



## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

First Sunday in Lent  
February 18, 2024

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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*On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah’s family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.*

**Prelude**

Adagio from Concerto 2

J.S Bach

**Welcome & Friendship Registries - Please sign in**

**+ + + GATHERING + + +**

*(Stand)*

**Invocation**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.  
**Amen.**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,  
**we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.**  
**We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.**  
**We speak in ways that silence others.**  
**We are silent when we should speak up.**  
**We keep score in our hearts.**  
**We let hurts grow into hatred.**  
**For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.**  
**Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

**Gathering Song**

ELW #325

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

### **Greeting**

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

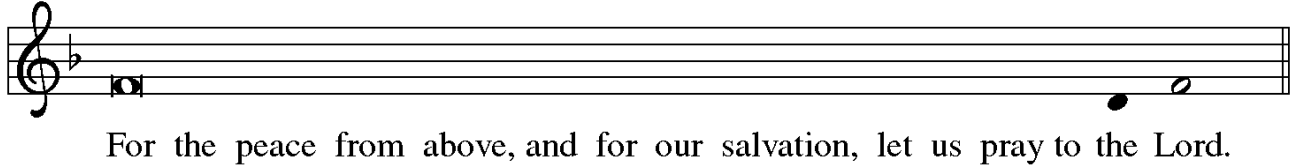
**And also with you.**

# Kyrie

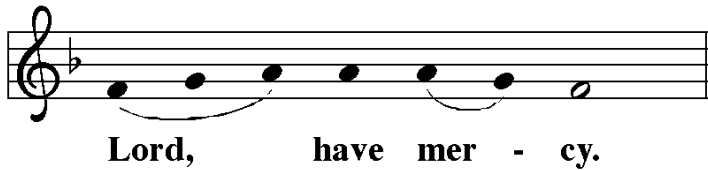
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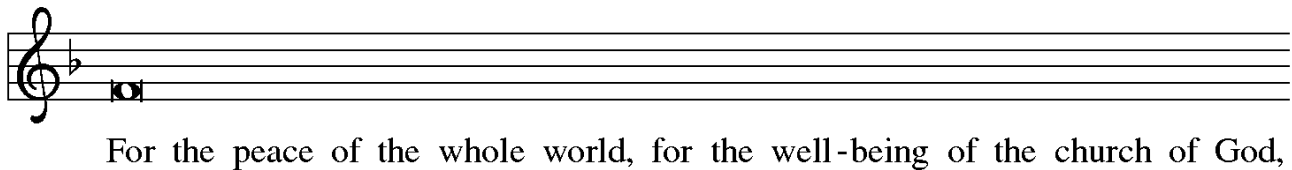
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



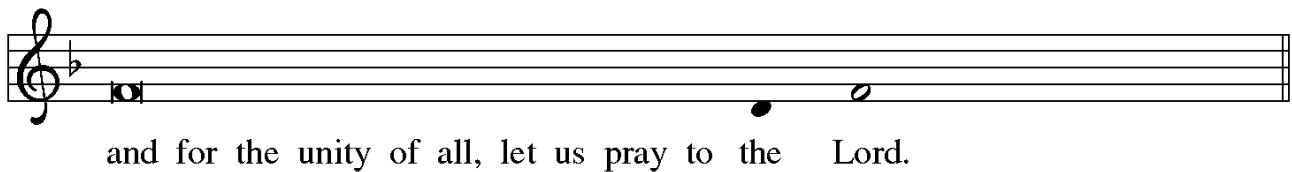
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



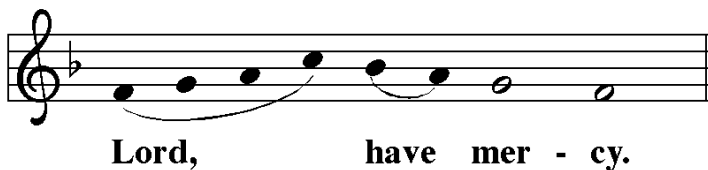
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



