



Madison, South Dakota

First Sunday of Christmas

Sunday, December 28, 2025

Celebration

PRELUDE

“Joseph’s Lullaby”

WELCOME AND CENTERING

GATHERING HYMN “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

ELW #270

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1–5, 14–18 (NRSV)

FIRST CAROL

“Open Our Eyes, Lord”

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SECOND READING Micah 5:2–5a (New Living Translation)

SECOND CAROL

“Gentle Shepherd”

#86

THIRD READING

Luke 1:26–35, 38 (Whirl Story Bible)

THIRD CAROL

“Mary, Did You Know?”

Casey Core

FOURTH READING Matthew 1:18–25 (Common English Bible)

FOURTH CAROL

“What Child Is This?”

ELW #296, st. 1 & 3

FIFTH READING

Luke 2:8–20 (The Message)

FIFTH CAROL

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

ELW #289, st. 1 & 3

SIXTH READING Matthew 2:1–11 (New English Translation)

SIXTH CAROL

“The First Noel”

ELW #300, st. 1–3

OFFERING

“I Wonder as I Wander”

Stacey Riedel

OFFERING PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

SEVENTH READING

John 1:1–14 (NRSV)

SEVENTH CAROL

“Jesus, What a Wonderful Child”

ELW #297

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

May the Lord bless and keep us (echo)

May his face shine upon us (echo)

May his blessings be with us (echo)

And give us peace (echo)

SENDING SONG

Come On, Ring Those Bells

Andrew Culverwell

1. Ev-'ry-bod - y likes to take a hol - i - day, Ev -'ry - bod-y likes to take a rest____
2. Cel - e - bra-tions come be-cause of some-thing good, cele-bra - tions we love to re - call.____

spend-ing time to-geth-er with the fam - i - ly,____ shar-ing lots of love and hap-pi - ness.____
Mar - y had a ba-by boy in Beth - le hem, the great-est cel - e - bra - tion of them all.____

Come on, ring those bells, light the Christ-mas tree. Je-sus is the King born for you and me.

Come on, ring those bells, ev -'ry - bod-y say, "Je- sus, we re - mem - ber this your birth - day."

SENDING

Go in peace and share the good news! **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

"Feliz Navidad"

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WELCOME TO TRINITY

The people of Trinity Lutheran Church believe that Christ welcomes ALL people to himself, as beloved children of God. This means that we embrace the full inclusion of all people into the life and ministry of this faith community. Whether you have been a lifelong member of Trinity or just discovered us, you are welcome. If you are certain of what you believe or are immersed in doubts, you are included. No matter how you may have previously been excluded, you belong. You are welcome to worship with us. You are welcome to the table to share in Holy Communion with us. You are welcome to join us for Bible studies, book studies, small groups, and other opportunities to explore your faith. You are welcome to participate in coffee hours, potlucks, and all the other gatherings we have as a faith community to celebrate and build relationships. You are welcome to serve with us, as we do our best to embody Christ's love in the world. We welcome YOU...just as Christ welcomes you...just as you are!

If you would like to be a part of what God is up to here at Trinity, if you would like to become more involved, or if you are feeling called to take on a formal leadership role in this faith community, we invite you to connect with Deacon Koren or Pastor Steve.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Remember in Prayer:** Krystal Draper, Joanne Boomgarden, Sally Olson, Fay Dimick, Deanna Bergheim, Georgia Bellinger, Tim Schut, David Hanson, Virginia Oas, Mendy Herke, Maci Johnson, Kendra Paulson, Kelly LaValliere, Barb Feige, Lucas, Marilyn, Grace Wilkens, Shelby Hanson, Carrie Wieman
- **Annual Reports:** Please submit your reports to the office. Thank you! The proposed 2026 mission plan, nominees, and vision and mission statements with logos have been emailed. Paper copies are available in the office. The complete annual report is forthcoming.
- **Office Closed:** The office will be closed Jan. 1 for the new year's holiday.
- **Discussion Time:** Learn more about the visioning process and its results, with an opportunity for discussion and questions during coffee hour at 10 a.m. on Sun., Jan. 4.
- **Annual Meeting:** The 2026 annual meeting will be held on Jan. 18 at 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- Please check the newsletter for the current summary of the financials.

Please see Trinity's eNews for weekly calendar and more detailed announcements.

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