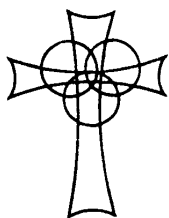




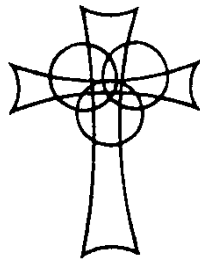
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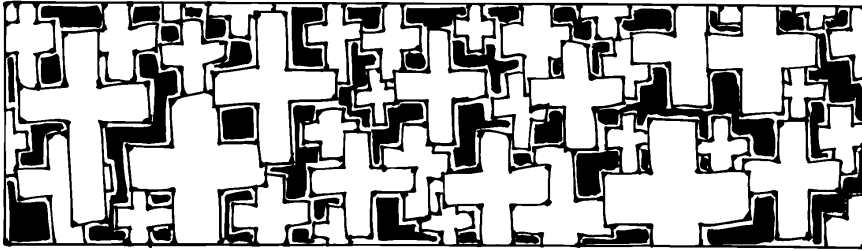


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# Fourth Sunday in Lent

*Laetare – “Rejoice” – Sunday*  
**MARCH 10, 2024**

## ***WELCOME TO WORSHIP!***

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.

## ***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of Your Son You lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into Your light, that all our deeds may reflect Your love, 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 Prelude

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 435*

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -  
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

*Psalm 27:3-5; antiphon: verse 1*

- P** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- C** **Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;  
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**
- P** One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.
- C** **For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**
- 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** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?





*The Congregation is seated.*

The Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 21:4-9*

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

*Ephesians 2:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

“For God So Loved the World”



*The Congregation rises.*

The Holy Gospel

*John 3:14-21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

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

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

The Apostles’ Creed:

**C** **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 # 542

“When I Behold Jesus Christ”



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,  
 2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-fered pain;  
 3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;  
 4 What love is this? Great - er love No one has ev - er known.



I won-der much at His love As He hung on the tree.  
 I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.  
 On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.  
 My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.

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The Sermon

Amazing, Wondrous Love  
Text: Readings Appointed

*The Congregation rises.*

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Let us pray for bold, unwavering trust in God’s grace, that we may rejoice in all the good gifts from above that we neither merit nor deserve. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for the faithful proclamation of Christ’s saving Name, that God’s people may be strengthened in the true faith and His Gospel kingdom extended to all nations, to the very ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for our congregation, the Mekane Yesus congregation, and for congregations in our Synodical fellowship; for our mission and our people; for the ability to meet the needs that arise as we do the work God has given us to do; and for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for the educational institutions of the Church: especially we remember the preschools, day schools, high schools, colleges and universities, and seminaries of our Synod, that all the baptized, both those who teach and those who learn in them, would be transformed by the wisdom of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who have been given positions of public trust throughout the world, that they may use the authority entrusted to them honorably, for the pursuit of peace and justice, and for the good of all people. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**



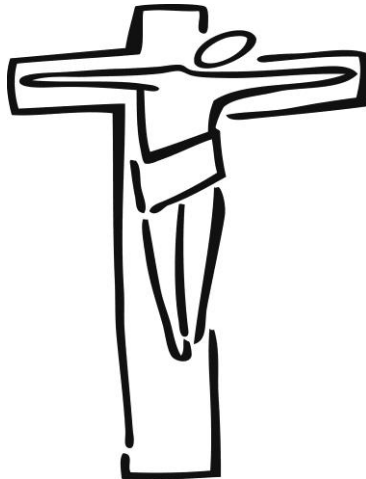
- P** Let us pray for our President, and for the Congress, and Judiciary of the United States; for our Governor and the Legislature of this state; and for all government agencies, civil servants, judges, and officers of the law, that peace, security, and justice may be preserved, allowing freedom and opportunity to share the Good News of the message of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for those who suffer from the lack of any human necessity, that those who have been blessed with an abundance may cheerfully share with those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for those who are sick, especially remembering \_\_\_\_\_, that God would grant healing to their bodies and strength to bear their infirmities with patience and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who mourn the loss of family and friends (*especially for* \_\_\_\_\_), that they may find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the hope of life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for those who rejoice in the rich blessings of God, especially along with \_\_\_\_\_, that they may always remember the Giver of every gift and give Him heartfelt thanks. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all the people and concerns that have been committed to our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and all those we name now before the Lord in the silence of our hearts... We pray that the Lord will indeed hear these prayers and grant them all according to His good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who partake this day of Christ's holy Body and Blood, that in their eating and drinking they may receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins and the renewal of life and have a foretaste of the feast to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** For those who have departed this life and are numbered among the countless multitude who are ever with the Lord, let us give God thanks and praise. And we pray that the Lord would one day grant us a place with them at the feast which knows no end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** 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.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

- P** 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 # 570

“Just as I Am, without One Plea”



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy  
 2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my  
 3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a  
 4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to  
 soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each  
 con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -  
 heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
 Because Thy promise I believe,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
 Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
 Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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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.**

**P** 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:

The *Sanctus*:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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.**

The Words of Our Lord:

**P** 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:

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*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 at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*Music at the Distribution*

“We Remember You” – The Trinity Singers

*The Congregation rises.*

The Post-Communion Hymn:

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 692*

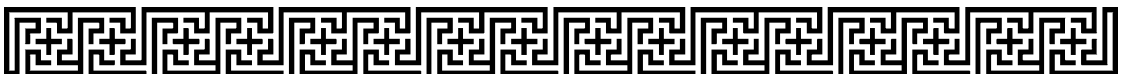
“Praise to You and Adoration”

1 Praise to You and ad - o - ra - tion, Bless - ed Je - sus,  
2 Hold me ev - er in Your keep - ing; Com - fort me in  
Son of God, Who, to serve Your own cre - a - tion, Came to  
pain and strife. In my laugh - ter and my weep - ing Be with  
share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I nev - er may  
me through - out my life. Give me great - er love for You,  
From Your fold or pas - tures stray, But with zeal and  
And my faith and hope re - new In Your birth, Your  
joy ex - ceed - ing Fol - low where Your steps are lead - ing.  
life, and pas - sion, In Your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

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

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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.**
- P** 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 # 422*

“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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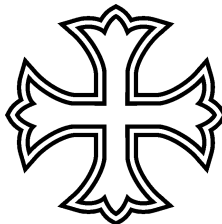
The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠



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

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### NOTES AND NEWS

*LARGE PRINT HYMNALS* ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

**MIDWEEK LENTEN VESPERS** ... **are held here at Trinity each Wednesday evening during Lent at 7:00 PM.** These services will be spoken with hymns being sung a capella. The sermons will continue on the theme of our Lenten series, “Guided to the Cross”. We hope that you will be able to join us, either in person at church or by the livestream on our church Facebook Page. The services will also be available for viewing at any time following the livestream.

*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.

*EASTER FLOWERS* ... The Trinity Family is invited to make donations towards beautifying our Lord’s Altar and church home with lilies for our Easter celebrations. Order forms are available on the literature table in the rear of the sanctuary for you to place your order and to give information regarding any dedication you would like to have made for your gift in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Orders can be placed until **Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**.

*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for **2024** 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 now **\$45.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto:trinity-elc-office@verizon.net))

*LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:*

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**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** Study Isaiah 43-46 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET), study Deuteronomy 22-26 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. ET), listen to a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. ET., and continue studying Good Works in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters March 16 at 11:00 a.m. ET). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUO Radio app!

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... God promised to make Abraham the father of many nations through the gift of a son named Isaac. But then God asked Abraham to return that gift in a most shocking way. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, March 17, 2024, for a message from Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe, "The Strangest Request", locally on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen online to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUE.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under "Media" and "The Lutheran Hour".

*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 FEASTS, FESTIVALS, AND COMMEMORATIONS:*

There are no Feasts, Festivals, or Commemorations this week.

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> 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 serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. 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 ongoing time of 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.

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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 they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM  
Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD  
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23



*PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...*

The Fifth Wednesday of Lent: March 13, 2024

Lenten Vespers

Scripture Readings: Proverbs 3:1-8; 1 Timothy 15-17; John 19:28-30

The Fifth Sunday in Lent: March 17, 2024

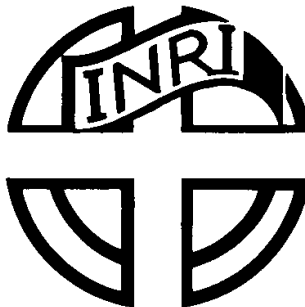
Divine Service

Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-24; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45



**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10 – 17**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<b><i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent – Laetare “Rejoice” Sunday</i></b>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship 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)
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	9:30 AM Circuit 7 Professional Church Workers Meeting at Holy Cross-Greenbelt
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b><i>The Fifth Wednesday of Lent</i></b>
	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open
	7:00 PM Lenten Vespers (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b><i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent</i></b>
	8:30 AM Adult Bible Study
	9:30 AM Worship 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, March 3, 2024

Worship Attendance: 24; Communed: 23.

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Lenten Midweek Worship Attendance: 12.

### *MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR FEBRUARY 2024:*

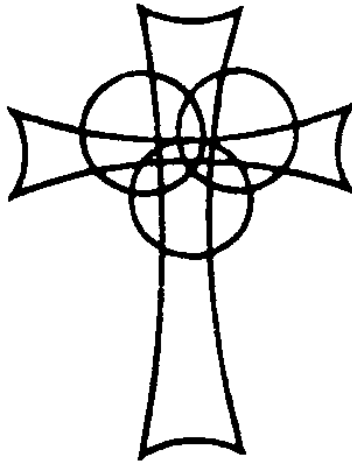
General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$15,431

General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$11,027

Withdrawals from Thrivent mutual funds: \$3,000 (for January shortfall)

Remaining balance in Thrivent mutual funds (2/9/24): \$34,886

\* While our offerings are happily above target, we paid \$2,372 for snow removal in January and February.



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of March 10, 2024**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, Alan, Kate, August, David, Ernie, Paul, Shirley, 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;  
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;  
Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy;  
Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;  
Oliver, son of David & Lisbeth; Doris, mother of Vincent;  
Tyler, son of coworker of Paul;  
Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students; Evelyn, aunt of Judy;  
Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;  
Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Joan & Family, co-worker of Tracy;  
The Joneses, friend of Tracy; Victor, co-worker of Paul; Edward, friend of Rona & Paul;  
Craig, husband of Edith; Michelle, friend of Tracy; Virginia, mother of Sam;  
Frank, brother-in-law of Gus; Steve, father-in-law of Michelle

**Thanksgivings and Blessings**

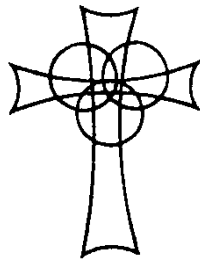
Kate Kennedy, who celebrates her birthday this week.

**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.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ 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 all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.





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Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712

***Sunday Mornings:***  
Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM  
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

***Midweeks in Lent:***  
Lenten Vespers  
Wednesday Evenings – 7:00 PM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live  
For more information, please visit the church website.*

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*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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