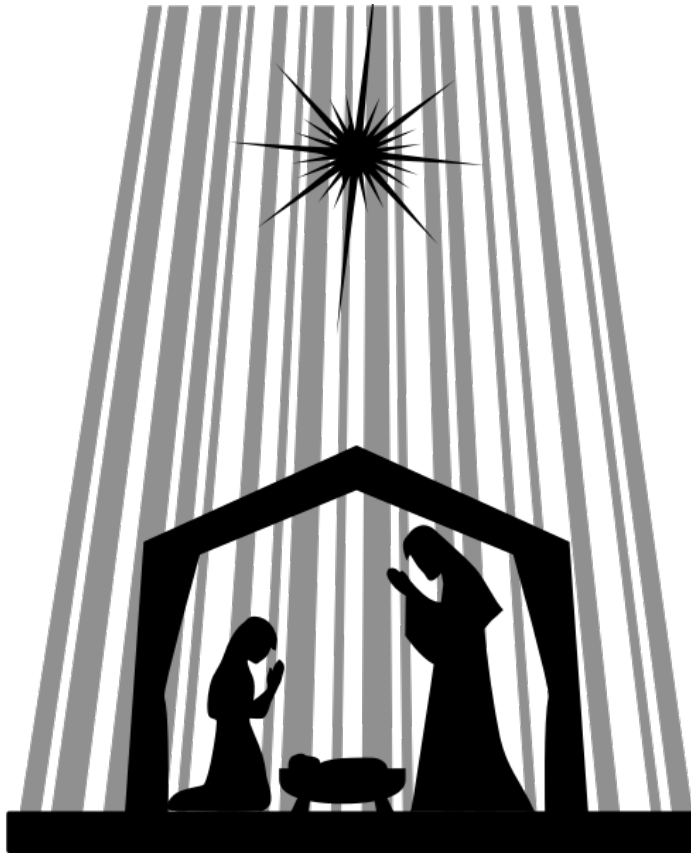


SEARCHING FOR THE SAVIOR



**A Christmas Service Lead
by The 5th – 8th Graders of
Trinity Lutheran School
Menasha, Wisconsin
Wednesday, December 15, 2021
10:30 AM & 6:30PM**

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PRESERVICE MUSIC

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Congregation: LSB 379 “O Come, All Ye Faithful”



1 O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O
2 High - est, most ho - ly, Light of Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing;



come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
Born of a vir - gin, a mor - tal He comes;
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!
Je - sus, to Thee — be — glo - ry giv'n!



Come and be - hold Him Born the king of an - gels:
Son of the Fa - ther Now in flesh ap - pear - ing!
Glo - ry to God — In — the — high - est:
Word of the Fa - ther Now in flesh ap - pear - ing!

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him,



O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord!
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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

LITANY

- P** Since the beginning of time, people have been waiting and searching for the promised Messiah.
- C** **We too, are waiting and searching for the Savior.**
- P** Prophets gave encouragement and prophesied about the Savior to come.
- C** **We too, need encouragement as we search for the Savior.**
- P** Shepherds came to find the Savior and knelt by the manger.
- C** **We too, kneel before the Savior that we seek.**
- P** Wise men traveled from afar to find this King and worshipped him.
- C** **We too, search for the same King that we might worship him.**
- C** Dear Lord, as we seek the infant Jesus, fill our hearts and minds with the message of your love and salvation. Grant us the wisdom to search for those things that are right and good. Help us ponder on the message this day that we may find the Savior for whom we are searching. In your holy name.
- C** **Amen.**

CHIMES:

“Carol of the Bells”

INTRODUCTION: FINDING THE LOST

STUDENT RECITATION

5/6 HYMN:

“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”

PART 1: WE ARE LOST

STUDENT RECITATION



CONGREGATION HYMN:

“Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord”



1 Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has tru - ly
2 What the Fa - thers most de - sired, What the proph - ets'
5 Bruise for me the ser - pent's head That, set free from
6 Then when You will come a - gain As the glo - rious



kept His word And at last to us did send
heart in - spired, What they longed for man - y a year,
doubt and dread, I may cling to You in faith,
king to reign, I with joy will see Your face,



Christ, the sin - ner's help and friend.
Stands ful - filled in glo - ry here.
Safe - ly kept through life and death.
Free - ly ran - somed by Your grace.

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PART 2: KEEP LOOKING

STUDENT RECITATION

5TH-8TH GRADE SONG:

“Watcha Gonna Call That Baby”

PART 3: GETTING CLOSER

STUDENT RECITATION

7/8 HYMN:

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

PART 4: FOUND

STUDENT RECITATION

HYMN:

LSB 363 Silent Night, Holy Night

Stanza 1 Students Only in German

Stanza 2 – 3 Congregation w / Students Peace, Peace

1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm,
2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake
3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God,

all is bright Round yon vir - gin moth - er and child.
at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,
love's pure light Ra - diant beams from Thy ho - ly face

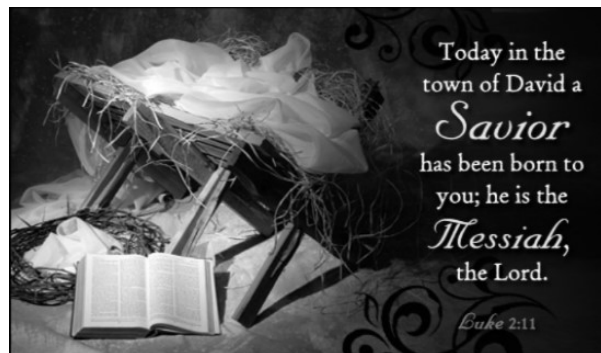
Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly
Heav'n - ly hosts sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, the Sav - ior, is
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy

peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

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PART 5: SEEING IS BELIEVING

STUDENT RECITATION



CONGREGATION HYMN:

“As with Gladness Men of Old”



1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to Thy low-ly bed,
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare At Thy cra-dle, rude and bare,



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
There to bend the knee be-fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a-dore;
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led by Thee.
So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek Thy mer-cy seat.
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.

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PART 6: THE SEARCH CONTINUES

STUDENT RECITATION

PART 7: WE ARE FOUND

STUDENT RECITATION

5th – 8th HYMN:

“What Child Is This”

PRAYER

P Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gifts you have given us, especially the gift of your Son and your saving grace. We thank you Lord for your Son, our Savior, who we have seen as a baby in the manger. But most of all, we thank you for bringing us to salvation. We thank you for the cross upon which Jesus died, and for our heavenly home waiting for us some day. In your name we pray.

C Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be and abide with us all.

C Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

LSB 387 Joy to the World



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions



King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
play, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

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CHRISTMAS AT TRINITY

- December 17: 1/2 Day/All School Caroling/Non-Uniform
- December 24: Christmas Eve: 4:00pm & 6:30pm “A Wondrous Rescue”
- December 24: Christmas Eve: 11:00pm “Shepherd’s Pie
- December 25: Christmas Day: 10:00am “The Light That Cannot Be Overcome”
- December 31: New Years Eve: 6:30pm “Time Is On Our Side”

We prepare for Christmas with joy and hope in our lives. Jesus came for a world such as this - broken, despairing, and seemingly hopeless. “He comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found” (Joy to the World, verse 3). Please join us for worship, whether you come in-person or watch through our Facebook livestream. Together, let us be prepared to greet the Christ child who comes for me and you!

*A Very Merry Christmas,
From the Faculty and Staff at Trinity*

