

# Trinity Lutheran Church

Third Sunday in Lent  
March 3, 2024

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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

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*The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The commandments begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.*

**Prelude** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

David Maxwell

**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 #832


My Lord of Light

### **Greeting**

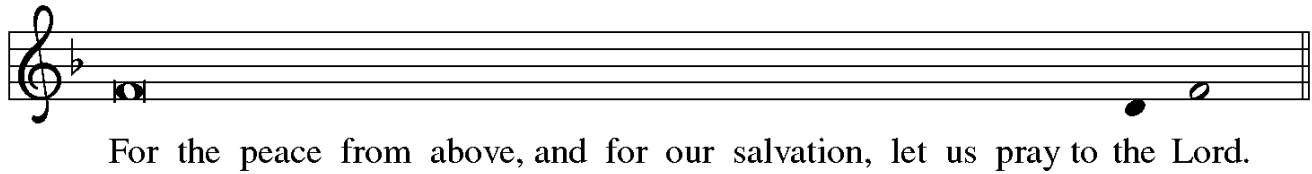
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

# Kyrie

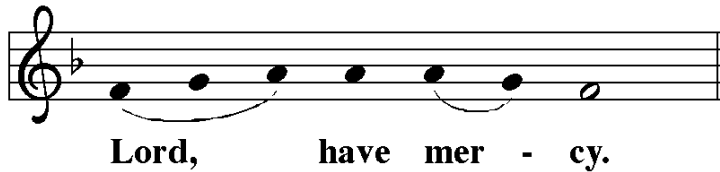
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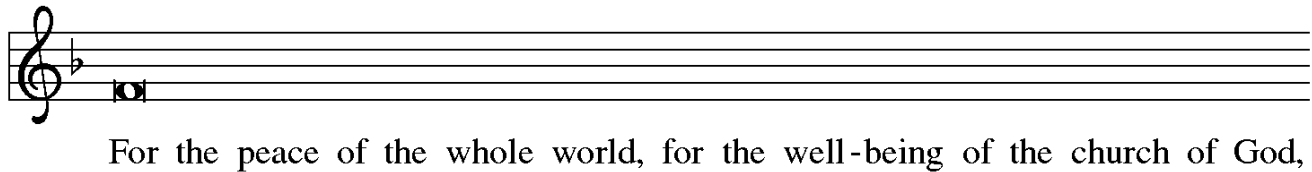
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



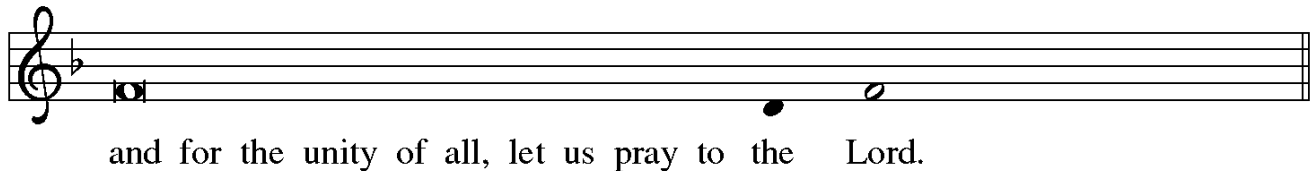
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



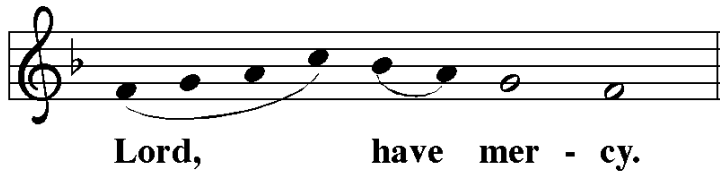
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



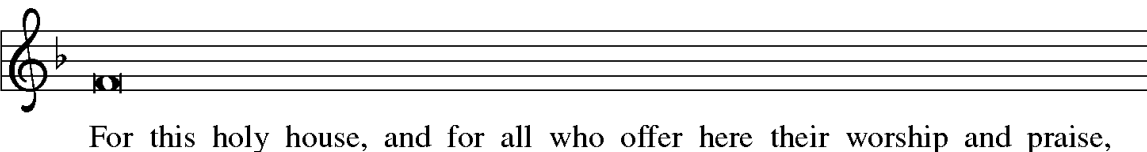
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



