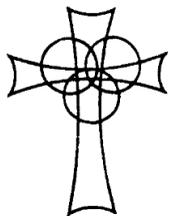




The water that I will give will become a  
spring of water welling up to eternal life

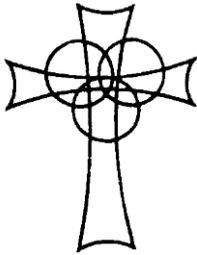
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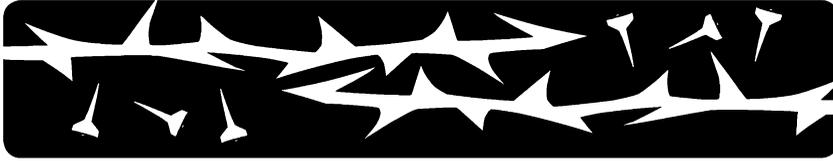


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**Third  
Sunday  
In Lent**

**MARCH 8, 2026**

***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***

Merciful God, the Fountain of living water, You quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of Your truth 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

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 423*

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior  
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your  
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us  
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the  
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your  
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.  
 grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
 hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

*Text: Girolamo Savonarola, 1452–98; tr. Jane F. Wilde, 1826–96, alt.*

*Tune: O DU LIEBE MEINER LIEBE, Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz, 1745, Basel*

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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:

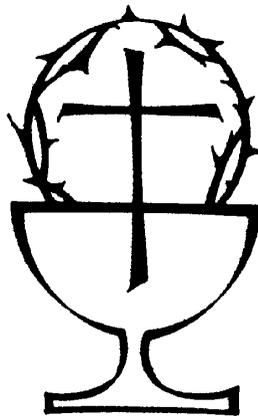
- P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- C** who made heaven and earth.
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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 84:1-4; antiphon: verse 5*

- P** Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- C** **How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!**
- P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- C** **Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may  
lay her young,  
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**
- P** Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,  
ever singing your praise!
- 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** Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.



The Kyrie Eleison Hymn:

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 945

“Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved”

*Cantor*



1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer-cy up - on us.  
 2 O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.  
 3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer-cy up - on us.

*Congregation*



Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev - 'ry  
 Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save From sting of  
 O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid The fee - ble



e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; Up - on Your cross - for -  
 death and grasp of grave; Your scars be - fore the  
 child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and



sak - en Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.  
 Fa - ther move His heart to mer - cy at such love.  
 help us pray; Bring joy and com - fort; come to stay.

*Text: Juraj Tranovský, 1591–1637; tr. Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919–2008*

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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; 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

*Exodus 17:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?” <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

*Romans 5:1-8*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*The Congregation rises.*

The Gradual and Verse:

*Hebrews 12:2 and John 4:23b*

- P** [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,  
the founder and perfecter of our faith,  
**C** **who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,  
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**
- P** The hour is coming, and is now here,  
**C** **when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.**

The Holy Gospel

*John 4:5-30, 39-42*

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

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship

in spirit and truth.”<sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”<sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

<sup>27</sup>Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?”<sup>28</sup>So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people,<sup>29</sup>“Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?”<sup>30</sup>They went out of the town and were coming to him.

...

<sup>39</sup>Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.”<sup>40</sup>So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days.<sup>41</sup>And many more believed because of his word.<sup>42</sup>They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

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

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

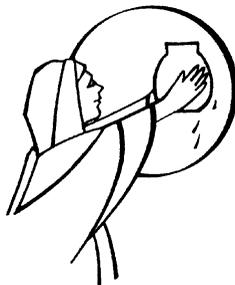
The Apostles’ Creed

**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 # 699*

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”  
*Sung to Alternate Tune: Kingsfold*

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Come unto Me and rest;  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
Thy head upon My breast.”  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
So weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting place,  
And He has made me glad.**
  
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Behold, I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one,  
Stoop down and drink and live.”  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
Of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in Him.**
  
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“I am this dark world’s light.  
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise  
And all thy day be bright.”  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
In Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I’ll walk  
Till trav’ling days are done.**

