

TODAY, Dec. 13th – ADVENT 3 “Shepherds”

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! *SO glad you’re “here”!* 😊

“Proclaim” KOVC 1490AM @ 10:30 a.m. w/PJ-TrinityLC

DEC. 13th Worship: Facebook Live & “Proclaim”/KOV; AND we have **“partial in-person”** *worship for those without Facebook access (masks required, hand cleaner @ door, social distance, humming welcome).* Council meets 12/11 and will be considering Worship for Dec.20-January (including Christmas Eve)...with your heart and health/well-being in mind and heart. Thanks, Council! Stay tuned....

THIS WEEK @ TLC: *We’re glad you’re “here”!* 😊

TODAY -- 9 a.m. Sunday School (P/K-Gr. 6, masks)

WED., Dec. 16th – 3:45 p.m. Gr. 8-9 Confirmation (basement/masks)

THURS., Dec. 17th – “Abide”...5:15-:45 p.m., rest/abide (see article)

FRIDAY, Dec. 18th – 12:20 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION (masks)

NEXT SUN., Dec. 20th – ADVENT 4...wear BLUE!

No Sunday School; **10 a.m. WORSHIP/Facebook-Live**

***2-4 p.m. Ethel Heckman’s “100th Birthday DRIVE-BY & Card Shower”!** *Let’s help her get 100 cards* 😊: 305-9th Ave NW, VC

HELP YOURSELF to ELCA “Good Gifts” catalog/Living Lutheran for great “gift” options in this/every season! (Stop or call.)

CHRISTMAS EVE “Candlelight & Carols”...’tis the season *for pondering and waiting, and so we are...as “details” come together to “unwrap” this Christmas Eve wonder!* (TBA) 😊

Various other lovely options: TLC’s “Facebook” links/videos, TV & radio services/concerts, your own “home concert”...!

SUGGESTIONS FOR DAILY READINGS/DOings:

Read/Sing/Memorize a favorite Scripture or Hymn daily
Use the “Centering/Sitting With the Psalms” sheet (PJ’s)
Call/write another to let them know you care...! 😊

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Worship: 10 a.m. Facebook Live (Trinity Lutheran Church of Valley City); **“Proclaim”** 1490 AM/10:30 a.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Valley City, North Dakota December 13, 2020

Ministers: All Members **Office:** 701-845-3837 (M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.)

Pastor: Rev. JoAnne Moeller **Home/Parsonage:** 845-3935 **Cell:** 840-7548

PRELUDE...quiet/center yourself in the Presence of GOD
READY 3 CANDLES/LAMP to “Light” later....

OUR CONFESSION:

...Silent Confession: GOD of all time, we confess that we have not prepared well for Your merciful Kingdom. We have ignored those in need, and have failed in the labor of justice and peace. In Your mercy forgive us, renew us, and lead us. Grant us wisdom to welcome Your Light and to seek the things that will endure as we await the coming of our Lord. ...Amen!

LIGHTING OF ADVENT 3 CANDLES: “Shepherds”

L: Our Lord and Savior draweth nigh; **C: O come, let us adore Him.**

L: *Light 3 candles to watch for Messiah...gently lead them homeward.*

ADVENT PRAYER (C: Amen!)

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***ADVENT-3 HYMN:** “The First Noel” (v.1-2) **#300**

***THE KYRIE:** C: “Lord, have mercy (4x)...Aaamen.”

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Stir up the wills of Your faithful people, LORD God, and open our ears to the words of Your prophets, that, anointed by Your Spirit, we may testify to Your Light; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 61:1-3a
THE PSALM: Psalm 126 (read responsively)
SECOND READING: I Thessalonians 5:16-24
***GOSPEL Acclamation:** #257 *refrain* "Rejoice, rejoice...."

***GOSPEL READING:** Luke 1:26-38
Responses: "Glory to you, O LORD"... "Praise to you, O Christ."

ADVENT HYMN: "Come Now, O Prince of Peace" #247
"The Mark of the Maker" by Tom Hegg/Warren Hanson
(C. 1991, Read/Live-streamed with permission of TRISTAN Pblshg.)

OR: MEDITATING ON WORD – Sit quietly, listen, ponder...
--What "caught your attention"? Where do you hear **Promise?**

HYMN of DAY: "Unexpected and Mysterious" (Tune #254) #258

OUR OFFERINGS (Thanks for mailing to TLC, 499-4th Ave. NW)

***Offertory:** #257 *refrain* "Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel..."

***OFFERING PRAYER:** *GOD of Life and Love, we bring before You gifts of your abundance, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and kindness as we care for those in need, and wait with hope, in the spirit of Your Son, Jesus, our Lord. Amen.*

OUR PRAYERS: L: GOD of Love; C: **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***THE BLESSING** (tune #279/Bethlehem)

...C: *Creator, Savior, Spirit; Eternal GOD to Thee,
Our thanks and praise we humbly raise, Now through Eternity!*

A "VIRTUAL" HUG/HANDSHAKE 🤗

...ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN:** "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (v.3-4) #282

THE CHASSE: "Go in peace to love...; Thanks be to GOD!"

REMEMBER: "G.G.W.Y.; G.W.G.!"

IN OUR HEARTS/PRAYERS Today/This Week: Bob Wittenberg (SCC) & others w/COVID or quarantined; JENNIFER BACHER; CHAD HENNINGSGARD; MADONNA BACHER-SLACK; MARLENE BISCHOFF (SCC); DENNIS ANUNDSON (chemo); KATE LEHR (Pat Beil's grdniece)...and their FAMILIES; **Our Schools/Teachers/Kids**

Others in Need (*all struggling* because of coronavirus; *those recovering* from tragedies/disasters/accidents/conflict/violence; *those who flee/live with* fear, danger, abuse; *refugees/homeless/hungry/thirsty* at borders and in our communities/nation/world); **CASA DE FE; LDisaster Response/World Hunger, LSS-ND/LIRS/LWorldRelief; PUBLIC LEADERS; PEACE ...Missionaries, Diplomats, Military**

OF OUR "TRINITY FAMILY" giving thanks/praying for: Margaret Heise, Chad Henningsgard, John Hill, Phillip Hill, Harry Himmerich

"Abide" on THURSDAYS – 5:15-:45 p.m.
*A quiet time for you to sit in the Sanctuary...
...rest, pray, abide
amidst the many demands and challenges.
Come, "Abide in me, and I in you..." (Jesus)
Light a red candle or two or three...
(Please wear a mask and social distance in pews.)*

AND

COME, receive HOLY COMMUNION
*during this COVID-19 time,
on Fridays @ 12:20 p.m./TLC Sanctuary
*Masks required; hand sanitize @ front
door; social distance in pews.
(No need to call ahead.)*