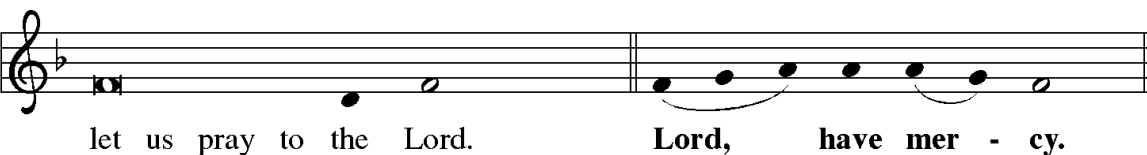
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**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, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**+ + + WORD + + +**

*(Sit)*

**First Reading:** Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or

your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

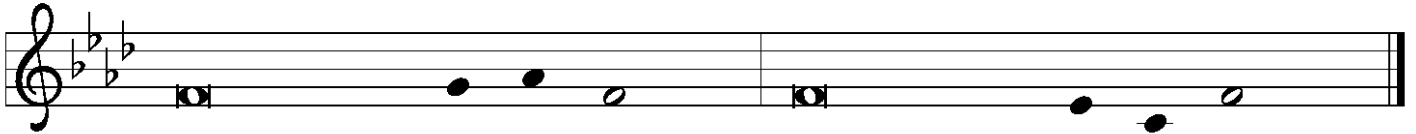
You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 19

*Sung responsively by whole verse.*



- <sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,  
and the sky proclaims its | maker's handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup>**One day tells its tale | to another,  
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.**
- <sup>3</sup>Although they have no | words or language,  
and their voices | are not heard,
- <sup>4</sup>**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the  
ends | of the world,  
where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.**
- <sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.
- <sup>6</sup>**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs  
about to the end of | it again;  
nothing is hidden from its | burning heat. R**
- <sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.
- <sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the  
eyes.**
- <sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.
- <sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine  
gold,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb. R**
- <sup>11</sup>By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is | great reward.
- <sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's | own offenses?  
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**
- <sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get  
dominion | over me;  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.
- <sup>14</sup>**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be  
acceptable | in your sight,  
O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer. R**

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

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: John 2:13-22**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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 #772 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

## **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)*

## **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.*

You alone are God. We thank you for the gift of sabbath rest. Awaken the church to the mystery of your presence and give us glad hearts as we receive the good news of your deliverance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You renew creation. Drive out those who would make the earth a marketplace. Protect rainforests, mountaintops, oceans, and wilderness areas from commercial exploitation. Unite nations, policymakers, and businesses in efforts to reduce carbon emissions. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You judge the nations. We pray for an end to war and strife in every land, currently Russia and Ukraine are at war as well as Israel and Palestine. Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Iraq, Yemen, Syria, Somalia, Libya, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Myanmar, Colombia, and Mali are currently in civil wars. Strengthen international efforts to negotiate peace and provide humanitarian aid to people fleeing from conflict. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You bring healing and hope. We give thanks for physicians, nurses, researchers, therapists, and public health workers who prevent and treat illness. We pray for any who are sick especially Bev, Kelly, Kate, and Jenna. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You abide with your people. Sustain any in this community undergoing life transitions: marriage, divorce, childbirth, adoption, moving, graduation, employment change, or a death in the family. We pray for those preparing for baptism. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You bring life from death. We remember our loved ones who have died, confident that they have new life in you. May we trust that nothing can separate us from your love.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great**

We offer you these prayers as well as those we name to you aloud and in our hearts.

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

**+ + + MEAL + + +**

**Peace**

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

**Offering Music**

God So Loved the World  
*Sr. Choir*

by Lloyd Larson

*(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.

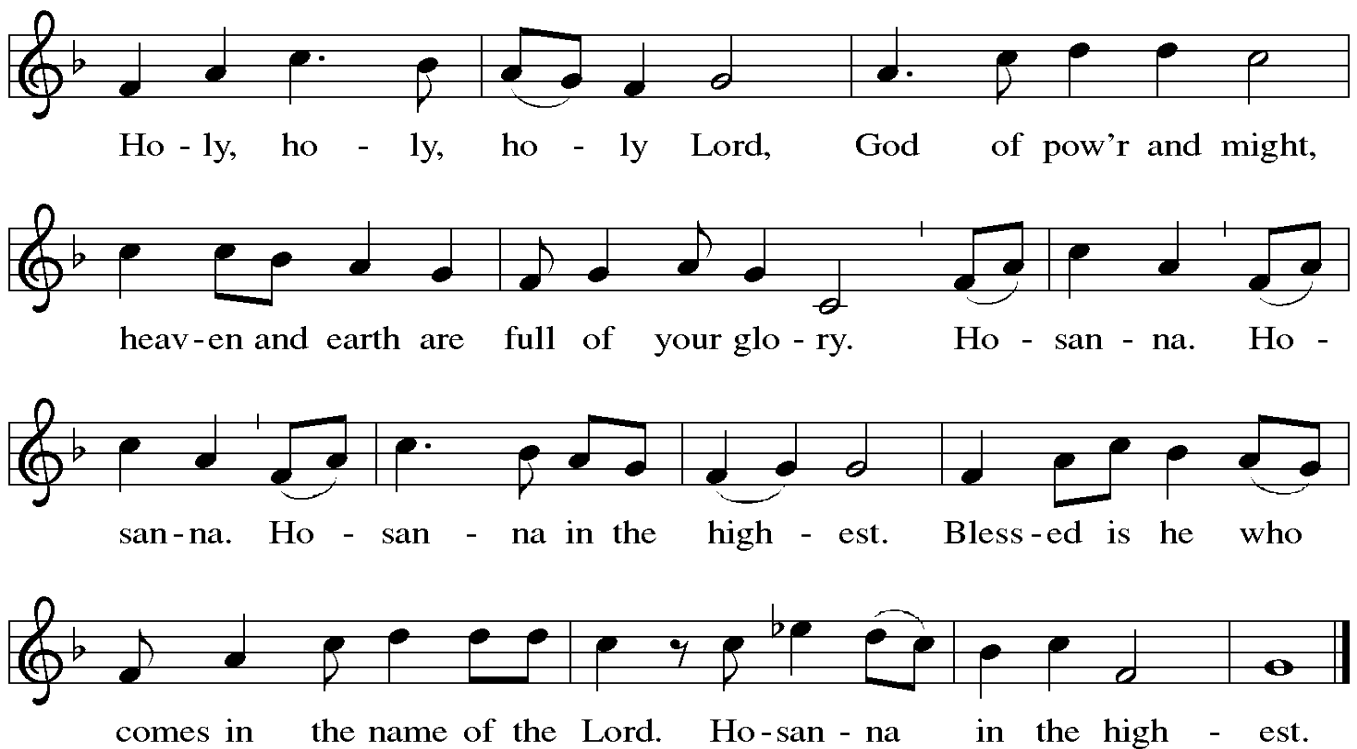
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.

## **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.

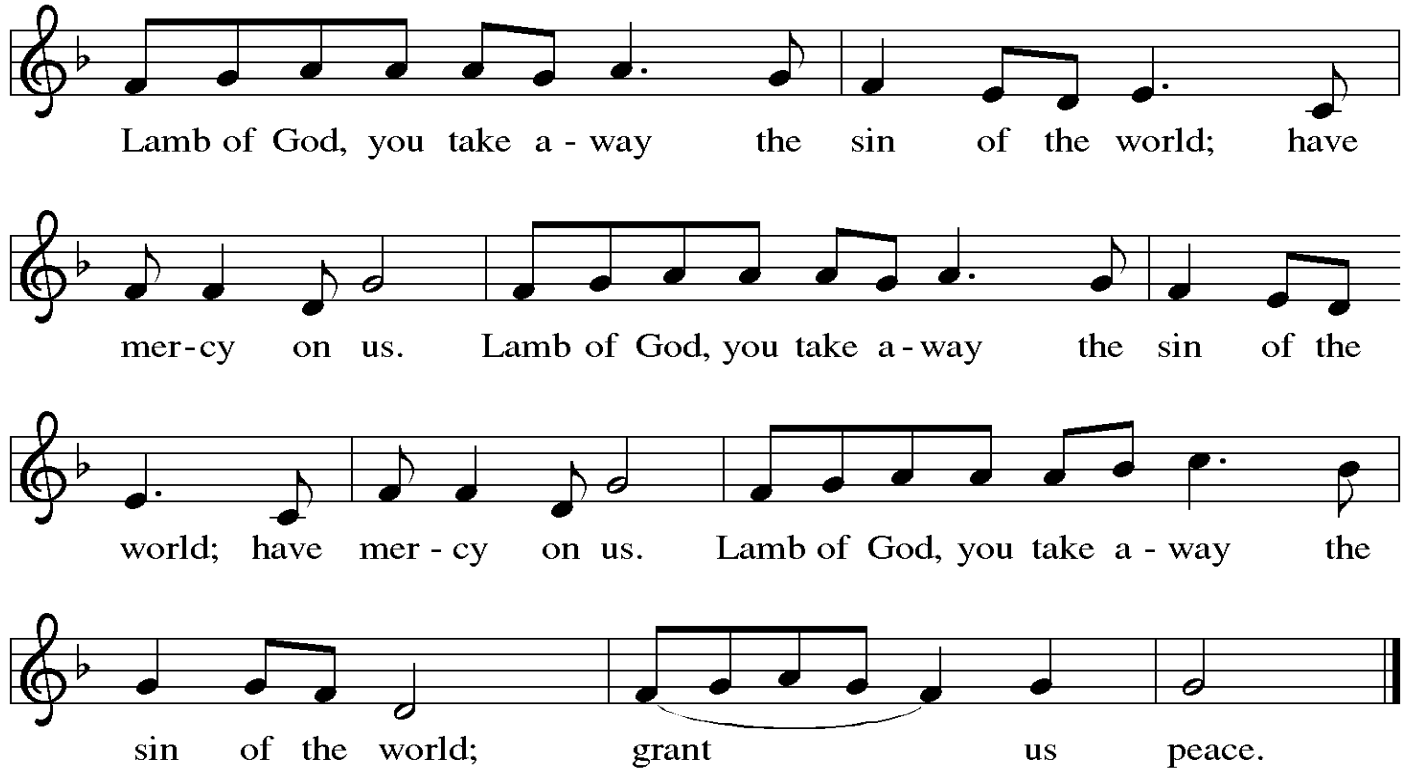
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

*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.

