

The Second Sunday After the Epiphany

January 18, 2026
8am



What Would You Do If...?

Welcome to All Worshippers Today

*No matter where you come from or what you're going through,
No matter what you believe or what you doubt,
No matter whom you love; You are welcomed to this place
To be met by a God who knows you by name,
Who knows your heart and mind,
And who wants to have a relationship with **YOU!***

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Welcome

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.*
 Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gloria

Hymn S280

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Collect of the Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands,
 pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The LORD called me before I was born,
 while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
²He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
 in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
 in his quiver he hid me away.
³And he said to me, "You are my servant,
 Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain,
 I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,
 and my reward with my God."
⁵And now the LORD says,
 who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
 and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,
 and my God has become my strength—
⁶he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
 to raise up the tribes of Jacob
 and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
 that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

⁷Thus says the LORD,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 40 *Read responsively by whole verse* **BCP 640**

¹I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.

²*He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.*

³He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴*Happy are those who make the LORD their trust,
who do not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after false gods.*

⁵You have multiplied, O LORD my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you.
Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be counted.

⁶*Sacrifice and offering you do not desire,
but you have given me an open ear.
Burnt offering and sin offering
you have not required.*

⁷Then I said, "Here I am;
in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

⁸*I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart."*

⁹I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;
see, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O LORD.

¹⁰*I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your
faithfulness from the great congregation.*

¹¹Do not, O LORD, withhold
your mercy from me;
let your steadfast love and your faithfulness
keep me safe forever.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ **I give thanks** to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – ⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – ⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may

be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

²⁹[John] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s

brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Deacon People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Clay Lein

The Apostles' Creed *All stand.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth;

believe in Jesus Christ, his only

He was conceived by the power of the Holy

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate

was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended to the dead

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 restoration of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen*

The Prayers of the People

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V Father we pray for your holy catholic Church:

That we all may be one

V. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
R. *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

V. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
R. *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

V. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
R. *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

V. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
R. *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

V. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
R. *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

V. Give to the departed eternal rest;
R. *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

V. We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
R. *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

V. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In the silence people may add their own petitions.

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask; Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Confession of Sin

Please kneel as you are able.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace (*please greet each other*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements and Blessings

Great Thanksgiving

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Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit, stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.*

Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia*

All Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table. Follow the directions of the ushers to come forward. If you would like communion brought to you, please inform the ushers.

If you would prefer to receive only a blessing, please come forward and a priest will bless you and/or your kids.

Offering plates are placed at the front on each side so we might bring our gifts as we come forward.



Wine and wafer packets are available. Simply take one from the tray, and then discard the packaging in the designated area when you return to your pew.



To instead receive a wafer, place your hands in front of you, slightly overlapping. The priest will place a wafer in your palm.



If you wish to use the common cup, reach out and guide the large chalice to your mouth.



Two options exist for receiving wine.

If you wish to dip your wafer in the wine, hold it in front of you, and then dip your wafer in the small chalice.

Closing Prayer

*God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Blessing

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
People *Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Altar flowers are given in celebration of Lucy's birthday by Bob & Lucy Winter.

Serving Today

Greeter/Ushers

8am
John & Bonnie
Englehardt
Lectors 8am
John Schomerus
Bob Hillyer

Chalice 8am
Rev. Dr. Clay Lein
Rev. Verneda Kelly
Bob Hillyer

Altar Guild

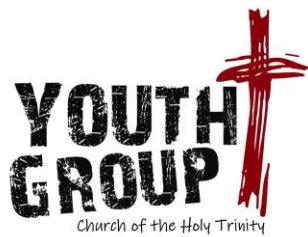
Babette Dickinson
Gina Fountain

Coffee Shepherd

John Schomerus

Jan. 21: Youth Midweek Bible Study @ 7-8:30 pm

Our mid-week Bible study, Wednesday, Jan. 21st, is all about Mary Magdalene. She was one of the early church's leaders and the first witness to Jesus' empty tomb. Come learn how we can be inspired to be ON FIRE for God from her story.



Jan. 25: Youth Lunch & Service – 11:30am to 1pm

Come have lunch with us, while having fun and making a difference in our world by serving. We'll meet in the Memorial Room and go from there.

More info is located on the Welcome Table in All Saints hall.

Annual Meeting of the Parish

Sunday, Jan 25, 2026

9:15am

In the Parish Hall

We are having our annual meeting NEXT SUNDAY. It's a time for us to look back on 2025 and look forward to God's call in 2026.

