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WELCOME

A Reconciling in Christ and a Stephen Ministry congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Welcome to Trinity!

We are glad you are here!



Second Sunday After Epiphany Holy Communion

January 14, 2024 9:30 am

All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called "the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

All Are Welcome At Our Lord's Table Of Grace. In, Through, And Under Bread And Wine We Receive The Real Presence Of Christ – God's Love Poured Out For Us – As Jesus Taught Us. Please Prepare Communion Elements Of Bread Or Crackers, Juice Or Wine For Your Household. As You Are Invited During The Meal Portion Of The Service, You May Partake Of The Elements Saying The Words, "The Body Of Christ Given For You, The Blood Of Christ Shed For You."

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

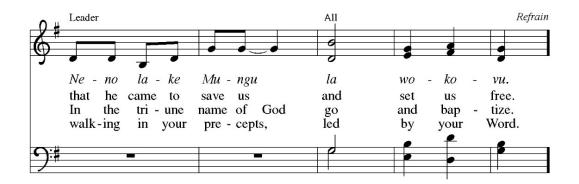
Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge, we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.** **GATHERING HYMN**



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GREETING

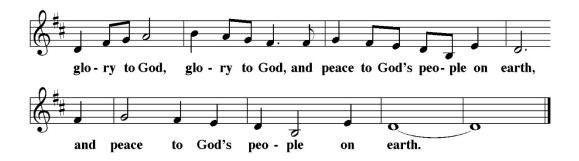
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you

CANTICLE OF PRAISE







PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ WORD +

ANTHEM

Show Me, Teach Me, Lead Me Trinity Singers N. Raabe

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

A reading from 1 Samuel.

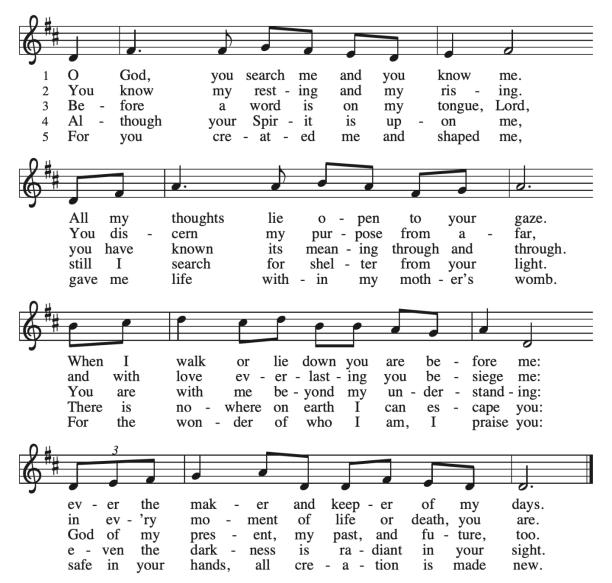
¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. PSALM 139 PARAPHRASE

O God, You Search Me



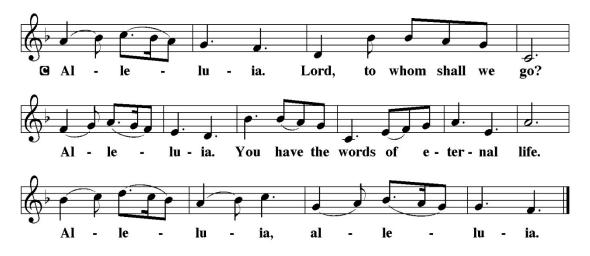
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹²"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

The Holy Gospel according to John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray. Let us listen, let us sing. Gladly make our praises ring.

We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray. Let us listen to God's Word. Gladly do what we have heard.

SERMON

Pastor Brian Taylor

Silence for reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY



APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church we confess our faith... 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

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

...God of grace, **Receive our prayer.**

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

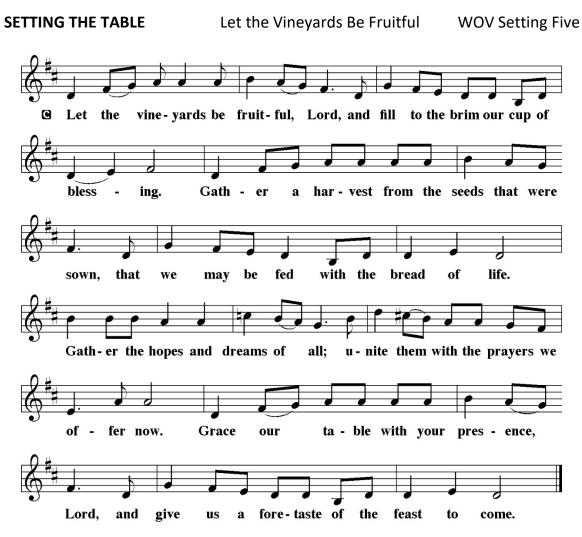
PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with those around you. Children and youth are encouraged to come to the front to greet those worshipping with us online.

