

Welcome to Trinity

#5 Art. VII “The Person of Christ” Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration

In his small work on the last words of David,* Dr. Luther, a little before his death, wrote thus: “According to the other, **the temporal, human birth**, the eternal power of God was also given unto him, but in time, and not from eternity. For the humanity of Christ has not been from eternity, like the divinity, but, according to our computation, Jesus the Son of Mary is now 1543 years of age. But from that moment, in which the divinity and humanity were united in one person, the man, the Son of Mary, truly is, and is called the omnipotent, eternal God; who has eternal power, who created and preserves all things, *per communicationem idiomatum*, because with the divinity, he is one person, and is also true God. Concerning this, he says: ‘All things are delivered unto me of my Father,’ Matt. 11:27. And in another place: ‘All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth,’ Matt. 28:18. Who is he that says: ‘Unto me?’ Unto me, Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of Mary, and born as man. From eternity I have this power of the Father, before I became man. But when I became man, I received it in time according to the humanity, and held it concealed until my resurrection and ascension, when it was to be manifested and declared;—as Paul, Rom. 1:4, writes: ‘He was declared to be the Son of God with power;’” John uses the term *glorified*, John 17:10. (Henkel Translation, p. 702).

Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064)
Organist – Dan and LeeAnn Byrne
Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning – Dec 28 Byrne, Jan 4/11 Brieschke
Altar Flowers – In memory of Linda Plock’s mother and in honor of Cecil’s birthday

The Lord’s Supper

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Please note that our practice of closed communion with those who are in fellowship with us—members of congregations of the ELDoNA—is not meant to offend, but is the historic practice of the Church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations may be Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42) is the central issue to the common reception of the Sacrament of the Altar. Therefore, we ask GUESTS desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service so that he may know that you are a member of a congregation in fellowship with Trinity Lutheran Church.

Upcoming Services

WEDNESDAY **-CHRIST’S MASS EVE SERVICE, 7:00 PM**
THURSDAY **-FULL MATINS ON CHRISTMAS DAY, 8:00 AM**
-CHRIST’S MASS DAY SERVICE, 9:00 AM
FRIDAY -St. Stephen, First Martyr, no service
SATURDAY **-Vespers on St. John, Apostle, 7:00 PM**

NEXT *-1st SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS/HOLY INNOCENTS*
SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-Divine Service-Lord’s Supper, 10:15 AM
NEXT WEDNESDAY – **Divine Service on Eve of the Name of Jesus, 7:00 PM**

Lutheran Worship Hymnal
Service of Light pages 250-255
Psalm 96 (insert)
Isaiah 9:2-7
Hymn “On Christmas Night All Christians Sing” LW #65

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal
+ Introit..... (insert)
[Pastor, then congregation]
+ Kyrie... p.10
Gloria in Excelsis is omitted
+ Salutation..... p.13
+ Collect of the Day... (insert)
Epistle, Gradual..... (insert)
+ Holy Gospel..... p.16
Nicene Creed..... p.17
ASBH #5 “O Jesus Christ, All Praise to Thee”
Sermon
+ Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.18
The Offerings are gathered.
+ General Prayer..... (back)
Hymn..... **LW #240**
+ Exhortation p.21

Lutheran Worship Hymnal
+ Preface, etc. p.144-151
Communion Psalm (by cantor)
Distribution & Hymns #60
+ “Lord, now you let ...” p.152
+ Post-Communion Collects p.153
+ Benedicamus/Benediction.... p.154-5
+ **Hymn #62**
Announcements

General Prayer of the Church

*This day we will be using a prayer from
“Prayers for Feasts, Festivals, and Holidays”
from The Lutheran Liturgy (p.330-331).*

O THOU GOD AND FATHER of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whose grace we again celebrate the birth of our Savior, we come into Thy presence with holy joy, for Thou hast gloriously fulfilled Thy promises, given to our first parents after the Fall, to the Patriarchs, to Moses and the Prophets, and to all Thy people of old, who waited in hope for the Salvation of Israel. Accept, we beseech Thee, our humble tribute of praise and thanksgiving, and grant that through the birth of Thy Son we may be born again in the spirit unto the blessed hope of everlasting life.

O Jesus, Thou Son of God, we bless Thee for becoming flesh of our flesh and for enriching us with inestimable gifts from the treasures of Thy grace. Thou hast made reconciliation for iniquity, so that now we have peace with God and access to the Father. Thou didst become the Son of Man, that we might be made the children of God in Thee. Bestow upon us a simple, childlike faith, that in Thy lowliness we may adore Thee; and give us grace to behold the glory shining through the veil of Thy humanity, the glory of the Only-Begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. Speak to us the

words of life, that, as Thou hast loved us, so we may also love Thee. Be our Light in darkness, our Abundance in want, and our very present Help in trouble. And as Thou didst descend from heaven to earth for our salvation, so may we have power to ascend from earth to heaven, to the glory of Thy great and adorable name.

O Holy Spirit, we praise Thee for Thy comfort and guidance. Incline our hearts to meditate devoutly on the sublime mystery of the Nativity, and help us to embrace our Redeemer, in true faith, as our most precious possession. Fill our hearts with peace, and comfort, and hope, and life, and joy in Him. Let us so keep the feast that at its close, with Thy benediction upon us, we may resume the burdens of our several callings, rejoicing in our salvation and delighting to do Thy will.

*Here special Supplications, Intercessions,
and Prayers may be made here.*

O Holy Trinity, who wouldst be praised for mercy rather than judgment, we glorify Thee; for Thou hast had respect unto the lowly. Let Thy covenant of peace endure forevermore, that we may rejoice in Thee, world without end. AMEN.