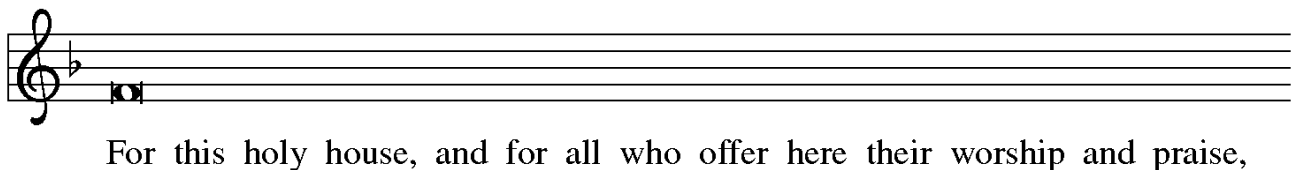
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



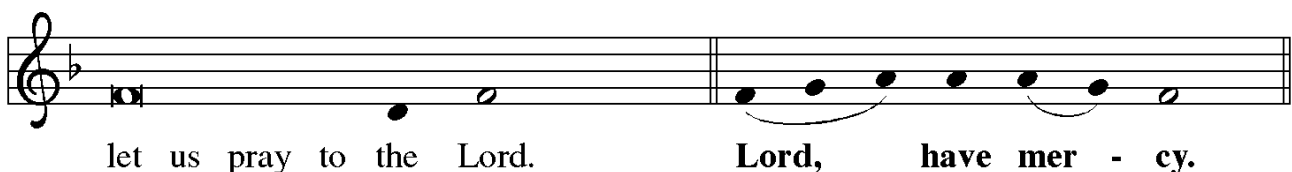
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

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*(Sit)*

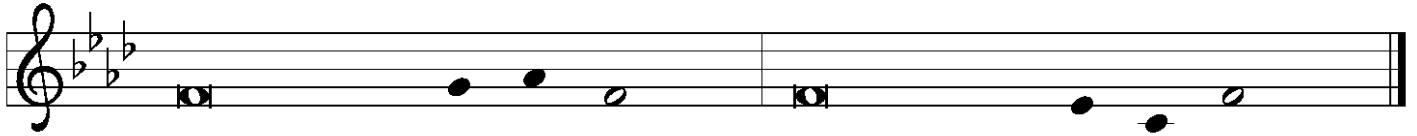
**First Reading:** Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

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

**Psalm:** Psalm 25:1-10

*Sung responsively by whole verse.*



To | you, O LORD,  
I lift | up my soul.

**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**

Let none who look to you be | put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

**Show me your | ways, O LORD,  
and teach | me your paths.**

Lead me in your | truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the  
day long.

**Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,  
for they are from | everlasting.**

Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake  
of your good- | ness, O LORD.

**You are gracious and up- | right, O LORD;  
therefore you teach sinners | in your way.**

You lead the low- | ly in justice  
and teach the low- | ly your way.

**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.**

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the  
unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in

