



Trinity Lutheran Church

Third Sunday in Lent
March 12, 2023

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

304 E. FERRIS St.
GALESBURG, IL 61401
"the welcome place"

March 12, 2023

Prelude Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing John Behnke, Robert Hobby
Welcome & Friendship Registries-Please sign in
(Stand)

Call to Worship

O come, let us sing to the Lord.

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

We were reconciled to God through the death of his Son.

Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

Having been reconciled, will we be saved by Jesus 'life.

**O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before
the Lord, our Maker!**

+ + + **GATHERING** + + +

Confession and Forgiveness

Gracious God,

**We confess that we listen to the wrong voices
and that we prevent others from hearing your call.**

**We define people by their empty water jugs,
and we fail to recognize how you are at work in surprising
ways.**

Forgive us,

claim us,

and call us anew

so that cross-marked and Spirit-sealed

our lives are transformed for the sake of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ,

**Our Savior and Lord,
Amen.**

Absolution

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 #623

Rock of Ages

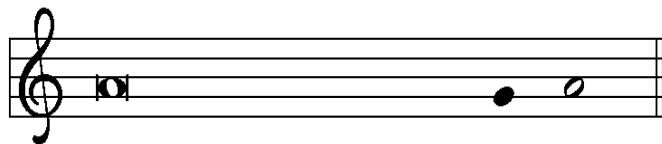
Greeting

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

ELW Setting 4



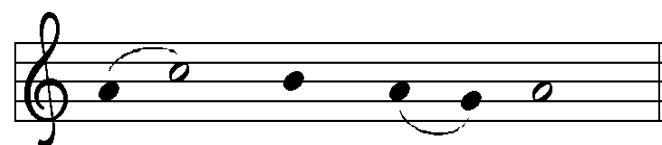
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



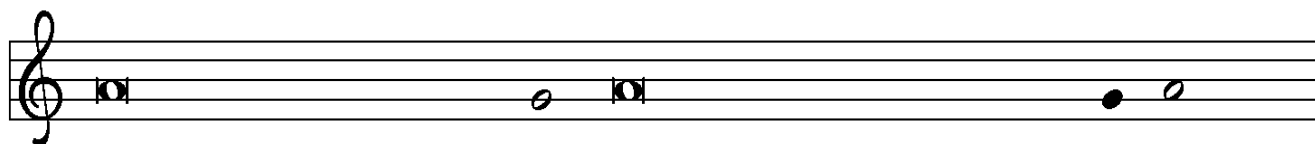
Lord, have mer - cy.



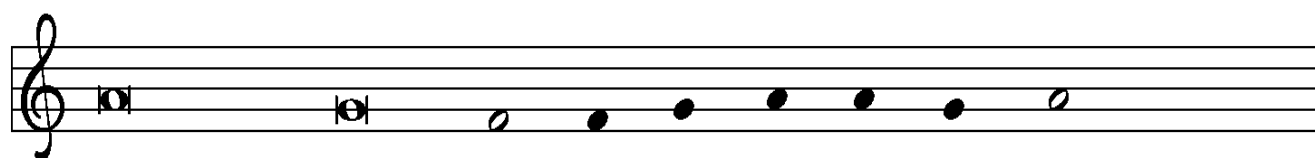
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



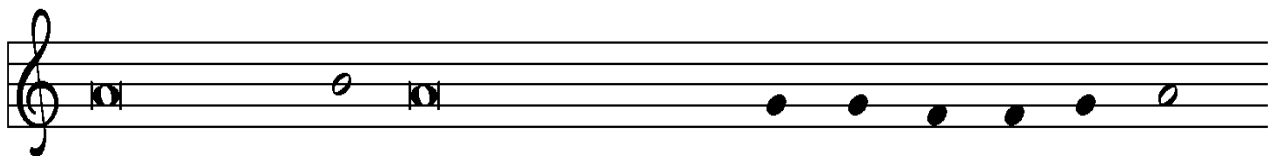
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



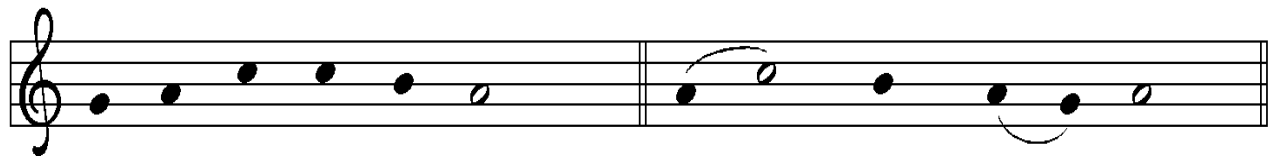
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



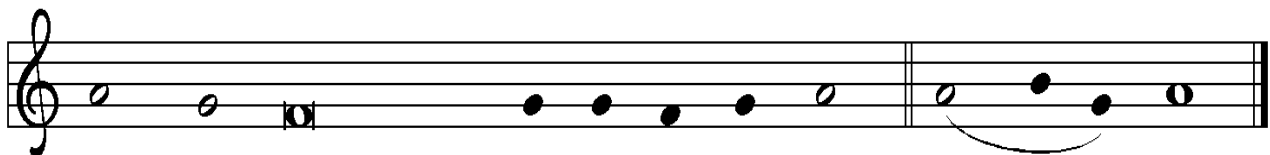
Lord, have mer - cy.



