

Third 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.

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Sunday, March 3, 2024 Traditional Service with Holy Communion

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The commandments begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.

# WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

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

PRELUDE

"Come to Calvary's Mountain"

Smith

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**

## **ELW 723**

"Canticle of the Turning" ø with a My soul cries out joy ful shout that the 2 Though Ι am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . . of my heart God is great, and my spir - it sings of the work great. things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the bring won - drous things that you to the ones who wait. depths of the past to the end of the age to be. You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my Your ver name puts the proud shame, and to -У to 0. 7 did weak - ness you not spurn, so from east to west shall my those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the blest. Could the world turn? name be be a - bout to flight, for the world a - bout strong to is to turn. Refrain My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

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## **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, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only 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.

# WORD

## FIRST READING

## Exodus 20:1-17

After escaping from slavery, the Israelites come to Mount Sinai, where God teaches them how to live in community. The Ten Commandments proclaim that God alone is worthy of worship. Flowing from God, the life of the community flourishes when based on honesty, trust, fidelity, and respect for life, family, and property.

<sup>1</sup>God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

## **PSALMODY**

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

The commandment of the Lord gives light to the eyes. (Ps. 19:8)

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork. <sup>2</sup>One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another. <sup>3</sup>Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard, <sup>4</sup>their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun. <sup>3</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course. <sup>6</sup>It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat. <sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple. <sup>8</sup>The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes. <sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. <sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. <sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward. <sup>12</sup>Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults. <sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense. <sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

## **SECOND READING**

## 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The word of the cross is pure foolishness and nonsense to the world because it claims that God is mostly revealed in weakness, humiliation, and death. But through such divine foolishness and weakness, God is working to save us. The center of Paul's preaching is Christ crucified.

<sup>18</sup>The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

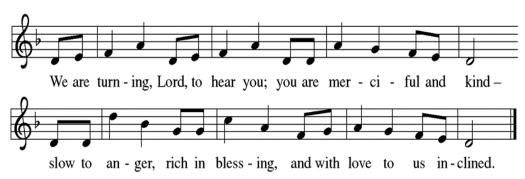
"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

Please stand as you are able.



## LENTEN ACCLAMATION

## GOSPEL

## John 2:13-22

Jesus attacks the commercialization of religion by driving merchants out of the temple. When challenged, he responds mysteriously, with the first prediction of his own death and resurrection. In the midst of a seemingly stable religious center, Jesus suggests that the center itself has changed.

*The Holy Gospel according to John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.* **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that Jesus had spoken.

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

Please be seated.

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## SERMON

Pastor Barb Barry

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.





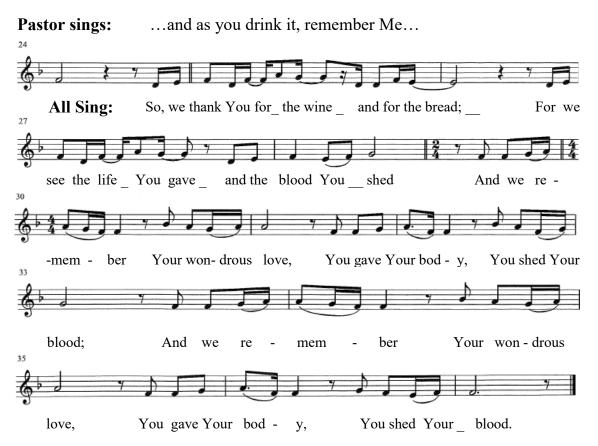
## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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



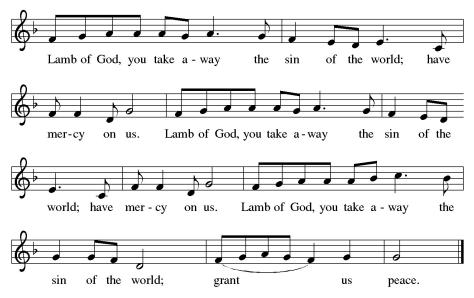
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**

**"Peace Be With You"** Senior Choir Butler

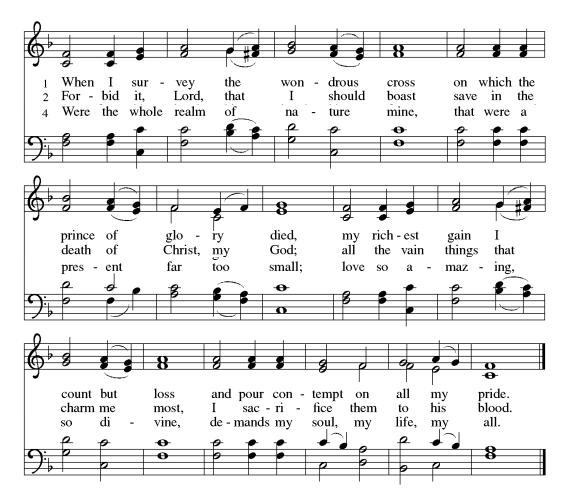


Please stand as you are able.

