



Sunday, February 9, 2025
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Theme of the Day:
Epiphany Moments: The Least Qualified Are The First Sent

Congregation sings or speaks the bolded text

Choir: "Deep Waters" by Pepper Choplin (2nd service)

483 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

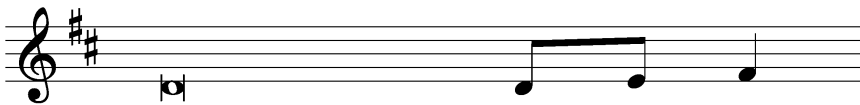
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Please stand.

O Lord, o - pen my lips,
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.
Has - ten to save me, O God;
O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The words "de - clare your praise.", "Has - ten to save me, O God;", and "O Lord, come quick - ly to help me." are bolded in the original image to indicate congregational participation.



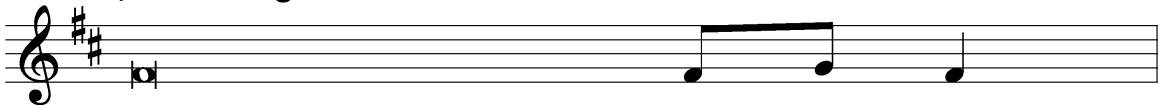
Epiphany The glory of Christ is re - vealed:



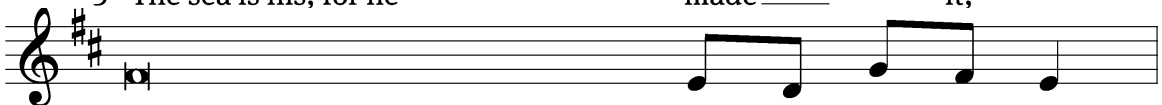
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

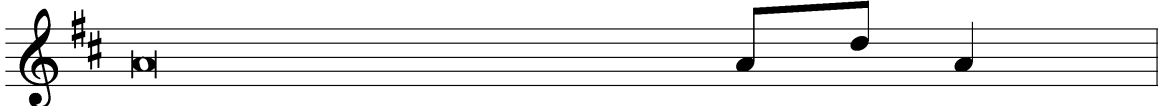
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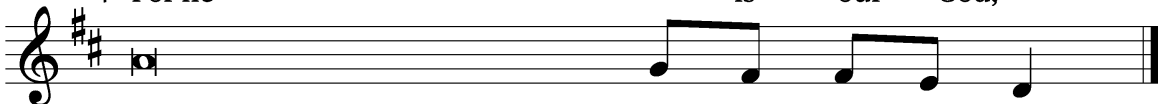
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| 1 O come, let us sing | to | the | Lord, |
| 2 For the Lord is a | great | _____ | God |
| 3 The sea is his, for he | made | _____ | it, |



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|---|--------|---------------------|
| 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of | our | sal - va - tion. |
| 2 and a great | king | a - bove all gods. |
| 3 and his hand | formed | the dry _____ land. |



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| 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing, | | | |
| 2 The deep places of the earth are | in | his | hand; |
| 3 O come, let us worship and | bow | _____ | down, |
| 4 For he | is | our | God, |



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|---------------------------------|---------|------|-----------|-------|---------|-----|-------|-------|
| 1 let us make a joyful noise to | him | with | songs | of | praise. | | | |
| 2 the heights of the | hills | are | al - so | his. | | | | |
| 3 let us kneel before the | Lord | our | mak - er. | | | | | |
| 4 and we are the people of his | pasture | and | the | sheep | of | his | _____ | hand. |

Please be seated.

67E O God, Show Us Your Mercy

Psalm 67E



1 O God, show us your mer-cy and bless us with your grace;
2 For you will judge the peo-ples in truth and right-eous-ness,



and cause to shine up-on us the bright-ness of your face,
your rule of per-fect jus-tice all na-tions will con-fess.



that so your way most ho-ly on earth may soon be known,
Let all the peo-ples praise you, let all the na-tions sing;



and un-to ev-'ry peo-ple your sav-ing grace be shown.
then earth in rich a-bun-dance to us its fruit shall bring.