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.

Let us pray.

Tune our hearts to listen to your voice, O God.

And help us to discern which voices to listen to in our daily lives.

Meet us in our places of need and longing,

And inspire us to trust in your call upon our lives. In the name of

+Jesus, **Amen.**

(Sit)

+++ WORD +++

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with

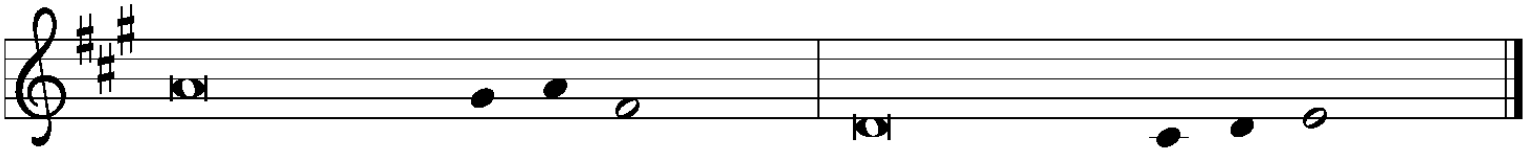
thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 95

Sung responsively by whole verse.



Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.**

For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours.**

The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.

**Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.**

For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture
and the sheep | of God's hand.

Oh, that today you would | hear God's voice!

**"Harden | not your hearts,
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.**

There your ancestors | tested me,
they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

**Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my
ways.'**

Indeed I swore | in my anger,
'They shall never come | to my rest.'"

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

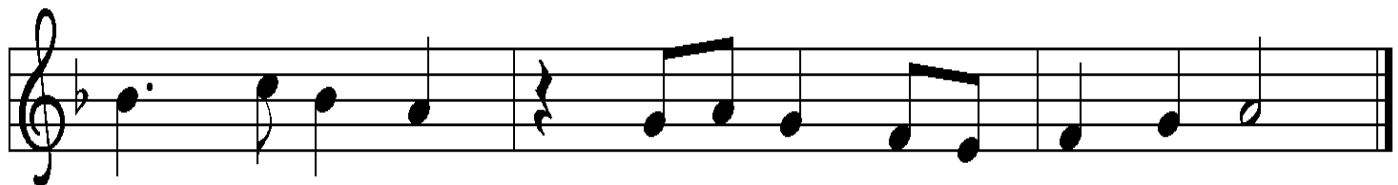
For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

You may remain seated for today's Gospel reading if you'd prefer
Lenten Acclamation ELW Setting 4



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: John 4:5-42

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from

the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

The gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

**Children's Message
Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

(Stand)

Hymn of the Day ELW #611

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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.

We pray for your church. Bless partnerships with other Christians and inter-religious dialogue. Guide the daily work of denominational and congregational leaders. Strengthen our combined witness for the sake of the gospel, that all experience your life-giving love. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for the universe. All creation teems with life, from the depths of the earth and seas to the skies above. Fill us with awe and reverence for the diversity and preservation of life. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for the nations of the world. Topple the dividing walls that separate us from our neighbors. Form us into your beloved community where diversity of gender, race, language, ability, and ethnic origin is celebrated and affirmed. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit. Be present with all who are lonely, and give courage to all who are afraid. Comfort those who live with chronic illness or other sickness especially Heather, Jim, Amy, Jenna, and Kay. Give them your living water always. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation, especially those preparing for baptism. Nurture their faith and pour your love into their hearts. Inspire our community by their testimony to God's grace in their lives. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those who have recently lost loved ones especially Lynly and family, Crystal and family, and Carol and family. May you give them all peace and strength. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We give thanks for the lives of all your saints (*especially Gregory the Great, whom we commemorate today*). Their hope in you sustained lives of faith and service. Encourage us with the hope they shared 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.

+ + + MEAL + + +

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering Music I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say James Biery

(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.