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The Sermon

Returning to the Waters

Grace at High Noon

Text: John 4:5-30, 39-42

*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 the Church of all believers, that as she journeys through the wilderness of this life, she may drink only from the pure fountain of God's holy Word and not seek nourishment from other sources. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all servants of the Church, that they may faithfully proclaim the Word of the Lord, rightly dividing Law and Gospel, and that all who hear their preaching and teaching may hear in faith and believe it. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all those who are preparing to be pastors, teachers, deaconesses and other church workers, that they may be blessed in their preparations, and that others may be called to the mission of proclaiming Christ, the Messiah. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who are troubled in their consciences or burdened by the memory of their sins, that they may be comforted by the peace we now have with God through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who died for us while we were still sinners, justifying us before God. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all those undergoing temptation or doubts about their faith, that they may be strengthened and upheld by the power of the Holy Spirit through the Lord's Word and worship. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who are gathered here today to worship, that we may recognize that the one true God is present among us to give us His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation as we worship Him in spirit and in truth. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for the government, both in our land and throughout the world, that all people might be blessed with wise and capable leaders who seek to humbly serve those who they govern, and that the whole world might be granted peace and prosperity. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Let us pray for the sick, suffering and recovering, especially remembering \_\_\_\_\_, that they may be granted health and healing as it pleases the Lord, and that they may be comforted by God's love poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all those who mourn, [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may be comforted by the blessed hope of the resurrection to eternal life for all who are baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and that the Lord would keep us all steadfast in the true faith until we join all the saints around His throne in His eternal kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for those who rejoice in the rich blessings of God, especially \_\_\_\_\_, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ and for all the people and other concerns that are committed to our thoughts and prayers which we present to the Lord now from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts..., and we pray that God who knows all and sees all would give His gracious and wise attention to our needs and desires, conforming all things to His holy will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Let us pray for all who receive the gift of Christ's Body and Blood this day, that they may be granted to receive this holy Supper in repentant faith for the forgiveness of their sins and the strengthening of their faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** For all the prophets and faithful saints who spoke in the Name of the Lord before us, let us give thanks and praise to God. And let us pray for steadfastness in faith, that our hearts might be established to await Christ's coming and our entrance into His glorious kingdom. 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 Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- 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 # 855*

“For All the Faithful Women”

*We sing stanzas 1, 10, 3*



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en Who served in days of old,  
2 Re - call the out - cast wom - an With whom the Lord con-versed;  
3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un - known



To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.  
Christ gave her liv - ing wa - ter To quench her deep - est thirst.  
In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone,



They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.  
Like hers, our hearts are yearn-ing; Christ of - fers us His Word.  
We of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise



To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.  
Then may our lips be burn - ing To wit - ness to our Lord.  
That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.

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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!

*Text: Stephen P. Starke*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

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

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*

*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 # 609

“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this  
 2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich  
 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray, No true shep - herd  
 4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live  
 grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;  
 e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way  
 tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for  
 Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these  
 Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that  
 Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

5 Oh, how blest it is to know:  
 Were as scarlet my transgression,  
 It shall be as white as snow  
 By Thy blood and bitter passion;  
 For these words I now believe:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace;  
 From the Law I stand acquitted.  
 Christ hath purchased my release  
 And my ev'ry sin remitted.  
 Naught remains my soul to grieve:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

*The Hymn continues on the next page...*

7 Jesus sinners doth receive;  
 Also I have been forgiven;  
 And when I this earth must leave,  
 I shall find an open heaven.  
 Dying, still to Him I cleave:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

*Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.;*

*Tune: MEINEN JESUM LASS' ICH NICHT (DARMSTADT), Neu-verfertigtes Darmstädtisches Gesang-Buch, 1699, Darmstadt  
 Text and tune: Public domain*

*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*

*Tune: FREU DICH SEHR, Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois*

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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 # 824*

“May God Bestow on Us His Grace”



1 May God be - stow on us His grace, With bless - ings rich pro -  
 2 Thine o - ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev - 'ry  
 △ 3 O let the peo - ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in -



vide us; And may the bright - ness of His face  
 na - tion; And all the world with joy shall raise  
 creas - ing; The land shall plen - teous fruit bring forth,



To life e - ter - nal guide us, That we His sav - ing  
 The voice of ex - ul - ta - tion. For Thou shalt judge the  
 Thy Word is rich in bless - ing, May God the Fa - ther,



health may know, His gra - cious will and plea - sure,  
 earth, O Lord, Nor suf - fer sin to flour - ish;  
 God the Son, And God the Spir - it bless us!