Let all the peo-ples praise you, let all the na-tions sing;
The Lord our God will bless us, his rich-est bless-ing send,



in ev-'ry land let prais-es and songs of glad-ness ring.
and all cre-a-tion praise him to earth's re-mot-est end.

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First Reading

Isaiah 6:1–8

Isaiah admitted he was sinfully unclean, unqualified to stand in God's presence. The LORD not only takes Isaiah's sin away but also sends Isaiah out as a messenger of grace.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. ³And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. ⁵"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty." ⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choir: "Deep Waters" by Pepper Choplin (1st service)

Gospel

Luke 5:1–11

Jesus takes simple, self-admittedly sinful fishermen, seemingly unqualified for gospel ministry. He removes their fears, calls them to follow, and makes them fishers of men.

¹One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. ²He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. ⁸When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, ¹⁰and so were James

and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” ¹¹So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Children's Lesson

Luke 5:1-11

745 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

CW 745

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Second Reading

Romans 10:12–17

God’s plan is to equip saved sinners like us to proclaim salvation to other sinners. St. Paul explains that God has no backup plan.

¹²For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” ¹⁶But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” ¹⁷Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

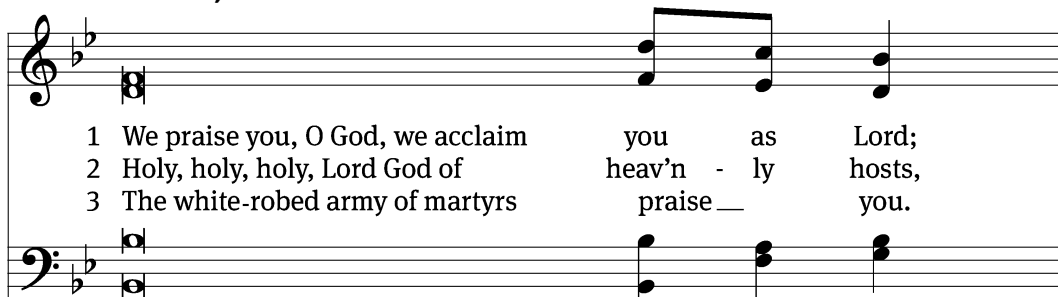
Sermon Text: Romans 10:12-17

Sermon Theme: Faith Comes Through Hearing the Message of Christ

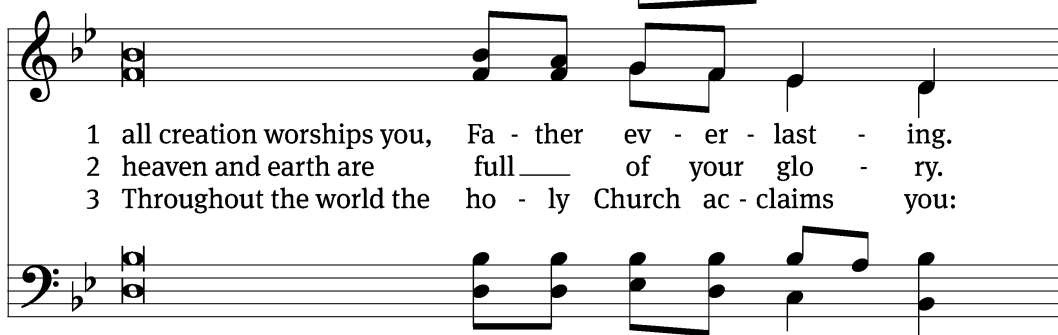
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We Praise You, O God