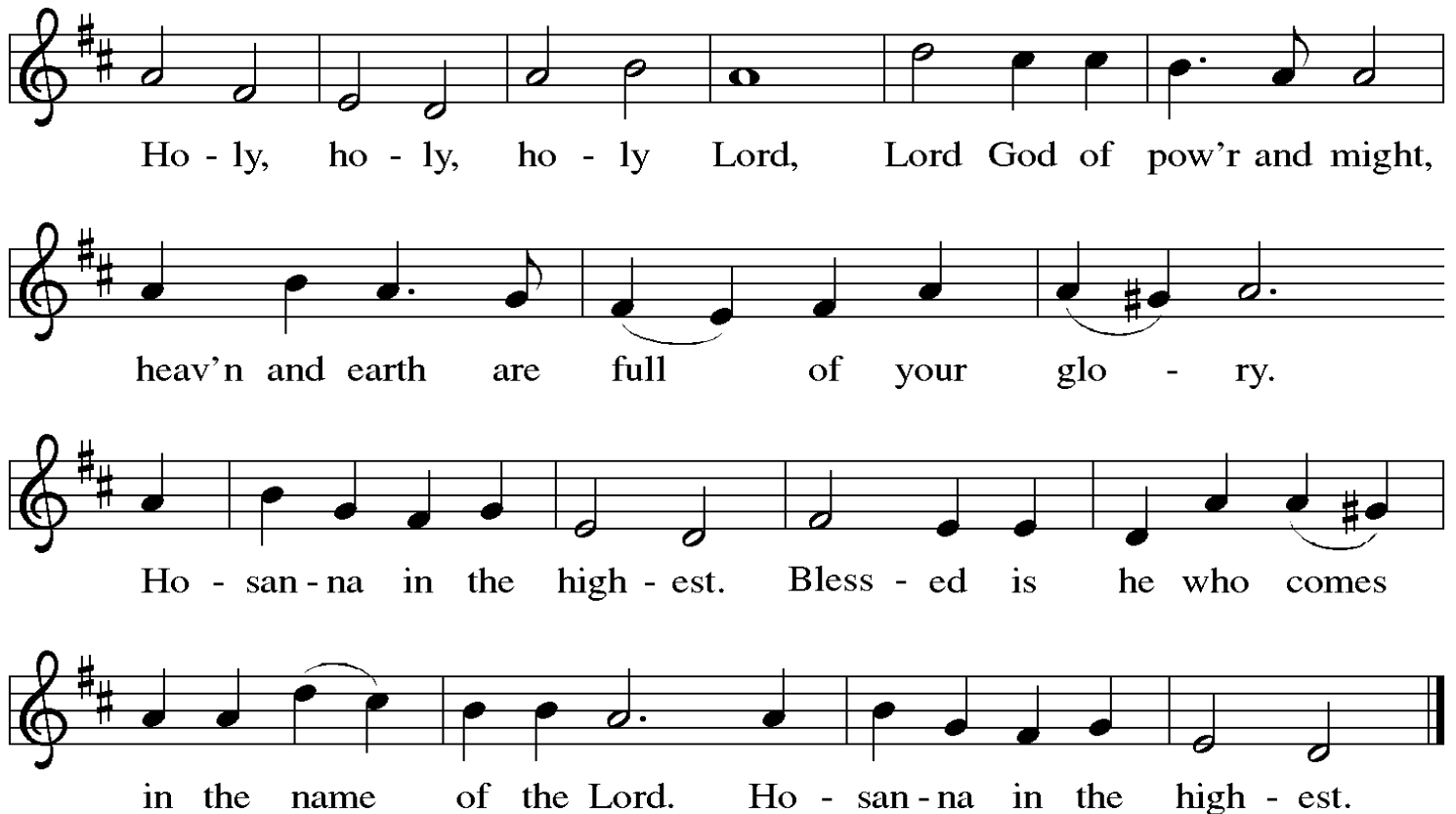
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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.

Trois Elevations 1&2

Marcel Dupre

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 #447

Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing Kevin Sadowski

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Today's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Brenda Patterson**, *to God be the Glory.*

Worship Participants

Audio: Brady Warner

Video: Brady Warner

Acolytes: Julia Robinson, Stella Wiegand

Usher: Carol Brown, Jim Woods

Closing Duties: Julie Wiegand

Communion Setup: Hillary Hoffman

Assisting Minister: Julie Wiegand

Reader: Brian Robinson

Wine Servers: Bill Sime, Harold Watters

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Danny & Mary Lou Lindberg

Organist: Bette Mohr

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Readings for Sunday, March 19th

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm: Psalm 23

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Announcements

Coffee Fellowship is immediately after service!

Bell Choir Informational Meeting

Do you love to bells? Would you like to learn? Anyone, any age is welcome to join us for this informational meeting next Sunday, March 19th in the sanctuary after worship at 10:45 am!

Prayer Requests can be written on the salmon-colored forms in the Narthex and turned into the offering plate.

Midweek Lent Services will be held on March 14, 21, and 28 at 6:30 pm. Please join us every Tuesday evening.

Reminder: Easter Memorial Forms are in the March Tidings make sure to turn them in no later than April 2nd to be included.

Endowment Scholarship: The deadline is Wednesday, March 15th

Audio/Video Volunteers Needed! Contact the Office for info.

Holy Week-We have flyers! Please take as many as you'd like, we appreciate you hanging them at your place of business or places you frequent often. Flyers are located on the bulletin table in the Narthex.



Let's Fill a Blessings Box

The Sunday School youth are collecting non-perishable food items to fill a local Blessings Box! If you'd like to assist them in reaching their goal please bring any non-perishable food

items and drop them in the box in the Narthex, or in the box at the bottom of the stairs in Fellowship Hall, they'll be collecting all month.

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, March 12th

Coffee Fellowship

After Worship

Sunday School

PRISMS

5:00 pm

Monday, March 13th

Pastor In Office Hours

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Tuesday, March 14th

The Tie That Binds

9:00 am

Midweek Services

6:30 pm

Council Meet

7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 15th

Pastor Community Hours

Endowment Scholarship DUE

2 pm-3:00 pm

Choir Practice

7:00 pm

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