Today's Ministers

Presider: Vicar Aaron
Preaching: Vicar Aaron

Assisting Minister: Pat Benoit

Crucifer: Steve VanAtter Acolyte: Carl Radke

Reader: Jeff Henderson

Children's Message: Vicar Aaron

Music: Karissa Armbrust

Audio/Streaming: David Sheriff

& Andrew Hanson

Greeters: Ardelle O'Bryan & Julie Haugen

Ushers: Jeff & Nancy Henderson

Altar Guild: Kim Mills

Counters: Darrel Miller & Lloyd Kellar

Fellowship: TBD

Bread: Tami Robinson

Wine: Henderson

Eternal Candle: Henderson

Flowers:

Next Week's Ministers - December 14

Presider: Vicar Aaron

Preaching: Vicar Aaron
Assisting Minister: Pat Benoit

Crucifer: Karson Hanson
Acolyte: Aldwin Kellar

Reader: Tami Robinson

Children's Message: Karissa Armbrust

Music: Karissa Armbrust

Audio/Streaming: Karson Hanson

& Andrew Hanson

Greeters: Tami Robinson & Joyce Becht

Ushers: Steve & Renee VanAtter

Altar Guild: The Benoits

Counters: Edith Hannett & Bryce Quarve Fellowship: Lee & Marilynn Jackson

Bread: Tami Robinson Wine: Henderson

Eternal Candle: Henderson

Flowers:



Second Sunday of Advent Year C December 07, 2025

Welcome!



Mission Statement Trinity Lutheran is a place to gather, refresh the faithful, and reach out with word and service to all others through the Holy Gospel.

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Land Acknowledgement

Trinity Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homeland of the Shoshone-Bannock, Nüümü (Northern Paiute), Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla tribes. Our location here was made possible by the displacement and dispossession of these tribes. We acknowledge and honor these tribes, who have and continue to care for this land, which is their home since time immemorial.

Follow us on





Services are live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages, and the bulletin is available on the website to follow along.

Who We Are

Trinity Lutheran Church is a congregation in the **Treasure Valley Cluster** in the Northwest Intermountain Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) which is one of 150 member churches in 96 countries that are part of the Lutheran World Federation.

CALENDAR

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THIS WEEK Today	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:15 am	Sunday School Worship Worship Settings meeting Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Tuesday	12:00 pm 2 – 4 pm	Al-Anon (Sunday School room) Study Group (Koinonia Room)
Wednesday	6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Advent Soup Supper (Fellowship Hall) Wednesday Advent Service
Thursday	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Learning Peace meeting Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)
NEXT WEEK	0.00 am	Cumdou Cobool
December 14	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	Sunday School Worship Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Al-Anon (Sunday School room) 2-4 pmStudy Group (Koinonia Room) 7:00 pm Church Council meeting

12:00 pm

Tuesday

Wednesday 6:15 pm Advent Soup Supper (Fellowship Hall)

Blue Christmas Service 7:00 pm

Thursday Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 pm

IN OUR PRAYERS

For healing: Colton (Fran & Elwood's grandson – brain tumor)

Monica Perez (friend of Edith Hannett – in need of a kidney)
Angel Bray (Cancer is dormant – Margretta's granddaughter)

Alex Witherspoon (healing from traumatic brain injury – Amanda Hanson)

Eileen Warner (Received pacemaker. Kristina Radke's Mom) Linda Larson (in treatment for lymphoma – Mary Braudrick)

Tina Zielinski (Ankle/Leg healing daughter of Randy & Martha Miller)

Cody (Youth with heart condition – Emily Bentley) Addie (Teenage Crohn's disease – Cathy Winwood)

Rita (Renee's sister -- Renee VanAtter) Linda Dombeck (health issues – Mary Braudrick)

Gail Leininger (recovering from shoulder surgery – Mary Helen)
Trent Glover (thank you for all prayers of concern and healing)

Glynis Calhoun (upcoming surgery – Mary Braudrick)
Shawn Houston (upcoming surgery – Linda Dombeck)

Heather Baldini (having hysterectomy surgery – Kristina Radke)

Heidi Baldwin (health issues – Carr family)

