

## 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.

## Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday, February 25, 2024
Traditional Service with Holy Communion

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

### WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

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

PRELUDE "Sinfonia" Bach

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.

#### "God Loved the World"



Text: Gesangbuch, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923, alt. Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, Edward Miller, 1731–1807, adapt.

#### 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.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, 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 17:1-7, 15-16

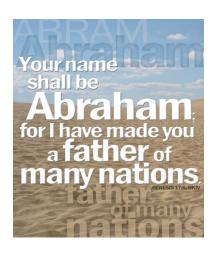
As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah. God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

<sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall

come from her."

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



We will speak the Psalm responsively.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord. (Ps. 22:27)

- <sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.
  - <sup>24</sup>For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.
  - <sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.
  - The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!
  - <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.
  - <sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.
  - <sup>29</sup>Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.
  - <sup>30</sup>Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.
  - <sup>31</sup>They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"



Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith.

Though Abraham and Sarah were far too old for bearing children,
Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish.

<sup>13</sup>The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

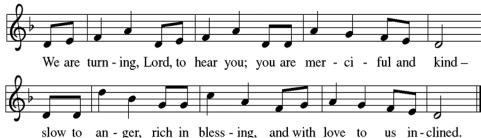
<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, "as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Word of God. Word of Life.

#### Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

#### **LENTEN ACCLAMATION**



GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter's response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** 

**SERMON** Pastor Barb Barry

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ANTHEM "Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

Children's Choir

A. Sevison

Please stand as you are able.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

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.

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.

#### 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.

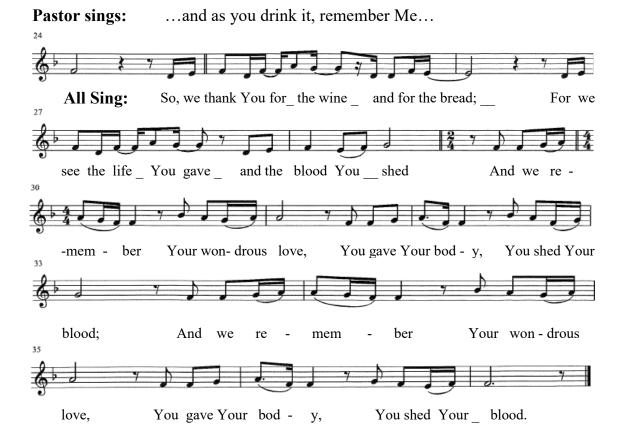
Lift up your hearts.

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

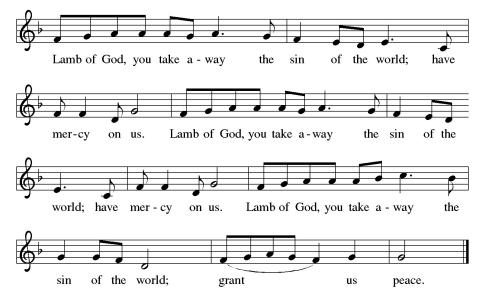
Remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

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.



Please stand as you are able.

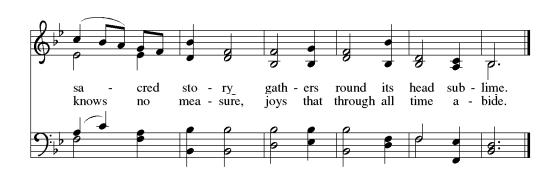
COMMUNION BLESSING
THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER
THE BENEDICTION

#### CLOSING HYMN ELW 324

#### "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"







Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872 Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815–1867

## **SENDING**

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### "Passacaglia"

Young

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in thankfulness for God's unconditional love by Paul and Bert Kolva.



Pastor Barb Barry Robert Eyer, Jr.

