Sunday, February 18, 2024 – Traditional Service with Holy Communion First Sunday of Lent



WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. We are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope.

Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended.

Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired.

This guidance may change if our risk level changes.

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired, there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

Please be aware that we are streaming our services. If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.

First Sunday of Lent

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On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please use the Chapel beside the office if you desire silent prayer before worship.

PRELUDE

"What Wondrous Love Is This?"

Hayes

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus. **Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
we confess that we are caught in snares of sin
and cannot break free.
We hoard resources while our neighbors
are hungry and cold.
We speak in ways that silence others.
We are silent when we should speak up.
We keep score in our hearts.
We let hurts grow into hatred.
For all these things and for sins only you know,
forgive us, Lord.
Amen.

Here is a flood of grace:
Out of love for the whole world,
God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin,
washes away our wrongs,
and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"O Lord Throughout These Forty Days"



APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected vour Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.



FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, God destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY Psalm 25:1-10

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

Your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness. (Ps. 25:10)

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:18-22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence.

This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

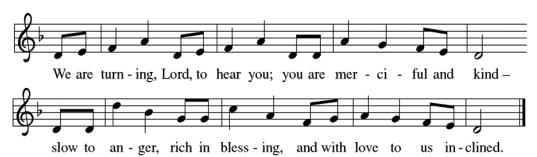
¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

LENTEN ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 1:9-15

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

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

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Barb Barry

Affirmation of Baptism for the Congregation

PRESENTATION

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of Baptism as we come before God to make public affirmation of Baptism into Christ.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in Baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? I **renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ? We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Asperges: Pastor sprinkles water on the congregation.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Names of family & friends in prayer found on page 17.

A brief silence.

Response following each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

R: Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you!

OFFERING

Thank you for your generous and faithful support. We are not currently passing the collection plates; instead you may place your offerings in the plates provided by the door as you enter or exit worship. If you prefer, Trinity offers five other ways to give as well: Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, and Online.

Contact the church office for details.

Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song



MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

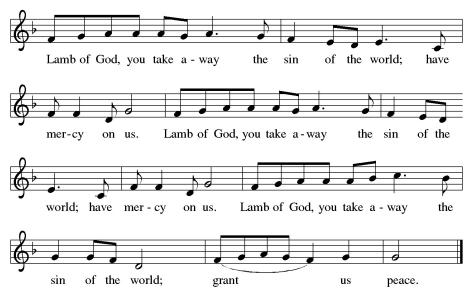
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

Thanks be to God.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

God loves you! All are welcome at the Lord's Table.
Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.

Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.
Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you
a cup of wine or juice from the tray.

Wine is red. Juice is white.

After drinking, you may return to your seat along the side aisle.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"Beautiful Savior"
Senior Choir

Page

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

James Druckenbrod, Donald Grier, Philip Lobaugh, Barb Montgomery, & Brenda Runshaw

Gracious God, as you have sent messengers of compassion to your people, we send these and sisters who are unable to share the sacrament with us today. Fill them with your Spirit; give them the gifts of humility, patience, gentleness, kindness, and above all, love, that through their ministry others may know the peace of your presence, and that by the body and blood of your Son they may experience the joy of your salvation.

Amen.

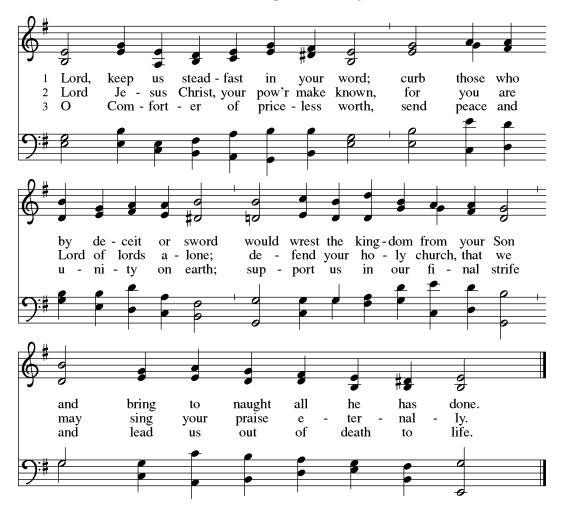
Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING
THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER
THE BENEDICTION

ELW 517

CLOSING HYMN

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast"



SENDING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE "Sinfonia" Purcell

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Trinity's Confirmation Students by Ruth Cramer.





The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Trinity's children by Dave and Becky Morningstar.

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:		
Sunday, February 11, 2024:	117	
Online views:	72	

Next week's Lessons:

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 1 Peter 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38





SEWING GROUP

Feb. 28, 2024 @ 11 AM @ Carol H's home. For more info call/email the church office.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Preacher /Presider	Pastor Barb Barry	
Organist	Robert Eyer, Jr.	
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Acolyte	Ruth Cramer	
Lector	Janelle Barkman	
Cantor	Lou Lerda	
Communion Asst.	Ray Brindle	
Communion Prep	Don Grier Jane Sutton	
Livestream Team	Jason Brown	
Nursery	Luke Coder	

THOUGHTS PRAYERS



We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Joanne Forrester Barry Greg Wilson

Angela Krom Stanley Shilling Doug Price

Sam and Debbie Reeder Tammy McDonald Deb Hutsler

Denny Alleman Shirley Shilling Thomas Clarke

Woody Payne Denny Verner Brenda Zullinger

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Dodie Tash

Sue Lensbower

Cameron

Paul Stockhausen Doris Krieble

MEMBERS

James, Marsha, Madison, and Sydney Schmus

Richard and Linda Schoenleber Henry, Kristina, and Michael Schumacher

Marjorie Schweitzer

**Names may be added / removed by calling the church office.

**Names will normally be removed after <u>4 weeks.</u>

OFFERING

Total Budgeted Giving Expected as of February 11, 2024: \$243,077.11 Amount received as of February 11: \$277,132.63 Thank You!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY SPECIAL OFFERING WOMEN IN NEED

Our special benevolence appeal for the month of February is for Women In Need. WIN is an agency dedicated to providing service to rape and domestic violence victims as well as women experiencing difficulties due to divorce, separation, or widowhood. They provide a 24-hour hotel service, education, and a volunteer program.

While it is an unfortunate commentary of life that such programs are necessary, we are grateful that our community does offer this much needed, and growing program.

A good part of their support comes from voluntary contributions.



LARC LENTEN SERVICES at 7:00 PM Theme:

Drawing Nearer to God

Soup Supper will be served
at 5:30 PM at the hosting Church

February 21 - Emmanuel

Trinity Lutheran
431 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg
Pastor Mike Alwein

February 28 - Beloved Son

Corpus Christi Catholic Church 20 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg Pastor Jane Nicholson

March 6 - Rabbi

Trinity Episcopal
58 S. Second Street, Chambersburg
Pastor Barb Barry

March 13 - Suffering Servant

First Lutheran
43 W. Washington Street, Chambersburg
Mother Pat Dickson

March 20 - Lamb of God

Solomon's Lutheran 4856 Wayne Road, Chambersburg Father Allan Wolfe



Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Say..."Cheese!"

Photos and video play a huge role in our evangelism on our website, on Facebook, and on Instagram.

New images of our congregational life show the world that Trinity's mission is alive, well, and



thriving. Whenever you are involved in a Trinity activity, take a moment to snap several unposed shots and send them to:

office@trinitychbg.org.



A Confirmation 101 refresher class is starting on Sunday, Feb 4, at 9AM in the Lounge.

The class will run for 6 to 8 weeks during the Sunday School hour.

The next topic will be the Trinity and the Creed.

Come join us in deepening your understanding of the basics of faith and encounter Christ in exciting new ways.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

Sunday - 2/18/24	9:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	First Sunday in Lent
Monday - 2/19/24	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room
Tuesday - 2/20/24	6:30 - 8:30 PM	Girl Troop Committee Meeting - Scout Room <i>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</i>
Wednesday - 2/21/24	4:00 PM 5:15 PM 5:30 PM 6:30 - 8:30 PM 7:00 PM	Spiritual Book Club - Lounge Yoga - Lounge Soup Supper at Trinity Girl Troop Committee Meeting - Scout Room LARC Lenten Service at Trinity
Thursday - 2/22/24	5:30 - 8:30 PM 6:30 - 8:00 PM	
Friday - 2/23/24	5:00 - 8:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM 8:00 - 10:00 PM	Discover Dance Works - Social Hall Cub Scouts - Scout Room Girl Troop - Scout Room
Saturday - 2/24/24	12:30 - 6:30 PM	CVSM Rehearsal - Social Hall
Sunday - 2/25/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 nd to 5 th Grade - Library Preschool to 1 st Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary Second Sunday in Lent RECYCLE PAPER DAY (PAPER ONLY)





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Vision

"Growing in God"

Mission Statement

"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community
Steward - Giving to all the love of God
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"