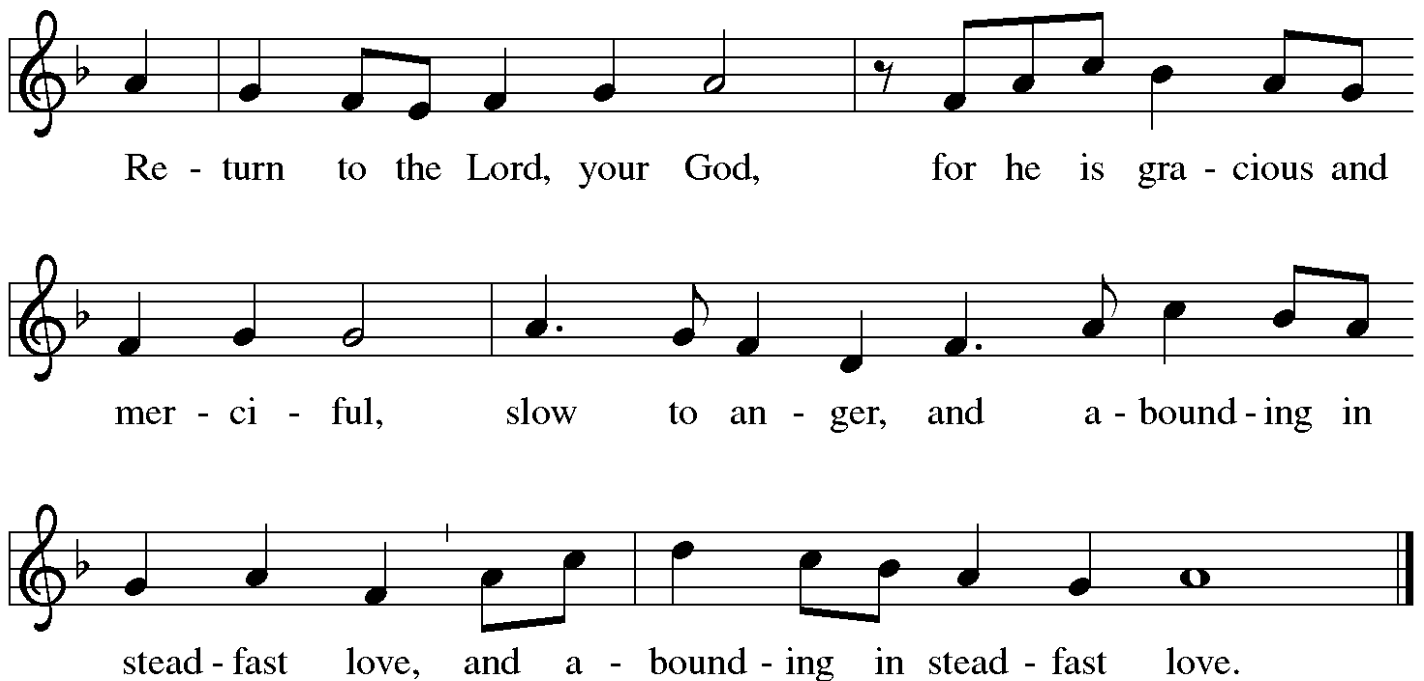
the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

*(Stand)*

**Lenten Acclamation**

ELW Setting 3 p.142



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, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**Gospel: Mark 1:9-15**

The holy gospel according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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**

Let us confess our faith in 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.**

*(Sit)*

## **Installation of Leaders in the Congregation**

The following people have been elected to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sibling in Christ will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

Carol Brown

Sarah Brakenbury, President

Erin Crawford

Noah Crawford

Hillary Hoffman, Vice President  
Jennifer Holmes  
Annie Maier  
John McClean  
Roberta Majors  
Grant Robinson  
Nancy Sandall  
Lisa Shafer, Secretary  
Bill Sime  
Brady Warner, Treasurer  
Marty White  
Julie Wiegand

*The presiding minister addresses those being installed.*

*A reading from First Corinthians:* There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified.

You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

On behalf of your sisters, brothers, and siblings in Christ, I ask you:

Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

*Response:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

*(Stand)*

People of God, I ask you:

Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

**We will, and we ask God to help us.**

I now declare you installed as officers and council members of this congregation.

Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace,

that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

**Amen.**

*(Sit)*

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

*A brief silence*

God our truth, the ark of your church has room for many expressions of faith. We give thanks for voices that challenge and awaken your people especially that of Martin Luther, renewer of the church, whom we commemorate today. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God our maker, you remember your covenant with the earth and its inhabitants. Rescue communities and creatures hurting from natural disasters. Preserve species and habitats endangered by human carelessness and disregard. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God our light, you know our weakness. Free all who govern from the temptations of power. Sustain all who work for human rights in every nation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God our help, you care for your beloved children. Comfort all who are grieving, ill, afraid, in pain, or in despair. Feed hungry people living in food deserts. Protect any at risk from exploitation and abuse. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God our home, you gather your people. Grant us health and safety as we assemble. Keep us mindful of any who are homebound, hospitalized, convalescing, or traveling, especially Bev, Angie, Kelly, Kate, and Juan. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God our hope, you promise eternal life to your beloved children. We remember with gratitude those who have lived and died in faith. Grant that we may also dwell with you in everlasting peace. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We offer to you all of these prayers as well as those we now name to you in silence or aloud.

*A brief silence.*

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

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

**+ + + MEAL + + +**

**Offering Music** The Glory Of These Forty Days

Wayne Wold

*(Stand)*

## **Offering Prayer**

Jesus, you are the bread of life  
and the host of this meal.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered  
that all people may know your goodness.

Feed us not only with this holy food  
but with hunger for justice and peace.

We pray this in your name.

**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.**

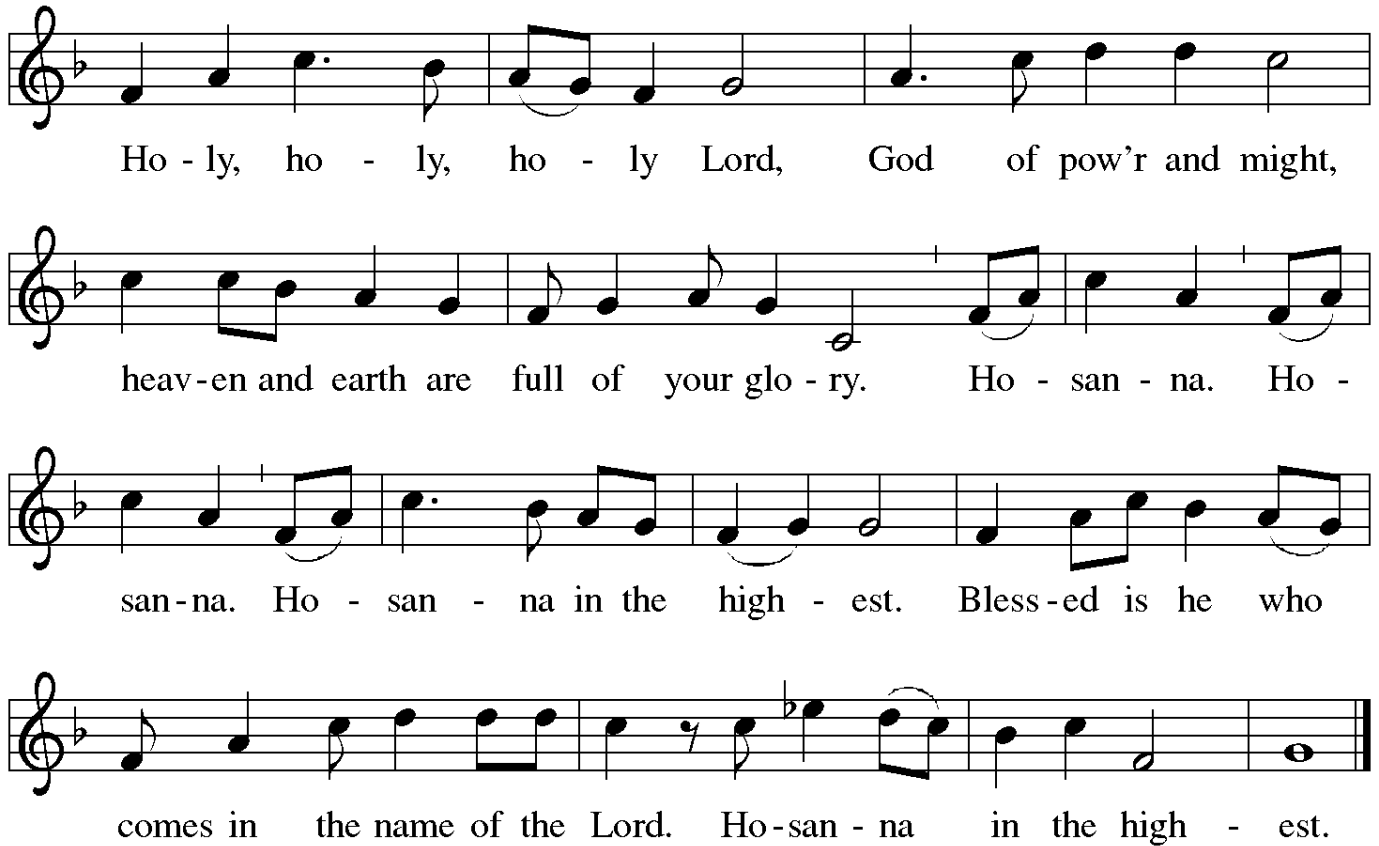
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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 3 p.144



