

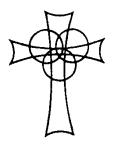


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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

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

Creator God, You prepare a new way in the wilderness, and Your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing You are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of Your love given to all through Your Son, 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

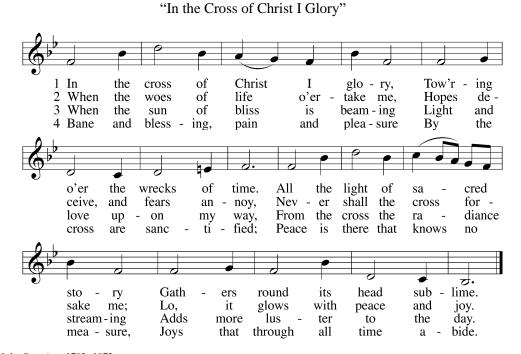
"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 427



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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:

- **P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** 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.
- 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 3:3-6; antiphon: verse 8

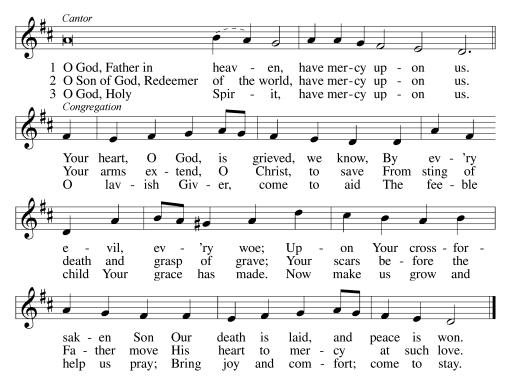
- P Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!
- But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

- P I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill.
- I lay down and slept;
 I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.
- P I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.
- 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 Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!

The *Kyrie Eleison* Hymn:

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 945

"Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved"



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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.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings forth chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸"Remember not the former things,
nor consider the things of old.
¹⁹Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness

and rivers in the desert.

²⁰The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches,

for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise."

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

The Epistle Philippians 3:8-14

⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse:

Hebrews 12:2 and Luke 20:17b

- P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,
- 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 The stone that the builders rejected
- **C** has become the cornerstone.



The Holy Gospel Luke 20:9-20

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

⁹[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" ¹⁷But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

'The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone'?

¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

¹⁹The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

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

The Apostles' Creed:

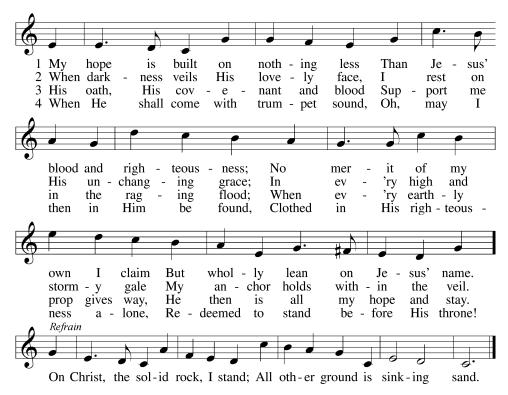
- I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
 - And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from 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 \(\frac{1}{2}\) everlasting. Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 575

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"



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The Sermon

Behold, A New (Old) Thing Text: Isaiah 43:16-21

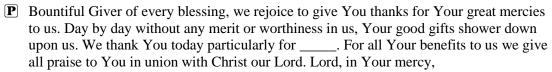
The Congregation rises.



The Prayer of the Church:

- People loved by God, let us come before our Father's throne of grace with confidence through our Lord Jesus and, in the power of His Spirit, ask His mercy for all in need.
- P Heavenly Father, through Your Son You have done a new thing that leaves Your Church astonished in praise and adoration. You sent Him into this world in order to be our righteousness and to bestow on us, who deserved only to be cast out, His own eternal inheritance. For this we give you glory and praise. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Bestow Your Spirit, we pray, on all the ministers of the Gospel, especially Matthew our Synod President, William, our District President and all missionaries, teachers, and servants of the Church, that they be given grace to forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead, the prize of the upward call You have sounded in Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- E Kind Father, remember in Your compassion our Trinity and Mekane Yesus Congregations. Fill us with Your joy in these Lenten days and make us strong witnesses to Your Son's death and resurrection for the world's salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- E King of all, You hold in Your hand all the powers that exist throughout the world. We commend to you all the public servants of our nation, all who make, judge, enforce our laws and all who serve in our armed forces. Make them a blessing of Yours and strengthen and uphold them in every good deed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lover of the human race, remember all who call upon You in their hour of need: the sick, the suffering, the dying, the grieving, and especially all for whom our prayers are desired, Your servants _____. May Your holy angels attend them and the sweet promises of Your Word strengthen them, granting to each that relief which You know to be best. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.





- C hear our prayer.
- P 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 before You now 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,
- C hear our prayer.
- As we approach the holy Table where Your Son imparts to us His true Body and Blood for our forgiveness and eternal life, remove from us all impenitence and spiritual apathy. Stir up our hearts to receive with joy and unending gratitude what our Lord here imparts. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Great I Am, You are the life that never ends and the source of all that is. Receive our thanks and praise for the victory over death and the grave, which Your Son won for us. With joy we remember Lucas Cranach, Albrecht Duerer, and all those who have departed this life in Christ's faith and friendship. Bring us with them to share the joys of Your eternal home. 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 # 429

"We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died" Sung to Old Red Hymnal Tune

- 1 We sing the praise of Him who died,
 Of Him who died upon the cross.
 The sinner's hope let all deride;
 For this we count the world but loss.
- Inscribed upon the cross we see
 In shining letters, "God is love."

 He bears our sins upon the tree;
 He brings us mercy from above.
- The cross! It takes our guilt away;
 It holds the fainting spirit up;
 It cheers with hope the gloomy day
 And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.
- 4 It makes the coward spirit brave
 And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
 It takes the terror from the grave
 And gilds the bed of death with light;
- The balm of life, the cure of woe,
 The measure and the pledge of love,
 The sinner's refuge here below,
 The angels' theme in heav'n above.
- 6 To Christ, who won for sinners grace
 By bitter grief and anguish sore,
 Be praise from all the ransomed race
 Forever and forevermore.

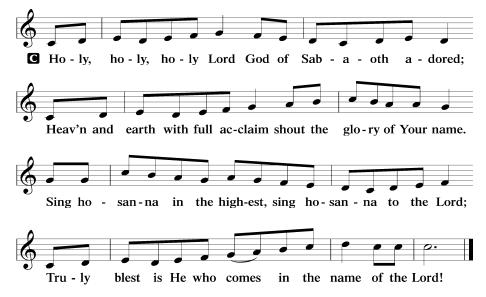
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The Preface Dialogue:

- **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.
- Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You 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:



Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

- P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His Body and Blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:
- 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."

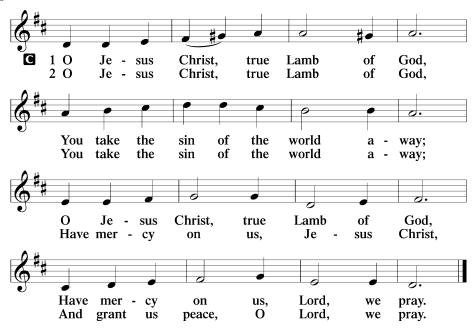
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My He Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The *Pax Domini*:

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



The Agnus Dei:



Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

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

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation 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.

The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 420 "Christ, the Life of All the Living"



The Hymn continues on the next page...



- Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
 That from pain I might be free;

 Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
 Thence I gain security;

 Comfortless Thy soul did languish
 Me to comfort in my anguish.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
 And hast borne it patiently,
 Even death by crucifixion,
 Fully to atone for me;
 Thou didst choose to be tormented
 That my doom should be prevented.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant cry,
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605–81; (sts. 1–2, 5, 7): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.; (sts. 3–4, 6): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, St. Louis

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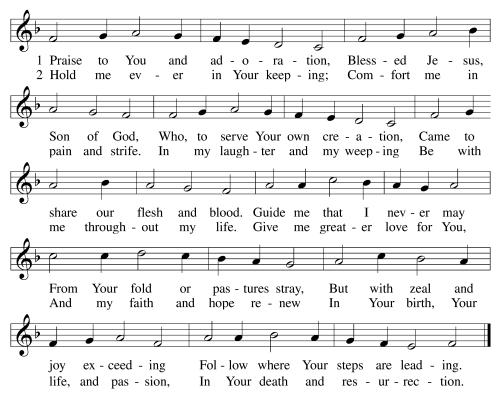


The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Hymn:

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 692

"Praise to You and Adoration"



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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.

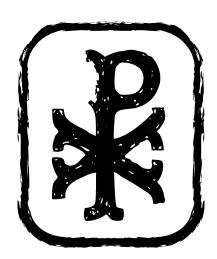
C Amen.

The Benedicamus and Benediction:

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

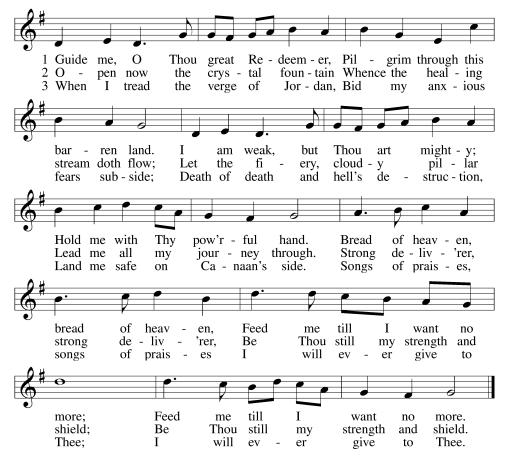
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 918

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"



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Tune: John Hughes, 1873–1932 Text and tune: Public domain

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

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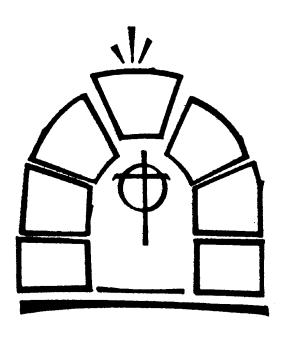
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NOTES AND NEWS

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM ... was celebrated this past Tuesday at Trinity for **Bea Joynes**, sister of Waymond Joynes. We thank the Lord for the gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation which Bea received through this heavenly washing of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit, and we pray the Lord's richest blessings on her continued walk of faith with Him. Welcome into the Lord's family, Bea!

THIS WEDNESDAY ... we will hold the final Midweek Lenten Vespers for this Lenten Season. Please join us as you are able at 7:00 PM, either in person at church or by viewing our livestream on our church Facebook Page. For those who are able to join us in person, we will be offering a light supper before the service beginning at 6:00 PM.

SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY DURING HOLY WEEK ... In this season of remembering God's mercy shown to us in our Lord Jesus, we are moved to share that same love and mercy to others. Please remember the following "mercy opportunity" that we have in this season:

Maundy Thursday Help By Phone Offering: Remembering our Lord Jesus' command to "Love one another", we continue our tradition of collecting a special offering for the work of Help By Phone, our local assistance agency. On Maundy Thursday, this special collection will be collected with other offerings at the door (Regular Maundy Thursday Offerings will go to the work of Trinity). You may also give to this offering either Palm Sunday, or on Easter (Please be sure to notate your gift as being for Help By Phone, or use the special Love Offering envelope available in your box set.)

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**, **April 13th**.

EASTER BREAKFAST AND FELLOWSHIP ... As we gather together on Easter Sunday to celebrate our Lord's Resurrection, we will have the opportunity to fellowship around the table and share in an Easter Breakfast together, beginning at 8:00 AM. Please come out and join us. If you have any questions, please speak with Carole Dingess.

