



**January 14, 2024**

**10:00 am**

## **2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

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**We are blessed that you  
have joined us today.**

### **Notes on worship:**

**BOLD type = people of God =You**

Regular type = leader

*Italic type = directions or explanations*

### **Introduction to the Day**



All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of

Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called "the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

### **WELCOME**

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Bellerose! We are so glad that you are here to worship with us either in person or online. **If you are seeking a church to call home, welcome and we hope you find the comfort of Christ's Beloved Community here.** If Pastor Analyse or the Prayer Team can provide any care for you at present, please reach out in person or at [pastoranalyse@holyltrinitybellerose.org](mailto:pastoranalyse@holyltrinitybellerose.org) or the church office at [office@holyltrinitybellerose.org](mailto:office@holyltrinitybellerose.org).

*~Please stand as you are able~*

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

A reading from Jeremiah.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth,  
wind sweeping over the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our rock and refuge,

**we pour out our hearts before you.**

**We have known you but have not always  
loved you.**

**We have wounded one another  
and sinned against you.**

**We have not always recognized the Holy  
Spirit**

**dwelling in each of us.**

**Remember your covenant.**

**Renew your creation.**

**Restore us,**

**that we might proclaim your good news to  
all.**

**Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

God has spoken:

The time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of ☩ Jesus Christ,  
your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

**Amen.**

### **GATHERING HYMN ELW #696 vs 1, 3, 5**

Jesus, Calls Us; O'er the Tumult

**1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea,  
day by day his clear voice sounding,  
saying, "Christian, follow me":**

**3 Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."**

**5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy,  
Savior, may we hear your call,  
give our hearts to your obedience,  
serve and love you best of all.**

### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE W&P #9**

As the Deer

**As the deer pants for the water,  
so my soul longs after you.**

**You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.**

**You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to you alone may my spirit yield.**

**You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*~Please be seated~*

### **FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-10 NRSV**

*At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the LORD comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.*

The first reading is from First Samuel beginning at the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the lamp of God had not yet

gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup>The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18**

We will now read responsively from Psalm 139.

<sup>1</sup>LORD, you have searched me out;

O LORD, you have known me.

<sup>2</sup>**You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**

<sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

<sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

<sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup>**I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

<sup>15</sup>My body was not hidden from you,  
while I was being made in secret and  
woven in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup>**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet  
unfinished in the womb; all of them were  
written in your book;**

**my days were fashioned before  
they came to be.**

<sup>17</sup>How deep I find your thoughts, O God!  
How great is the sum of them!

<sup>18</sup>**If I were to count them, they would be  
more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would  
need to be like yours.**

## **SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 NRSV

*Paul helps the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.*

The second reading is from First Corinthians beginning at the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>12</sup>“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup>“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” <sup>17</sup>But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were

bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**~Please stand as you are able~**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL** John 1:43-51 NRSV

*In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to “Come and see.”*

The Holy Gospel according to John beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**~Please be seated~**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **SERMON**

**~Please stand as you are able~**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** ELW #574 vs 1 & 3

Here I Am, Lord

- 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Let us confess our faith saying the words of the  
Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the  
Father, and he will come to judge the  
living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***~Please remain standing as you desire,  
otherwise please be seated~***

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human  
form, we pray for God's blessing on the church,  
the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Encourage the ministry and mission of the  
church, God of truth. Let the leaders of your  
church be trustworthy and accountable  
stewards, that all its resources and outreach  
bring hope and healing to communities. God of  
grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Delight in the goodness of your creation, God  
of fig trees and fertile soil. Heal areas of the  
world harmed by human greed. Restore those  
recovering from natural disasters, especially  
the people of Florida impacted by the tornado  
and all impacted by wintry conditions and  
flooding from this week's storms. Protect our  
forests and waterways and all the creatures  
that live in them. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Call the leaders of every neighborhood and  
nation to serve faithfully, God of wisdom. Give  
them visions of justice and unity. Lead them to  
action that promotes equitable partnership and  
uplifts those on the margins of society. God of  
grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Hold in your care any who suffer and struggle,  
God of compassion. You who know our inner  
hearts, be present with any who are  
oppressed, victims of racism or cultural bias,  
and all who long for respite or restoration  
*especially Bob Sarro, Rich Cortese, Nadine  
Cortese, Christina Green, Renee Beaulieu,  
Janice Rajgopaul, Robert Nouza, Roseann  
Schillaci, Joseph Gallagher, Betty Innella,  
Dennis Aragona, Susan Henyan, Jackie  
Budds, Kenny Budds, Gloria Munsch, Gabriel  
Lu, Christine, Daniel and Linda.* God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Give this congregation the anticipation and  
excitement of Samuel, so inspired and  
empowered to do your work in the world, God  
of unity. Make us faithful as we build

communities of inclusion and mutual care. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Liberating God, You give us an example of holy living. We rejoice in your justice. End racism and oppression in our world. Deliver all who are unjustly imprisoned or persecuted.

Reconcile nations and peoples in conflict. Help us pray for our enemies. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Trusting God who raised Jesus and will also raise us in spirit and truth, we remember all who have died and are at peace among the saints especially the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. whose faithful advocacy for peace and justice continues to embolden the church. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

### **SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**And also with you!**

*Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another. (In the method of your comfort level.)*

*~Please be seated~*

### **OFFERING**

### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

*~Please stand as you are able~*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

W&P #41

Give Thanks

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus  
Christ, his Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus  
Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"  
let the poor say, "I am rich," because of  
what the Lord has done for us. And now let  
the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor**

**say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord  
has done for us. Give thanks!**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One,

for all good things come from you.