Joyce Becht (recovering from flu)

For Andrew (from Elizabeth Schnabel)

For Berger Family (mourning loss of daughter from Mary Helen & Gail)
For Allissa Smiley (mourning loss of husband Joe – Mary Helen)

For Family of Amy Bal (died from pneumonia -- from Radke Family)

For Mitchell family (mourning loss father Malcom – Mary Helen)

For Daughter in Iowa (searching for Nurse Practitioner job – Mary B)

For Shannon Miller (mourning loss of Pat Malloy, past member of Trinity)
For EJ & Laura Clubb (mourning loss of Elvin Clubb – Lloyd & Judy Kellar)

For Jane Leininger (mourning loss of mother – Gail Leininger)

For Jerry Radke (has been moved to nursing home – Radke family)

People in the Armed Services:

Brett Collins (grandson of Helen Collins – Marines)
John C. Collins II (grandson of Helen Collins – Navy SEAL)

Bill MacDonald (Navy)

Amanda Love (Cathy Winwood's Niece – Army)

Prayer concerns will be removed after two months on the list unless you let the office know otherwise.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Guide to the Bulletin

C: Congregation P: Presider A: Assisting Minister R: Reader

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise as you are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Gather the children around the font. Invite the children to repeat each sentence.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: We praise you, O God, for water.

C: We praise you, O God, for water.

P: We need water to drink.

C: We need water to drink.

P: We need water to wash.

C: We need water to wash.

P: We need water to grow.

C: We need water to grow.

P: We praise you, O God, for water.

C: We praise you, O God, for water.

P: We praise you, O God, for baptism.

C: We praise you, O God, for baptism.

P: We praise you, O God, for your Spirit.

C: We praise you, O God, for your Spirit.

Invite the children to stretch their hands out over the font. Pour water over their hands into the font.

P: We praise you, O God, for water.

C: We praise you, O God, for water.

P: Amen, with water.

C: Amen, with water.

Invite the children to mark their own or one another's foreheads with water and the sign of the cross.

GATHERING HYMN Hark, the Glad Sound! ELW #239

- 1 Hark, the glad sound! The Sav ior comes, the Sav ior 2 He comes the pris 'ners to re lease, in Sa tan's 3 He comes the brown ken beart to bind the bleed ing
- comes the ken bind, the bleed - ing bro heart to glad Prince of wel - come ho - san nas, peace, your



let ised long; heart prom pre -The held. be bond age gates brass with soul and cure, trea sures shall claim. and heav'n's nal ter



throne and 'ry voice pare song. the fore burst, ters yield. ron the of rich grace to_en poor. ring with lov ed es your arch name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY – Today marks the 84th anniversary of December 7, 1941—the day Pearl Harbor was attacked, taking the lives of more than 2,400 Americans and drawing our nation into World War II. Each year, we pause to honor those who lost their lives and those who bravely served in the aftermath. It's a reminder of resilience, sacrifice, and the importance of remembering our history. Let's take a moment or two this month to reflect and carry forward their legacy with gratitude.

EQUAL EXCHANGE -- These products make great Christmas gifts for bosses, teachers, co-workers, family and friends. An Equal Exchange gift will give twice—it gives back to the famers AND to the receiver. Oops, it gives THREE times! When you purchase an Equal Exchange item in November and December you will be entered into a drawing to win Equal Exchange goodies! Thanks to the many Trinity members who donated monies towards the raffles!

<u>ADVENT SOUP SUPPERS</u> – continue this month on the 10th and the 17th. Soup time is 6:15pm and the evening worship service is at 7pm, including on Christmas Eve. We encourage everyone to attend as we share food and faith during this holiday season.

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 07, 2025 Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, died 397

While a governor of northern Italy, Ambrose was elected bishop of Milan on the same day he was baptized. He was a famous preacher, a writer of hymns we still sing today, and helped lead St. Augustine to faith.

