

# Jesus, full of the HOLY SPIRIT...

# WAS LED BY THE SPIRIT INTO THE WILDERNESS,

## WHERE FOR FORTY DAYS HE WAS TEMPTED BY THE DEVIL.

# LUKE 4:1-2, NIV



**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

4000 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street at the intersection of 30<sup>th</sup> Street and Bunker Hill Road Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712 *The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor* Church Office Phone: 301-864-4340 Church Web Site: www.tlcmr.org



A Member Congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



#### MARCH 6, 2022

#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us for worship today. During this Lenten Season we remember and recall the great acts of love which Christ Jesus our Lord worked out for us to free us from the power of sin, death and the devil. We pray that as you worship this morning you will discover or rediscover the love that God in Jesus has for you.

#### PRAYER UPON ENTERING

O Lord God, You led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following Your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life You alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION**

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



#### The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament in the Season of Lent

Divine Service, Setting Four Lutheran Service Book, Page 203ff

✤ In the Name of Jesus Christ ♣

#### ✤ The Preparation ✤

The Lenten Music for Meditation

The Piano Prelude

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 656

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

1 A mighty Fortress is our God, A trusty Shield and Weapon; He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken. The old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this?
Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

The Hymn continues on the next page ....

3 Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us, We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us. This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him. 4 The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it; He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit. And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,

> Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;

The Kingdom ours remaineth.

*Text: tr. composite; Martin Luther, 1483–1546 Text: Public domain* 

The Invocation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

- **P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

# + + +

Image P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

# C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

#### ✤ The Service of the Word ✤

- P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.
- C With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.
- Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place the Most High, who is my refuge—
- C no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.
- For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- C On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- P You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.

**C** With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

The *Kyrie Eleison* Hymn:

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 945 Grieved"

"Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved"

1 Cantor:

O God, Father in heaven, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev'ry evil, ev'ry woe; Upon Your cross-forsaken Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.

2 Cantor:

O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us.

*Congregation*:

Your arms extend, O Christ, to save From sting of death and grasp of grave; Your scars before the Father move His heart to mercy at such love.

3 Cantor:

O God, Holy Spirit,

have mercy upon us.

#### Congregation:

O lavish Giver, come to aid The feeble child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and help us pray; Bring joy and comfort; come to stay.

Text: Juraj Tranovský, 1591–1637; tr. Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919–2008 Text: © 1970 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002353



¥ 5 ¥

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

#### **P** Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

<sup>1</sup>"When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, <sup>2</sup>you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. <sup>3</sup>And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' <sup>4</sup>Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

<sup>5</sup>"And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. <sup>6</sup>And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. <sup>7</sup>Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup>And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

<sup>8b</sup>"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse:

Hebrews 12:2; Ephesians 6:11

- [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,
- **C** who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.
- **P** Put on the whole armor of God,
- **C** that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup>for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone." <sup>5</sup>And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

₩7₩

"You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.""

<sup>9</sup>And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'

11and

"On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.""

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." <sup>13</sup>And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed:

С

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints: the forgiveness of sins: the resurrection of the body; and the life + everlasting. Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 918* "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

- 1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more; Feed me till I want no more.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
- When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
  Death of death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side.
  Songs of praises, songs of praises
  I will ever give to Thee;
  I will ever give to Thee.

Text: William Williams, 1717–91, abr.; (st. 1): tr. Peter Williams, 1722–96, alt.; (sts. 2–3): tr. William Williams, 1717–91 Text: Public domain

The Sermon

Wandering Home

The Congregation rises.



