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**We Welcome YOU to Worship at
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford
January 5, 2025 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.

Ushers: please let the members come forward during the Agnus Dei.

AS WE GATHER ~ SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

This week's Bible Readings

OLD TESTAMENT 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); 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.

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

*thank you
FOR JOINING US*

Announcements

Important Update: 2025 Offering Envelopes Have Arrived!



We're excited to let you know that your **2025 Offering Envelopes** are now ready for pickup! Please note the following important changes:

1. **Envelope Numbers Reassigned** – Any number **above 70** has been **renumbered** and will now be **below 70**.
2. **New Envelope Color** – To help you easily spot these updates, your new envelopes will be printed on **blue paper**.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please don't hesitate to contact Susan Trithardt at 604-583-9412 or strithardt@shaw.ca.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

11:00 am – 12:00 noon
Bible Study

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

10:00 am – 11:00 am
LWML-C Meeting

Saturday, Jan 11, 2025

8:00 am – 9:30 am
Men's Breakfast

Pastor's Corner:

Dear Trinity Family,

Fedi and I would like to express our sincere thanks to all of you for your prayers, cards, and generous gifts.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." (Philippians 1:3-5).

FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT
Abbotsford Canucks Hockey Game
January 10, 2025 @ 7pm

Tickets: \$20 Adults, \$10 Kids 12 and under

Contact Trish Blondin for more information and to pay for your tickets.

Phone: 604-309-6427 or email Blondin@telus.net.

Sign-up sheet in the lobby

A food voucher is also included with your hockey ticket

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TLC REGULAR OFFICE HOURS 2024:

Tues – Thurs: 9:00am - 2:00pm ~ Monday, Friday & Holidays-Closed

Please make arrangements in advance should you require access to the church outside of posted hours. Thank you

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