# COMMUNION BLESSING THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER THE BENEDICTION

**CLOSING HYMN** 

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

# SENDING

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.

## Thanks be to God.

*Please be seated.* **POSTLUDE** 

"Psalm XX"

Marcello

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Shirley Howard's Birthday by Libby and Mark Felix.



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:	
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Sunday, February 18, 2024:

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## Next week's Lessons:

Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21



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**SEWING GROUP** March 27, 2024 at 11 AM at Linda S's home. For more info call/email the church office.

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# IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

We Pray For

## FAMILY & FRIENDS

Jean Baughman	Diane S	terner	Greg Wilson		
Sharon Emmons	Dodie T	ash	Doug Price		
Joanne Forrester	Paul Sto	ockhausen	Deb Hutsler		
Angela Krom	Stanley	Shilling	Thomas Clarke		
Sam and Debbie Ree	der Tammy	McDonald	Brenda Zullinger		
Denny Alleman	Shirley	Shilling	Marlene Fisher		
Woody Payne	Denny V	Verner	Mary Royce		
Kathy Largent	Bob Sha	annon	Phyllis Dusman		
Kathy Hoffman	Bea Cla	rk	Floss Sterner		
PJ Snider	Linda R	emson	Curt Stambaugh		
Becky Morningstar	Sue Len	isbower	Cheryl Kelly		
Judy Wrights	Doris K	rieble	Cameron		
MEMBERS					
Joseph Sharar	oseph Sharar Donna Shetter		ley Harry, Margaret, and Robert Short		
**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 25, 2024: \$265,865.59 Amount received as of February 25: \$288,622.47 Thank You!

## TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MARCH SPECIAL OFFERING

Lutheran Camping Corp. & SpiriTrust Lutheran Home Care Endowment

One of our special benevolence appeals for the month of March is for Camp Nawakwa (Lutheran Camping Corporation). Each year members of Trinity attend camp or Confirmation retreat at Camp Nawakwa, Kirchenwald or Wittel Farm. It is a wonderful facility.

SpiriTrust Lutheran Home Care Endowment provides benevolent care resources that offer hope to individuals who, through no fault of their own, have outlived their financial resources and cannot afford the services they need. Gifts for these critical resources provide much needed services for hospice and home health clients. Your contributions to these appeals are greatly appreciated.



4856 Wayne Road, Chambersburg Father Allan Wolfe

## Dutch Mill Bulbs Fundraiser

Support BSA Troop 135

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

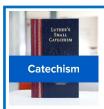
Show your support with the purchase of quality flower bulbs that ship right to you!

For more information, please check out the March Newsletter.



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. Mar 3: Ham & Bean; Mar 10: Stuffed Pepper; Mar 17: Vegetable Soup

Support this new Youth Fundraiser:



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 10th will be The Commandments. Come join us in deepening your understanding of the basics of faith and encounter Christ in exciting new ways.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY				
Sunday - 3/3/24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	<i>Learning for all Ages:</i> <i>Confirmation 101 Refresher Class</i> Confirmation - Cloud 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Library Preschool to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade - Nursery Worship - Sanctuary <i>Third Sunday in Lent</i>		
Monday - 3/4/24	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room		
Tuesday - 3/5/24	11:00 AM 6 - 9:00 PM 7:00 PM	Worship - Lounge Cub Scout Committee Meeting - Scout Room Property - Lounge		
Wednesday - 3/6/24	10:00 AM 5:30 PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Service - Lounge Yoga - Social Hall <i>Soup Supper at Trinity Episcopal</i> <i>LARC Lenten Service at Trinity Episcopal</i> <b>Choir - Sanctuary</b>		
Thursday - 3/7/24	6:30 - 8:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Girl Scouts - Scout Room and Library Grief Share - Lounge Learning - Cloud 9		
Friday - 3/8/24	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 - 3/9/24	9:30 AM - 12:30	Lounge Reserved		
Sunday - 3/10/24	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 Fourth Sunday in Lent		



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