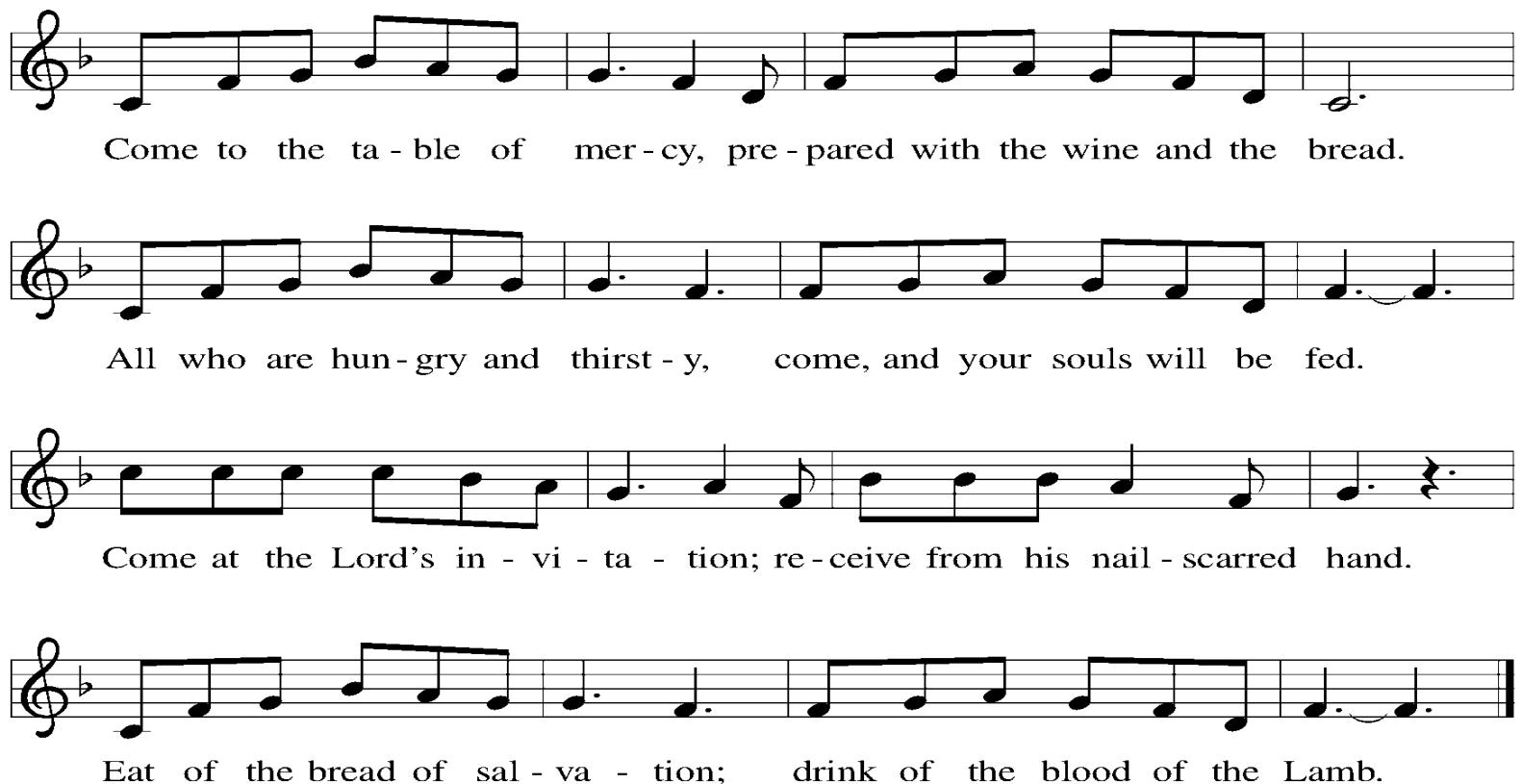
## *Come to the Table*

*Edwin T. Childs*

## Post Communion Hymn

ELW #481

Come to the Table



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.  
All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.  
Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.  
Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

(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 #803**

When I Survey the Wonderous Cross

## **Dismissal**

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

**Postlude** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Wayne Wold

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

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## **Worship Participants**

**Audio:** Grant Robinson

**Video:** Matthew Hutchings



**Ushers:** John & Lynn Armstrong, Erin Crawford  
**Communion Setup:** Janet Page  
**Assisting Minister:** Sarah Brakenbury  
**Reader:** Sandra Woods  
**Wine Servers:** Nick Elders, Janet Page  
**Acolyte:** Lucia Crawford  
**Closing Duties:** Grant Robinson  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Harold & Dorothy Ziehr  
**Organist:** Bette Mohr  
**Director of Choirs:** James Hutchings  
**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes



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

### **This Week at Trinity**

<b>Sun, March 3</b>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
	10:45 am	Intergenerational Study in Martha Rm
	11:00 am	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 pm	PRISMS Movie Night @ TLC
<b>Mon, March 4</b>	10:00 am	Brews & Views
<b>Tues, March 5</b>		Executive Meet
<b>Wed, March 6</b>	12 noon	Lenten Service in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Choir

## Other Announcements

**Feed Wilbur!** It's the first Sunday of the month!

**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 on Wednesdays**, and all are encouraged to bring a lunch so that we may eat together in fellowship following the service.

**Blessings in a Backpack:** Meet up with Outreach at 6 pm on Tuesdays in March to help fill food bags for the kids. This takes roughly 20 minutes to fill 400 bags! Tuesdays fillers are needed:

**March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian**

Please considering donating a tad bit of your time for a big cause!

**The Tie That Binds:** Please bring any sheets or pillowcases that you're no longer using or that you're okay parting with. quilters would love to turn your old stuff into something nice and warm for someone in need! Please consider donating to this amazing ministry that we have!

**Holy Week:** Please join us during Holy Week! This is our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we are excited! We have a Community Choir that will be performing, if you'd like to join, reach out to Bette! We also have Bishop Stacie Fidler coming on Good Friday, she will do the 7<sup>th</sup> word,

you won't want to miss that! And of course, we have a variety of great preachers, and musical offerings throughout the entire week.

**March 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Musical Offering starts at 11:45 am**

**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>Kelly Yarde</b> (the Yardes daughter in law)	Prayers for healing & recovery
<b>Kate Kolstee</b> (great step niece of Annie Maier)	Prayers for healing, comfort, & answers
<b>Jenna</b> (niece of Erin Crawford)	Prayers for healing & health

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 (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.