reached the limits of treatment.

Give compassionate hearts to those who accompany loved ones through illness and uncertainty. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —**A brief silence**— God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** 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.

**C: Amen.**

## Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Our offering plate is located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. After the service, please make your offering there.

## Offertory Hymn

## Church Choir

## Offertory Prayer

P: Together, let us pray.

**C: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.**

**Amen.**

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

While we gather during the Pandemic, we will receive communion with a pre-filled communion cup and wafer. Communion cups can be found on the table in our Gathering Area. Please lift up your pre-filled communion during the Words of Institution as the Pastor makes the blessing.

## Dialogue

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 our thanks and praise.**

## Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

**P:** Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold to pray:

**C:** **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.**

## Invitation to Communion

We will now take Communion. As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood.

**P:** Body of Christ, given for you.

Blood of Christ, shed for you.

## Sending of Communion

**P:** Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation:  
Bless those who go forth to carry your Word and sacrament to our sisters  
and brothers who are homebound. In your love and compassion, nourish  
and strengthen them with hope through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**



# **SENDING**

## **Communion Blessing**

**P:** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C:** Amen.

## **Ministry Minute from the Transition Team**

## **Announcements, Birthdays and Anniversaries**

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

## **Benediction**

Pastor Zeigler will now lead a blessing for the end of our worship service, leading into our Sending Hymn.

# “Shine Jesus Shine”

*Refrain*



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang-ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

*Refrain*

Shine on on me, shine on on me:  
Shine on on me, shine on on me:

Text: Graham Kendrick

Music: SHINE, JESUS, SHINE, Graham Kendrick

## **Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**