Saturday, December 13, 2025 Lucy, martyr, died 304

Lucy was a young Christian of Sicily who was martyred during the persecutions under Emperor Diocletian. Her celebration became particularly important in Sweden and Norway, perhaps because the feast of Lucia (whose name means "light") originally fell on the shortest day of the year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>DONATIONS BY VERSE</u> — One of the readings for December 14th is from James 5:7. The verse talks about the patience the farmer has for the land to produce precious crops. Church in Community is asking that you bring in cans of vegetables for the pantry. Thank you!

<u>THE GIVING TURKEYS –</u> are all gone and WOW! They left lots of good food to be put in the food boxes that went to 6 families in our community. Thanks to everyone's generosity! – Church in Community

<u>ADVENT DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET --</u> A huge thank you to each and every one of you who wrote a devotion and are key in making our yearly booklet a reality. Regular and large size hard copies are available today—or go to the church website for the PDF version.

<u>FOOD PANTRY – Thanks to everyone who brought in food and hygiene items for the food pantry! – Church in Community</u>

ENDING YEAR OF GRATITUDE -- A great way to end our year of gratitude is to remember to be thankful to Trinity members for all their support (monetarily & physically through hard work) that helped with Church in Community projects this past year. Trinity has touched the lives of many in our community and we are so incredibly grateful and thankful for this. – Church in Community

<u>CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES –</u> Church in Community is wanting to fill 6 food baskets for people in need this Christmas. Take 1 of more "gifts/ornaments" off the tree in the Narthex, purchase item(s) and return to church by Wednesday the 17th. Food items go in the big basket in the Narthex and gift cards go into the VanAtter's mailbox or into the office. On Sunday the 21st, after church service, please plan on staying to help pack and deliver the food baskets. Thank you!

<u>DECEMBER NOISY OFFERING --</u> On Sunday the 28th will be going towards assisting the senior citizen program through Lake Lowell Animal Rescue. Many senior citizens are on a limited budget and struggle to pay their heating, power, and other bills in the winter while having enough money to buy food for their pets. Monies collected will be used to purchase cat and dog food for these senior citizens. If you prefer, you can purchase cat/dog foods and bring them into the church. Boxes will be in the Narthex for collection. Here are a few guidelines for your donations: All pet foods must be made in the USA; Only 5–10-pound bags (weight lifting restrictions for senior citizens); Small bags of cat litter; Gently used blankets are also needed. Thanks so much for caring!

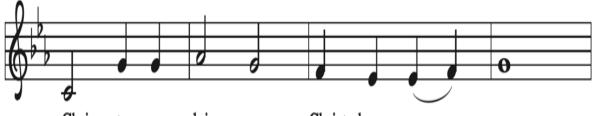
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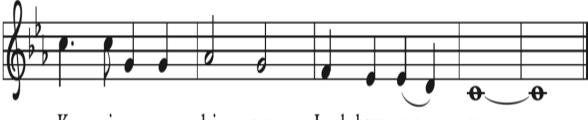
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE











- 1 Glo ry to you, God, for yours is the earth; 2 Glo ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
- 3 Glo ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



birth. yours is prom - ise, bless - ing, the the birth. yours the san - nas, the dv ing, re the yours the noint - ing, worth. ant ra -



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame; Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed; Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;







DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. C: I love this Church!

Consider taking your bulletin home with you so that you can pray for those on our prayer list during the week and will know what activities are happening this week at Trinity.



Notes

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SENDING HYMN

Prepare the Royal Highway

ELW #264



- 1 Pre pare the roy al high way; the King of kings is near
- 2 God's peo ple, see him com ing: your own e ter nal king!
- 3 Then fling the gates wide o pen to greet your prom-ised king
- 4 His is no earth ly king dom; it comes from heav'n a bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear! Palm branch-es strew be - fore him! Spread gar-ments! Shout and sing! Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring. His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry: God's prom-ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you! All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing: So let your praise be sound-ing for kind-ness so a - bound - ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

Isaiah describes the coming of a future, ideal ruler who will renew David's royal line (the stump of Jesse). Gifted by the spirit of God, this ruler will reign with perfect justice. Enmity and danger will be restored to harmony and peaceful coexistence.

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ² The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³ His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see or decide by what his ears hear, ⁴ but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶ The wolf shall live with the lamb; the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the lion will feed together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷ The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹ They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰ On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

R: ¹ Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son;

C: 2 that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice;

R: ³ that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

C: ⁴Let him defend the needy among the people, rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.