The Prayer of the Church:

- **P** Let us come before the Lord, humbly imploring Him to look in mercy on us, the whole Church, and the world.
- ▶ Let us pray for the holy Christian Church throughout the world and for all who confess the Name of Christ, that God would guard and defend His beloved children from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray for strength during times of temptation, that God would keep us from love of self, and that our eyes and hearts would be drawn only to Him who is the true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for thankful hearts, that God would continue to provide our daily bread even as we read, mark and inwardly digest His holy, true and mighty Word and are eternally sustained by it. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray for doubting hearts, that God would strengthen faith and give boldness to believe and confess that Jesus is Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray those who lead the people of God; especially Matthew, our Synodical President, John, our District President, Peter, our Circuit Counselor and our Pastor; and for all pastors, teachers, and ministers, that they may be kept strong and faithful in their labor for the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for this congregation, for the Mekane Yesus congregation, and for all congregations in our synod's fellowship, that we may faithfully proclaim our Lord Jesus as the world's Savior from sin and live in the bonds of faith and Christ's love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Let us pray in thanksgiving for the offerings we bring today, that we may continue to be good stewards of the gifts that God has given to us to use in His service and that they may continue the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for our President, for the Congress, for our state legislature, for all judges, and for all who assist them in making, administering, and judging our laws, that their efforts may contribute to the general welfare of all. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for the sick, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that in the midst of their injuries, suffering, and pain God would fix their eyes on Jesus and, according to His merciful goodness, grant them healing and strength. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for the dying, that God would work mightily through His Spirit in the hearts of those who do not yet believe and comfort with His tender care those who do, that none may perish but be brought to that land flowing with milk and honey—heaven itself. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

#### **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for all those who have committed themselves to our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_ and for all the other prayers we have which are unspoken and hidden in our hearts..., that God who knows all and sees all would give His gracious and wise attention to our needs and desires, conforming all to His holy will. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

 P Rejoicing in the faithful confession of Perpetua and Felictias and of all the saints who have gone before us and are at peace, we give thanks to the Lord. And we pray that Christ's defeat of death by His sacrificial death and resurrection may encourage us to remain ever faithful to Him and come ourselves at last to the eternal joys in heaven which belong to all the faithful. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

¥ 11 ¥

The Sharing of the Peace:

■ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to His grace.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

#### ✤ The Service of the Sacrament ✤

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of Preparation

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 424* "O Christ, You Walked the Road"

- 1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wand'ring feet must go. You faced with us temptation's pow'r And fought our ancient foe.
- 2 No bread of earth alone Can fill our hung'ring hearts. Lord, help us seek Your living Word, The food Your grace imparts.
- No blinding sign we ask, No wonder from above.
   Lord, help us place our trust alone In Your unswerving love.
- 4 When lures of easy gain With promise brightly shine, Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first; Our wills with Yours align.

The Hymn concludes on the next page ...

### 5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wand'ring feet must go. Stay with us through temptation's hour To fight our ancient foe.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr., 1923–2007 Text: © 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002353

The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.

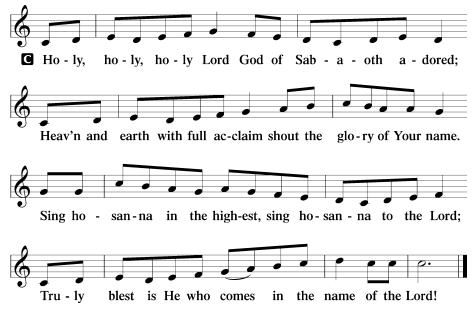
#### **C** And also with you.

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



₩ 13 ₩

The Sanctus:



Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

- P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His Body and Blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:
- C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

₩ 14 ₩

The Words of Our Lord:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

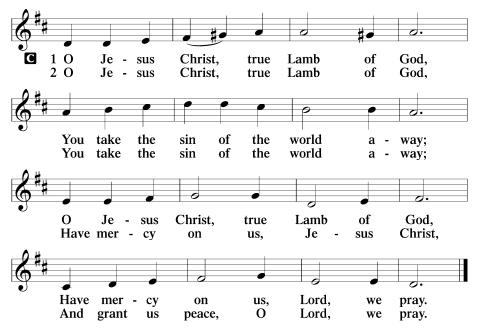
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini:

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

The Agnus Dei:



Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music During the Distribution: "Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

■ The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

**C** Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Hymn:

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 692

"Praise to You and Adoration"

 Praise to You and adoration, Blessèd Jesus, Son of God, Who, to serve Your own creation, Came to share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I never may From Your fold or pastures stray, But with zeal and joy exceeding Follow where Your steps are leading.