+ MEAL +

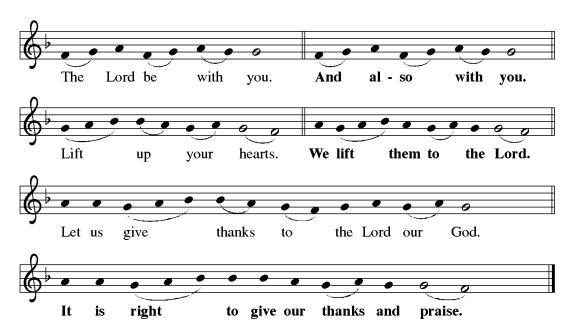


You may leave your offering in the plate at the entrance to the church after the service.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.



GREAT THANKSGIVING

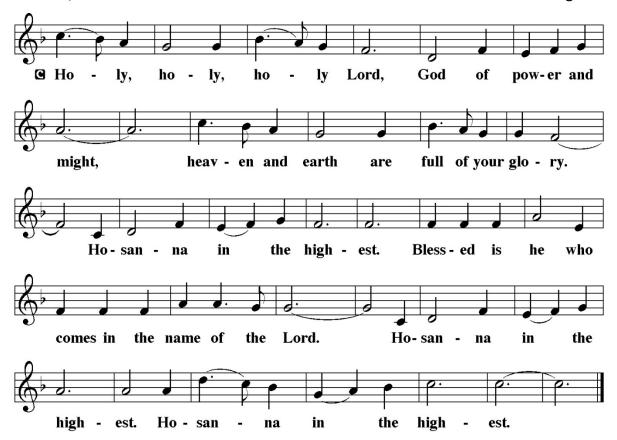
PROPER PREFACE AND SANCTUS

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, With the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.

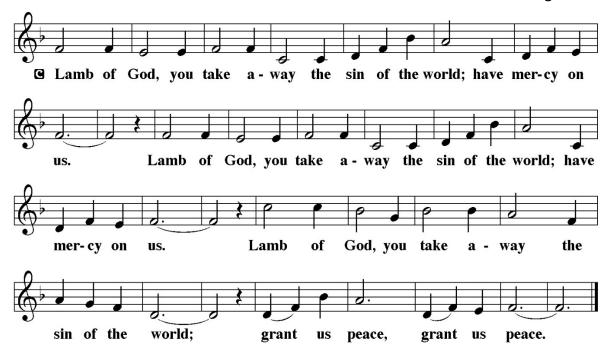
Come and see.

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace for communion. We will be serving this meal continuously, all around the altar. When the usher indicates that there is space for you, please come up to the front and at the first available space. After you have received communion, please return to your seat for prayer and meditation. We invite you to join in singing the communion hymns.

Bread will be placed in your hand by the pastor. Please indicate if you need a gluten-free option. Wine (red) and juice (white) is offered by the assisting minister in individual communion cups. Please place your empty cup in the basket carried by the communion assistant. If you prefer, individually packaged communion elements are available just outside the sanctuary doors.

If you do not wish to commune, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms for a blessing from the Pastor, or remain in your seats for meditation time. Children too young to receive communion are also invited to come forward for a blessing. LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION HYMN

Take My Life, That I May Be

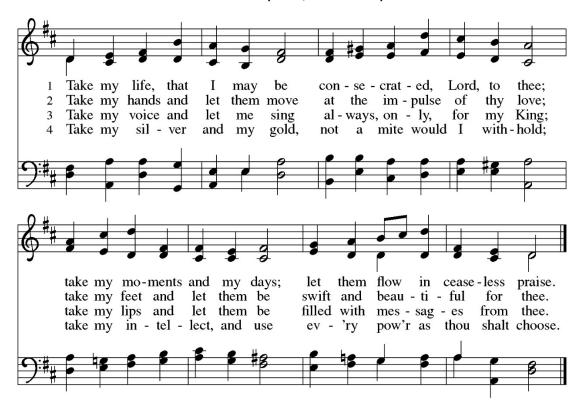
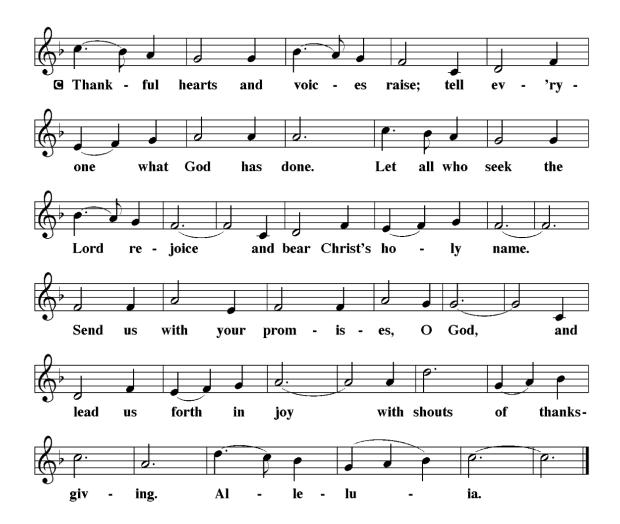


TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION SONG Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise WOV Setting Five



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

Amen.

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, 나 bless you and remain with you always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

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DISMISSAL Go in peace. You are God's beloved. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Remember in Your Prayers

THE CHURCH our synod & bishops: Bishops Elizabeth E, Michael B and Leila O our missionaries: Stephen D/Marta G, Cent. Amer our congregation: Trinity Church THE NATIONS: Afghanistan, El Salvador, Gaza, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Libya, Mexico, Morocco. Myanmar. Namibia. North Korea. Palestine. Somalia, Spain/Cataluña, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, United States. Venezuela THE SICK AND SUFFERING nursing/rehabilitation center/hospital Yulie N (Village at Rockville) home Isabel F, Tigist G, Lineth M, Anya N, Vimala P, Elizabeth R, Gio S, Margo W family and friends* Donald B, brother of Marilyn C Gene B, friend of Kim and Pam B Pam C, sister of Mike M Sylvia DeV, sister-in-law of Tad and Vi Dev Ruth F, aunt of Donna S Josefa F-V, friend of Len S Betsy G, friend of Margaret F David G, friend of Tad and Vi D Debbie G, friend of Valerie L Lyla G, friend of Carmen D Joe J, friend of Sarah M and Tom K Terry K, brother-in-law of David and Leslie C Carol K, mother of Jim K Susan K, niece of Nancy and Thor N Anne L, friend of Len S Randi L, friend of Mike and Valerie M Jacob M, son of James M and Leslie S Juan-Maria M-M, friend of Len S Kathy M, niece of Margaret and Greg F Linda P, cousin of Julie N Ditte R. sister of Thor N Janis R, mom of Donna S's college roommate Karen and Harold S, friends of Pamela B Paul S. brother of Steve S Victor V and family, friends of Kim and Pam Cheryl Van A, friend of Cathy C Andrew Z, friend of Carol B

deaths

James Marsalek, + January 2, 2024 +, cousin of Carol B

first responders

Lisbeth N-D Greta S & Linda A, sister & sister-in-law of Anita S

*For family and friends, prayer requests will be kept on the list for 4 weeks. To renew, please complete another card/call the office.

This Week at Trinity

Livestreamed services on Trinity YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/@TrinityELCA/streams

| Sun, Jan 14 Second Sunday After Epiphany | | | | | |
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| 9:30 am | Holy Communion Worship Service | | | | |
| | Coffee Hour (Following Worship) | | | | |
| 10:45 am | Sunday School Classes | | | | |
| Mon, Jan 15 CARMEN OUT OF OFFICE | | | | | |
| 7:30 pm | Heavenly Handbells | | | | |
| Tues, Jan 16 | | | | | |
| 10:00 am | Stephen Ministry Training | | | | |
| 11:00 am | Staff Meeting | | | | |
| 7:30 pm | Congregational Council | | | | |
| Thurs, Jan 18 | | | | | |
| 7:30 pm | Trinity Singers | | | | |
| Sat, Jan 20 | | | | | |
| 9:00 am | Food Drive | | | | |
| Sun Jan 21 | Third Sunday After Epiphany | | | | |
| 9:30 am | Holy Communion Worship Service | | | | |

- Coffee Hour (Following Worship)
- 10:45 am Sunday School Classes and Adult Forum

SAVE THE DATES!

Food Drive | January 20 Pr. Pauline Begins at Trinity | January 22 Just Stalking Event | January 27 Epiphany Baby Food Drive | All Month



Welcome Marcello Silva as our new Minister of Music!

