

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Cortez, Colorado**

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

O Come,
O Come,
Emmanuel



**9 AM, November 27th, 2022
1st Sunday in Advent**

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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Flowers Donated by: Stan & Carol Hurley (Our Armed Forces)

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church, and to the blessings, comfort and peace of Christ. As we gather, we prepare our hearts for the worship and praise of our Lord and Savior by remembering what the Scriptures say: “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’ ” Psalm 122:1 and “One thing have I asked of the Lord...that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.” Psalm 27:4

To join us on your phone or online, you just need to connect to the **9 am** Teleconference, OR at **6 pm** go to our YouTube page.

- **Teleconference** Dial-in number: (425) 436-6358; Access code: 367780#
 - <https://join.freeconferencemobile.com/trinitylcortez>
- **YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuFKUC8G4JUuIaffzm4aMwA>

TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS:

Within this church let no one feel a stranger. We ask you to sign our guest register, located in the entrance hallway. If you get the chance, before or after the worship service, Pastor Scheele would love to talk with you to find out how he might serve you. Whether you are looking for a new church home, or are passing through Cortez from time to time, we invite you to join Trinity Lutheran in worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ as often as you can. New member classes are open to all and cover the basics of the Christian faith. Please get in touch with Pastor Scheele for the next available class.

Welcome to our Advent worship series, “O Come, Emmanuel.” Each week of the series focuses on a different “O antiphon” that highlights a specific aspect of Christ that enhances our life in him. In our worship for today we take a look at the “O Wisdom” antiphon and rejoice in the great guidance Christ provides for us.

We preach Christ crucified ... Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

1 Corinthians 1:23-24

Hymn of Invocation: 341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

sts. 1–3

1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be - hold, the
 2 A righ - teous Help - er comes to thee; His char - iot
 3 How blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the

King of glo - ry waits. The King of kings is draw - ing
 is hu - mil - i - ty, His king - ly crown is ho - li -
 rul - er is con-fessed! O peace - ful hearts and hap - py

near; The Sav - ior of the world is here. Life and sal -
 ness, His scep - ter, pit - y in dis - tress. The end of
 homes To whom this King in tri - umph comes! The cloud - less

va - tion He doth bring; There-fore re - joice and glad - ly sing.
 all our woe He brings; There-fore the earth is glad and sings.
 sun of joy is He Who comes to set His peo - ple free.

To God the Fa - ther raise Your joy - ful songs of praise.
 To Christ the Sav - ior raise Your grate - ful hymns of praise.
 To God the Spir - it raise Your hap - py shouts of praise.

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the \ddagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** For centuries, during Advent, the church has used a series of antiphons, or responses, to prepare our hearts to celebrate Christ's birth. These seven responses, names and titles for our Savior, are often called the "O Antiphons," familiar to us in the hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." We light the first candle on the Advent wreath in praise to Christ, who is the Wisdom of God. The apostle John writes, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God..."
- C** All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made

that was made” (John 1:1-3).

- P** The apostle Paul writes, “For by [Christ] all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.
- C** **And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together” (Colossians 1:16-17).**
- P** O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation, mightily ordering all things.
- C** **Come and teach us the way of prudence.**

Confession and Absolution

Psalm 124:8

- P** Let us confess our sins to God and ask his forgiveness.
- C** **Almighty God, you rule over us in wisdom, but we, your servants, do not always act wisely. Foolishly, we listen to the temptations of the devil and the world around us. We follow our own selfish desires. We have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and actions. Have mercy on us and forgive us.**
- P** God in his mercy sent his Son to be our Savior and our Wisdom. Jesus laid down his life and rose from the dead to win for us forgiveness and life. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen. O Wisdom, O holy Word of God, rule over us and keep us in your care.**

Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

Opening Collect

- P** Let us pray.
- C** **Lord Jesus, Word and Wisdom of God, you came among us as a helpless infant, and now you are exalted to rule over all creation. Crucified and risen Lord, all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to you. Rule over us in wisdom and love. Lead us by your Spirit to walk in your ways, through this Advent season and always. Help us to be bold and faithful witnesses for you so that others will come to know and worship you as Lord. Amen.**

Apostles’ Creed

- C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Christian Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: 341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

st. 4

4 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a
 tem - ple set a - part From earth - ly use for heav'n's em -
 ploy, A - dorned with prayer and love and joy. So shall your
 Sov - 'reign en - ter in And new and no - bler life be - gin.
 To God a - lone be praise For word and deed and grace!