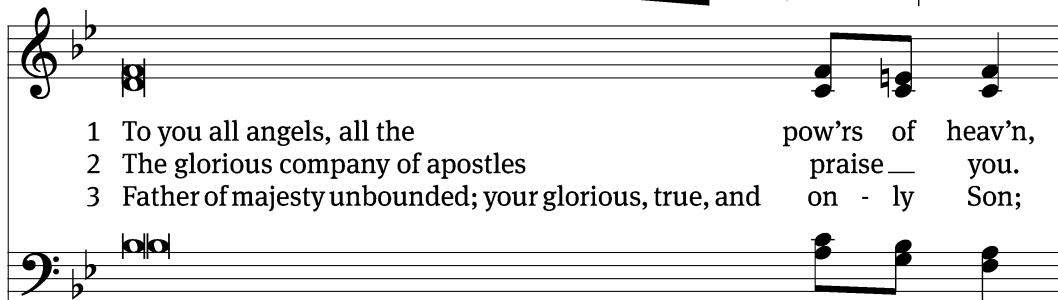
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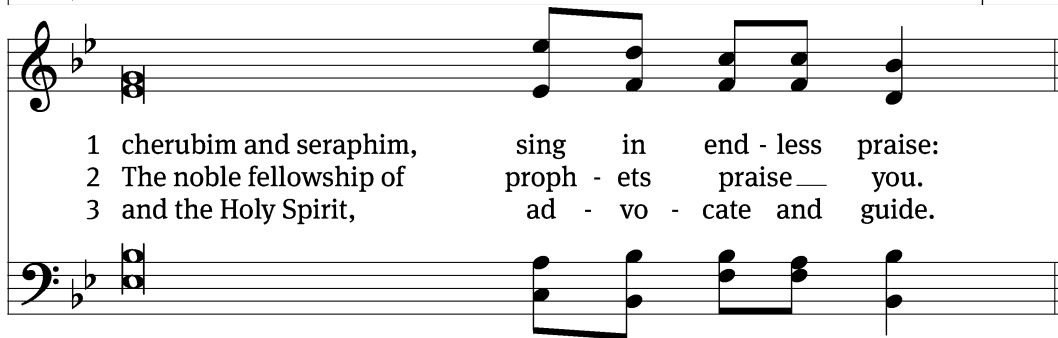
1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise — you.



1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
2 heaven and earth are full — of your glo - ry.
3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
2 The glorious company of apostles praise — you.
3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise — you.
3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.

4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.

5 When you became man to set us free,
6 You sit at the right hand of God

5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.

5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come

5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.

7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,

7 bought with the price of your own blood,

7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Please be seated.

Offering

Friendship Registration

Guests: Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

Members: Please fill out name and any new information.

Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!

Please stand.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an-swer me.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, you call and appoint us to proclaim the good news of your Son despite our sins and weaknesses. Purify us by your grace, remove our uncertainties, and work through us to fill the nets of your kingdom with those lost in the darkness of death; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of faith of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

743 I Hear the Savior Calling

CW 743

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Announcements

WELCOME! Thank you for joining our Trinity family in worship today. We invite you to keep growing with us through God's Word and Sacraments. If you have a question, please speak to a pastor or a Trinity member. If you are a guest, please pick up a guest packet and give your name and address in the friendship registration located in each pew. Ask the ushers if you need a pocket-sized aid for the hearing impaired. Large print bulletins are available upon request, with the Hymns for the service printed in them. A Nursery with our service on TV is located off the lobby for parents who need to calm young children.

THANK YOU The Family of Dennis Marquart would like to thank Pastor Nowak for his visits during Dennis' illness and his kind, loving, and comforting words at his funeral on January 13, 2025. We'd like to thank Junior Weihrauch and Mr. Falck and the school children for the beautiful music. We would also like to thank the Funeral Food Committee for all they did. Bethany's new family really enjoyed the food. Thank you to everyone for the many cards, thoughts, prayers, words of comfort, and memorials during this time of loss. Bless you all, *The Dennis Marquart Family*

OFFERING STATEMENTS for 2024 are available in the Narthex. Pick them up at your earliest convenience! If you are not able to find your statement or have any questions, please contact Bob Inniger at 567-674-6049.

HOPE HOUSE DONATION DRIVE: For the next 6 weeks, we will be collecting items for Hope House Women's Shelter. Let's show our love and support for these women by donating the following items: Shampoo, Conditioner, Body wash, Deodorant, Cleaning products (Lysol, Pinesol, etc.), Shower curtains & rings, Small bottles of dish soap, \$25 gas cards, \$25 Walmart gift cards. Please drop off your donations in or near the collection bins in the church basement. Additionally, Hope House will be joining us on March 11 to host a special 'Game of Life' event for the Women's Ministry. Save the date! Thank you for your generous support.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING ON FEBRUARY 9TH BETWEEN SERVICES: As part of our Annual Voters meeting, the Projects Committee discussed going forward with a building project for school storage. After much discussion, the Voters asked for a 2nd quote that would plan for a larger area than the first quote recommended. Pastor has called a special voters meeting for February 9th **TODAY** between the first and second service. Everyone is welcome to attend, especially our voters to ensure that the projects committee can move forward with their planning for using the gifts God has given Trinity.

CHURCH MAIL Any correspondence in the mail that needs to be sent to the church, please begin sending to the school instead at 105 Allen St. Jenera, OH 45841.

SYNOD OFFERING FOR 2025 As a testimony of our gratitude to Christ's love and dedication to our calling, we, the members of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jenera, OH intend to support the worldwide ministry of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod for the calendar year 2025 with \$ 76,700 in offerings, representing 9.6 % of our \$800,700 projected offerings (the Congregational Mission Offering is included in the total.)

BIBLE STUDY FOR FEBRUARY: We will put our Bible Study on pause for this week, because of the meeting. Next week we will continue our study of 1 Corinthians. Corinth was a divided and struggling congregation in a challenging place. As we examine the struggles of this congregation, we will apply them to our lives and the everyday struggles of living in America today. *In preparation for Bible Study next week, please read 1 Corinthians 3:10-4:7.*

LENTEN MEALS Lent begins on March 5th with Ash Wednesday at 7:00pm and will be on Wednesdays at 7:00pm through April 9th. Please sign up at the table doors if you are willing to help out with Lenten Meals or contact Pastor Nowak or the office.

PASTOR CALL UPDATE: On Sunday afternoon last week, Pastor Nowak received a call to serve Anchored in Christ Lutheran Ministries in Greenfield and Rockford, MN, just outside of the Twin Cities. Anchored in Christ is a congregational merger between Salem Lutheran Church and School and Cross Lutheran Church in their respective cities. They are a congregation of 860 souls and have about 100 kids from PreK-8 in their school. Please keep the members and families at Anchored in Christ, along with the pastor and his family in your prayers as he learns more about the blessings in Minnesota, in Ohio, and where he would serve in God's Kingdom.

WARM WINTER WALKING: The school gym is open for walking on week nights between 7:00-8:00 PM. Please bring a pair of shoes that you haven't worn outside to wear while walking. You may walk at your own pace and walk as long or short as you want. Bring a friend!

OPEN GYM: The school's gym will be available for those wanting to play basketball indoors on Sunday afternoons from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. All children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Please change into dry, non-marking athletic shoes before entering the gym to help keep our gym floor in good condition.

LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIP GRANTING ORGANIZATION OF OHIO (LSGOO) To date, we have been able to provide over \$10,000 in scholarships from this program to school families needing additional assistance. If you are not taking advantage of this excellent opportunity to direct a portion of your Ohio tax liability directly to our school's ministry, please check out www.lsgoohio.org or talk to Mr. Falck. Remember: Up to \$750/individual or \$1500/filing jointly can be directed to this program with a one-time or recurring payment!

PRESCHOOL PLAYTIME: Do your kids need a warm place to get some energy out? Join us for a FREE open gym for all preschool aged children (infants, toddlers, and preschoolers) in the school gym on Monday, February 10 from 10:00-11:00 AM. We will have balls to play with, ride-on toys, mats to crawl/roll around on, mini-trampolines, slides, infant toys, large building blocks, and lots of space to run around and play. Grab a snack for your ride home.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT is scheduled for Sunday, February 16th at the school from 3:30-7:00 PM. You can come at anytime to play games. Bring along your favorite board/card games. Supper will be served at 5:00. Chicken sandwiches and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. The gym will also be available for kids to play. Please sign up on the sheet in back of church if you plan to come.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Women's Ministry is volunteering at the West Ohio Food Bank in Lima on Thursday, February 27 from 1:00-3:00 PM. We will be packing/preparing boxes, sorting through foods and checking expiration dates, and much more! Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to join us. Anyone is welcome to come help—men, women, teens! The address is 1380 Kibby St. Lima, OH 45802. Questions? Contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

MONKEYS, ZEBRAS, AND THE ZOO: Hope you can bring your kids on Monday, February 17 or Tuesday, February 18 for our next sessions of Mornings with Mommy. We will be exploring and learning about all kinds of zoo animals. Make a trumpeting elephant, walk like a penguin, build a zoo, and put spots on a leopard. Register online at tlcjenera.org or call 262-391-7994.