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. 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 the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed  
one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

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 Martin Luther and 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**

Bread for the journey.

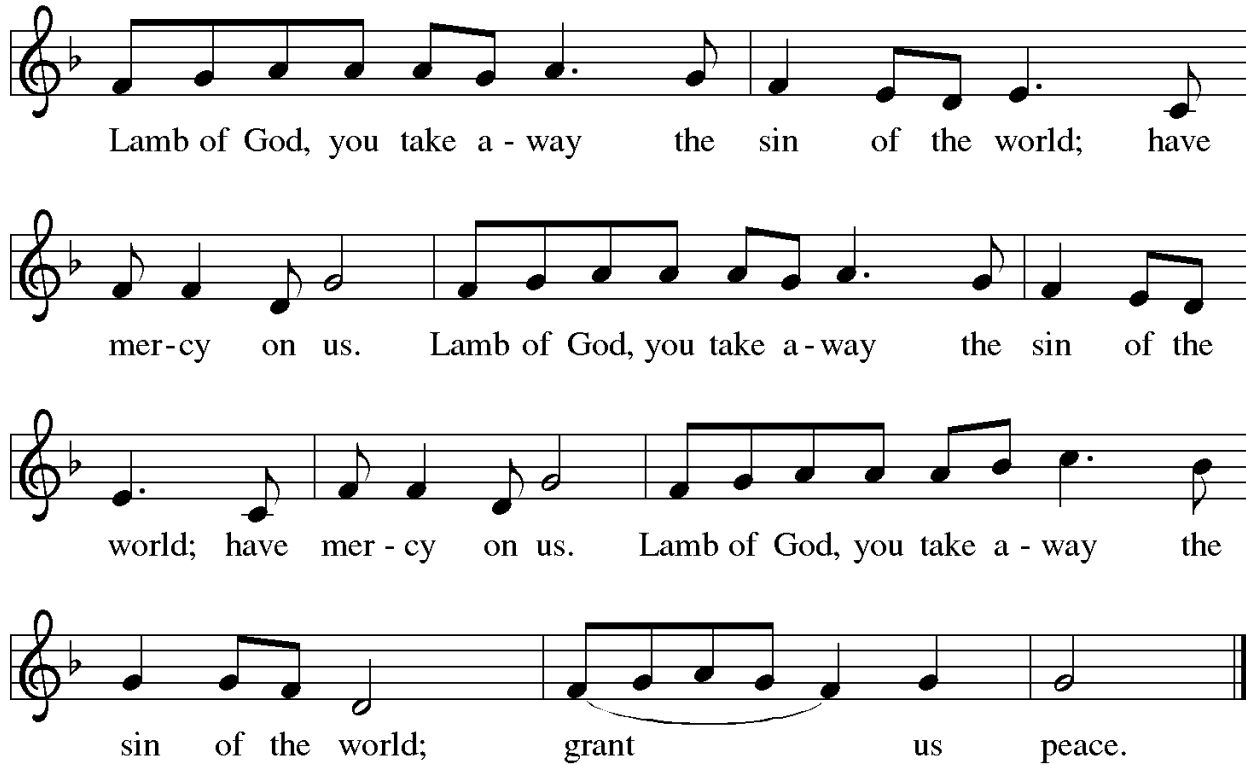
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

*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 3 p.146



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.