Join us at 9:15am in the Parish Hall. We will be reviewing our Annual Report for 2025 and electing new vestry and delegates for the new year.

There will be Sunday School for grades K-5 at that time. The Nursery will be staffed as well.

8:00 Worship Service

9:15 Annual Mtg

10:30 Worship Service

Vestry Candidates

Vestry Nominees *(We will vote for 3 only)*

We asked each of the nominees to answer this simple question:
What are you most excited about for Holy Trinity in 2026?

Angee Dostal - *I'm excited for the energy and spirit that has been infused into Holy Trinity the last 5 years. I love being a part of the HT family and meeting the new people that are joining us for worship and to spread the love of Christ.*

Joe Fox - *Over the past 5 years, Holy Trinity has become a wonderful home to my family and I. I'm excited to watch my son grow up here with all the amazing opportunities afforded to children and families. Continuing those programs to connect with families in our community and demonstrating God's love is very important to me.*

Johanna (JoMac) Machmer - *I am thankful to call Holy Trinity my home. God has been shaping my life in new ways these last few years and I'm excited to keep learning, serving, and walking closer with Him every day. Thank you for considering me for vestry.*

Justin McCully - *I am excited for working towards finalizing the Master Plan renovations. I am excited for intentionally growing our programs aimed at attracting young families. Finally, I am excited to continue building Holy Trinity into a congregation that serves its members, its community, and bolsters our relationships with God.*

In addition, we hope to approve the following wardens:

Sr. Warden - Corey Wasserburger

Jr. Warden - Matt Lundak

Souper Bowl of Caring is BACK!

It's our annual food drive for Matt Talbott. Bring in soup, crackers and other non-perishables and place them on the table in the South Entrance foyer.



**The Order of the
Daughters of the King 4-5pm
January 21st in the Memorial Room**

The group prays daily but meets once a month on the 3rd Wednesday from 4-5pm in the Memorial Room. For more info contact MaryLu Long at 402-429-1021.

Holy Trinity is Impacting Our World

Several of our parishioners are active in a ministry to those whose lives are impacted by incarceration of their loved ones. Judy Luthe, Cheryl Hejl and Shellie Hale will be serving on the **“Kairos Outside”** team later in October.

If you are interested in being on the team contact Judy Luthe at jluthe4@aol.com

Even if you can't serve you can help in two ways:

1. Pray.
2. Eat Pizza at the Pizza Ranch at 8420 Lexington Avenue on January 28. 10% of the proceeds will go to **Kairos Outside**.



**LPS Emergency Pantry at
Bryan Community School
300 S. 48th St., 2:45-5:45pm**

Volunteers Needed! One Friday A Month.

Sign up at the South Entrance Community Ministry table.

Make a Radical Change This Lent!

Folks talk about the things that they plan to “give up” for Lent.

Things like chocolate or social media or TV.

Those aren’t bad

options, but this Lent maybe there’s something far more impactful that we can give up.

We are going to be looking at some of the people who encountered Jesus in the last 3 Days of his life. Each of them had something they needed to give up. We’ll hear their story and then perhaps see how we might need to “**Give it Up**” too.

Give it Up

Lent 2026

To Dig in More, Join One of Our Lenten Small Groups

Join us each Wednesday during Lent to dig more deeply into how we might actually Give Up some of the things that might hold us back from really growing our faith.

We’ll kick off each session with a very short teaching and then break out into a longer small group time for sharing. At the end of Lent we hope to be able to give up more than just chocolate.

We’ll be offering two sessions each week on Wednesdays in Lent. So, pick a time that works for you, invite a friend, then join us for food, fellowship and faith.

Sessions meet: February 25, March 4, 11, 18, and 25.

Lunch Groups:

11:30am – 1:00pm

OR

Supper Groups:

6:30pm – 8:00pm

Sign up @ Church or via email to: SusanE@HTLNK.org

Want to Develop Faith, Leadership and Servant Heart in Your Teens? Or in YOU? January 25th @ 11:30am

That's what our Youth Service Trip to Santee does. We want to invite you AND your teens – 5th through 12th grade – to join us from May 28th to June 1st. (*You don't need a Teen to come!*)

It may be hard to believe, but this trip really does that! We go there to serve our Lakota partners at the Church of Our Most Merciful Savior. The youth take on leadership roles. They discover what it's like to trust God outside of their comfort zone. And they develop friendships with people from different cultures.