Helen Wlazlowski

Ed Włazlowski

Dave Etter

Louisa Etter

Jason Brown

Janelle Barkman

Travis Barkman



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:		
Ash Wednesday Services		
February 14, 2024 at 12 Noon	35	
February 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM	63	
February 14 <sup>th</sup> Online Views	34	
Sunday, February 18, 2024:	87	
Online views:	86	

## AcolyteHeidi HawbakerLectorJane SuttonCantorLiz SuttonCommunion Asst.Luke Coder<br/>Joyce McDonald

Communion Prep

Livestream Team

Nursery

Preacher /Presider

**Organist** 

Ushers

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

#### Next week's Lessons:

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 2:13-22





#### **SEWING GROUP**

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

# THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



## We Pray For

#### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Family and Friends of Woody Payne

**Sharon Emmons** 

Joanne Forrester Angela Krom

Sam and Debbie Reeder

Denny Alleman

Kathy Largent

Kathy Hoffman

PJ Snider

Becky Morningstar

Judy Wrights

Diane Sterner

Dodie Tash

Paul Stockhausen

Stanley Shilling

Tammy McDonald

Shirley Shilling

Denny Verner

Carl Fahnestock

Bob Shannon

Bea Clark

Linda Remson

Jean Baughman Sue Lensbower

Doris Krieble

Greg Wilson

**Doug Price** 

Deb Hutsler

Thomas Clarke

Brenda Zullinger Marlene Fisher

Mary Royce

Phyllis Dusman

Floss Sterner

Curt Stambaugh

Cheryl Kelly Cameron

Greg wriso

#### **MEMBERS**

Neil, Michele, Morgan,

Dorothy Sentz Landon, and Brendan

Robert B. Shannon Robert E. Shannon

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\*\*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 18, 2024: \$258,269.43 Thank You!

## TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY & NNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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 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



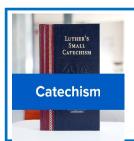
#### SPONSORS NEEDED WEEKLY

Sign-up on the bulletin board in the hallway or call the church office.

Please notate your dedication.

Thank you!

Altar Flowers	\$25+
Children's Bulletins	\$3
<b>Worship Bulletins</b>	\$35



A Confirmation 101 refresher class continues on Sunday at 9AM in the Lounge.

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

The next topic on March 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the Creed Part 2.

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

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Sunday - 2/25/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Library Preschool to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary Second Sunday in Lent RECYCLE PAPER DAY (PAPER ONLY)
Monday - 2/26/24	6 - 8:00 PM 7:00 - 8:30 PM	Bible and Brew Boy Troop - Scout Room
Tuesday - 2/27/24	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Stamp Club - Library Girl Troop Committee Meeting - Scout Room
Wednesday - 2/28/24	11:00 AM 5:30 PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Sewing Group - Carol H's Home Yoga - Lounge Soup Supper at Corpus Christi LARC Lenten Service at Corpus Christi
Thursday - 2/29/24		Digital Learning Day
Friday - 3/1/24	5:00 - 8:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM 8:00 - 10:00 PM	
Saturday - 3/2/24		Read across America Day
Sunday - 3/3/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Learning for all Ages: Confirmation 101 Refresher Class Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Library Preschool to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary Third Sunday in Lent



#### **Support this new Youth Fundraiser:**

Proceeds to support the Youth Gathering. The youth are selling quarts of homemade soup for the next 4 weeks after worship in the hallway. \$12 per quart. Return the jar from the previous week: \$10 per quart. Feb 25: Chicken Noodle; Mar 3: Ham & Bean; Mar 10: Stuffed Pepper; Mar 17: Vegetable Soup



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#### TRINITY STAFF TO SERVE YOU

**Pastor** The Rev. Barbara Barry Visitation Pastor The Rev. Ruth Smith **Director of Music Ministries** Robert Eyer, Jr. **Communications Secretary** Monica Crider Priscilla Cullinane Administrative Assistant Treasurer Dennis Alleman Financial Secretary Cindy Scanzello Livestream Coordinator Iason Brown

#### TRINITY CHURCH COUNCIL

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#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Kathy Ashway Ray Brindle Heidi Hawbaker Laura Pearce Ken Saylor David Wenerd

Wallace Whitworth

#### 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"