And al - so to the na - tions show Christ's rich - es with - out  
 Thy peo - ple's pas - ture is Thy Word Their souls to feed and  
 Let all the world praise Him a - lone, Let sol - emn awe pos -



mea - sure And un - to God con - vert them.  
 nour - ish, In righ - teous paths to keep them.  
 sess us. Now let our hearts say, “A - men!”

*Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–87, alt.**Tune: ELVET BANKS, David Lee, 1956**Text: Public domain**Tune: © 2004 David Lee. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002353*

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“May God Bestow on Us His Grace”

✠ *To God Be All Praise and Glory!* ✠



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

The Celebrant & Preacher

The Lector

The Communion Assistant

The Worship Assistant

The Parish Musician

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

Sarah Lydia McCoy

Helen Joynes

Paul Ritter

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.

***KEEPING LENT TOGETHER*** ... As we continue to journey with the Lord in this Lenten Season, you are invited to keep these sacred days through prayer, meditation, study and hearing God's Word, and acts of charity and self-denial as we remember and give thanks for our Lord Jesus and His Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

*Midweek Lenten Services* ... Our Midweek Lenten Services continue on each of the Wednesdays in the Lenten Season (March 11, 18, & 25). These Lenten Services will use a spoken order of the Office of Evening Prayer with Sermon. The theme of this year's Lenten Sunday and Midweek preaching is "Returning to the Waters", which will look at the meaning of Baptism for our lives of faith. A full schedule of this year's Lenten Worship is available in the purple folders on the literature table.

*Lenten Suppers* ... Also, we are again 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. The meals will begin at 6:00 PM. Questions about the suppers can be made to Carole Dingess.

*Lenten Devotional Materials* ... are still available in limited quantities on the literature table in the rear of the sanctuary.

*PORTALS OF PRAYER* ... Copies of the April-June 2026 edition of our church's daily devotional guide can be picked up from the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and both regular and large print versions are available.

*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 29<sup>th</sup>**.

*HYATTSVILLE CROP WALK* ... It's Lent, so you know the CROP Walk is just around the corner. This year's CROP Walk will take place at Driskell Park in Hyattsville, on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 PM. A fundraiser at Franklins will take place soon, and the date is yet to be set. You can register as a walker with the Trinity team here:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/team/trinity-lutheran-mt-rainier-md>

or by using the link found on our church website's homepage. See Sarah Lydia ([slmccoyer@gmail.com](mailto:slmccoyer@gmail.com)) for details on joining the team, donating, or helping out in other ways

*ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THRIVENT?* ... If you are a policy holder or have a financial product through Thrivent, you may also have Choice Dollars® available to designate to support the work of churches and non-profits, including our own Trinity Congregation. Thrivent Choice® empowers you to influence where some of Thrivent's yearly grant funds go. To date, more than \$600 million has been distributed to churches and nonprofits nationwide. Login to your account on [thrivent.com](http://thrivent.com) to see if you are able to donate in this way and to find out what organizations you can support. If you have any questions, please contact your Thrivent Financial Associate. **You have until March 31<sup>st</sup> to designate your Choice Dollars® for 2025.**

*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 **2026** 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 remains at **\$50.00**, mainly owing to delivery charges, which we hope will not increase. 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 MEDIA MINISTRIES 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 [kfu.org](http://kfu.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfu.org), [X](https://twitter.com/kfu.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfu.org).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET), we're continuing our study of the book of Genesis, picking up with chapter 27! Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET) as we continue our series through the book of Numbers. On Concord Matters this week (March 14 at 11 a.m. ET), we're continuing our study of the Sacrament of the Altar as described in the Large Catechism— what benefit can be found in partaking of the Lord's Supper? Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfu.org](http://kfu.org) or in the KFUO Radio app!

