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First Sunday in

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us in 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.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Holy God, in the waters of the flood You saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation You protected Your Son from sin. Renew in us 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.



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

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🛚 Jesus, Mercy! 🕸

✤ The Preparation ✤

The Music for Meditation

The 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"

- 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.
- 2 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.

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The Invocation:

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



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

The Confession of Sins:

- P Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- С who made heaven and earth.
- P 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.
- 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.

- 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 ✤

The Introit of the Day

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Psalm 91:9-13; antiphon: verses 15-16

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. С With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation. P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place the Most High, who is my refuge-С no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent. P For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. С 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. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; С 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. С With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

The Kyrie Eleison Hymn "Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved"

> 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.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

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.

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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.

С Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-18

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

L This is the Word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

James 1:12-18

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

L This is the Word of the Lord.



The Congregation rises.



Hebrews 12:2; Ephesians 6:11

The Gradual and Verse:

- [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

Mark 1:9-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, С 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. 7

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 716

"I Walk in Danger All the Way"

- I walk in danger all the way. The thought shall never leave me That Satan, who has marked his prey, Is plotting to deceive me. This foe with hidden snares May seize me unawares If I should fail to watch and pray. I walk in danger all the way.
- 2 I pass through trials all the way, With sin and ills contending; In patience I must bear each day The cross of God's own sending. When in adversity I know not where to flee, When storms of woe my soul dismay, I pass through trials all the way.
- 3 And death pursues me all the way, Nowhere I rest securely; He comes by night, he comes by day, He takes his prey most surely. A failing breath, and I In death's strong grasp may lie To face eternity today As death pursues me all the way.
- 4 I walk with angels all the way, They shield me and befriend me; All Satan's pow'r is held at bay When heav'nly hosts attend me; They are my sure defense, All fear and sorrow, hence! Unharmed by foes, do what they may, I walk with angels all the way.

The Hymn continues on the next page...



5 I walk with Jesus all the way, His guidance never fails me; Within His wounds I find a stay When Satan's pow'r assails me; And by His footsteps led, My path I safely tread. No evil leads my soul astray; I walk with Jesus all the way.

My walk is heav'nward all the way; Await, my soul, the morrow,
When God's good healing shall allay All suff'ring, sin, and sorrow.
Then, worldly pomp, begone!
To heav'n I now press on.
For all the world I would not stay; My walk is heav'nward all the way.

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The Sermon

You'll Never Walk Alone

The Congregation rises.

The Prayer of the Church

- ▶ Let us pray to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for He is merciful and full of compassion, as we remember before Him the Church, the world, and all those in need.
- P Heavenly Father, Your Son knew hunger in the wilderness and yet His reliance on You did not fail. Give to Your baptized people a steady trust in Your promises and hope in Your final deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- Lover of mankind, You send Your Gospel into all the world, that people might be delivered from the power of the evil one. Pour out Your Spirit continually upon all pastors and servants of Your Church, that they might proclaim Your Word with grace and boldness. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Ruler of the nations, govern our nation and every nation so that all people may enjoy justice, peace and the necessities of life. Overcome selfish rulers, cruel tyrants and all threats of violence. Give wisdom to all who lead us, and send Your angels to protect those who are protecting our welfare, especially the members of our armed forces and our emergency first responders. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

Bountiful Provider of all our needs, You warn Your people not to be ensnared in the love of riches or to seek lives of ease, but You invite them in union with Your Son to live as servants in this world. Remember all those who can find no gainful employment. Keep them from despair, and hear their prayers. Remember all who are tempted to think that life really does consist of the abundance of possessions, and lift their hearts to the things that truly matter. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Fountain of mercy, into Your gracious and loving arms we commend all who are sick or suffering, the hospitalized, the persecuted, the lonely, the afflicted, the grieving and the dying, especially Your servants ______. Bring the comfort of Your Spirit to each broken body, troubled mind or hurting soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Giver of all good things, we thank You that You abundantly bless Your people with all that is necessary for life on earth, as well as giving us that which gladdens our hearts. With those who rejoice we also rejoice, especially with ______. May we ever give You all thanks and praise for every blessing that You continue to shower on us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Loving Father, continue to look with compassion and love upon all of Your children as we commend to Your fatherly care all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you ______ and all the people and concerns we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear all these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Lord of the angelic hosts, Your angels ministered to Your Son after His time of testing and brought Him refreshment. May Your angels surround us as we partake of the refreshment of His Body and Blood for our forgiveness, that we might join them eternally in singing His praises. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Giver of the life that never ends, we offer today our praise and thanks for Your saints Polycarp and Matthias, and all whom You have brought through the many trials and temptations of this life and ushered into Your nearer presence. Bring us to share with them in the joys of the marriage feast of the Lamb. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- All of these things, and whatever else Your wisdom knows us to need, grant to us, in Your bountiful love, for the sake of Him who triumphed over the foe and rose in victory, and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

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 Congregation is seated.

✤ The Service of the Sacrament ✤

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 431 "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

- Not all the blood of beasts

 On Jewish altars slain
 Could give the guilty conscience peace
 Or wash away the stain.
- 2 But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb, Takes all our sins away; A sacrifice of nobler name And richer blood than they.
- 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine, While as a penitent I stand, And there confess my sin.
- 4 My soul looks back to see The burden Thou didst bear When hanging on the cursèd tree; I know my guilt was there.
- 5 Believing, we rejoice To see the curse remove;
 We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice And sing His bleeding love.

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The Congregation rises.



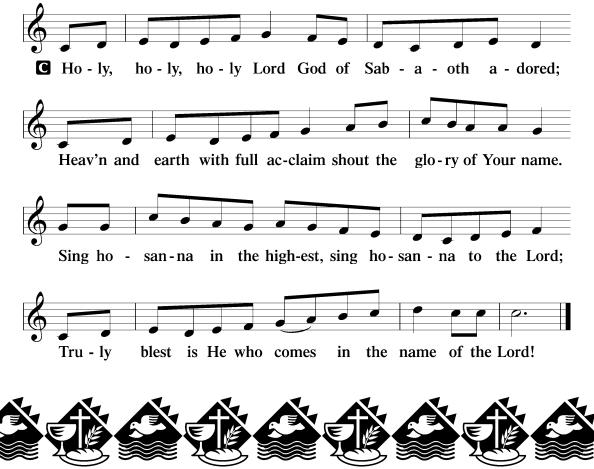
The Preface Dialogue:

- **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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer:

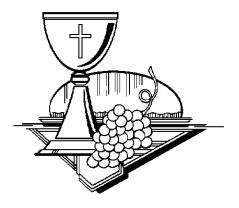
- Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided 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.

The Words of Our Lord:

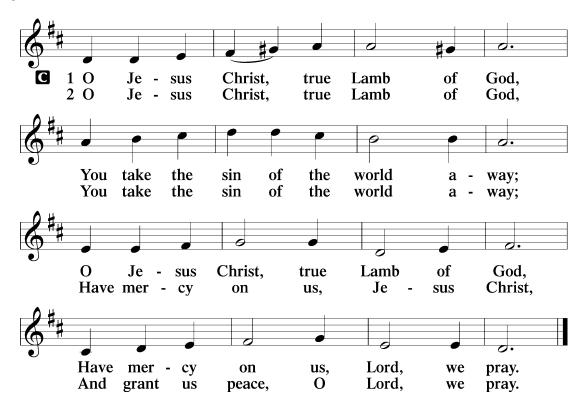
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had 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 T
- The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** Amen.



The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of 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.

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: "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

P 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"

- 1 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.
- 2 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.

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The Post-Communion Thanksgiving:

- **P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup:
- **C** We show 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.

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.
- 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.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

✤ To God All Praise and Glory! ♣

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NOTES AND NEWS

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we are not able to hold our Sunday Morning Bible Class at this time doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use during the Lenten Season. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <u>http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/</u> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

LENTEN DEVOTIONS AND BIBLE STUDY...We will continue to offer online Midweek Devotions and Bible Study as our midweek worship offering this Lent. These services will be livestreamed on the church Facebook Page at **4:00 PM on Wednesdays** and will be available for viewing at any time following in the video archive.

For more information on our Lenten Worship for this year, please see the Lenten Service calendar following the announcements in today's bulletin.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS... Materials for you to use in your home devotions this Lent have been mailed to members and we hope that they will arrive to you soon.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... An impossible situation need not be a hopeless one. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday February 28, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Where a Kid Can Be a Kid", 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.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit <u>www.cph.org</u> and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2021 is now 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).

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 non-perishable 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 Sunday in Lent, February 28, 2021 Scripture Readings: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Romans 5:1-11; Mark 8:27-38



The Sacred Season of Lent 2021 at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Mount Rainier, Maryland

We invite you to join us in observing the Lenten Season with these special opportunities for worship, prayer, and study as we prepare ourselves for the celebration of God's great acts of love in the passion, death, and resurrection of His Son for our life and salvation.

Midweek Lenten Worship

Lenten Devotions and Bible Study Wednesdays at 4:00 PM via Livestream

Please join us for these moments of prayer and Scripture Study via our livestream available through links on our website or on our church Facebook Page.

Theme for Lent 2021 - The Road Back to God

Drawing on the title of this year's Lenten Devotional, our Midweek Studies will look at some of the Old Testament Readings which are proclaimed at the Great Vigil of Easter, seeing them in the light of our own journey from death to life in Christ's passion and resurrection which we have shared in through our Baptism.

February 24, 2021	The Beginning of the Road: The Creation	
March 3, 2021	A Watery Journey: The Flood	
March 10, 2021	A Journey of Faith and Trust: Abraham & Isaac on Mount Moriah	
March 17, 2021	A Journey towards Freedom: The Exodus	
March 24, 2021	A Journey through the Valley of Death: Ezekiel's Vision of the Dry Bones	



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.

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, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- 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.
- Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- 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.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17 - 21 May Be Subject to Change

Today	The First Sunday in Lent	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	4:00 PM	Lenten Devotions and Bible Study
		(via Facebook Live)
Thursday	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Next Sunday	The Second Sunday in Lent	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, February 7, 2021 Sunday, February 14, 2021 Worship Attendance: 11 ; Communed: 10 . In-person worship cancelled owing to ice.





✤ O Christ, Hear Us! ♣

Intercessions for the Week of February 21, 2021

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Dina, niece of Sylvia; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce; Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce; Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce; Eric, homeless; Mary, cousin of Pastor; Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim; Shirley, aunt of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Tasha, and her son Layton, friends of Kristina; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Ty & Clare, friends of David & Joyce; Roger & Family, friends of Vincent & Tracy; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Jim, friend of Judy

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

Daniel Varona, Amaria Dowling, and John L. Bowman, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ♥ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✤ For 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 Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- \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.
- ♥ 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 the shedding of their blood.
- ✤ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.