*Glory Be To Jesus*

*Charles Ore, Robert Hobby*

**Post Communion Hymn**

ELW #186

**Create In Me a Clean Heart**



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**

Generous God,  
at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.  
As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread,  
now make us one loaf to feed the world;  
in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.  
**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

Beloved,  
we are God's own people,  
holy, washed, renewed.  
God bless you and keep you,  
shower you with mercy,  
fill you with courage,  
and ✝ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Song**    ELW #319    O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share your bread.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days      David Schack

***As you leave, please take a moment and greet one another.***

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## **Worship Participants**

**Audio:** Grant Robinson

**Video:** Matthew Hutchings

**Ushers:** Carol Brown, Norm & Linda Tippey

**Communion Setup:** Jen Robinson

**Assisting Minister:** Isaac Triplett

**Reader:** Brian Robinson

**Wine Servers:** Heather Hellenga, Marilyn Gehring

**Closing Duties:** Nick Elders

**Acolyte:** Ryan Tapper

**Coffee Fellowship:** Harold & Dorothy Ziehr

**Organist:** Bette Mohr

**Director of Choirs:** James Hutchings

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

## **This Week at Trinity**

<b>Sunday, Feb 18</b>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall Sunday School
	10:45 am	Intergenerational Study in Martha Rm
	11:00 am	Bell Choir Rehearsal
<b>Monday, Feb 19</b>	10:00 am	Brews & Views @ Carriage House
	7:00 pm	Brews & Views @ Cherry Street
<b>Tuesday, Feb 20</b>	7:00 pm	Committee Night
<b>Wed, Feb 21</b>	12 noon	Lenten Service in Fellowship Hall
<b>Thurs, Feb 22</b>		<i>Tidings Deadline</i>

## Other Announcements

**Intergenerational Study:** Each Sunday in Lent we will have an intergenerational study in the Martha Room at 10:45 am. The study will focus on the ways that History and Hope intersect in the lives of Abraham, Hagar, Sarah, Ishmael, and Isaac. The resource comes from the Northern Illinois Synod.

**Midweek Lenten Worship:** We will be exploring the lives of Abraham, Hagar, Sarah, Ishmael, and Isaac and the way that Hope and History meet in their story. This brief worship service will be held in the fellowship hall at noon, and all are encouraged to bring a lunch so that we may eat together in fellowship following the service.

**Tidings Label & Seal has been moved to January 29<sup>th</sup> at 9 am**

**We need your old sheets & pillowcases, please!**

The Tie That Binds has bare shelves! If you have old sheets or pillowcases to spare, we will take them there! You can drop off anytime during office hours, or contact Mary Lou.

**Prayer Requests:** If you or a loved one needs prayer please complete the salmon-colored sheet in the cups on the table in the Narthex and turn it into the communion plate.

**Current Prayer List:**

<b>Bev Powell</b>	Prayers for healing & recovery
<b>Angela Kohl</b>	Prayers for housing and assistance-house fire
<b>Kelly Yarde</b> (The Yardes daughter in law)	Prayers for healing & recovery Ankle surgery, fell on the ice
<b>Juan Medina</b>	Prayers for health & healing
<b>Kate Kolstee</b> (Annie Maier great step niece)	Prayers for healing, comfort, & answers

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday  
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Saturday Worship at 5:00 pm; Holy Communion (1<sup>st</sup> 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.