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** ... Jesus is the only way to God, but there are many adventures with Jesus. Which ones will you pick? Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, March 15, 2026, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "No Command from the Lord". The Lutheran Hour can be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM, as well as on SiriusXM's Family Talk 131 channel on Sundays at 10:00 AM. For more ways to listen, to hear messages on demand, or for more information on this media ministry, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org), and click on "The Lutheran Hour" link. You can also view many of the other devotional and spiritual life materials provided by Lutheran Hour ministries as well.

**OTHER MEDIA MINISTRIES FOR YOUR LISTENING AND VIEWING ...**

**LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO**     [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org)  
24/7 internet radio station with *Sacred Music for the World*.

**ISSUES, ETC**     [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org)  
A program of *Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused Talk Radio*.  
Airs Monday-Friday from 4-6 p.m. ET, both on its website and on [kfu.org](http://kfu.org).  
Archived shows are also available to listen to at any time.

**WORSHIP ANEW**     [worshipanew.org](http://worshipanew.org)  
Weekly Lutheran Worship services online and devotions.

*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 AND COMMEMORATIONS ...*

*There are no Feasts or Commemorations observed 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.

Owing to the continued increased need in our community, our Compassion Center has exhausted its Maryland Food Grant for the year. In order to keep our pantry shelves well-stocked for the remainder of the year, we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Cereal; Peanut Butter; Pasta and Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Rice; Soups;  
Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Canned Vegetables (both green and color)

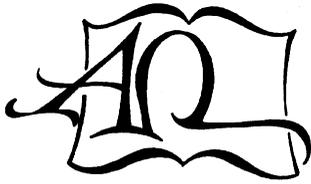
Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' (sizes 10-18), girls' (sizes 10-14), and men's (especially small and medium) clothing.

There is always a demand for diapers and wipes, especially sizes 3, 4, 5, and pull-ups 2T-4T.

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 Fourth Wednesday of Lent: March 11, 2026

Scripture Readings: Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18

Exodus 14:10-31

Romans 6:3-11

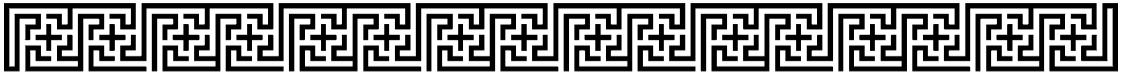
The Fourth Sunday in Lent: *Laetare* – Rejoice – Sunday

March 15, 2026

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 42:14-21

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41



**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 8 – 15**

*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<b><i>The Third Sunday in Lent</i></b>	
	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	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 – 1:00 PM	Circuit 7 Professional Church Workers Meet at Our Savior Lutheran, Laurel
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	<b><i>The Fourth Wednesday of Lent</i></b>	
	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 Evening Prayer (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 Fourth Sunday in Lent: Laetare – Rejoice – Sunday</i></b>	
	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 1, 2026

Worship Attendance: 22; Communed: 21.

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Worship Attendance: 9.

### *MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2026:*

General Offerings received (6 Sundays, 2 snow closures): \$15,731

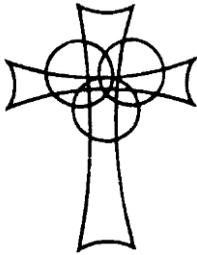
General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$22,296

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0

Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: \$49,820 (as of 12/31/25)

*For the first two months of the year our offerings were under target by \$6,565, but we didn't have to withdraw Thrivent savings thanks to the residual balance from our strong December. Thanks also for special offerings received to help offset snow removal (which cost \$1,600).*





✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of March 8, 2026**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

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

*For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:*

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; 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;  
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;  
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Raymond, brother of Joy;  
Daniel, 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;  
Pat, mother of Kim; Sean, friend of Joyce & Dave; Eleanor, former Concordia Teacher;  
Kelly, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Leo, relative of Carole; Carolyn, daughter of Susan;  
Ann, friend of Judy

**Thanksgivings and Blessings**

David Pratico, Evan Smith, and Kate Kennedy, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**We Keep In Our Prayers**

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

- ✘ 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.





***Celebrating the Gift of Ninety-Five Years of  
God's Love and Grace!***

***...as it was in the beginning,  
is now,  
and will be forever.  
Amen!***

***Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church***  
4000 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street  
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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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*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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