
We Welcome YOU to Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford January 25, 2026 NEWSLETTER



Holy Communion – The 1st and 3rd 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.

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

FIRST READING: *Acts 9:1–22*

EPISTLE READING: *Galatians 1:11–24*

HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 19:27–30*

God's Enemies Are Conquered by the Revelation of Grace in Christ

Christ brings about a great reversal in St. Paul. “*He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy*” (Gal. 1:23). The enemy of the Gospel becomes its foremost preacher, and the last of the apostles becomes the first (Matt. 19:30). Paul is God’s “*chosen instrument ... to carry [His] name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel*” (Acts 9:15). The conversion of Paul is only a more dramatic example of what God does in revealing Christ to us. The bondage of our sin makes saving faith impossible. “I believe that I cannot ... believe” (Small Catechism, Third Article of the Creed). But even this is no obstacle for our Lord’s grace in Christ and the Holy Spirit’s power through the Gospel. Baptized, filled with the Holy Spirit, and hearing the Word of Christ, our ears are opened and our spiritual blindness is lifted (Acts 9:17–19). It is dangerous to be a traitor to Christ’s enemies — “*I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name*” (Acts 9:16) — but everything that is left behind is “*rubbish*” compared to “*the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus*” (Phil. 3:8) and the eternal life that we, with St. Paul, will at last inherit (Matt. 19:29).



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

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



We Uplift in Prayer:

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



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 12:25 pm

All are welcome to attend!

GREEN PHONE DIRECTORY CORRECTION:



The published contact phone number for Pastor Henock on the inside of the back cover is incorrect.

Please change the number to
Cell Number: 416 830 3542.



Our retired Christmas tree (still sparkling with lights!) is ready for its next adventure.

Was your condo lobby or amenities room feeling a little bare this past season? This cheerful tree would love to move in and help spread some festive joy for this next Christmas!

The tree is currently hanging out in the church narthex and is eager to be picked up. To give it a new home, please contact Susan at 604-853-9412

TLC'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE & EVENTS January 25 -31, 2026

Jan 25th 10:30 am Divine Service /Guest Speaker: Sarah Manuel

Jan 31st 2:30 pm Confirmation

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TLC Office Regular Hours 2026

Tues – Thurs: 9:00am - 3:00pm ~ Monday, Friday & Holidays-Closed