In bread and cup you open heaven to us.

Meet us at this table,

that we receive what we seek

and follow your Son, Jesus,

in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and  
might; Heav'n and earth are full of your  
glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the  
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the

forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*~Please be seated~*

### **COMMUNION**

*All are welcome to the Lord's Table. We receive communion in the form of a wafer and a small cup of wine or grape juice. Please tell the ushers if you need the bread and wine brought to you. If you are not yet receiving communion, or do not wish to receive today, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Follow the usher's directions.*

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.  
Come and see.

### **COMMUNION HYMN ELW #523 vs 2 & 3**

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

*Refrain*

***Let us go now to the banquet,  
to the feast of the universe.***

***The table's set and a place is waiting;  
come, ev'ryone, with your gifts to share.***

**2 God invites all the poor and hungry  
to the banquet of justice and good  
where the harvest will not be hoarded  
so that no one will lack for food. *Refrain***

**3 May we build such a place among us  
where all people are equal in love.  
God has called us to work together  
and to share ev'rything we have. *Refrain***

*~Please stand as you are able~*

### **TABLE BLESSING & COMMUNION PRAYER**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen**

Let us pray.

Giver of every gift,

Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.

Raise us to life by your power  
for the benefit of all and to your glory,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

*~Please be seated.~*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*~Please stand as you are able.~*

### **BLESSING**

God who names you,

Christ who claims you,

and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,

✠ bless you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN ELW #327 vs. 2 & 4**

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow

**2 One the light of God's own presence  
on the ransomed people shed,  
chasing far the gloom and terror,  
bright'ning all the path we tread.  
One the object of our journey,  
one the faith which never tires,  
one the earnest looking forward,  
one the hope our God inspires.**

**4 Onward, therefore, sisters, brothers;  
onward, with the cross our aid.  
Bear its shame, and fight its battle  
till we rest beneath its shade.  
Soon shall come the great awak'ning;  
soon the rending of the tomb!  
Then the scatt'ring of all shadows,  
and the end of toil and gloom.**

#### **DISMISSAL**

What is our Mission? **Welcoming all to grow  
in faith; living Christ's message of serving  
and loving neighbors near and far.**  
Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
Thanks be to God.

***Thank you for worshipping  
with us today. We are blessed by  
your presence.***

### ***ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS***

**IN PERSON SERVICES** every Sunday Live  
and via Facebook Live @ 10:00 am. You don't  
have to belong to Facebook to watch. Video  
will also be available on our interactive bulletin  
at: [holyltrinitybellerose.wordpress.com](http://holyltrinitybellerose.wordpress.com).

#### **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

Lenten Bible study will begin Monday, January  
22<sup>nd</sup> at 10am and 7 pm. We will be discussing  
the Gospel of Mark. Books are \$11. See the  
signup sheet in the narthex.

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

Next meeting February 6 @ 7:30 pm.

#### **YOUTH GROUP**

The youth meet twice a month on the first and  
third Saturday's from beginning at 6:30 pm.  
Contact Diane Gilroy for more information.

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

Looking for volunteers to help Denice & Pastor  
Analyse with Altar Guild responsibilities.

#### **STAIRLIFT FUNDRAISER**

Help us lift you up! Our stairlift to the Sanctuary  
needs replacing. Our goal is \$3,700.00. Please  
use the envelope in your bulletin to donate!  
Thank you for helping make HTLC more  
accessible.

#### **WOMEN'S GROUP**

This group is women getting together to  
discuss relevant topics and books, spend time  
uplifting and supporting each other. Meetings  
are on the third Wednesday of each month  
from 7-9 pm. All are welcome. Next meeting :  
January 17<sup>th</sup> discussion - Mitch Albom, "The  
Little Liar." February 21<sup>st</sup>, - Dips & Discussion -  
topic to be decided. Any questions contact  
Carol Robinson or Denice Watkins.

#### **MEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST**

Men's Group will meet for breakfast on January  
20<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am. They will meet at the New Hyde  
Park Diner on Hillside Ave. See signup sheet in  
the narthex.

#### **PASTA DINNER**

Join us for the January Pasta Dinner on  
January 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. \$20/person &  
\$50/family of 4. Kids under 5 years old eat free.  
Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

#### **BINGO!**

Join us for Bingo on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at  
1pm benefitting the Midnight Run in memory of  
Kara Innella. Drinks and hotdogs will be sold!

#### **VIDEOGRAPHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Learn a new skill. The camera is really user  
friendly. See Pastor for additional information.

#### **YOGA PRACTICE**

Yoga, Thursdays, at 7 pm in the Friendship  
Hall. One hour for only \$10.

Contact Carol Robinson, 917-208-7340, for  
additional information.

#### **BIRTHDAY CAKE SIGNUP SHEET FOR 2024**

Please see signup sheet in the narthex.

#### **January Birthdays**

- 2 Gabrielle Blom
- 4 Kayla Persad
- 5 Kathy Gallagher
- 8 Lorraine Scalice
- 14 Samantha Chell
- 17 Kristian Persad
- 19 Erin Robinson
- 20 Olivia Lu
- 21 Gabriel Lu-Correa
- 24 Hannah Bakhsh
- 25 Denice Watkins
- 27 Barney Gallagher
- 29 Carol Robinson

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