We are delighted to announce that Marcello Silva has accepted the Minister of Music position with Trinity Lutheran Church. Marcello has been working with us as our interim musician for over a year now, and we are so happy to have him with us as a regular employee. Marcello is a full-time undergraduate student at the University of Maryland in College Park. In addition to playing for all of our services, Marcello will now lead the vocal choir, work with the pastor on music planning, and supervise the music aspects of Trinity's worship and ministry. The Trinity Singers are hosting a coffee hour today in his honor. Please welcome Marcello and get to know him better!



Welcome Back Pr. Brian Taylor!!!

We are happy to welcome back Pastor Brian Taylor as our supply pastor this morning. Pastor Brian will be with us until Pastor Pauline Farrington joins us at the end of January. Pastor Brian is retired and living in the D.C. area. We are grateful that you are supporting Trinity through the last few weeks of our call process.



Epiphany Baby Food Drive

In the month of January we are having a drive to support the Greater DC Diaper Bank using an Epiphany theme; rather than gold, frankincense, and myrrh for the new baby, we will be collecting formula, baby cereal and baby food.

Please contact Leslie S for more information.

Special Adult Forum

The Adult Forum, after service on Jan 14, will be hosted by the Transition Team to update the congregation on the current plans to welcome Pastor Pauline and additional ways they can be involved in the process.

Nancy M and Nancy J will lead the update, but this is a good opportunity for all of us to hear congregational input to the transition process.

See you there!



Birthdays

| 15 | Elizabeth W | 17 | Brian L |
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| 16 | Nalini A | 19 | George F |

16 Carol H

Baptismal Anniversaries

| 14 | Anne N D | 20 | Lois F |
|----|----------|----|-----------|
| 17 | James K | 20 | William V |



Connect to Trinity's

Hearing Assistance System

- 1. Download the AudioFetch app to your smartphone or tablet.
- 2. Connect your phone/tablet to the AudioFetch WiFi network.

(Currently, password should **NOT** be required).

3. Connect your phone/tablet to your listening

Please come to the A/V table if you need assistance.



January 20, Monthly Food Drive

We are also pleased that each month we welcome donations from members of the neighborhood. Each month we drop off between 300-500 pounds of food and between 10-20 gift

cards. Our next food drive will be from 9:00am until 12 noon. Bethesda Help is very appreciative and recognizes Trinity each month in the BH newsletter.

Contact Margaret F at <u>gmfitzwm85@gmail.com</u> for more information.



Little Free Library and Pantry

Near the entrance to our large parking lot,

facing Old Georgetown Rd., you may have noticed our little library and pantry. They are ready for you to add items or help yourselves to an item. The library is for new or gently used books for both adults and children. The pantry is for non-perishable items, including no fresh produce. A detailed list is forthcoming in the next Trinitarian. Please consider the season, ease of use, and shelf life/best by date. Also, please nothing with chocolate, especially in warm or hot weather.

2024 Offering Envelopes Are Available

To help us save on postage, please pick up your envelopes at the Usher Table by Sunday January 14; you may also pick them up during office hours M-F. If you are unable to come in person, please contact Carol B, Financial Secretary (or leave a message for Carol with the office) and we will see they get delivered to you.



Mardi Gras Pancakes and Games Carnival Saturday, February 10th 5:00 p.m.

Come for pancakes and sausages, stay for games and Mardi Gras festivities! We will start with pancakes and tranion to a game night with board games and silly challenges. There will be something for all ages. If you would like to help out, please reach out to Nancy J. or Valerie M. Come, see, and laissez les bons temps roulez!

See the February Trinitarian for more details.



Just Stalking Event at Trinity

Just Stalking: Maryland Resources, is a nonprofit formed to provide resources and advocacy for Maryland victims of stalking; it was begun by Trinity members Turquoise and Margo Williams. You are invited to our launch reception and party, which will be held at Trinity, on Saturday, January 27, from 5-8:00 pm. Please RSVP using the online Eventbrite notice on their calendar at https://www.eventbrite.com/d/md--northbethesda/just-stalking/.

If you have any questions or difficulties, please contact Margo W at 301-742-1350, or email at MargoLW@gmail.com.



Serving in Worship Today Assisting Minister: Tad Dev Cantor: Elizabeth R Lector: David K Altar Guild: Miriam M Communion Assistant: Vera N Usher: Angela B Livestream Operators: Mike M / Jeanine B / John B/Greg F Welcome Team: Susan S Coffee Hour: Trinity Singers Tellers: Petra T and Jon S

<u>Staff</u>

Guest Pastor: Pr. Brian Taylor Musician: Marcello Silva Office: Carmen Davis Handbell Choir: Marilyn Converse Custodian: Kathy Boone