

The Worship of God

Trinity Chimes *The Chimes call us to quiet our hearts for worship.*

Prelude *O Come, All Ye Faithful* arr. Berry

Greeting and Announcements

Advent Wreath Jantz family

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship - Psalm 24:7-10

WL: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

ALL: Who is this King of glory?

WL: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

ALL: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

WL: Who is this King of glory?

ALL: The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

*Hymn of Praise *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* No. 238

Choral Anthem *Of the Father's Love Begotten* arr. Ijames

Prayer of Confession, from the Library of Christian Worship:

Almighty God of the prophets, you have called us to glorify your name through our love for you and for one another. We confess that our praise is more on our lips than with our lives. We profess repentance while we resist change; we sing of love, but we curse our enemies; we pray your will be done, but insist on our own way. Have mercy upon us, Father, and cleanse and forgive our selfish ways. We ask this in the name of the one who is and was and is yet to come, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (Silent confession) Amen!

Song of Confession *Lamb of God* Hansen, Kauflin, LaChance

GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST

*Proclamation of the Gospel and Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Assurance *O Little Town of Bethlehem* No. 242

Prayer of the Kirk and The Lord's Prayer

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* Arr. Berry

*Doxology (*Advent/Christmas*)

“Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Ever Three and Ever One.
Savior of the nations, come, Virgin's Son make here Thy home.”

*Prayer of Dedication

GOD SHAPES US WITH HIS WORD

*Old Testament Reading Mark 1:1-8
Kirk Yentes, Ruling Elder

Sermon “The Refining Fire”
Malachi 3:1-4
Rev. Mark Tippin

Hymn of Response *Fullness of Grace* No. 221

GOD SENDS US OUT IN HIS NAME

*Benediction and Trinity Chimes

Postlude *All is Well*

*Please rise in heart or body for these acts of worship.

Welcome to Westkirk

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning!
Please record your presence and let us know how we may serve you by filling out the Connect Card and placing it in the offering or scan the QR code to fill it out electronically.

Serving Us Today

Rev. Mark Tippin	Transitional Pastor
Rev. Nathan Hiatt	Associate Pastor
Benae Duff	Director of Children's Ministry
Jordan Pohlmann	Director of Music/Piano/Vocals
Linda Civitarese	Organ/Piano
Elder Kirk Yentes	Worship Assistant
Becky Jantz	Choral Accompanist
Peter Bailey	Violin
Elizabeth Klingsheim	Guitar
Tara Wilterdink, Katelyn Riak	Vocals
Zachary and Emily Gilbert, James and Kelly Bartlett	Welcome Team
Barrett and Mabel Vest	Acolytes
Caleb Klingsheim, Bryan Pearson, Steve Jantz	Sound Technicians
Audrene Hansen, Cheryl Kurtz	Altar Guild

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To Know Christ and Make Him Known
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