Christmas Eve



Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (II:66)

Angels Appear to the Shepherds in Luke 2:1-20

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Titus 2:11-14

11For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

1And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. 3So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. 4Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. 6So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. 7And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

8Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. 10Then the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. 11“For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. 12“And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.” 13And suddenly there was with the angel

a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: 14 Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”

15So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, “Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.” 16And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. 17Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child. 18And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds. 19But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart. 20Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

THE VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD (DECEMBER 24) (WHITE) PSALM 24



Introit.

Ant. THE LORD, || hath said unto Me, | Thou | art | My | Son:
this day have I be- | got- | ten | Thee.

Psalm. || The LORD reigneth, He is clothed | with | ma | jes- | ty:
the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath gird- | ed | Him-
| self.

GLO- RY || be to the Father | and | to | the | Son:
and to the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and | ev- | er | shall | be:
world without | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. repeated.*)

Collect.

O God, Who has made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant, we beseech Thee, that as we have known on earth the mysteries of that Light, we may also come to the fullness of His joys in heaven; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.
Amen.

Epistle. Hebrews 1:1–12

Gospel. John 1:1–14

Gradual.

|| Thy people shall be willing in the day | of | Thy | po- | wer:
in the beauties of holiness from the womb of | the | morn- | ing.

|| The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit Thou | at | My | right | hand:
until I make Thine enemies | Thy | foot- | stool.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD hath said unto Me, | Thou | art | My | Son:
this day I have begotten Thee. Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* The glory of the Lord shall be revealed: and all flesh shall see the salvation of our God (Isaiah 40:5). **Psalm 24:1-8**

The Service of Light begins with “Evening Prayer” on page 250 of Lutheran Worship.

Strength and beauty are in His sanc-
tu- | a- | ry.

and to the | Ho- | ly | **Ghost**;

The hymn LW #65 “On Christmas Night All Christians Sing”

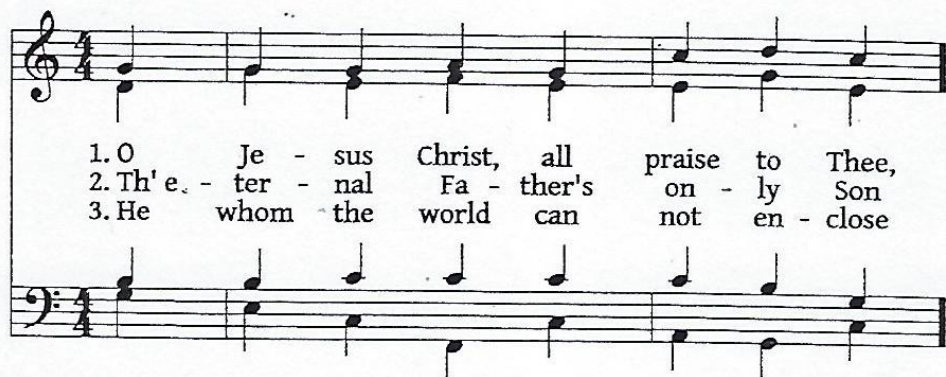
Feast of the Nativity

5. O Jesus Christ, All Praise to Thee

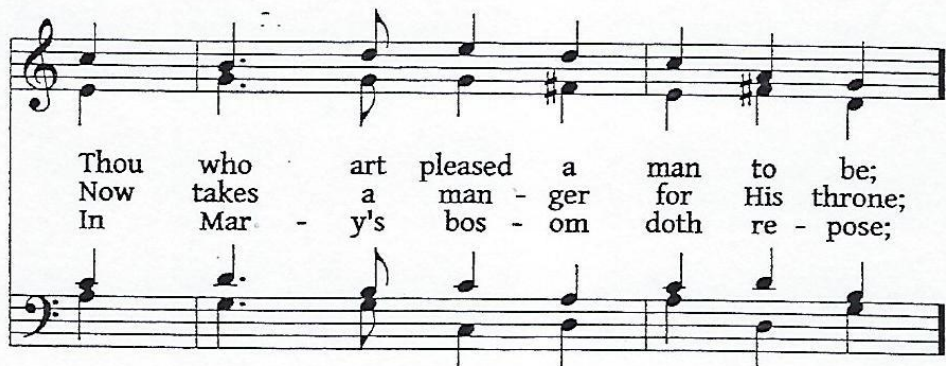
M. Luther, 1524

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Johann Walther, 1524



1. O Je - sus Christ, all praise to Thee,
 2. Th' e - ter - nal Fa - ther's on - ly Son
 3. He whom the world can not en - close



Thou who art pleased a man to be;
 Now takes a man - ger for His throne;
 In Mar - y's bos - om doth re - pose;



To dwell with men Thou dost not scorn,
 The ev - er - last - ing fount of good,
 To be a lit - tle child He deigns



And an - gels shout to see Thee born,
 As - sumes our mor - tal flesh and blood.
 Who all things by Him - self sus - tains.



Hal - le - lu - ja.
 Hal - le - lu - ja.
 Hal - le - lu - ja. A - men.

4. Th' eternal Light to us descends,
 Its brightness to the earth it lends,
 And purely shines upon our night,
 To make us children of the light.
 Hallelujah.

5. The only Son, true God confessed,
 To His own world now comes a Guest;
 And through this vale of tears our Guide,
 Doth in His heav'n our home provide.
 Hallelujah.

6. In poorest guise to us He came,
 Himself He bears our sin and shame,
 That, as His heirs in heav'n above,
 We may with angels share His love.
 Hallelujah.

7. His love to show, surpassing thought!
 God's Son this wondrous work hath wrought;
 Then let us all unite to raise
 Our song of glad, unceasing praise.
 Hallelujah.