Interested? Then come to our Information Meeting next Sunday, Jan. 25th right after the late service @ 11:30am. We'll be downstairs in the Oasis Room.



Youth Team from 2025 in Santee



Need a prayer? Text or call the Holy Trinity Prayer Chain (531) 280-8515 or Email holytrinityprayer10@gmail.com to ask for immediate prayers or become involved in our prayer chain.

Prayer requests for Holy Trinity's prayer chain will include them on our list for a total of two weeks. Please help keep us updated.

This week we pray for: Bishop Bill Godfrey & Judy; Cheryl B.; Sean O.; Wesley and family; Marcia W.; Cheryl & Sam; Gabby; Corey K; Bryan; Lisa; Emilie; Kelly; John A.; Myles; Cheryl; David; Lori; Kameron; Lloyd; Julie S; Rod B; Lisa; Shannon; Don; Sara; Carrie C; Amy; Alessa; Jim; Paul, Ward, Lynn, Kevin; Pat H.; Sergio; JoAnn, Deana, Natalie, Mary T., Lindsey; Kacie and her small children; John C.; Amy; Sabrina; John B & family; Wade; George; Joseph; Bob B; Tami; Lucy, Aaron; Charlene; Marlene P.; Josh; Shawn; Richie F; Ann H.; Dow C.; Donna; Jackie H; Christopher; Tom H; Madison.

In Thanksgiving we pray for January Birthdays 1 Jacob Nhial Guut Amool, 1 Jacob Manyang, 1 Mary Riak, 1 Maya Stieren, 3 Christian Sherer, 4 Deng Deng, 4 Eloise Everett, 7 Rev. Helen Goltl, 7 Fran Rouzee, 8 Casey Jurczewsky, 9 Layna Bernt, 9 James Walbridge, 10 Kaeden Meyer, 10 Aaron White, 11 Scott Dostal, 12 Kok Deng, 12 Amy Whittington, 14 Jann Horeis, 17 Mary Jo Tietjen, 18 Manyiel, 18 Lucy Winter, 19 Terry Edwards, 24 Apat Malou, 25 Tracy Atteberry, 25 Ann Hudson, 26 Tammy Schomerus, 28 Suvi St. Pierre, 28 Dana Visger, 29 Mary Fuller, 31 Liz Bavitz.

Sun Jan 18, 2026	
8am Coffee Hour (PH)	10:30am Family Worship Service (S/PH)
8am Holy Eucharist (S)	10:30am Holy Eucharist (S)
9:15am Sunday School (U)	10:30am Online Service
9:15am His Story (MR)	11:30am Connection Corner
10:30am Children's Chapel (CC)	(PH)

1:30pm Dinka Language
Worship (S/PH)
1:30pm Sudanese Sunday
School (MR)

Mon Jan 19, 2026

Offices Closed

9:30am Exercise Class (PH)
4:30pm Jazz Rehearsal (PH)
6pm EFM (MR/PH)
6pm Heartland Exercise (CR)
7pm Vestry (MR)

Tue Jan 20, 2026

12pm AA (U)
6pm Heartland Exercise (CR)
6:30pm Community Bells (BR)
8pm Tues AA (U)

We
9:30am *PH-Parish Hall*
12pm *S-Sanctuary*
4pm *MR-Memorial Room*
6pm *CC-Children's Chapel*
CR-Choir Room
(downstairs)
6pm *LGR/OR-Large Group Room/Oasis Room*
(downstairs)
6pm *BR-Bell Room*
6pm *Heartland Exercise (CR)*

7pm Youth Group Bible Study
(Oasis Room)

Thu Jan 22, 2026

12pm Thursday AA (U)
6pm Heartland Exercise (CR)

Fri Jan 23, 2026

8:30am Organ lessons (S)
9:30am Exercise Class (PH)
6:30pm Freeman Recital (S)
7:30pm Friday night AA (U)

Sat Jan 24, 2026

Sun Jan 25, 2026

8am Coffee Hour (PH)
8am Holy Eucharist (S)
9:15am Annual Meeting (PH)
10:30am Children's Chapel (CC)
10:30am Holy Eucharist (S)
10:30am Online Service
11:30am Service Trip Mtg (LGR)
11:30am Youth Lunch (MR)
1:30pm Dinka Language
Worship (S/PH)
1:30pm Sudanese Sunday
School (MR)