The Hymn concludes on the next page ...

₩ 16 ₩

Hold me ever in Your keeping; Comfort me in pain and strife.
In my laughter and my weeping Be with me throughout my life.
Give me greater love for You,
And my faith and hope renew
In Your birth, Your life, and passion,
In Your death and resurrection.

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; (st. 1): tr. Kristen Kvamme, 1866–1938, alt.; (st. 2): tr. Christian Worship, 1993 Text: Public domain

The Thanksgiving and Post-Communion Prayer:

- **P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup:
- **C** We proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **P** Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty and merciful God, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Sacrament; and we beseech You to strengthen us in the confidence that by the death of Your Son, which we show forth in this Eucharist, You have given Your people everlasting life; for the sake of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

The Benedicamus and Benediction:

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- **C** Amen.



¥ 17 ¥

The Hymn to Depart

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 418* "O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

- 1 O Lord, throughout these forty days You prayed and kept the fast; Inspire repentance for our sin, And free us from our past.
- You strove with Satan, and You won; Your faithfulness endured; Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust In God's eternal Word.
- 3 Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed And fixed Your mind above; So teach us to deny ourselves, Since we have known God's love.
- 4 Be with us through this season, Lord, And all our earthly days, That when the final Easter dawns, We join in heaven's praise.

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–98; para. Gilbert E. Doan, 1930 Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002353

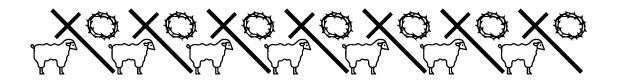
The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Organ Postlude

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

✤ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ♣



#### Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV<sup>®</sup> Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version<sup>®</sup>), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Instrumental Music used as a part of this service and livestream is used by permission under One License.net # A-726993

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2022 Concordia Publishing House.

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

#### THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

The Celebrant & Preacher	The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
The Lector	George Kurtzweil
The Communion Assistant	Adam McCoyer
The Worship Assistant	Paul Ritter
The Parish Musician	Skip Hall

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

#### NOTES AND NEWS

*COVID UPDATE* ... We are happy to know that the COVID metrics in our local area have improved to the place that County officials have made the decision to lift the indoor mask mandate. The wearing of masks while in the church building is now optional, and you are free to wear or not wear them as you choose, or as your personal needs determine. We ask, in love for one another, that everyone continue to observe our "Stay Safe Rules" as printed in the bulletin and posted at the church entrances. Thank you all for your continued patience and loving concern for our Trinity Family during this time.

*MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES* ... We plan to hold Midweek Services this Lent, bringing back this tradition once more to Trinity. These spoken services of Vespers will be held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM, and you are welcome to join us for them either in person at Trinity, or by our livestream on our church Facebook Page. Also, the services will be available for viewing at any time after the livestream on the video archive, also found on our church Facebook Page. More information on these services can be found on the full page announcement in today's bulletin. We hope that you will be able to join us for these times of reflection and thanksgiving for our Lord's work of redemption for our salvation.

*CHURCH OFFICE HOURS* ... have been extended. The office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 AM to Noon.

*DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME* ... begins next weekend. Please remember to "spring forward" your clocks one hour on Saturday night so that you can be on time for worship on Sunday morning.