Children's Message

Hymn: 341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

st. 5

5 Re - deem - er, come and o - pen wide My heart to

Thee; here, Lord, a - bide! O en - ter with Thy grace di -
 vine; Thy face of mer - cy on me shine. Thy Ho - ly
 Spir - it guide us on Un - til our glo - rious goal is won.
 E - ter - nal praise and fame We of - fer to Thy name.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:8–13

- ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
 neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
- ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
 so are my ways higher than your ways
 and my thoughts than your thoughts.
- ¹⁰“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
 and do not return there but water the earth,
 making it bring forth and sprout,
 giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
- ¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
 it shall not return to me empty,
 but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
 and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
- ¹²“For you shall go out in joy
 and be led forth in peace;
 the mountains and the hills before you
 shall break forth into singing,
 and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
- ¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
 instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
 and it shall make a name for the LORD,
 an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.**Epistle**

1 Corinthians 1:20–25

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

A This is the Word of the Lord.**C** Thanks be to God.**Alleluia and Verse**

LSB 205

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that
Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.
C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 7:24–29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventh chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a

foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

²⁸And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching,
²⁹for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: 344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

st. 1

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!

Sermon

Offering & Offertory: 344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

sts. 2, Δ5

2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the way sets for God with - in, And Whom let us all our way sets for Thy peo - ple free, And Whom with the Fa - ther hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there. we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

Prayer of the Church

P Lord Jesus Christ, ... and to recognize you there as the Wisdom and power of God.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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
 and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

P We preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks,
C Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God.
P May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. ✚ The Lord be with you all.
C Amen.

Hymn to Depart: 357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

sts. 1, ref. 2

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som
2 O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d'rest
cap - tive Is ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
all things might - i - ly; To us the path of
ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ways ap - pear.
knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el
Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

SPECIAL PRAYERS: **Lolita Aulston, Terri Blackwell** (Lowell & Mary Lou Volk's daughter), **Tilly & Avery Catrell** (Ramsey's niece), **Jan Chaffin** (Dave Dahl's friend), **Betsy Doolen** (Bryan Baumgartner's sister), **Kathleen Gray** (Nicci Crowley's grandmother), **Jerry Henneman, Trudy Hooyman, Chris Kellog, Eleanore Larson** (Larry Gessner's sister), **Mary Mahaffey, Max** (Sara McCabe's grandson's friend), **Beth McCabe, Paul & Carol McCall** (Renee Johnson's parents), **Kylee Pontine** (friend of Penny Stevens' granddaughter), **Ivy Tu** (friend of the Volk's), **James Woosley** (Debra Ramsey's family), **Bobby & Barbara Yates** (Sharon Krater's friends), and **Lorene Young** (Katrina Baumgartner's co-worker).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Choir, Fellowship and Bible Study follow the Service. Choir meets immediately after worship in the Sanctuary; Snacks & drinks will be served in the Fellowship Hall; Bible Study starts at 10:45 AM in the Sanctuary.

VOLUNTEER to serve your family in Christ; Help with **Fellowship snacks** (by signing up in the Kitchen); Help provide **Altar Flowers** by signing up in the Narthex & donating \$25 (labeled for Flowers).

This Week at Trinity: Prayer Group – Wednesday 7:30 am; Sanctuary
 Midweek Soup Supper – Wednesday 6 pm; Fellowship Hall
 Midweek Advent Service – Wednesday 7 pm; Sanctuary
 Women's Coffee – Friday 9:30 am; McDonalds

Come celebrate the most wonderful unexpected pregnancy ever with **Heart to Heart's Annual Christmas Concert** at 7pm on December 2, 2022, at Lighthouse Baptist Church.

Join us for a **Baby Shower** for Jacqueline & Josh, Saturday Dec. 3 @ 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. For more details, see invitation on bulletin board.

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Trinity Lutheran Church Advent Services



Mid-Week Services

Nov. 30th, Dec 7th, and 14th
6:00pm Soup & Fellowship
7:00pm Kid Friendly Advent Worship

Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 24th 7:00pm

Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 25th 9:00am

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