

Trinity Lutheran Church

First Sunday in Lent
February 26, 2023

**our lives will reflect you and your love for this world.
Through Jesus Christ,
Our Savior and Lord,
Amen.**

God who is rich in mercy, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love has come to us in Jesus, who by his holy cross has redeemed the world. Buried with Christ by baptism into death, Your sins are forgiven in +Jesus' name.

Cross-marked and Spirit-sealed,
You are raised to new life.

Almighty God strengthen you in faith

To live each day renewed in God's call for your life. Amen.

Gathering Song ELW #504

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

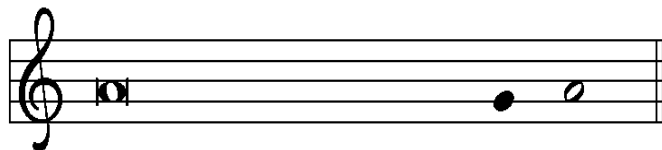
Greeting

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

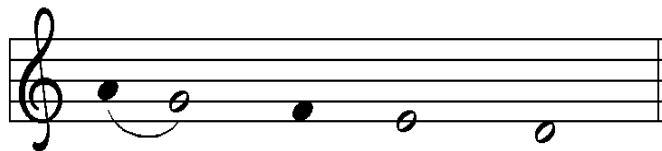
And also with you.

Kyrie

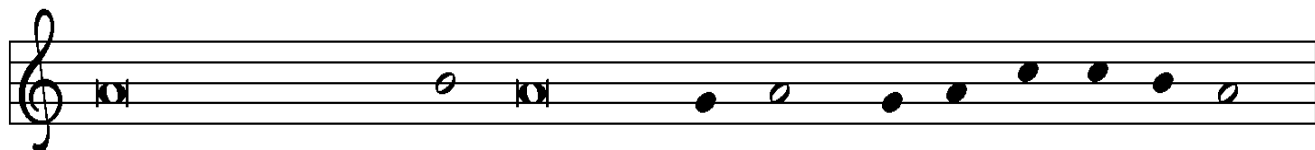
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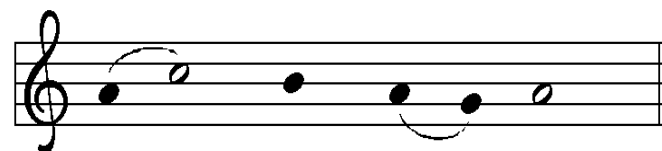
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



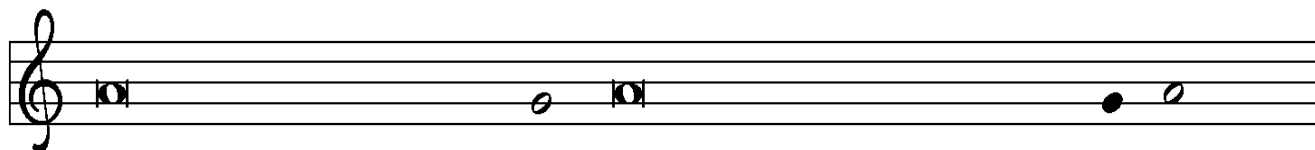
Lord, have mer - cy.



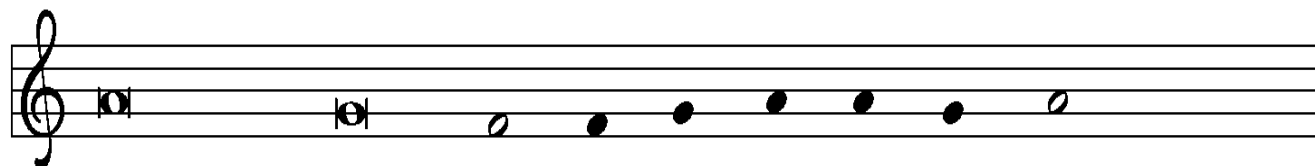
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



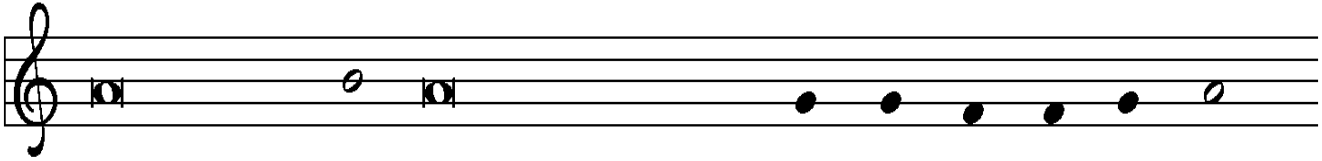
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



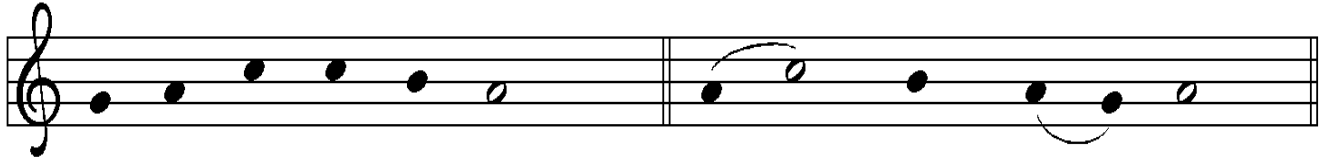
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



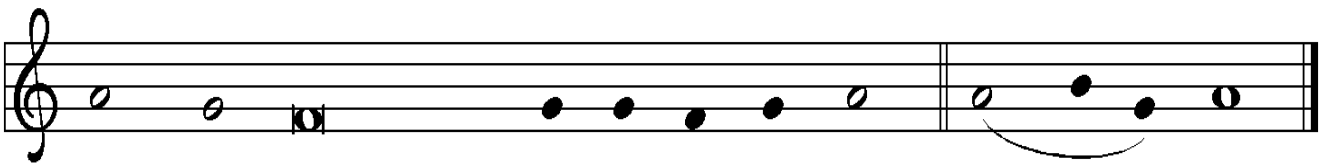
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lead us by your Spirit, O God, to value what you value.
and to live our lives reflecting those values.

Shepherd our commitments,
that they may reflect our purposes in and through our lives.
Show us when our values are misguided,
and move us to correct our ways. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

(Sit)

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First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal

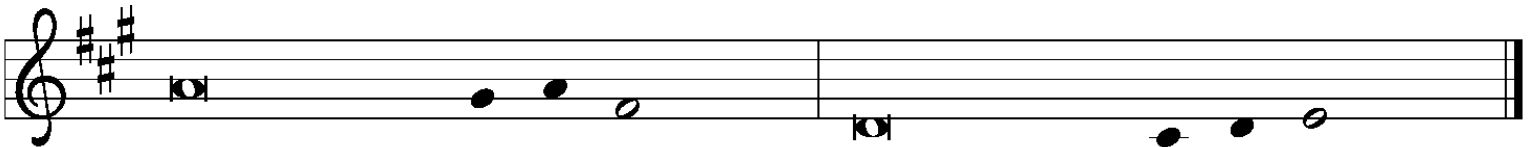
that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 32

Sung responsively by whole verse.



¹Happy are they whose transgressions [|] are forgiven,
and whose sin is [|] put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the Lord im- [|] putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there [|] is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- [|] ered away,
because of my groaning [|] all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me [|] day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the [|] heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- [|] ceal my
guilt.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” Then you forgave me the guilt [|] of my sin.

⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in ^l time of trouble;

when the great waters overflow, they ^l shall not reach them.

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve ^l me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts ^l of deliverance.

⁸“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that ^l you should go;

I will guide you ^l with my eye.

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no ^l understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will ^l not stay near you.”

¹⁰Great are the tribulations ^l of the wicked;

but mercy embraces those who trust ^l in the Lord.

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice ^l in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are ^l true of heart.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

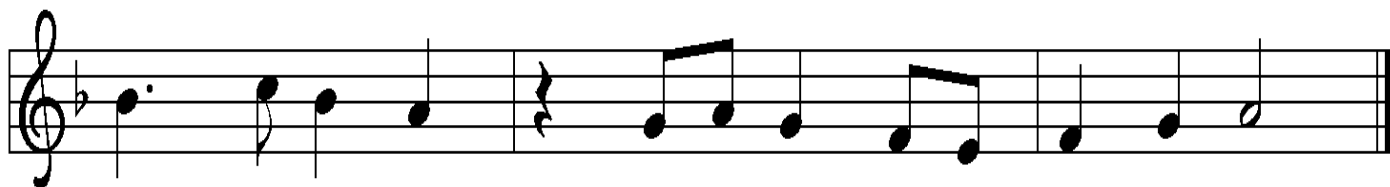
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Lenten Acclamation

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Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God,

throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’

and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him,

“All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus

said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Children’s Message

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

(Stand)



1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,
 2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,
 3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,
 4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,



fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,
 plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,
 trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,
 sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,



nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,
 lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,
 teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,
 Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,



food that sus - tains us by night and by day.
 trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.
 seek - ing your will in the work that we do.
 an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.

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.**

(Sit)

Prayers of Intercession

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, especially Stacie Fidler, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labor.
Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love, especially Heather, Jim, and Laura. We pray that you continue to comfort Crystal, Lester Jr. and family due to the passing of her mother earlier this month.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You offer abundance to all. Bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, care for those who devote their time as ushers, coffee fellowship servers, readers, assisting ministers, audio, video controllers, wine servers, those that setup communion, and the acolytes.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You alone are God. We praise you for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our heart.

A brief silence.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

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Peace

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

Offering Music

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Johann Nicolaus Hanff

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

God of good gifts,
receive these and all our offerings
as we present them in faithful service
for the sake of your gospel.
Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal
as you pour out your very presence
through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.
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.

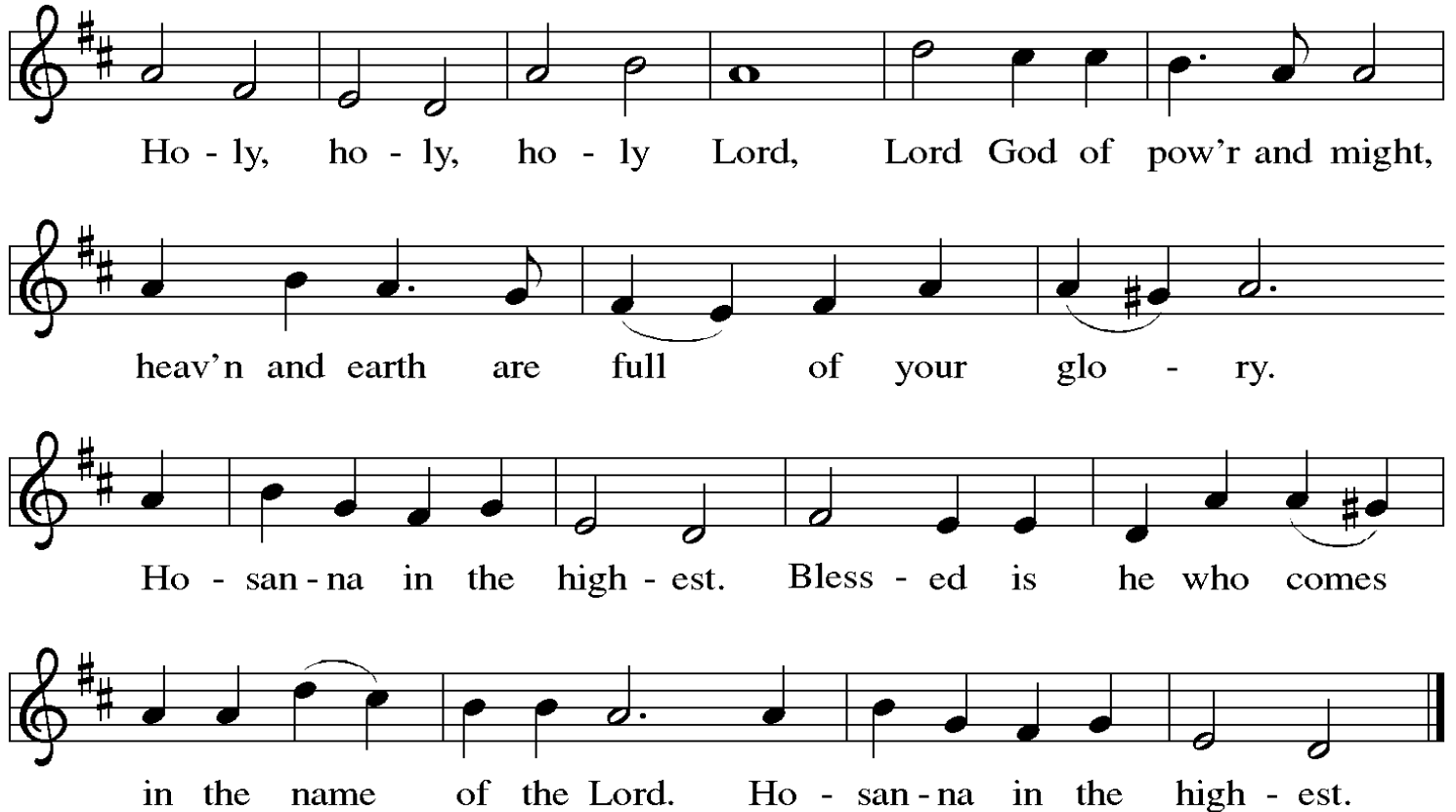
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW Setting 4



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

The 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

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

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

(Sit)

Distribution of Communion

Lamb of God

ELW Setting 4



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

Embodied God,
 at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus.
 With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise,
 empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors
 and touch the world with your love.

Amen.

Blessing

God, the giver of love,
 † Christ, the resurrection and the life,
 and the Holy Spirit of rebirth

bless you in this Lenten journey.

Amen.

Sending Song ELW #325

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

Wayne Wold

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Worship Participants

Audio: Brady Warner

Video: Brady Warner

Acolytes: Lucia Crawford, Julia Robinson

Usher: Norm & Linda Tippey

Closing Duties: Brady Warner

Communion Setup: Erin Crawford

Assisting Minister: Nick Elders

Reader: Mark Holmes

Wine Servers: Bill Sime, Janet Page

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Danny & Mary Lou Lindberg

Organist: Bette Mohr

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Readings for Sunday, March 5th

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm: Psalm 121

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Announcements

New Prayer Request Cups: On the Bulletin Tables in the Narthex you will find a cup with pencils and salmon-colored prayer request forms. If you'd like someone to be placed in the weekly prayers (which will be prayed for 4 weeks) or placed on the Trinity Links Prayer List please write your request and drop the form into the offering plate.

Midweek Lent Services will be held on February 28, March 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 5 pm. Please join us every Tuesday evening.

11 am Monthly Services are canceled, unfortunately, there hasn't been any interest, and very low to no attendance. Thanks to those who volunteered as worship participants.

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, February 26th

Coffee Fellowship

After Worship

Sunday School

PRISMS

5:00 pm

Monday, February 27th

Pastor In Office Hours

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Tuesday, February 28th

Tie That Binds

9:00 am

Wednesday, March 1st

Pastor Community Hours

2 pm-3:00 pm

Choir Practice

7:00 pm

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday

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Hours 8:00 am- 1:00 pm, Monday-Friday

Saturday Worship at 5:00 pm; Holy Communion (1st Saturday of the month)

Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook

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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 sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, 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 racial equity, 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.