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... "Why did God allow evil?" The Bible doesn't answer that question. The question it does answer is, "In spite of evil, what will God do?". Listen to the Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler next Sunday, March 13, 2022, for this message, "No Room for Demons", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

*OUR PRAYER LIST* ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

SOME WORSHIP CHANGES ... Just like the return of the swallows are a sign of spring, you may have noticed some changes here at church during our worship which we hope are a sign of us making some "return to normal". The first change you hold in your hand. We have returned to using our "usual size" bulletin format which we hope will be just as easy to use. The service will continue to be printed out in full, not only for those who find it helpful, but also to continue to provide the order of service for those who worship with us online. The other change you may have noticed is that the hymnals have returned to the pew racks. We hope that this is helpful for those who have missed having the music of the hymns available to them as they worship. We will be reviewing other changes that we made because of COVID; some will change, others may remain in place. If you have any questions or concerns to help us as we make this review, please speak with Pastor or with any member of the Ministry Planning Group.

*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for 2022 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

*REMEMBERING THE SAINTS* ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

# THIS WEEK'S SAINTS...March 7Perpetua and Felicitas, Martyrs

Visit <u>http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</u> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

*COMPASSION CENTER NEWS*... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All nonperishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

The Second Wednesday of Lent, March 9, 2022 The Passion History, Part 1 Drawn from Matthew 26:1-29; Mark 14:1-25; Luke 22:1-38; John 13:1-38

The Second Sunday in Lent, March 13, 2022 Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 26:8-15; Philippians 3:17—4:1; Luke 13:31-35



Places of the Passion

You are invited during these Lenten days to walk with Our Lord Jesus in traveling on the way of His Passion. Our Midweek Services will lead us to reflect on these places and the events which took place there through our hearing of the Passion History as drawn from the accounts of the Four Evangelists.

Services will be held in person at Trinity as well as being livestreamed on our church Facebook Page. The videos will also be available for viewing at any time following the live service.

	Wednesday Ev 7:00 PM	<b>venings During Lent</b> Lenten Vespers
March 9	The	Upper Room
March 16	The	Garden of Gethsemane
March 23	The	Palace of the High Priest
March 30	The	Praetorium
April 6	Cal	vary



### **Trinity Stay-Safe Rules**

- ◆ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- While in the church building, wearing of a mask is optional. In love and care for one another, use your best judgment with regards to current health guidelines as to whether or not you wear a mask.
- Physical Distancing Requirements have been lifted, so you are free to sit where and as you wish. Use your own best judgement as to how close you wish to sit to others.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

# Thank you all for your continued patience and concern for one another during this time.



## Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours are: Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours. Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center. If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

#### PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6 – 13 May Be Subject to Change

Today	The First Sunday in Lent	
-	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM-Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	The Second Wednesday of Lent	
	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	7:00 PM	Midweek Lenten Service
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
Thursday	9:00 AM-Noon	Church Office Open
Saturday	Daylight Savings Time Begins – Remember to "spring forward"!	
Next Sunday	The Second Sunday in Lent	
	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

#### **CHURCH STATISTICS**

Sunday, February 27, 2022 Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022 Worship Attendance: 22; Communed: 21. Worship Attendance: 13; Communed: 13.





### 🛎 O Christ, Hear Us! 🛎

#### Intercessions for the Week of March 6, 2022

#### **Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Carole, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Allan, cousin of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim; Sandy, relative of Kim; Cherra, mother-in-law of Meghan; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; John, father-in-law of Kristina; Susan, friend of Kim; Jim, uncle of Paul; Kathy, co-worker of Joyce; Sherri, co-worker of Joyce; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Nicy, aunt of Tracy; Howard, relative of Tracy; Jessica, co-worker of Tracy; Donna, friend of Gus

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak. For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

#### **Thanksgivings and Blessings**

Ethan Maddox, David Pratico, and Evan Smith, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

#### We Keep In Our Prayers

- ♥ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✤ Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland.
- ✤ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity Members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- ✤ For the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.

- $\clubsuit$  Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✤ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- $\clubsuit$  For an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ♥ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✤ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✤ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- $\clubsuit$  For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.