THE ELDERS ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR HELP – At the Annual Meeting, the Elders brought a list of people they were having a hard time getting into contact with. If you would like the list please grab a copy of the Annual Meeting Report or email tsoffice@tlcjenera.org for a copy. Thank you!

THE ELDERS ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR HELP II – Do you like to talk with people and sharing your faith with your fellow believers? Then, the Elders are looking for your help. The Elders are looking for people to visit our shut-ins. If you are interested in helping encourage our homebound members, please sign up on the sheet in the back of church or in the basement. You can also email tsoffice@tlcjenera.org or pastormatt@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Join us for a new Bible study entitled "Time--It's a Gift" on Thursday, February 13 at 6:30. We will meet in the church basement Bible classroom to do the first lesson of this four part Bible study. Throughout the study we keep in mind the words from the psalmist, our theme verse: "My times are in your hands." (Psalm 31:15). Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you plan to attend or email mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org. *If ladies would like to stay after the Bible study, we plan to organize another game of Bunco if there is enough interest.*

SAVE THE DATE:

March 5th- Ash Wednesday Service; March 15th- Mudhen Circuit Euchre Tournament
April 20th- Easter Sunday;
April 26th - Easter for Kids & Outdoor Egg Hunt (Rain Date: April 27)
May 4th- Confirmation; May 25th – Graduation Sunday

WOMEN'S MINISTRY is hosting the Lenten supper on Wednesday, March 12 starting at 5:30. We will be serving soup and homemade bread. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to bring food or help serve the meal. Bring food to the church basement by 5:00 PM and hot food no later than 5:30 PM.

DAILY LECTIONARY

1.9: Ez 3:12-27, Ez 4:1-11:25, Rom 2:1-16 **1.10:** Ez 18:1-4, 19-32, Rom 2:17-29
1.11: Ez 33:1-20, Rom 3:1-18 **1.12:** Ez 34:1-24, Rom 3:19-31
1.13: Ez 36:13-28, Rom 4:1-25 **1.14:** Ez 36:33-37:14, Rom 5:1-21
1.15: Ez 37:15-28, Rom 6:1-23 **1.16:** Ez 38:1-23, Rom 7:1-20

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (week of February 2nd)

Total Worship Attendance: 239, Early: 114, Late: 125; Adult Bible Class: 24; Sunday School: 29; Teen Bible Class: 4; Online Worship Views for Jan. 26th: 39

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through February 22nd are the members of Adam Rettig's Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, February 23rd, will be the members of Tyler Smith's Undershepherd group.

GREETERS today are: Tyler & Kathy Smith – early
Richard & Cheryl Kretz – late

Next Sunday: Jim & Jane Smith – early
Joyce Beach & Loretta Jansen – late

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (February 9th through February 16th)

TODAY Worship 8:00 & 10:30; Children's Lesson; Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Class, Sunday School 9:20; Open Gym 2:00

MON Preschool Playtime 10:00 in school gym

TUE Pastor Circuit Meeting 9:00

WED Handbells 6:30; Choir 7:30

THU Women's Ministry 6:30

SUN **Worship 8:00 & 10:30;** Communion; Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Class, Sunday School 9:20; Open Gym 2:00; Family Game Night 3:30

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mon MAP Testing (Mon-Fri)

Tue Cheerleading 3:30-4:30

Wed Chapel 8:20; Basketball Practice 3:30-5

Thu Cheerleading 3:30-4:30

Sat Basketball @ St. Stephen's 10:00

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT: *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*