



THE CHILD GREW AND
BECAME STRONG,
FILLED WITH
WISDOM;
AND THE FAVOR OF GOD
WAS UPON HIM.

Luke 2:40



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave - Platte, South Dakota

9:30 AM Worship – 10:45 AM Sunday School

*Lutheran Congregations
in Mission for Christ*

2 Christmas

January 3, 2021

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Song **“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”**

LBW 55

Confession & Forgiveness:

P: Rejoicing in the good news that God and sinners are reconciled in Christ, let us confess our need for forgiveness.

C: Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: God of everlasting love,

P & C: we confess that we have lived in captivity to the fear of death. By our actions and by our neglect, we have fallen short of your good and gracious will. Free us from anxiety and distraction cast out our sin, and enter in; give us a new birth of hope as we welcome the child born to save, Christ the Lord. Amen.

P: The angels of God proclaim to us the birth of hope and joy and peace to God's people on earth. For the sake of the Savior, who is Christ the Lord, who lived and died and rose for us, God forgives us all our sins and delights to call us beloved children.

C: Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS HOLY WORD

Scripture Lessons:

1 Kings 3:4-15

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Ephesians 1:3-14

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Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:40-52

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Sermon **“Favor”**

Jeff Engebretson

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Song **“Away in a Manger”**

LBW 67

Nicene Creed
Offering**
Prayers of the Church
The Lord's Prayer

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

P: Welcome to the celebration! The Christ has come so that we might have New Life in Him.

C: Gracious God, we celebrate this New Life you have given us in Your Son.

P: Welcome to a New Year! Let us recommit our lives to serving God and others as we receive His grace and forgiveness in this Holy Communion.

C: Mighty God, strengthen us through this meal to newness of life. Empower us by Your Spirit to cast off the old and live lives worthy of your calling. Amen.

Song during Communion "Isn't He"

Isn't He beautiful? Beautiful, isn't He?
Prince of Peace, Son of God, Isn't He?

Isn't He wonderful? Wonderful, isn't he?
Counselor, Almighty God, Isn't He, Isn't He
Isn't He, Isn't He?

Distribution

Communion Blessing

GOD CALLS US TO SERVE

Song "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

LBW 70

ENTER TO WORSHIP – DEPART TO SERVE

www.tlclplattessd.org tlcoffice@midstatesd.net (605) 337-3881
email bulletin info by Thursdays 8 AM

Thank you for joining us this Sunday morning for worship our God together! We will be having **fellowship time** following worship today! Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall.

***The offering plate will be in the narthex so please place your donations in as you enter or exit. We now have 3 online options for giving – on the mobile app “GivePlus”, text to (833) 621-0580 & enter amount to give or on our webpage. Thank you!*

Offering Dec 27: \$1704.00

Musician: Shirley Johnson

Communion Servers: Shirley Johnson, Tana Huizenga, Lee Hanten

Ushers for Jan 3 & 10: Andrew Nachtigal & Brad DeVries

Jan 17 & 24: Chad Johnson & Jason Huizenga

Jan 31 & Feb 7: Jeff Olsen & Jackson Olsen

Coffee/Cookie Servers for Jan 3: Donna Boysen & Caroline Butler

Jan 10: Joyce Carter, Lori Chambers, Marsha Cutler

Jan 17: Tammy Darling, Phyllis Daum, Caitlin DeGroot

Thank you to Jeff Engebretson for giving us our message today!

We will be celebrating Holy Communion today. Individual cups/wafers will be available in the narthex if you would prefer that option instead of coming forward through the line.

No Sunday School or Confirmation class today. We will resume on January 10.

The Mission Fund Offering will be taken next **Sunday, January 10**. Please make checks out to “Trinity Lutheran.” This will be designated towards the basement project.

First Communion classes begin with Pastor Dan Daum for 5th and 6th graders on Wednesdays, January 6, 13, 20, 27 & February 3 from 4-5 pm. *Please have one parent attend with your student. First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, February 7 during morning worship.

Trinity Lutheran’s **congregational annual meeting** will be held Sunday, January 24 at 10:30 AM following morning worship. No potluck this year but we will have fellowship time with coffee and cookies. No Sunday School on Sunday, January 24th due to annual meeting. Please email information for the annual report to the office (tlcoffice@midstatesd.net) by **Friday, January 8th**.

The box is up above the coat racks in the narthex for **the fronts of Christmas cards** or other greeting cards. Please tear off back and place the fronts of the cards to be remade into new projects for various places. Any more ideas for where they should go, please contact Shirley Johnson.

New Hope Christian Camp is pleased to announce their third annual **Men's Retreat**, January 22-24, 2021. Registration is now open. Register online at www.NewHopeChristianCamp.org. Follow the "Events" tab to "Retreats Coming Soon" for more information. The theme this year is "Reflecting the Character of Christ." Our guest speaker, Brian Lubinski, brings 20 years of teaching experience, along with his knowledge of God's creation as a pilot for as many years. Pastor Tim Collins will be back leading us in worship. Expect to receive great teaching, great fellowship and great food!

Thank you to all who donated the beautiful poinsettias this Christmas season! *(Please take home today following worship)*

In memory of Joe Johnson

In memory of Dennis Butler, given by Caroline Butler & family

In memory of Jim Olsen, Sr., Lloyd & Jan Heath, Jim Olsen, Jr., Tanner Olsen
& Mike Rolf

In memory of Norman & Irene Lien

given by their children Julie, Lori and Leighton and families

PRAYER PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Those in nursing and assisted living homes:

Lorraine Hanten, Kathy Lubinus, LaDene Nelson

Those with health concerns:

Joel Olson, Sonny & LaVonne Qualm, Larry & Evelyn Tucker, Brady Sprik, Harold Pavlis, Clayton & Terri Fischer, Ed Falor, Mike Erickson, Trent Strand, Tim Nelson, Rod Berg, Julie Pepper

Our Partner Ministries:

Mazahua Valley Ministries, *Directors Tacho & Sally Dominguez*
Wanblee Native American Ministry, *Directors Gus & Terry Craven*
Gideon's International & our local Platte Gideon's Camp
East Europeans Missions Network
Steve Walters with the Navigators-Africa Partners
Victor & Lori Selemani with YWAM

Those serving in the military:

Duncan Anderson, Jared Anderson, Mitch Antonsen, Turner Antonsen, Sgt. Andrew Campoamor, Jarrod Bultsma, Jacob Daum, Tanner Johnson, Jedidiah Konechne, Bailey Lanners, Evin Millar, Zane Nightengale, Amanda Eilers, Cooper Stanforth, Tate Wagner & Matt Warejcka

Others: