



# **Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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# The Last Sunday after the Epiphany MARCH 2, 2025

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

The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are pleased that you have come to worship our loving Lord with us today. In this Epiphany season, our Lord continues to reveal Himself to us as the Son of God who has come to redeem the world. And here in this place, through His holy Word and Sacraments, Jesus continues to show us the Father's love for us sinners.

#### PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

Holy God, Mighty and Immortal, You are beyond our knowing, yet we see Your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of Your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in His divinity, Jesus Christ our 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 FESTIVAL DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT ON THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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**№** In the Name of Jesus Christ **№** 

# **▼** The Preparation **▼**

The Flute and Piano Prelude

"How Beautiful"

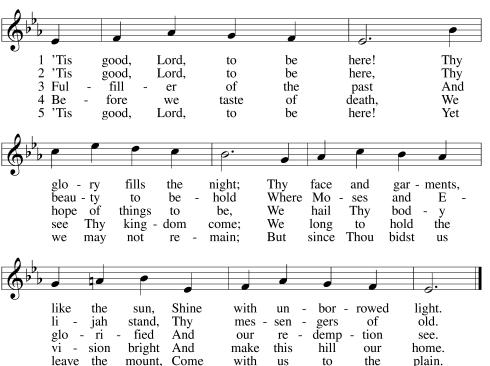
The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 414

"'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"



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#### 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:

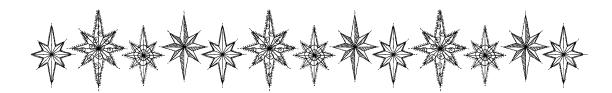
- When Christ appears we shall be like Him, because we will see Him as He is. And everyone who hopes in Him purifies themselves as He is pure. Let us come and confess to Him all of our sins which mar His image in us.

  From 1 John 3:2-3
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. 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 **▼**

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 84:1-2, 9, 11; antiphon: verse 4

- P Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!
- How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!
- P For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
- 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 Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

The Kyrie Eleison

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have hier - cy.

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



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



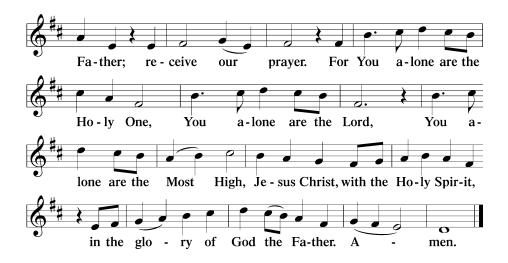
P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



The Hymn of Praise:

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



# P Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

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¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." ⁵So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, ⁶and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. ⁵Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. <sup>8</sup>And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

<sup>9</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>10</sup>And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup>none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, <sup>12</sup>and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

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

The Epistle Hebrews 3:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, <sup>2</sup>who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. <sup>3</sup>For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. <sup>4</sup>(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) <sup>5</sup>Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, <sup>6</sup>but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

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

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel Luke 9:28-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

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

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup>who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Congregation is seated.



The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 413 "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"



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The Sermon

Coming Attractions Text: Luke 9:28-36

The Congregation rises.

#### The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life 🕂 of the world to come. Amen.

# The Prayer of the Church:

- People loved by God, let us bring our prayers and praises before the throne of grace, for He to whom we pray is merciful and full of compassion.
- Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in Your Son, Your glory tabernacled in human flesh and blood to win for us eternal life. Open the eyes of all people to see the glory of God in the face of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lover of the human race, Moses and Elijah appeared with the Savior in glory to witness that all the law and the prophets speak about Him. Grant to all pastors and servants of the Church wisdom to open Your Scriptures in such a way that all may hear the voice of the Savior calling them to life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P King of the nations, You have established all authority upon earth to be a blessing, not a burden. Remember those entrusted with civil authority here and in all places, and enable them to serve with wisdom and integrity. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

P	Comforter of the sorrowing, You alone can bring the peace that passes understanding to troubled hearts. Remember all who are ill, hospitalized, lonely or afflicted, and the dying, especially Let them all know Your presence, taste Your peace and experience healing and relief according to Your gracious will, looking ever to the hope of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.
P	Generous Father, Your hand is open to bless us and to satisfy our desires. Be with and all those who rejoice in Your mercy shown to them. Give all Your people glad hearts which realize Your goodness and that are moved always to praise You, the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Blessed Consoler, You comfort us in all of our sorrows, giving us hope in the midst of our grief. Be with all those who mourn the loss of loved ones [especially]. Assure them of the blessed hope of the resurrection and life which belongs to all those who rest in Christ and comfort them with the knowledge of the joyful reunion that awaits all of the Lord's faithful ones in eternity. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
	Loving Father, Your ears are ever open to the cries of Your children in their need. Hear the prayers of Your people offered to you for and for all those whom we name now before You in the silence of our hearts Listen, we pray, to all of these our petitions and grant them in love according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
P	Giver of the feast, You spread Your banquet before Your children that they might taste and see that the Lord is good. Grant to all who come to the holy altar today repentant and believing hearts, that this Sacrament may transform them from one degree of glory to another. Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.
P	Immortal One, You raised Your Son from the dead by Your life-giving Spirit that He might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters who share in His endless life and glory. Receive our thanks for Moses and Elijah; Peter, James, and John; Perpetua and Felicitas; and all who have fallen asleep trusting in our Savior's promises. Bring us to behold with them the fullness of His glory in the age to come. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant to us, all-glorious Trinity, for You are a good God, and You love Your whole creation, and to You we give all glory: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages!
- C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- P Christ will transfigure our lowly bodies so that they may be like His glorious body. We are the body of Christ and we share His peace. The Peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C And also with you.

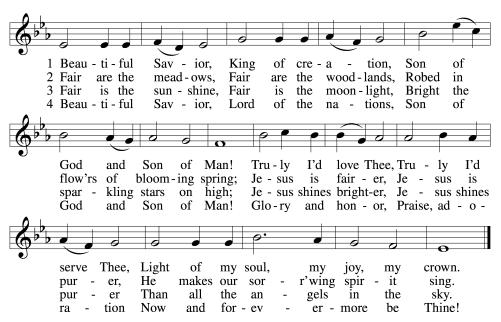
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#### **▼** The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 537

"Beautiful Savior"



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# The Preface Dialogue:

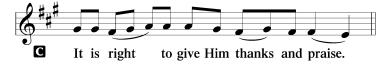
**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



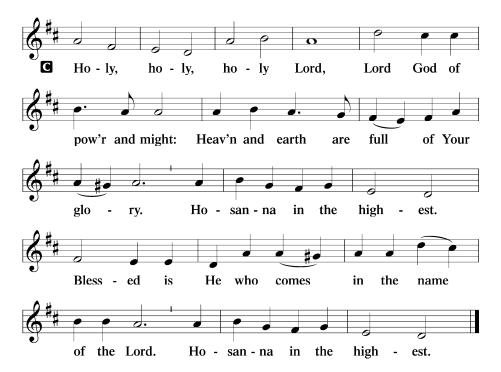
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



P 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 at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. 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:

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the allavailing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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 He Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

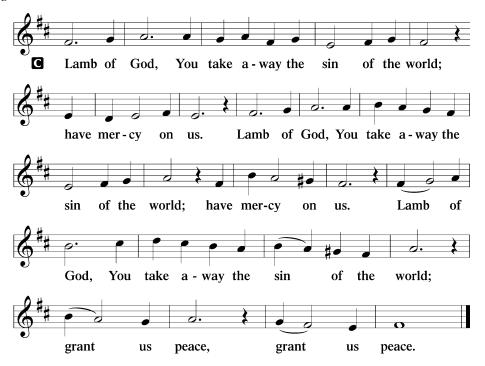
- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 *Pax Domini*:

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



# The Agnus Dei:



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.

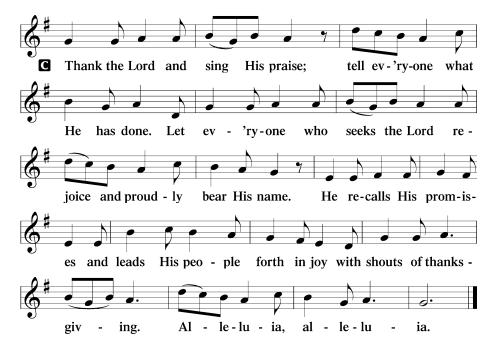
Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the 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:*"Thou Art Worthy" – The Trinity Singers

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



# The Post-Communion Collect:

# **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, we see Your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: as we have been fed with the Body and Blood of Your Son, grant that we who have been made partakers of His divine life may reflect that life in word and deed so that all the world may know His power to redeem and save; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# The Benediction:

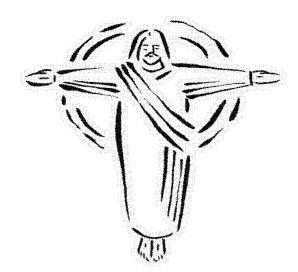
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and 

→ give you peace.



# The Dismissal:

- P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!



Transfiguration of the Lord

### The Hymn to Depart

### Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 417

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

Sung as the Farewell to the Word "Alleluia" in preparation for the beginning of Lent



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# The Silent Worship

#### The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

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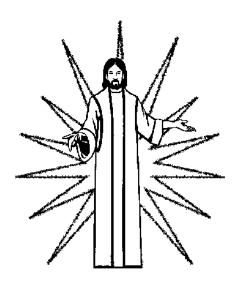
The Celebrant & Preacher
The Lector
The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
Tracy Peele

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The Worship Assistant Helen Joynes

The Choir The Trinity Singers
The Flutist Susan Kennedy

The Parish Musician Skip Hall



#### 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.

AN INVITATION ... Our prayers and the honor of our presence has been requested for the Service of Installation for The Rev. Paul Christopher Agne as Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church. This special service will be held **this afternoon at 3:00 PM** at Ascension Church, 7415 Buchanan Street, Landover Hills, MD 20784.

**LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK** ... It is hard to believe, but the Season of Lent is nearly upon us. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, with Holy Week commencing on Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, and culminating with the Feast of Easter celebrated on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Midweek Lenten Services ... We will continue our tradition of offering Midweek Lenten Services again this year, beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, and each of the Wednesdays in the Lenten Season (March 12, 19, & 26; and April 2 & 9). The service on Ash Wednesday will be the traditional service for the beginning of Lent with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. The remainder of the Lenten Services will use a spoken order of the Office of Vespers with Sermon. The theme of this year's Lenten preaching is "Jesus—Servant, Savior, Friend", which is also the theme of our Lenten Devotional. A full schedule of this year's Lenten Worship can be found in today's bulletin following the announcements.

Lenten Suppers ... Also, we plan again on offering a light meal before the Lenten Services for the convenience of those who are coming directly from work and for all those who would like to share in a time of food and fellowship together. Questions about the suppers can be made to Carole Dingess.

Home Devotional Materials ... To help us all in keeping this sacred and solemn time together, we are once again providing devotional materials for use in the homes of our members, both for adults and for families with children. The devotional packets were mailed this past week, in hopes that they will arrive to everyone by Ash Wednesday. There are extra copies available in limited quantities on the literature table in the rear of the Sanctuary.

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.

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 (<u>trinity-elcoffice@verizon.net</u>

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

**KFUO Radio**, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at **kfuo.org** and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** We continue in the books of 1 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET) and Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET). Join us on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 10:00 a.m. ET) for the latest episode of "Lutherans in Australia" and search the Scriptures with us in the March edition of Lutheran Witness. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... Do you want a life that amounts to more than a hill o' beans? Hear how Christ's death and resurrection gives us life with God that can't be measured. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, March 9, 2025, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Unless a Grain of Wheat Dies", 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 KFUO.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 COMMEMORATIONS AND FAST ...

March 4 **Shrove Tuesday** (Mardi Gras, Carnival) March 5 **Ash Wednesday**, *The First Day of Lent* 

March 7 **Perpetua & Felicitas**, *Martyrs* 

Visit <a href="http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/">http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</a> 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 ...

Ash Wednesday – The First Day of Lent: March 5, 2025

Scripture Readings: Joel 2:12-19

2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:2

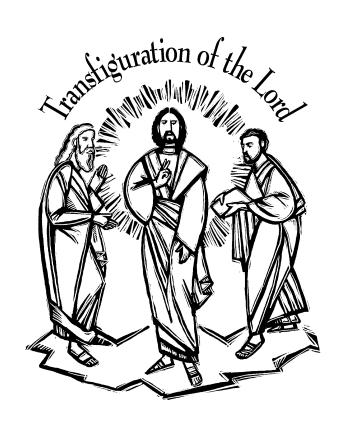
Luke 7:36-50

The First Sunday in Lent: March 9, 2025

Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13



#### PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2 – 9

May Be Subject to Change

**Today** The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 AM

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

10:45 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person) 3:00 PM Installation Service at Ascension Lutheran-

Landover Hills

Compassion Center Open Monday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**Tuesday** 9:00 AM – Noon Church Office Open Compassion Center Open 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Ash Wednesday - The First Day of Lent

Wednesday Church Office Open 9:00 AM – Noon Compassion Center Open 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Liturgy Church Office Open 9:00 AM – Noon

**Thursday Next Sunday** The First Sunday in Lent

9:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

EECMYM Worship (at church in person) 12:00 PM



#### CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, February 23, 2025

Worship Attendance: 19; Communed: 19.

### MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR FEBRUARY 2025:

General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$9,263

General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$11,951

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0

Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds (as of 12/31/24):\$53,298

For January and February combined, we're about \$6,500 behind in the offerings we need to meet the budget for the year, which includes the sidewalk repairs. We have, however, received \$1,105 in special donations for the sidewalk project, which offsets part of the \$6,500 shortfall. Many thanks for all your support!

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Mount Rainier, Maryland

# The Sacred Season of Lent 2025

Jesus—Savior, Servant, Friend



# Lenten Midweek Worship at Trinity

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday: The First Day of Lent – March 5, 2025

Divine Service with Confession and the Imposition of Ashes, and the celebration of Holy Communion

Jesus, Our Forgiver – Luke 7:36-50

The Second Wednesday of Lent – March 12, 2025 Lenten Vespers

Jesus, Our Healer – 1 Peter 2:23-25

The Third Wednesday of Lent – March 19, 2025 Lenten Vespers Jesus, Our Listener – 1 John 5:13-15

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The Fourth Wednesday of Lent – March 26, 2025 Lenten Vespers Jesus, Our Encourager – Matthew 8:5-13

The Fifth Wednesday of Lent – April 2, 2025 Lenten Vespers Jesus, Our Protector – John 14:18-27

The Sixth Wednesday of Lent – April 9, 2025 Lenten Vespers Jesus, Our Comforter – John 11:17-27



# The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday April 13, 2025 – 9:30 AM

The Liturgy of Palm Sunday with the Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem, Solemn Reading of the Passion according to Saint Luke, and the celebration of Holy Communion

Jesus, Our King – Zechariah 9:9

# Holy (Maundy) Thursday April 17, 2025 – 7:00 PM

The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday with Confession and Absolution, the celebration of Holy Communion on the anniversary of its institution, and the Solemn Preparation of the Church for Good Friday

Jesus, Our Servant – John 13:1-17, 31b-35

# Good Friday April 18, 2025 – 7:00 PM

The Liturgy of Good Friday with the Adoration of the Cross, the Solemn Reading of the Passion according to Saint John, and the Solemn Prayers for the Church and the World Jesus, Our Savior – John 19:30

# The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day April 20, 2025 – 9:30 AM

The Festival Divine Service of Easter Day with Hymns, Special Music, the Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and the celebration of Holy Communion

Jesus, Our Redeemer – Job 19:25

# **※** O Christ, Hear Us! **※**

# Intercessions for the Week of March 2, 2025

# **Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Delores, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, David, Tracy, 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; 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; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;

Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;

Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;

Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Craig, husband of Edith; Virginia, mother of Sam;

Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;

Aidan & Family, friends of Joyce; Raymond, brother of Joy;

Nancy & Family, sister of Vincent; Daniel, friend of Cullen; Donald, friend of Cullen;

Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda; Mary, former Concordia Teacher;

Laura, granddaughter of Gus & Betty; Jim, friend of Michelle;

Millie, co-worker of Joyce

# Thanksgivings and Blessings

Thandika Elias, Matthew Juhasz, Matt Orchowski, Ethan Maddox, and David Pratico, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Thanks to God for the Installation of Pastor Chris Agne as he begins his service to and with the People of Ascension Lutheran in Landover Hills.

#### **Those Who Mourn**

The family of Steve Kittleson, nephew of Helen & Waymond Joynes, who passed away on February  $25^{\rm th}$ .

# 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.
- 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.
- **▼** Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ♣ For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political discourse, especially during this time of our country's leadership transition.
- For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- **▼** For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



# 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

# Sunday Mornings:

Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

### Midweeks in Lent:

Lenten Worship Wednesday Evenings – 7:00 PM

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

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