CROP WALK ... Join the Hyattsville Area CROP Walkers for our fundraiser **this Tuesday at Franklin's Restaurant!** This fundraiser lasts all day, April 8th, at the restaurant, bar, and store. When paying, be sure to mention that you are with CROP Walk for a portion of your purchase to go towards CROP Walk funds. You can also support CROP Walk online at: https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/trinity-lutheran-mt-rainier-md. (The link is also available on the home page of Trinity's website.)

The CROP Walk will take place at Driskell Park (formerly Magruder Park) in Hyattsville on **Sunday, May 4th, from 1-4 PM.** Please reach out to Sarah Lydia McCoyer (slmccoyer@gmail.com) with questions.

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 **2025** 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 **\$50.00**, 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>).



TRINITY'S SERVICES ONLINE ... For five years now, we have provided a livestream of our worship services and they have been well-received by members and friends of Trinity, as well as by those who have "found" us online. We have also been able to leave an archive of these services, devotions, and Bible Studies on our church Facebook Page for those who may have wanted to view them later.

Facebook has recently made changes to their video storage policies which allows live videos to remain on a page for 30 days. This change has already begun to be implemented, and Facebook is allowing those who have "old" videos to have time to download and archive these videos off of the platform. We are in the process of moving these videos into storage offline, and if there is a particular service that you would like to "keep for memory's sake", please know that now would be the time to download and save it for yourself. In a few months, only those videos that have been recently recorded will be available for viewing on our Facebook Page, and older videos will no longer be linked in our group or page.

Please know that even with this change on the part of Facebook, we will continue to offer our worship services online for our Trinity Family.

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 our study of 2 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET), covering chapters 7-11. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET), we wrap up our study of Hebrews, discussing chapters 11-13. Don't forget to tune in for our final Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service this Wednesday (April 9 at 12 p.m. ET), live from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... In Jesus, God showed up smack in the middle of life with forgiveness, love, and a promise never to leave us. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, April 13, 2025, for a message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "In the Middle", 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 COMMEMORATION ...

April 6 Lucas Cranach & Albrecht Duerer, Artists

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 Sixth Wednesday of Lent: April 9, 2025 Scripture Readings: Isaiah 51:1-6

> 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 John 11:17-27

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday – April 13, 2025

Scripture Readings: John 12:12-19

Deuteronomy 32:36-39 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:1—23:56

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

Today	The Fifth Sunday in Lent	
	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Circuit 7 Professional Church Workers'
		Meeting at Mount Olivet-DC
	11:00 AM – 9:00 PM	CROP Walk Fundraiser at Franklin's
Wednesday	The Sixth Wednesday of Lent	
	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	6:00 PM	Fellowship Supper
	7:00 PM	Lenten Vespers
Thursday	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Office Open
Next Sunday	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday	
The First Day of Holy Week		
	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 30, 2025

Worship Attendance: 22; Communed: 21.

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 Worship Attendance: 6.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR MARCH 2025:

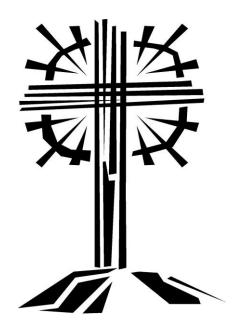
General Offerings received (5 Sundays): \$11,781

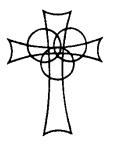
General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$14,938

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$8,500

Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds (as of 3/28/25):\$44,977

For January through March, we're about \$8,570 behind in the offerings we need to meet the budget for the year, including the sidewalk repairs and donations received for the sidewalk. In March, we paid \$1,200 for snow removal for the entire season (much better than last year, thanks to the new company Vincent found!), and \$13,678 for the sidewalk. Thanks as always for your contributions!





₩ O Christ, Hear Us! ₩

Intercessions for the Week of April 6, 2025

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Delores, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;

Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; 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; Dale, son of Gus; Daisy Jane, daughter of Kyle & Samantha

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Michael McCoyer, who celebrates his birthday this week.

Adam & Sabrina Hines, and Kenneth & Julie Gilroy, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries 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.
- ► 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 and social discourse.
- 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 – 30th Street at the intersection of 30th 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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