- R: ⁵ May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.
- C: ⁶ Let him come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.
- R: ⁷ In his time may the righteous flourish; and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- C: ¹⁸ Blessed are you, Lord God, the God of Israel; you alone do wondrous deeds!
- R: ¹⁹ And blessed be your glorious name forever, and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.

All: May the righteous flourish; let there be an abundance of peace.

SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13

God's promise to include Gentiles within the circle of God's blessed people has been fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Christians live out their unity by welcoming and encouraging each other just as Christ has welcomed them into God's family.

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the ancestors ⁹ and that the gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the gentiles and sing praises to your name"; ¹⁰ and again he says, "Rejoice, O gentiles, with his people"; ¹¹ and again, "Praise the Lord, all you gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; ¹² and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the gentiles; in him the gentiles shall hope." ¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Please rise as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray

A: We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: God, the Source of glory,
God, the Word of life,
God, the Spirit of truth
H bless you all, now and forever.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

The ushers will tell you when it is time to go up to receive communion.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion

Everyone, including children, who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to Christ's table.

Gluten free wafers are available. Simply ask the Pastor.

Cups in the tray: The inner ring of cups is white grape juice.

The outer ring of cups is rose wine.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



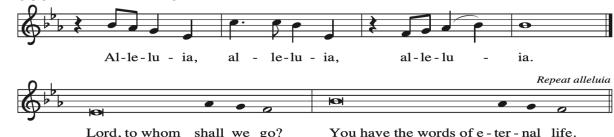
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

Just before Jesus begins his public ministry, John the Baptist appears, calling people to mend their ways and speaking of a powerful one who is to come.

¹ In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ² "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." ³ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.' " 4 Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region around the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶ and they were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? 8 Therefore, bear fruit worthy of repentance, 9 and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹ "I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

R: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE THE HOMILY Please rise as you are able.



- P: O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; The earth is full of your glory.
- C: The earth is full of your glory.
- P: We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus 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.
- P: 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.
- P: Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song: The earth is full of your glory.
- C: The earth is full of your glory.
- P: O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living,
 The earth is full of your glory.
- C: The earth is full of your glory.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done.

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: All who are hungry, come!
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
All are welcome to Christ's table.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life..... The earth is full of your glory.
- C: The earth is full of your glory.

APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us confess our faith in the words of 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 INTERCESSION

A: In our waiting and watching, we come to you in prayer, O God, trusting your promise to renew the church, the nations, and the whole creation.

A: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Draw near to us, O God, as we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You may now greet those around you saying "Peace be with you". You may shake hands, bump elbows, hold up two fingers in the "Peace sign". Do whichever is comfortable for you.

You may be seated. Our liturgy continues with the offering.



An offering is gathered for the mission of the church. including the care of those in need. You may also give online at: nampatrinity.org

MF.AL.

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.



- 1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
- 2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
- 3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
- 4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;



he came down that we may have love;

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he came down that we may have peace;

he came down that we may have joy;

hal-le-lu-jah for-ev-er-more.

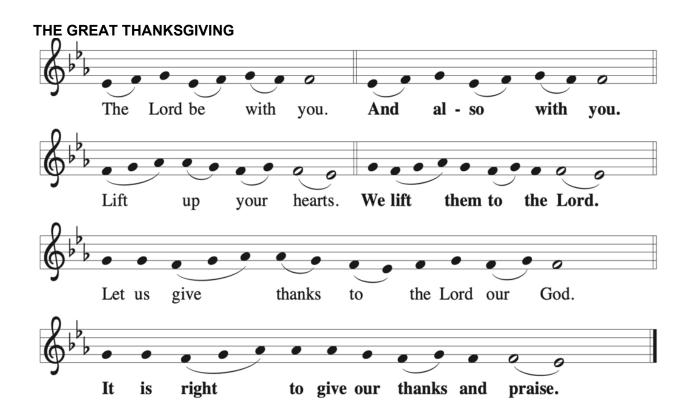
Please rise as you are able.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.

C: Amen.



THE PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....

.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn: