

## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022 **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** 

304 E. Ferris St. Galesburg, IL 61401

"the welcome place"

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022

## + + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude Our Father We Have Wandered Ma

Mary Beth Bennett

#### Welcome

*(Stand)* **Confession & Forgiveness** In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.** 

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love,

#### and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

Beloved in Christ. the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. Amen.

**Gathering Song** #807

Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing

#### 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.



## **Kyrie**

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

(Sit)

## +++ WORD +++

## First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Psalm: Psalm 32



<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions <sup>|</sup> are forgiven, and whose sin is <sup>|</sup> put away!

#### <sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the LORD im-<sup>1</sup> putes no guilt, and in whose spirit there <sup>1</sup> is no guile!

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones with-<sup>1</sup> ered away, because of my groaning <sup>1</sup> all day long.

#### <sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me<sup>T</sup> day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the<sup>T</sup> heat of summer.

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con-<sup>1</sup> ceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt <sup>I</sup> of my sin.

## <sup>6</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in <sup>1</sup> time of trouble;

when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them. <sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;

you surround me with shouts <sup>1</sup> of deliverance.

# <sup>8</sup>"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that <sup>|</sup> you should go;

## I will guide you <sup>|</sup> with my eye.

<sup>9</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no <sup>1</sup> understanding;

who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will <sup>1</sup> not stay near you."

## <sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations <sup>|</sup> of the wicked;

## but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice <sup>|</sup> in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are <sup>|</sup> true of heart.

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is,

in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



## Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

## The Holy Gospel according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his

property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe-the best oneand put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'" The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

(Sit) Children's Message

#### Sermon

**Pastor Carrie** 

(Stand) Hymn of the Day #606

Our Father, We Have Wandered

Nicene Creed We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Sit)

#### Prayers of Intercession

Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Jesus formed the disciples in the ways of extravagant mercy and profound welcome. Lead your church to be a community marked by forgiveness, hospitality, and celebration. Send us to transform a world plagued by fear and condemnation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

You make the land to produce a harvest that sustains your entire creation. Equip farmers and farm workers who till the soil. Nourish the earth with ample rainfall and abundant sunshine. Heal grounds tainted by pollution or misuse. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Countries are divided and leaders often harbor grudges. Reconcile nations that experience conflict. Act quickly to bring an end to war. Anoint peacemakers trained in the art of diplomacy and foster a spirit of collaboration among political rivals. Merciful God.

## receive our prayer.

We pray for peace as the war rages in Ukraine. Shelter all living in fear; protect those seeking refuge in neighboring countries; sustain families separated by the horrors of war; tend to those who are injured; comfort all who mourn their dead. Direct your people into the way of peace. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Your people cry for help in times of distress. Resolve disagreements among family members. Save those experiencing financial hardship. Hear our prayers for those who are sick or grieving. We ask that you give peace of mind and continue to provide healing for Harold and Tad. Console us with the promise that everything can become new. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Your love comes to us when a table is set and a feast is prepared. Bless the feeding ministries of this congregation. Bring an end to hunger in our community and around the world. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

We pray for Angela as she is grieving the loss of her partner, Mr. Harold "Butch" Smith. May you guide her in your everlasting love and provide her the strength she needs during this difficult time. Merciful God.

#### receive our prayer.

The one who was dead is alive again. We give thanks for those who have died, confident that steadfast love surrounds them. Shelter them in your love until we are gathered at your heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

#### Amen.

#### Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

#### + + + *Meal* + + +

Offering Song Senior Choir

I Will Arise

Susan Byler

(Stand)

## **Offering Prayer**

Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray.

## Amen.

#### **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.** 

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:



## **Eucharistic Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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. With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.** 

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.** 

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.



*(Stand)* **Prayer After Communion** Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

#### Amen.

#### + + + SENDING + + +

## Blessing

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.** 

## Sending Song #779

Amazing Grace

#### **Dismissal** Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude** Our Father We Have Wandered Michael Burkhardt

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2022 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual

License #23928. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

## This weeks Radio Broadcast was Sponsored by

Roger & Donna Jo Bowman



#### **Worship Participants**

Audio: Dan & Julie A'Hearn Video: Sarah Brakenbury Acolytes: Julia Robinson & Skye Clark Usher: Erin, Lucia, & Cecilia Crawford Closing Duties: Dan & Julie A'Hearn Communion Setup: Hillary Hoffman



## Worship Participants Continued...

Assisting Minister: Jen Robinson Reader: Roberta Majors Organist: Bette Mohr Pastor: Rev. Carrie Carnes

## Readings for Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Fifth Sunday in Lent

First Reading:Isaiah 43:16-21Psalm:Psalm 126Second Reading:Philippians 3:4b-14Gospel:John 12:1-8

## Announcements

## Wednesday Church Night: Meal Providers Needed

The Church Night Crew would like to thank everyone that has donated meals and offered support!

There's currently **2 spots** open for a meal donation.

If you're not big on cooking for a group, a monetary donation would work wonders!

Available Dates:-April 27th-May 4thIf you're able to provide a meal for either day please contact the<br/>Office or Sarah Helvey.Office or Sarah Helvey.

Your kindness is appreciated!

## Midweek Lent Worship Service: Tuesday March 29th

Join us for Week Four of our Midweek Worship Service about Forgiveness Starting at 6:30 pm on the 29th

## Holy Week: Spread the Word!

We will be hosting our traditional Holy Week Community Services <u>April 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup></u> daily 12:05 pm

If you would like a flyer(s) to post or place somewhere specific please see the Usher Table in the Narthex, take what you need!

## **Thrivent Choice Dollars:** *Hurry and Designate!*

Remember to Direct where you want your Choice Dollars to go, the months is almost over!

**<u>2022 Easter Memorials</u>**: Last Chance to be Listed in April Tidings! If you want your Memorial listed in the April Tidings you <u>must turn</u> your donation form in by Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Any donations after that will <u>only</u> be listed in the Easter Bulletin.

\*Easter Memorials will be donated to The Solutions Program of the Knox County YMCA\*

Please use this form to make your Easter Memorial Donation:



(Circle one) In Memory of/ In Honor of

Donation Amount:

## Think Spring!



If you would like to Sponsor a Radio Broadcast or Donate Altar Flowers, forms are available in the Narthex Bulletin Board.

## This Week at Trinity

Sunday March 27 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Youth Group	5:00 pm
<b>Tuesday March 27<sup>th</sup></b> Play Group Midweek Lenten Service	10:00 am 6:30 pm
Wednesday March 30 <sup>th</sup> Church Night Senior Choir	4:30 pm 7:00 pm



<u>You're Invíted:</u>

**Palm Sunday Worship** *April* 10<sup>th</sup> *at* 9:30 *am* 

**Maundy Thursday** *April 14<sup>th</sup> at* 6:30 pm

Easter Vigil April 16th at 6:30 pm

Easter Sunday Worship April 17th at 9:30 am

Rev. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday Cell phone: 618-803-8778 Church Office: Phone 309-343-4191 Hours 8:00 am- 1:00 pm, Monday-Friday Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook <u>www.trinitygalesburg.org</u> trinitylutheran@trinitygalesburg.org

> Vision Statement Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ

Mission Statement Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.

#### Welcome Statement

Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is frequently an unloving place. We extend welcome to ALL, including people of all gender identities and sexual orientations, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for justice, peace and love in all the earth.

## **Our Guiding Principles**

1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.

2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.

3. We invite and welcome everyone.

4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.

5. We serve local and global communities.