

# We Welcome YOU to Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford January 4, 2026 NEWSLETTER



**Holy Communion** – The 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

We, Lutherans, believe and teach that in this precious meal we receive is not only the bread and wine, but also Christ's true Body and true Blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Proper spiritual preparation is necessary to rightly receive this sacrament. Please read the Communion policy card in the bookrack of your pew.



Please be attentive to the ushers. They will guide you to come forward to receive the Holy Communion.

## Preparing for Sunday Worship

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:4–15

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 1:3–14

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 2:40–52

### *The Lord Jesus Is Found in the Temple of His Church*

The Lord Jesus “grew and became strong” (Luke 2:40); He “increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man” (Luke 2:52). As His body grew and developed, His mind also increased in knowledge and understanding. For as our brother in the flesh, that we might “have redemption through his blood” (Eph. 1:7), He lived by faith in the Word of His Father. Thus, He was catechized by His parents, who took Him up “to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover” (Luke 2:41); and when He was of age, He gave attention to the Holy Scriptures in His Father’s house (Luke 2:46, 49). Christ Jesus is still found in His Church, in “the word of truth, the gospel,” by which we are adopted by His Father and sealed with His Spirit (Eph. 1:5, 13). Thus do we gain “an understanding mind” to go about our vocations, discerning “between good and evil” (1 Kings 3:9). And so do we also go up to Jerusalem to stand “before the ark of the covenant of the Lord” (1 Kings 3:15), that is, in the Holy Communion of His body and blood.



**a New Visitor to Trinity Lutheran Church? Please sign our “Guest Book” on the Narthex table.**

#### Pastor's Corner:

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the beautiful Christmas gifts and cards, you gave me and my family. "May the Lord bless you abundantly" 2 Corinthians 9:8

Free Copies of "PORTAL OF PRAYERS" are available in the Narthex.



**Remember  
Our  
Shut-Ins**

**We Uplift in Prayer:**

Valerie Krehmer  
Faye Ulmer,  
Inez Johnson,  
Loretta Brown,  
Alice Topnik, Pat Frisk  
Elizabeth Scheier.

**To all members and visitors,  
PLEASE SIGN IN if you will be  
partaking in communion.  
Thank you**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Adult Bible Study:**

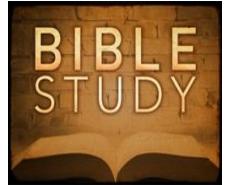
Paul's Letter to the "Ephesians," will be the focus of our Bible Study for this Winter.

*Pastor Henock will be teaching this book on*

**Tuesday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am and**

**Sunday from 11:45 am to 12:20 pm**

*All are welcome to attend!*



**Birthday Sunday** - Sunday, Jan 4th. Cake and drinks will be served after church service.

**TLC'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE & EVENTS January 2026**



- Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 pm Intro to Lutheran Christian Identity
- Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am Tuesday Bible Study: Ephesians
- Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am Men's Breakfast
- Jan 11<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am Divine Service
- 11:45 am Sunday Bible Study: Ephesians
- Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Intro to Lutheran Christian Identity
- Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am Week of Prayer
- Jan 24<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am Board of Elders
- Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am Divine Service /Guest Speaker: Sarah Manuel
- Jan 31<sup>st</sup> 2:30 pm Confirmation

**NOTICE:** Office will be closed during the holidays. Returning to regular office Schedule: Tuesday January 6, 2026

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TLC REGULAR OFFICE HOURS 2025:  
 Tues - Thurs: 9:00am - 3:00pm ~ Monday, Friday & Holidays-Closed